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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5Section
APO 512

G-5: 091.1 Italy

8 February 1946

SUBJECT: Powers and Rights of Allied Force in
Italian Government Territory.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
APO 394

Reference your 2606/EC of December 1945 and AFHQ G-5:
091.1 Italy of December 1945.

1. It is ^{ED}considerable desirable to inform Military
Authorities of the locations and functions of A.C. officers so that they
are acquainted with their roles and where they can contact them.

2. Enclosed is a draft of the proposed circular letter to which
will be appended a location statement and a copy of your last instruction
to Liason officers. Will you please submit your comments on the draft
letter and amend the draft location statement to show where officers
detached from Liason Group Headquarters are located.

BY COMMAND OF LT. GENERAL MORGAN:

F.G.A PARSONS
Brigadier
Acting Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5

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Encls: as above.

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UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

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AG 201-P-Willmer, Henry G. (Br Off)

9 November 1945

SUBJECT: Presentation of Decoration.

TO : Public Health Sub-Commission. Attn: Col. Thomas N. Page
THRU : CO, Headquarters Command, AF

1. The recommendation initiated by you for an award to the individual named below has been approved:

a. Name of individual: Henry G. Willmer, Col. British Army, Venezia Region, Allied Commission.

b. Award: Medal of Freedom / with Bronze Palm

2. Inasmuch as a supply of these medals is not yet available, presentation of decoration is of necessity suspended until such time as medals are received at this headquarters.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL RIDGWAY:

/s/ A. R. Fell
/t/ A. R. FELL
WOJG, USA
Asst Adjutant General

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Hq Headquarters Command Allied Force, APO 512, US Army, 10 November 1945. MF/ng

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, AC, (Ovhd), APO 394, US Army.

/s/ M. F.
/t/ M. F.

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CAO/214/6

SUBJECT: Disposal of Captured Enemy Material in ITALY

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission to ITALY

1. Recently the Combined Chiefs of Staff authorized the disposal of all captured enemy material in the Mediterranean Theatre. This authority has been implemented by the publication of this HQ letter AG 386.3 Q(AE)-O dated 2 October 1945.

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(11) the representative in ITALY of the Ministry of Supply in the case of British material.

3. The objects of this policy are twofold, namely:-

(a) To relieve Allied Commands of the responsibility of guarding and maintaining large dumps of enemy material, thus effecting a large economy in our already overstrained manpower resources.

(b) To make available immediately to the Italian Government, large quantities of material which it is realized are urgently required in the re-establishment of the internal economy of ITALY.

4. In accordance with the policy laid down by CCS in FAN 487, namely to turn over control of Italian affairs progressively to the Italian Government, the Italian Government will be entirely responsible for receiving and disposing of the captured enemy material offered to it. Once such material has been declared surplus to Allied military requirements and accepted by the Italian Government, no Allied military or civilian agency or personnel should be involved in deciding how it is to be distributed; nor will they entertain requests for such material from private individuals or firms, who will be referred to whatever agency the Italian Government makes responsible for dealing with such requests.

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(c) announce publicly the names of the agencies so designated, the method by which they propose to dispose of the material and the correct procedure to be followed by private individuals and firms who wish to enquire about captured material.

(d) accept full responsibility for settling disputes as between varying claimants.

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(s)

A. C. DUFF
Major-General
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20 Oct 45
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AG 014.53 GEG-O

4 October 1945

SUBJECT :Confirmation of Death Sentences

TO :Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
APO 394

1. In accordance with letter of Field Marshal ALEXANDER, dated 15 December 1944, of which a copy is annexed hereto, the power to confirm sentences of death imposed by Allied Military Courts was delegated to Ellery W. STONE, Rear Admiral USN, Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission.

2. The said delegation will continue in full force and effect until revoked by authority of the Supreme Allied Commander.

BY COMMAND OF THE ACTING SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER:

C.W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General.1 Incl
Ltr, from Field Marshal
ALEXANDER to Ellery W. STONE,
dated 15 December 1944 (copy)

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28 September 1945

SUBJECT: Elections in Venezia Giulia

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. Reference your AC/45/19/LRG of 19 September 45.
2. Your views on the preparation of electoral lists for that part of Venezia Giulia administered by AMG are fully agreed. It is confirmed that there is no objection to obtaining the advice of Italian expert officials on technical questions of law and drafting.

(sgd for)

A. I. HAMBLEN

Brigadier General, GSC

Asst Chief of Staff, G-5

Copy to: AMG, Venezia Giulia
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AG 091.711/231 SACS-C

23 September 1945

SUBJECT: Interim Policy for Italian Air Force.

THRU: Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
APO 394TO: Air Vice-Marshal I. E. BRODIE, OBE
Air Forces Sub-Commission
Allied Commission

M.C. List

ACTION: Air Forces SC (12)

INFO: EAC (Comm) (12)

ECON SEC (12)

PART I. POLICY.

1. Without prejudice to the provisions of the peace terms, the following interim policy in respect of the Italian Air Force is to be adopted. In stipulating the interim policy; i.e., the policy to be adopted between the cessation of hostilities in Europe and the announcement of the peace terms of Italy, the assistance given by Italy in the later stages of the war against Germany has been taken into consideration. It had been the intention of the Allies to ground the whole of the Italian Air Force, except for essential Air Transport Services and Air/Sea Rescue; that policy has, however, been considerably modified in favor of the Italian Air Force.

2. The underlying principle to be adopted is to allow Italian air crew to keep in flying practice and in doing so to make the best use of the flying they will be permitted to do.

3. The provisions of the interim policy are as follows:

a. The Italian Air Force Courier Services. In order to overcome the serious transportation difficulties in Italy, the Italian Air Force will use such aircraft as directed by the Air Forces Sub-Commission on Courier Services. The Courier Services to the South of Rome are primarily for the benefit of Italian officials and persons connected with Government business, and secondly for Allied officials, most of whom would be of the Allied Commission. The Courier Services to the North from Rome are primarily for the benefit of the Allied Commission, secondly for Allied officers of the Allied forces, and thirdly for Italian Government officials and persons requiring transportation on Government service. For these purposes, in addition to transport aircraft of the Italian Air Force, such seaplanes and bombers as are required by the Air Forces Sub-Commission, may be used to reinforce the inadequate number of transport aircraft available.

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- b. The Italian Seaplanes will be primarily employed on air/sea rescue services, together with such boats, crews and marine craft as will be made available to the Italian Air Force.
- c. Aircraft allotted by the Allies will be on loan. They are in no way to be considered as having been finally handed over to the Italians, and indeed the Allies reserve the right to withdraw those allotted at any time. In effect, therefore, the P-39's, the Spitfires and the Baltimores already allotted to the Italian Air Force will be loaned to the Italian Air Force but aircraft wastage is unlikely to be replaced; spare parts and components will, however, continue to be supplied to the Italian Air Force under existing arrangements through the Air Forces Sub-Commission as required in order to permit of the Allied type aircraft in the Italian Air Force having a useful life; spare parts and components will not, however, be supplied in bulk, but only as required.
- d. The Allied type Bomber Aircraft (Baltimores) will be converted to passenger carrying aircraft as required by the Air Forces Sub-Commission to augment essential courier services. The two Baltimore Squadrons are, therefore, to be trained and exercised in the transport role; no bombing or air firing practice will be permitted. Those aircrew who are not engaged on courier services will be limited to a maximum of 10 hours flying per crew per month; this restriction is imposed, in order, so far as possible, to conserve petrol and oil and yet let the aircrews maintain their efficiency in flying and navigation.
- e. Fighter aircraft will be concentrated, as far as is practicable, in one place. Fighter pilots will be restricted to a maximum of 6 hours flying per month.
- f. The air material captured in the North of Italy which is of use in maintaining the existing Italian Air Force, will be handed over to the Italian Air Force as required and at the discretion of the Air Forces Sub-Commission. No matter what the origin of this material, it must not be regarded as the property of the Italian Air Force until such time as authorization from the Air Forces Sub-Commission for its use by the Italian Air Force is given; the immediate detailed policy is laid down in letter AFSC/655/EG of the 30th June.
- g. The aircraft factories and material in the North will be permitted to complete the manufacture of certain aircraft and a small amount of factory space will be allotted to the Italian Air Force to overhaul aircraft already in use; immediate detailed policy is contained in letter AFSC/829/ENG of the 22d June, 1945.
- h. Equipment Depots. It is the intention that, so far as practicable, all air material, whether in the South or North of Italy, will be concentrated in as few depots as possible.

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i. Ab-initio or primary flying training will not be permitted, but refresher flying training may be carried out at the discretion of the Air Forces Sub-Commission.

j. Ground Courses for Officers and Flying Personnel. Administrative and disciplinary training of personnel in the Italian Air Force, especially those in the fighter squadrons, should be started, not only to improve the individual standard, but to keep them occupied. Likewise it is desirable that engine handling courses be started in order that the most economical use is made of petrol and oil. Similarly, Flying Control Courses should be started in order to raise the standard of aircraft safety and discipline. All these and any other ground training courses are to be organized and administered by the Italian Air Force without the material assistance of the Allies in personnel, but the Air Forces Sub-Commission will advise the Italian Air Ministry.

k. On matters of personnel, organization and administration, the Air Forces Sub-Commission will continue to advise the Italian Air Ministry, and will also supervise the Italian Air Force to ensure that the interim policy is complied with. The Air Forces Sub-Commission will also assist the Italian Air Force, as far as is practicable, to ensure a high standard of maintenance and aircraft safety.

l. Bases and airfields to be used or maintained. When an airfield is de-requisitioned by the Allies, it will normally be turned over to agricultural purposes, unless required specifically for use by the Italian Air Force; each airfield will be considered on its individual merits and instructions issued accordingly.

m. Surplus personnel within the stipulated ceiling (now 31,000) and not essential to the maintenance of the Italian Air Force are to be declared to the Air Forces Sub-Commission in order that they may work directly under the Allies in Italy.

4. e. It is the intention that the Italian Air Force shall be self-supporting in every way, except in petrol and oil and perhaps in the supply of new aircraft, but each branch will be supervised by the Allied authorities in order that international standards may be attained, and that the provisions of the interim policy be complied with; this includes aircraft maintenance, signals organization and meteorological organization.

b. No policy as regards the future of the Italian Air Force, nor of Civil Aviation, nor the supply of replacement aircraft can, at this time, be given, but the decisions of the High Allied authorities will be communicated to the Italian Government in due course. A decision concerning future intakes at the Italian Air Force Cadet College will be communicated separately.

5. It must be clearly understood that there is no intention, nor likelihood, of the strength of the Italian Air Force being in any way increased, and it is reiterated that the above stated policy is without prejudice to the peace terms.

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PART II. IMPLICATIONS ARISING FROM THE INTERIM POLICY STATED ABOVE.

6. In order that the policy stated above may be most efficiently and quickly effected, it is desired that, as soon as you are ready, the various implications should be discussed by the Air Forces Sub-Commission with representatives of the Mediterranean Allied Air Committee. The following subjects are recommended for discussion as part of a proposed agenda:

a. Without going much into detail, review of the personnel required in the Italian Air Force to man and guard authorized units, bases, and depots, with special reference to:

- (1) The organization of the Air Ministry down to the ZONA AREA TERRITORIALE level, with a view to bringing about greater efficiency through cutting down all redundant branches and formations; for example, closing down of Unita Area and re-disposing some of their duties to the Air Ministry and others to 4th ZONA AREA TERRITORIALE.
- (2) Formation of a Council at the Air Ministry with a view to coordinating the work of the various branches of the Air Ministry.
- (3) The retirement of surplus Senior Officers; disposal of air-crew personnel who wish to return to civilian life; disposal of air gunners and their training as flight engineers or wireless operators.

b. Review of personnel, and in particular specialists, as it would seem that the strength of the Italian Air Force is larger than required for the commitments above. The basic figure to be taken in this review is the authorized ceiling of 31,000.

c. Closing down of FROSINONE O.T.U. as it seems unnecessary any longer to train any more aircrews for Allied type aircraft, there probably being sufficient already trained, and the likelihood of the Allied type aircraft diminishing in numbers through wastage. But there may be a necessity to add increased training facilities on operational type aircraft, and if so this might be best done in the Flying Refresher School at present situated at LEVERANO but moving to LECCE. Consideration should be given to the desirability (if any) of converting some pilots now in Fighter Units to the Air Transport Courier role.

d. Formation of an Air Stores Park in which to place reserve aircraft. With the commitments announced in the interim policy, it would seem that it would be profitable to withdraw a number of aircraft from squadrons and place them in properly organized maintenance units, such as an Air Stores Park.

e. Closing down of all redundant workshops and airfields with a view to economizing in personnel, except where it is essential to retain a guard to save buildings from being damaged by civilians. In this connection it may be economical to lease any such buildings to civilians or civilian firms.

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22 September 1945.

ALLIED FORCE LOCAL RESOURCES (ITALIAN) BOARD

MINUTES

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ATTENDANCE:

Chief Commissioner, ALCOM } Joint
D/C.A.O., AFHQ } Chairmen

G-4 (A), AFHQ
G-5 AFHQ

Vice-President, Economic Section, ALCOM.

REPRESENTATIVES OF:

C-in-C Med.
C-in-C, RAF, MED and MID-EAST.
Q (Maint), AFHQ
CG, MTOUSA
USAAF/MTO

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chairmen of:

Labour & Wages Control Committee.
Materials Committee

Chief of Section (US), AFIRS (AFHQ)
DAQMG, AFIRS (AFHQ)
FA., RAF

REPRESENTATIVE OF:

DES., AFHQ

68. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

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DES., AFHQ

68. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the twenty-fifth meeting held on 4 AUG 45 were received and approved.

69. TIMBER CUTTING

A report submitted by AFIRS, in accordance with minute 64(a) of the last meeting of the Board, on the timber cutting activities of the Allied Forces in ITALY was received and accepted.

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70. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES(a) Materials Committee

Meeting of 20 AUG 45. The following items are deleted from the list of controlled and restricted items:-

1. Leather and all leather articles (w.e.f. 1 OCT 45)
2. Matches.

(b) Electric Power Committee

Meeting of 25 AUG 45. Accepted and approved. The Board accepted the recommendation made by the Committee regarding the restoration of the fuel oil supply to the MAPLES Thermal Plants to its previous level. It was noted that the completion date for the repairs to the transmission line connecting Central to Southern ITALY was now estimated to be 26 OCT 45.

(c) Food Supply Committee

Meeting of 22 AUG 45. Accepted and approved.

(d) Labour & Wages Control Committee

Meeting of 23 AUG 45.

The recommendation in respect of the abolition of the present Supplementary Ration Cards was approved.

The recommendations of the Committee in respect of the minutes of meetings of Local Sub-Committees were approved.

The Board considered the findings of the Joint Military Finance Committee regarding pay in lieu of notice. It was agreed that G-4 AFHQ in conjunction with HQ ALOOM would prepare an instruction notifying all concerned that pay in lieu of notice is not authorized and that employing units should give adequate notice of cessation of employment to their civilian employees.

The HQ PBS proposal on the computation of overtime and the findings of the Joint Military Finance Committee thereon, were considered by the Board and it was decided to refer this matter back to the Labour & Wages Control Committee for further consideration.

The changes in membership as recommended were approved.

(e) Labour & Wages Control Committee

Meeting of 5 SEP 45. Accepted and approved.

71. CONTINUATION OF ACTIVITIES OF THE AMER (I) BOARD

A proposal regarding the cessation of the activities of the Board and its Committees was received from HQ ALOOM.

(b) Electric Power Committee

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(e) Labour & Wages Control Committee

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71. CONTINUATION OF ACTIVITIES OF THE AFHQ (I) BOARD

A proposal regarding the cessation of the activities of the Board and its Committees was received from HQ AIGCM.

The Board instructed the Chairman of the Committees as follows:

(a) Materials Committee

&

Food Supply Committee

to clear up any outstanding business and where applicable to recommend procedures for dealing with those matters previously handled by the Committee.

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(b) Electric Power Committee

To clear up any outstanding business and to submit a recommendation on the procedure to be adopted to ensure the satisfaction of military requirements of electric power in the future with particular reference to the NAPLES area.

(c) Labour & Wages Control Committee

To recommend procedures for the continuation of all actions performed by this Committee when the Board is dissolved.

A suggestion was submitted by the Joint Chairmen for the consideration of the Committee to the effect that the Committee might continue as at present constituted and its recommendations submitted to the C.A.O., AFHQ and Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, for their approval prior to becoming effective.

The above recommendations to be submitted by the Secretariat to the Joint Chairmen of the Board.

72. ALLIED FORCE LOCAL RESOURCES SECTION

A.F.L.R.S. (AFHQ) reported that the question of the desirability or otherwise of continuing its activities was at present under review and that a report on this subject would be submitted to C.A.O., AFHQ.

73. NEXT MEETING

The Board's adjourned since die and will be re-assembled at the notice of the Joint Chairman.

THOMAS R. GIBON, Colonel, AUS,
Chief of Section (US),
A.F.L.R.S.

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The Board is adjourned sine die and will be re-assembled at the notice of the Joint Chairman.

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22 September 1945

SUBJECT: Incident Involving Vehicle No. AC 2020.

TO : Major General A. Vasiliev,
Soviet Representative to the
Advisory Council for ITALY.Reference is made to your letter No. 308 dated 30 August
1945.

1. The investigation of this incident was delayed because of difficulty experienced in interviewing you and members of your party who were involved.
2. The final report of the investigating authorities shows that your car approached the Military Police post travelling at 50-60 miles per hour, at which speed recognition was, naturally, impossible. Your car did not stop when signalled to do so by the Military Policeman on duty at the post. In an effort to enforce compliance with his signals, the Military Policeman therefore fired several shots.
3. It is requested that, in order to avoid such incidents, you should ensure that your driver complies with signals made to him by Military Police in the course of their duties.

For the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater:

W. D. MORGAN,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

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W.D. Morgan

19 September 1945.

SUBJECT: Incident Involving Major General VASILIEV and
U. S. Military Police.

TO : Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.

1. Reference is made to your letter CC 1050 to the Chief
of Staff dated 7 September 1945.

2. Attached for your information is a letter from the
Chief of Staff to General VASILIEV replying to an identical
complaint received direct from the Soviet Representative to
the Advisory Council.

For and in the absence of Colonel EASTON:

1 Incl;
As above.

J. G. SWEETMAN,
Lt. Colonel, G.S.,
Deputy Secretary to Supreme Allied Commander.

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4. Any other business.
5. To set a date for the next meeting.

Handwritten notes:
AFHQ
A. M. W. H. H.

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ALLIED FORCE LOCAL RESOURCES SECTION (AFHS)

10 September 1945

Report on Timber Operations of
the Allied Forces in Italy.

1. Timber is being obtained by the Allied Forces from the following areas:-
- (a) CALABRIA, in the two areas, one American, one British, reserved for the military.
 - (b) LECORNO, on the property of the Duke of SALVIATI (U.S. Zone).
 - (c) UDINE Province, north of the town of UDINE (Br Zone).
 - (d) Provinces of BELLUNO, TRENTO and BOLZANO.

2. CALABRIAU.S. Zone

Lumbering operations amounting to the extraction of some 10,000 tons monthly of timber are being conducted by experienced lumbermen in accordance with the best practices in the U.S. Only those trees are felled which are marked by the Italian Forestry Service. U.S. lumbering operations here will cease not later than 15 September 45.

British Zone

Wherever possible the wishes of the local Italian Forestry Officers regarding the actual area to be felled have been followed. Selective felling has not, however, always been possible due to labour, plant and transport difficulties. Every effort has been made by the Forestry Companies operating under command of D.E.S., AFHQ, and manned by personnel who were experts on timber felling in civilian life, to keep any damage to the minimum.

3. LECORNO

Total requirements for the months of August and September are 2,720 tons, and cutting will cease by 15 September 45.

The SALVIATI Administration has been requested to mark the trees it desired cut, but as the trees selected were generally not suitable for sawing into lumber, P.B.S. has been unable to comply with its wishes. PBS has offered to place the employees of the Duke of SALVIATI on the U.S. payroll at standard wages, but the offer was refused.

It is the opinion of PBS that there should be no loss of employment for local labour as a result of the lumbering operations. Only a small part of the forest is being cut and considerable labour will be required to harvest the unusable parts felled trees and to replant the area. Normal conditions prevail in the greater part of the forest.

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4. UDINE Province

The controlled area in UDINE is being operated by D.E.S., AFHQ, and timber is being obtained by contract, the Forest owners themselves control and carry out the selective felling.

5. Provinces of BELLUNO, TRENTO & BOLZANO

This area was originally under 5th Army control and was subsequently passed to PBS control. No general block on timber exists in this area. PBS has however taken over some 55,000 tons of lumber in stockpiles at the various mills. No military cutting of timber is taking place in these Provinces.

6. It is reported by U.S. and British Engineer Services that such timber as is being obtained elsewhere than from the above localities is in such small quantities as to be negligible.

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SUBJECT: Controlled Materials

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Rome Area Allied Command
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TO : CAO., AFHQ Joint Chairman AFIR (Italian)

Board.

: Chief Commissioner HQ ALCON., Joint Chairman
AFIR (Italian) Board.

Telephone: ROME 66275

22 August 45

1. At the meeting of the Lumber Sub-Committee established by minute 10 of the meeting of the Materials Committee held on 20 August 45, the following recommendations were made affecting the list of controlled materials:-

(a) That timber, in that part of the Province of UDINE lying to the North of UDINE plus the area enclosed by map references B 8460 - B 7360 - B 8080 - C 0980 (sheet 3 Italy Road Map 1 : 200,000), and subject to local industry being maintained, be added to the list of controlled materials.

and

(b) That the item "Plywood" as at present on the controlled list be defined as "Plywood of a thickness of 6 mm or more except Plywood specifically produced for aircraft construction. (Plywood of less than 6 mm thickness and all plywood specifically produced for aircraft construction cease to be controlled materials.)"

2. The above recommendations have been approved by the Chairman of the Materials Committee and are passed to you for interim action for the following reasons. In the case of 1(a) DES., AFHQ has an urgent increased timber commitment to meet which cannot be satisfied from the Calabrian forests. In the case of 1 (b) the storage capacity in the works of Plywood manufacturers in Northern Italy is filled and production has ceased due to the stocks of Plywood held being in many instances under 6 mm thickness and unsuitable for military use. The freeing of Plywood of less than 6 mm thickness will permit of supplies of suitable Plywood being obtained by furniture manufacturers.

3. May this Section please be informed of your ruling so that in the event of your agreement all concerned can be notified in accordance with AFHQ letter AG 583.8/159 CAC-0 of 7 June 1945.

/s/ THOMAS R. GIBSON, Colonel, AUS.
Chief of Section (US)
A.F.L.R.S.

/s/ B.K. MICHAELSON, Lt. Col.,
Chief of Section (PR).
A.F.L.R.S.

Copy to: Chairman,
Materials Committee.

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3. May this Section please be informed of your ruling so that in the event of your agreement all concerned can be notified in accordance with AFHQ letter AG 383.8/159 CAO-0 of 7 June 1945.

/s/ THOMAS R. GIBSON, Colonel, AUS.
Chief of Section (IS)
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/s/ B.E. MICHAELSON, Lt. Col.,
Chief of Section (Pr).
A.F.L.R.S.

Copy to: Chairman,
Materials Committee.

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Major General M. J. DPP
Chief Administrative Officer,
Allied Force Headquarters,
C. I. F.

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20 Aug 45

Dear Admiral Stone,

I am writing in order to put before you certain proposals which seem to me to be of considerable importance. They originated in discussions held from London some weeks ago, and meanwhile there has been some explanatory discussion here.

In brief, the proposal is that ACHS should set up a small office on a joint British-American basis in London, and that the heads of this office should be prepared to represent officially and on a view however such representation is necessary or desirable. ACHS has always maintained a fair office in London, and we suspect that they have derived benefit by doing so, and sometimes it seems to be exposed.

I must admit I am not sure why this should be of any immediate interest to you or to the Italian Government, but I think that in fact the most important part of the duties of this office would be the representation of those of ACHS's interests which are also - incidentally - Italian.

During the last few weeks, various international committees have come into being, and of these the two most important are EC and ECTA. You probably know what their proposed functions are. EC - European Coal Organisation - is concerned with the production and distribution of coal throughout Europe. ECTA - European Central Inland Transport Organisation - is charged with the co-ordination of inland transport throughout Europe. Both of these Committees have executive functions as well as the duties of co-ordination, and in the coming six months these executive functions seem likely to be of considerable importance. On both these Committees the Allied nations are represented, but Italy is not represented and cannot be directly represented until such time as the Peace Treaty with Italy is signed. Italy is vitally interested in these questions - in coal in particular - and there is danger of her case going by default.

Our suggestion, therefore, is that ACHS should set up an office in London on a joint British-American basis. To this office I consider that there should be attached a nucleus of Italian observers representative of the Italian Government. These Italians would hold a watching brief, would be kept fully in the picture of what was going on, and would prepare themselves to take over the responsibilities as soon as the Peace Treaty with Italy is signed. Meanwhile, the senior British and American representatives would have to be officers of a certain seniority, and the level of Brigadier or Colonel seems appropriate. Which individuals should be selected would be a matter for discussion, but on the British side I feel that we can produce no officer so well qualified as Brigadier Apperly if he could be relieved of his present duties.

Would you turn this over and, if you think fit, consult informally with the Italian Government? If next week you are coming in to a SACM meeting, perhaps you would be able to discuss the question with me afterwards. If, on the other hand, there is no SACM meeting next week, would you either let me have a written answer or pay me a visit for the purpose.

Yours very sincerely,

/s/ A. C. DUFF

Dear Admiral Melery W. STONE, RAN
N1 Allied Commission,
CLF

Major General A.S. DUFF
Chief Administrative Officer.
Allied Force Headquarters.
C.M.F.

CAO/117

20 Aug 45

Dear Admiral Stone,

I am writing in order to put before you certain proposals which seem to me to be of considerable importance. They originated in suggestions made from LONDON some weeks ago, and meanwhile there has been some exploratory discussion here.

In brief, the proposal is that SACMED should set up a small office on a joint British-American basis in LONDON, and that the heads of this office should be prepared to represent officially SACMED's views whenever such representation is necessary or desirable. SHAEF has always maintained a rear office in LONDON, and we suspect that they have derived benefit by doing so, and sometimes at SACMED's expense.

At first sight it may not appear why this should be of any immediate interest to you or to the Italian Government, but I think that in fact the most important part of the duties of this rear office would be the representation of those of SACMED's interests which are also - incidentally - Italian.

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Yours very sincerely,

/s/ A. C. DUFF

Rear Admiral Ellery W. STONE, USN
HQ Allied Commission,
CMF

9 August 1945

SUBJECT: Commitments Signed by the President of the Italian Council of Ministers.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394,
(Attn: Chief Commissioner).

With reference to your 301/143/EC of 5 August it is agreed that the phrase "The Armistice and Surrender instrument" contained in the obligation signed by Professor Parri dated 22 June 1945 may be amended to read "The Armistice and the Additional Conditions of Armistice of September 29 1943"

On receipt from you of an amended signed document from Professor Parri this will be sent to the Combined Chiefs of Staff for record purposes. In the meantime, the facts are being reported to the Combined Chiefs of Staff by signal of which you will receive an information copy.

By Command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:

W.D. MORGAN
Lieutenant General
Chief of Staff

cc: DIST:
Pol Advar (A)
Pol Advar (B)
CA Section

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7 August 1945

My dear Admiral,

Reference is made to your letter of 27 July regarding the acceptance of Italian decorations by American officers of the Allied Commission. In accordance with your request this question has been re-examined. As a result thereof the Commanding General MTOUSA has approved certain modifications of policy which will now permit your American officers to accept decorations from the Italian Government provided previous clearance to such acceptance is given by Headquarters MTOUSA. I suggest, therefore, that you now refer to Headquarters MTOUSA your recommendations for any such awards as may be pending.

In view of the above you should now feel free to accept the award of the Order of Grand Cordon of the Order of St. Maurizio and St. Lazzaro, which the Italian Government has indicated that it desires to present to you and which has been duly cleared by the U. S. Navy Department as indicated by the correspondence which accompanied the above-mentioned letter. This correspondence is being retained at Headquarters MTOUSA for purposes of record.

My heartiest congratulations to you on this well-earned and richly-deserved award.

Sincerely,

L. L. LEMNITZER,
Major General, G.S.C.,
Deputy Chief of Staff.

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone, USNR,
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4 August 45

ALLIED FORCE LOCAL RESOURCES (ITALIAN) BOARD

MINUTES

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G-5, AFHQ

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Q (Aint), AFHQ
CG, INTOUSA
Vice President, Economic Section, ALCOM

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chairmen of:

Food Supply Committee
Labour & Wages Control Committee
Miscellaneous Purposes Committee
Electric Power Committee

Chief of Section (US), AFRS (AFHQ)
ACMG, AFRS (AFHQ)
FA., RAF

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63. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

The minutes of the twenty-fourth meeting held on 2 JUN 45 were received and approved.

64. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES:(a) Engineering Materials Committee

Meetings of 18 JUN 45 and 16 JUL 45. Accepted and approved.
The following items are deleted from the list of controlled

materials :-

1. Tin
2. Solder
3. White Metal

The Board ruled that all requests for military exports from ITALY should be submitted to AFIRS (AFHQ) for clearance with HQ ALCOM.

/.....If no objections

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If no objections are raised by HQ AICOM, AFERS (AFHQ) will submit the demand to the appropriate Committee for allocation in accordance with the established policy of the Allied Force Local Resources (Italian) Board.

AFERS (AFHQ) undertook to investigate the present situation regarding the timber-cutting programmes of the Allied Forces with a view to ensuring that cutting is so apportioned as to utilise the whole of the timber resources of Italy rather than those of certain areas only.

(b) Electric Power Committee.

Meetings of 23 JUN 45 and 21 JUL 45. Accepted and approved.

In view of the situation regarding the supply of electric power in Southern Italy the Board considered that a meeting should be convened by HQ 3 District, at which representatives from HQ AICOM, the Italian Government and interested military services should be present. The purpose of the meeting to be to examine the present distribution of the electric power allocated by the Electric Power Committee to Southern Italy and to consider whether a redistribution of military and civilian loads can be made to effect a reduction in the existing demands and so permit of present outstanding requirements being satisfied.

(c) Miscellaneous Purposes Committee.

Meetings of 19 JUN 45 and 17 JUL 45. Accepted and approved.

The Board viewed with appreciation the progress now being made in amassing hump in Northern Italy.

In view of the decision of the Board in minute 65 below the recommendation made in minute 77 of the meeting of the Miscellaneous Purposes Committee held on 19 JUN 45 was withdrawn.

(d) Food Supply Committee.

Meetings of 20 JUN 45 and 18 JUL 45. Accepted and approved.

G-4 (A), AFHQ stated that :-

(i) QM MTOUSA would not be obtaining further supplies of fresh vegetables on a replacement basis and that future purchases would be limited to spot surpluses.

(ii) Pulses would be made available to the Italian Government in exchange for such fresh vegetables as were obtained on an exchange basis during the months of June and July.

(e) Labour & Wages Control Committee.

Meeting of 26 JUN 45. Accepted and approved.

The Board decided that the formation of Workers' Internal Commissions with certain defined activities should be encouraged in plants operating under the control of the Allied Forces.

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Meetings of 23 JUN 45 and 24 JUN 45. Accepted and approved.
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 AFHQ (AFHQ) was directed to prepare a letter, in conjunction with the Director of Labour Sub Commission HQ ALCOM, defining the activities of the Workers' Internal Commissions, informing military commanders of the above decision and directing that the facts of any cases of refusal of permission for the establishment of Workers' Internal Commissions be forwarded to AFHQ (AFHQ). The AFHQ (AFHQ) letter to be submitted to the Joint Chairmen of the Board for approval prior to distribution.

Meeting of 19 JUL 45. Accepted and approved.
 The Board instructed the Committee to consider the modification of the existing regulations regarding the dismissal of employees and the non payment of dismissal bonuses in lieu of notice with a view to establishing a procedure more in keeping with the recognized practice in the employment of labour. If the Committee considers it necessary the Joint Chairmen of the Board are prepared to take interim action on the recommendations on this subject.

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65. FORMATION OF THE MATERIALS COMMITTEE.

The Board decided to dissolve the Engineering Materials Committee and the Miscellaneous Purposes Committee. The functions of these two Committees would be undertaken by the Materials Committee, constitution of which is as follows :-

Chairman:

Brigadier D.L. ANDERSON, C.B.E.
(Deputy Vice President Economic Section, ALCON)

Members:

C-in-C, Med
Ord (Br), AFHQ
IES, AFHQ
CG, MTOUSA
Ord, MTOUSA
QI, MTOUSA
CE, MTOUSA
AAFSC/MTO
214 Group RAF
HQ, ALCON

The first meeting of the Materials Committee will be held at 0930 hours on Monday, 20 August 1945.

66. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting of the Board will be held at 1130 hours on Saturday, 22 September 1945 in the AFERS (AFHQ) Conference Room, 2nd Floor, 68 Piazza dell' Isedra, ROME.

THOMAS R. GIBSON, Col., AUS.
Chief of Section (US).
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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

AG 221.02/500 C-0

30 July 1945

SUBJECT: Allotment of Grades and Ratings.

TO : Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, AC, (Ovhd)
Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force

1. Effective immediately, promotions of officers and enlisted personnel are authorized within your unit, subject to restrictions set forth in paragraph 2 and 3 below. These restrictions do not apply to second lieutenants and privates.

2. a. Based on the current authorized strength for your organization as compared to the currently assigned strength, you are hereby authorized the following grades and ratings from promotion purposes. Current allotment of personnel letters will be amended accordingly by this headquarters.

<u>Officers</u>		<u>Enlisted Grades</u>	
*Colonel	20	1st Grade	20
Lt Colonel	45	2d Grade	50
Major	100	3d Grade	80
Captain	175	4th Grade	135
Lieut	192	5th Grade	250
	—	6th & 7th Grade	<u>534</u>
Total	532		1069

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*Includes General Officers

b. Promotions may be made only when a vacancy exists in the appropriate or specific grade. Any overages caused by current assignment must be absorbed by normal attrition.

c. Recommendations for promotion will include the above figures as the current authorized strength.

3. a. For purposes of promotion, a vacancy may be considered to exist when an officer or enlisted person has been designated for release by name, and orders have been issued setting release date. Any such individual selected for release by the unit or activity, or considered for release, will not be considered eligible

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b. Personnel assigned to units or activities that are under orders for discontinuance will not be considered eligible for promotion.

4. In exceptional cases where it is considered that personnel of units or activities are deserving of promotion because of the nature and manner of performance of their particular duties, and vacancies do not exist, recommendations may be submitted, together with full justification, for consideration by this headquarters.

5. Any previous instructions that are in conflict with the provisions of this letter are hereby rescinded.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MCNARNEY:

/s/ C. W. Christenberry
C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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3. It must, however, be borne in mind that AIG, as the only agency authorized to freeze stocks of materials in the forward area, has powers to freeze items additional to those shown in the list of Controlled and Restricted Items drawn up by the AFER (ITALIAN) BOARD.
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Small paper sacks 35,000 Each

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Zinc white	9,900 Kgs.
Litopone	3,400 "
Byssus white	6,000 "
Baryta	8,500 "
Neudon white	18,500 "
Red lead	1,040 "
Ceruse of lead	2,050 "
Peroxide of manganese	310 "
Litharge	460 "
"Prussian" blue	200 "
Ultramarine	400 "
Chrome yellow	102 "
Chrome yellow, diluted	100 "
Ivory black 1749	310 "
Ivory black 1431	460 "
Iron oxide	900 "
Zinc green	102 "
Mica	110 "
Caseine	340 "
Black pitch	540 "
Albertol	200 "
Manilla glue	704 "
Congo glue	500 "
Standoil	960 "
Vegetable oil	2,500 "
"Larus" special varnish	1,000 "
Solvent C.L. 112	3,600 "
Denatured alcohol	150 "
Paint diluting material	1,500 "
Material to take off varnish	400 "
Essence of Turpentine	1,300 "
Varnishes in process of manufacture	2,300 "
Mixtures for sundry paints	5,200 "

At METALLURGICA FELTRINA S.P.A., Viale del Grappa, 3, Feltre. (Belluno Prov.) 5047

Aluminium:	
Plates & strips	4,000 Kgs.
Wires & cables	10,000 "
Alloys:	
Plates & strips	20,000 Kgs.
Rods & tubes	7,000 "
Wires & cables	3,000 "

At F.I.A.S., FABBR. ITALIANA APPARECCHI SOLLEVAMENTO SOC. AN. Via Pitteri 62/64, Milano.

300 Each

Litharge
 "Prussian" blue
 Ultramarine
 Chrome yellow
 Chrome yellow, diluted
 Ivory black 1749
 Ivory black 1431
 Iron oxide
 Zinc green
 Mica
 Caseine
 Black pitch
 Albertol
 Manilla glue
 Congo glue
 Standoil
 Vegetable oil
 "Larus" special varnish
 Solvent C.I. 112
 Denatured alcohol
 Paint diluting material
 Material to take off varnish
 Essence of Turpentine
 Varnishes in process of manufacture
 Mixtures for sundry paints

450 "
 200 "
 400 "
 102 "
 100 "
 310 "
 460 "
 900 "
 102 "
 110 "
 340 "
 540 "
 200 "
 704 "
 500 "
 960 "
 2,500 "
 1,000 "
 3,600 "
 150 "
 1,500 "
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 1,300 "
 2,300 "
 5,200 "

At METALLURGICA FELTRINA S.P.A., Viale del Graupa, 3, Feltre. (Belluno Prov.) **3047**

Aluminium:
 Plates & strips 4,000 Kgs.
 Wires & cables 10,000 "
 Alloys:
 Plates & strips 20,000 Kgs.
 Rods & tubes 7,000 "
 Wires & cables 3,000 "

At F.I.A.S., FABBR. ITALIANA APPARECCHI SOLLEVAMENTO SOC. AN., Via Pitteri 62/64, Milano.

Chain, lifting 300 Each.

At OFFICINE MECCANICHE FABBRE e GAGLIARDI VELOX SOC. RIUNITE, 137 Via Ripamonte, Milan.

Bicycles 500 Each

At SOC. AN CEMENTIFERA LIGURE, SALITA SANTA BRIGIDA, 8/3, Genoa.

Lime (hydraulic) 2,100 Tons

At IND. CHILICHE MINIO MURANO RAPINI, S. Marco 2516, Venice.

Lead minium	34 Tons
Impure minium	9 "
Minium substitute	11 1/2 "
Lead litharge	5 "
Iron oxide	35 "
Manganese bioxide	2 "

At FORNACI ING. MARIO SCARPARI, Contarina, (Rovigo Prov.).

Common bricks	950,000 Each
Pierced bricks (2 holes)	25,000 "
" " (4 holes)	3,000 "
" blocks, 13x26x26	75,000 "
Holed bricks, 25 x 40	11,000 "
" " , 25 x 50	8,000 "
" " , 45 cm.	90,000 "
Large tiles, 80 cm.	2,500 "
" " , 90 cm.	1,500 "
" " , 100 cm.	1,000 "
Large pierced blocks of reinforced concrete	6,500 "

At FORNACI LATERTI DI RAPALLO, Works at Rapallo; Office Via Roccatagliata Ceccardi, 3/10, Genoa.

Solid bricks	108,000 Each
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At TAR DISTILLERY - DELEPAIN RAPPALE, Lungo Torrente Secca, 20, Genoa/San Quirico.

Naval pitch	20 Tons
Naphthaline	2 "
Yellow vaseline	12 "

At DITTA TOMMASO BOLLO, Via S. Lucca, 3 a/l, Genoa.

Distilled tar	15 Tons
Sublimated (refined) naphthaline	5 "

At "INFRA" SOCIETA' IN ACCORDATA SEPRICE - W.A. LOWINCKEL & C., Via Piandilucco 11, Genoa Fraz. Pegli.

Water heaters for steam heating installations	1,125 Each.
Hot water boilers steam heating installations	87 "
Steam boilers for industrial plants	13 "
Flanges in wrought iron, with threaded collar for hot water, gas & low pressure steam pipes	114,415 "
Sundry iron casks	930 "

At CARTIERA ROSSI, Arsiero, (Venezia Prov.).

Packing paper up to 30 gr.	32,700 Kgs.
" " over 30 gr.	39,100 "
" " "	66,200 "

" blocks, 1 1/2 x 2 1/2 x 26
 Holed bricks, 25 x 40
 " " , 25 x 50
 " " , 45 cm.
 Large tiles, 80 cm.
 " " , 90 cm.
 " " , 100 cm.
 Large pierced blocks of reinforced concrete

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Packing paper up to 30 gr. 32,700 Kgs.
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 Writing paper, white & colored 65,200 "
 Coarse paper 24,900 "
 Special paper 15,400 "
 Grey cardboard 130,300 "
 Various cardboard 37,200 "

At PRELO LODIN & C., succ. Rigato, Strada S. Marco, 240, Ponte Di Brenta,
 Padova Prov. 10 Tons
 Cream of Tartar

At SOC. AN FABBRICA ITALIANI LILE (S.FIL), Camponogara. (Venezia Prov.).
 4,000 Each

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At SOCIETA' PER AZIONI FERRIERA MONTANELLA GENOA FRAZ. PONTEDICILIO, Via Alla
Ferriera, 2, Genoa.

Rolled steel sections, mostly rounds 12 mm. diam. for
reinforcing, commercial quality rounds, flats & angles 100 Tons

At ANONIMA LATERIZI - LITDOLIO, 8 Zonone Degli Naz. Lido. (Treviso Prov.).

Curved tiles	20,000 Each
Bricks	40,000 "
Bored bricks	10,000 "

At INDUSTRIA LAMPADE ELETTRICHE RADIO, Via Giaveno 24, Turin.

Electric light bulbs, comprising vacuum & gas filled types, 150/175/160/220 volts, 10/15/20/25/40/60/100 watts, also 12 volt bulbs & small bulbs	271,105 Bulbs
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

27 July 1945.

SUBJECT: Review of Allied Military Government
and Allied Commission in Italy.

Dear Admiral

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Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone, USNR,
Chief Commissioner,
Headquarters, Allied Commission,
APO 394.

cc DIST - 30 July 45

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

SUBJECT: Review of Allied Military Government
and Allied Commission in Italy.

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A.F.L.R.S.,
Rome Area Allied Command,
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Telephone: ROME 66276

SUBJECT: Labour and Wages Control Committee.

21 July 1945

TO : The Joint Chairman,
A.F.L.R. (Italian) Board.

1. Reference is made to Minute 188 of the Labour and Wages Control Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 19 July 1945.
2. In view of the statements presented by the representative of No. 2 District and the Chairman of the Labour and Wages Control Committee, it was recommended to the Board that in addition to the bonus authorized by Appendix "H" of AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 34 of 1945, the provisions of AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 25 of 1945 should now be applied to Northern ITALY.
3. In order that the rates of pay to Italian civilians employed by the Allied Forces in Northern ITALY bear a suitable relationship to those paid by civilian industry, which has announced its increases to be retroactive to 25 June 1945, it is requested that your approval be given to the above recommendation.

/s/ Thos. R. Gibbon

/s/ B. K. Michaelson

THOS. R. GIBBON, Colonel, AUS,
Chief of Section (U.S.),
A.F.L.R.S.

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21 July 1945

SUBJECT: Russian Mission to GREECE

TO : Commander, Land Forces, GREECE.

1. Reference this Headquarters' letter dated 3 Jul 45 to Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, a copy of which was despatched to you.

2. A reply has been received from the Russian Mission in ITALY that the Russian Mission in GREECE is not controlled by them.

3. It is desired, therefore, that you inform the Senior Russian Representative in GREECE that, as their work is complete the Russian Mission to GREECE, Captain BRILEFF and the Staff of the Repatriation Camp should return to RUSSIA as soon as possible.

By Command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:

W. D. MORGAN,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

Copy to: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.
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2nd Indorsement to letter, Headquarters ALCOM, file 1.01/33, dated 12 June 1945, Subject: "Request for Inspector General"

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS, APO 512, 11 July 1945.

TO: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. The Economic Section of the Allied Commission is an Allied agency. Therefore, the inspection of the activities of that section by personnel of the Inspector General's Department is not considered to be within the province of a US agency. Furthermore, it is considered that the appointment of an Allied mission to accomplish such an inspection of the Economic Section at this time is neither necessary nor desirable.

2. No doubt there are, and have been, many things wrong with various Allied agencies in this theater, all of which might equally suggest an application of measures requested in the basic communication. However, such action is not considered to be the solution of such a problem. The vigorous application, utilizing all personnel and material means available, of the necessary corrective measures to improve the existing situation is the function, and indeed the duty, of the Acting Vice President. His position may be likened to that of a commander who inherits an unfavorable tactical situation in the field.

3. If General McKinley desires to record with this headquarters his views on the unsatisfactory conditions found in the Economic Section upon assuming his duties as Acting Vice President thereof, he should reduce them to writing and submit them through the Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.

BY ORDER OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

/s/ C. W. Christenberry

C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGO
Adjutant General

THIRD ENDORSEMENT

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

14 July 1945.

From: Chief Commissioner.
To: Brigadier General E. D. McKinley, U.S.A.,
Acting Vice President, Economic Section.

1. Forwarded.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR

G. L.

11 July 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, PWB

Subject: Film Distribution

1. PWB is hereby authorized to withdraw from the distribution of motion picture films in ITALY on 1 August 1945 or as soon thereafter as foreign film representatives may be in a position to assume this responsibility.

2. When your arrangements have been completed you should report the exact date on which, in accordance with the above policy, the responsibility will pass.

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Copy to: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission
U.S. Political Adviser
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

CC 1730.

6 July 1945

G-5: 581

SUBJECT : Delay in return of Special Plane.

TO : Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 394.
(Attn: Major STEARNS).

1. The special plane allotted to Mr. HOPKINSON and Colonel FISKE on 20 June for a period of 3 days was not returned on the day specified, nor for 3 days thereafter.
2. It is understood that the plane was out of order for 2 days, and thus holding it an equivalent time to complete the mission was justified.
3. The Office of the Chief of Staff has requested a report stating the reasons for the retention of the plane beyond the net period of 3 days.
4. This office asked for the submission of such a report by telephone calls on or about 27 June and 2 July. It is now requested that a statement be submitted without delay.

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CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Brigadier General, C.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army.

9 July 1945.

TO: G-5 AFHQ, APO 512, U. S. Army.
(Attn: Major SEAGRAVE)

1. The delay in submission of the report you requested by telephone, was occasioned by the fact that Colonel FISKE, almost immediately upon return from the trip in question, was sent again to the North. He has just now returned and the report in question can be given.

2. Accordingly it is reported that the delay was occasioned by mechanical failure of the aircraft, necessitating revision of schedules, and alternative means of transport for trip in outlying areas. Difficulties of communication, and uncertainty as to when the aircraft would again be available, resulted in some additional delay beyond the net time required for mechanical repairs.

For the Chief Commissioner:

L. W. Stearns

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AG 386.3/163 LOG-O

22 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Disposition of Captured Enemy Material in ITALY.

TO:

Commanding Generals,

15th Army Group, APO 711

Fifth Army, APO 464

Peninsular Base Section, APO 782

Headquarters, Eighth Army

General Officer Commanding, No.1 District

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General Officer Commanding, No.3 District

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b. Allied Ground Forces Staff and Service Responsibilities for
 over (or the collection where necessary) and the safeguarding of all enemy
 Ground Forces war material is placed upon the Commanding Generals of Fifth
 and Eighth Armies, Headquarters 1 and 2 Districts, and Commanding General
 Peninsular Base Section in their respective areas. This responsibility will
 be exercised through the national Allied Staff and technical service elements
 appropriate to type of material concerned. It is desired that the arrangements
 made by Armies be such that continuity of management when headquarters of 1 and
 2 Districts and Peninsular Base Section take over duties in Northern
 Italy.

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c. As of the 15th of each month (commencing with 15 June 1945) to reach this headquarters by the 28th of the same month addressees will report the following information in respect of all captured general purpose (E) vehicles showing vehicles of Italian make separately.

- (1) Numbers and types organized into car/truck companies, held by units within establishments, or otherwise.
- (2) Numbers and types handed over to other agencies.
- (3) Numbers and types awaiting issue.
- (4) Numbers and types awaiting repair.

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- (1) Category 1.
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- (3) Category 3.
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- (5) Unserviceable material and scrap.

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- (3) Animals.
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- (6) Medical, dental and veterinary stores, equipment and drugs.
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d. War material of US, British, Russian, or French origin

(1) It will be the policy for material of US or British origin recovered from the enemy by occupation or surveillance to be turned over to the American or British services normally responsible for the class of material concerned.

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e. War Factories and War Factory Production - The policies contained in letter, this headquarters, File AG 388.5/087 GEC-C, dated 14 Feb 1945, subject: "Policy on Italian Munitions Production" will apply.

f. Ammunition

(1) Attention is drawn to current instructions on the handling of enemy ammunition.

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(i) Receipts to Enemy Material - Except on instructions from this HQ, no attempt will be made to require enemy material other than that categorised in Categories 1 and 2, but category 3 material will be preserved to the extent of being put in grease and under cover where appropriate, with the exception of Category 1, enemy material may be modified as required for abnormal uses.

j. Passenger and Load-Carrying Vehicles

(1) To allow for the maintenance of enemy forces and in order to save Allied transport, car and truck companies of German make, by types, will be formed. Whenever practicable, however, such vehicles will not be issued without workshop inspection and never without TD numbers and full registration.

(2) The issue of enemy vehicles to existing Allied units will be permitted only in cases where such units have deficiencies in their TDs (AES).

(3) Italian Army vehicles captured after the armistice with Italy will be dealt with in accordance with Section II, AFHQ Circular Number 5, 1945, and reported to the appropriate Italian authorities through AFHQ. All other captured Italian vehicles whether requisitioned or not will be turned over to Allied Commission. Italian vehicles are defined as vehicles of Italian make. Italian military vehicles can usually be identified by the R-E on the dashboard or instrument panel. If doubt arises as to whether a vehicle of Italian make is a civilian or military vehicle, such vehicle will be turned over to AFHQ who will determine the ownership and subsequent allocation in conjunction with Allied Commission. Receipts for all vehicles handed over to Allied Commission or AFHQ will be obtained. As the retention of vehicles of Italian make against deficiencies in unit establishments is, at present, authorized, the ultimate hand-over to Allied Commission or AFHQ of such vehicles may be postponed until further orders are issued by this headquarters. Every effort will be made to hand-over to AFHQ all stocks of spare parts including tyres for Italian military vehicles which are marked with R-E or are otherwise identifiable as having been the property of the Italian Ministry of War. Stocks of spares for Italian civilian vehicles will similarly be handed over to Allied Commission or in doubtful cases to AFHQ. Sufficient spares may be retained for such Italian vehicles as are held against deficiencies in unit establishments. Addressees will not normally be responsible for repairing vehicles of Italian make before they are handed over to Allied Commission or AFHQ. The responsibility for insuring the proper registration of, and the provision of drivers for all vehicles handed over to them will be that of Allied Commission or AFHQ as the case may be.

k. Captured Civilian Material

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(3) Captured civil material, which is of neither German or Italian origin will be reported to this headquarters and disposal instructions awaited.

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BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

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Colonel, AGD
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- 1.- Appendix "A" - Notes on classification and withdrawal of enemy war material
- 2.- Appendix "B" - List of Category 3 material.

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APPENDIX "A" to

Letter, ATHQ, AG 386.3/163
LOI-C, dtd 22 June 1945.

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NOTES ON CLASSIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF ENEMY MATERIAL.

1. CATEGORY 1 MATERIAL. ATHQ will be responsible for indicating to addressees (by means of a list or through liaison officers) what material is to be placed in Category 1 and where it is to be consigned. Material thus placed in Category 1 is not available for any purpose. ATHQ is responsible for maintaining records of all material withdrawn under their authority.
2. CATEGORY 2 MATERIAL. Addressees, subject only to limitation in 1 above, will place any material which they need or likely to need in Category 2. They will maintain simple records of all Category 2 material which they authorize to be withdrawn (e.g. copies of the documents authorizing depots to make issue). Addressees will not prepare consolidated returns of material thus used until ordered by this HQ.
3. CATEGORY 3 MATERIAL. A list of Category 3 material which may be required for the WAR LIST is attached at Appendix "B". Addressees will locate such material and report the quantities held to this Headquarters. Such inventories must be accurate and the material so reported must be frozen. ATHQ will declare how much of this material is to be placed in Category 3. ATHQ will be responsible for issuing disposal instructions and maintaining the records of withdrawals of Category 3 material.
4. CATEGORY 4 MATERIAL. If the policy in connection with the equipping of liberated armies is enunciated during the period this Headquarters will issue a list of material that might be required under Category 4. The procedures will then be as for Category 3 material in paragraph 3 above.
5. CATEGORY 5 MATERIAL.
 - a. Material which must be destroyed for any reason e.g. perished foodstuffs, dangerous ammunition, will be placed in Category 5 by the addressees and destroyed. Simple records in broad terms of material which has been thus destroyed should be maintained by the addressees (e.g. a copy of the authorization to destroy the material). No returns of such destructions are required from the addressees until ordered by this Headquarters.
 - b. All stocks of Toxic Gases will be placed in Category 5 and in practicable segregated under normal safety precautions. The approved tonnages by types of fillings and locations will be reported to this HQ, which will then give disposal instructions. Isolated stocks of less than 100 tons may be destroyed by any multiple means if such destruction will help to reduce gassing, transportation, or any other problem.

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LIST OF CATEGORY 1 MATERIAL

Serial 4 PISTOLS

9mm Pistols (Luger and 1/2 Luger automatics)

27mm Signal Pistols (modified)

Serial 2 PISTOLS

7.92mm (bolt operated)

7.92mm (bolted 11 (11) and 11 (11) (bolt loading pistol)

7.92mm sniper rifle

Serial 3 MACHINE GUNS

7.92mm L.M.G. 54

Serial 4 AMMUNITION

All ammunition to fit weapons in Serial 1 - 3 above.

Serial 5 VEHICLES

All types

Serial 6 TRUCKS

German 24, 1924 11 24mm 5-6 mm (24mm 1924mm 5 t. 1924mm)

German 24, 1924 7 24mm 8-6mm (24mm 1924mm 8 t. 1924mm)

German 24, 1924 2 24mm 10-11mm (24mm 1924mm 10 t. 1924mm)

Serial 7 ENGINEERING

German 24, 1924 11 24mm 10-11mm (24mm 1924mm 10 t. 1924mm)

52 K.V. 1000 and 240 volt.

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FILM DISTRIBUTION IN ITALY

Note by Secretary

1. Arrangements have already been made to hand over to the Italians and other agencies concerned all functions now performed by PWB in ITALY (outside VENEZIA GIULIA) with the single exception of film distribution.
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LIEUTENANT COLONEL,
SECRETARY.

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18 June 1945

SUBJECT: Resolution of Appreciation.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394
(Attn: Chief Commissioner)

1. Attached is a copy of a resolution of appreciation and thanks passed by The Society of American Archivists on the work of the Fine Arts, Monuments, and Archives officers in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations.

2. General Hillaring was requested by the Commission to pass this resolution along in order that it may be communicated to personnel that have contributed in this field of endeavour.

3. It is therefore requested that the sentiments expressed in this resolution should be conveyed to personnel of the Allied Commission and to other organizations which have participated in this work, in any manner you may deem appropriate.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

Incl:
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G-5: 091.713-1 Italy.

14 June 1945

SUBJECT: Information: Major Scarpetta.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

Reference CC JAQ/hjp 12 April.

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For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

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14 June 1945

SUBJECT: Request for Special Flight.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.
(Attn: Major Stearns)

1. Your request for a VIP flight for Brig. G. R. Upjohn and party refers.
2. The flight (as already notified) was approved but the approval was accompanied by a strong admonition from the Secretary to SAC that it was not considered really justifiable. The note pointed out that there are courier planes available to Verona and Milan from Rome, and that this conference had been scheduled for over a week which permitted sufficient time to send motor transport ahead for travelling over the remaining distance to Bolzano.
3. In this connection, it should be noted that the Allied Commission has been granted a considerable number of special flights in recent weeks, including one ten-day trip for Mr. Fey and party which is longer than is usually authorized. Where other arrangements are impossible and the urgency of the mission justifies, these flights will continue to be granted. In order fairly to allocate the limited number of flights, such requests are carefully scrutinized by the Chief of Staff personally or by his representative, and it is essential if we are to meet with continued success, that all applications from the A.C. are closely screened at that end.
4. The arrangement requested whereby all A.C. applications come through your office is the only one which from my standpoint is workable. I realize it involves an extra burden on you and your cooperation is appreciated.

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N. P. STEARNS,
Major, Q.S.C.,
Executive Officer.

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10 June 1945

SUBJECT: Venezia Giulia Proclamations Nos. 2, 3, and 4
TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission

There are transmitted herewith the originals signed by
Field Marshal Sir Harold R. Alexander of Proclamations Nos. 2,
3, and 4, for the Compartimenti of Venezia Giulia. Please
acknowledge receipt on the attached form.

CHARLES M. SPOTFORD
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2 June 1945.

ALLIED FORCE LOCAL RESOURCES (ITALIAN) BOARD

MINUTES

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C-4 (B), AFHQ

Vice-President, Economic Section, ALCOM.

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Labour & Wages Control Committee

Miscellaneous Purposes Committee

Electric Power Committee

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(ii) its amassing provided a transportation problem only, other difficulties being now resolved.

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- (iii) details of transport required had been passed to 15 Army Group;
- (iv) failing provision of necessary transport by 15 Army Group, AICOM would make a formal request for assistance to AFHQ.

(d) Food Supply Committee

Meeting of 24 May 45. Accepted and approved with the exception of Minute 83 - Membership, which was not approved.

(e) Labour & Wages Control Committee

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1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
(SAC (P) (45) 12th Meeting - already circulated)
2. ITALIAN PRODUCTION ADVISORY BOARD
(Paper No. SAC (P) (45) 27 - circulated herewith)

TO TAKE NOTE ONLY :-

3. DISSOLUTION OF PMB IN ITALY
(Paper No. SAC (P) (45) 28 - already circulated)

Approved by
L. G. SWEETMAN,
LIEUTENANT COLONEL,
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25 May 1945.

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H. R. S. Sheldon

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24th May, 1945

SUBJECT: FWE Functions in North Italy.

TO : Chief of Staff

I. DISCUSSION

1. The Combined Chiefs of Staff have directed in FAK.538 that informational activities in liberated Italy should be separated on national lines when integration ceases to serve in direct support of military operations, and that public informational facilities should be released to civilian agencies as soon after liberation as military conditions allow.

It is the opinion of FWE that the unconditional surrender of the German forces has brought about conditions in Italy in which Allied control of the informational services could largely be relaxed with a view to restoring progressively and as speedily as possible the freedom of press and freedom of expression to which the United Nations are pledged. The timing of this restoration is partly dependent on political developments and partly on the restoration of communications facilities. While the former factor cannot be exactly forecast, the latter is under our own control, and the restoration to civilian agencies must be largely dependent on this purely technical problem. On the political side, the immediate restoration to civilian agencies may be open to objection, but it would appear to FWE that a considerable relaxation of control is desirable as soon as the solution of the technical communications problems allow and that provision for consultation and coordination with the Italian Government and Italian agencies should be provided for from the outset.

2. News

The first step in the release of public informational facilities is the admission of the private news agencies. On a previous occasion, the agencies requested one month's notice of intention to transfer responsibility in a given area. It is thought that this would be sufficient. An equally essential pre-requisite to transfer is the restoration of civilian communications, a technical problem which can be most easily studied by a technical sub-committee similar to that appointed to arrange the detailed transfer of facilities in Rome and Southern Italy.

3. Radio and Press

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information papers would be insufficient to guarantee that the Allied point of view were properly presented to the North Italian public, and that inflammatory material were avoided.

But to secure such control, as is required, a more flexible system than that hitherto employed by PWB might well be set up, and discussions with the AC suggest that the most suitable organ for this purpose is Allied Publications Board. Working under an over-all directive drawn up by AFE, on which AC, ONI, MOI and PWB are all represented, it would be possible to exercise control by means of regional press officers acting in close cooperation with the regional commissioners. Should events develop smoothly, the function of these officers would be to afford to the Italian press and radio advice and assistance, more particularly to furnish the Italian agencies with material from Allied sources which would not otherwise be at their disposal. But should the development of events render this desirable in the view of AC or of the Regional Commissioners, these officers would be able to exert considerable pressure on the Italian press and radio in North Italy by means of licensing, allotment of paper and other forms of economic pressure.

4. Intelligence

PWB Intelligence Units in Rome and Milan will be required as long as PWB retains responsibilities in any part of North Italy. In addition, it will be necessary for arrangements to be made for the transfer to other agencies of work at present done by PWB and still required by the State Department and FID. It is suggested that the persons required for this work, which will outlast the existence of PWB, be attached to the British and American Embassies. A detailed plan is attached, TAB A.

5. Venezia Giulia and Austria

Venezia Giulia is excluded from the scope of the present paper in view of the special circumstances prevailing in that region. PWB commitments to Austria will also necessitate the retention of certain facilities in Italy and these are considered elsewhere.

II. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That AC be instructed to set up a technical sub-committee to examine the problems involved in the admission of the private news agencies to North Italy, and to recommend a date as soon as possible after July 1st for the transfer of responsibility for the collection and dissemination of news from PWB to the private news agencies, Allied and Italian.
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PMB Intelligence Units in Rome and Milan will be required as long as PMB retains responsibilities in any part of North Italy. In addition, it will be necessary for arrangements to be made for the transfer to other agencies of work at present done by PMB and still required by the State Department and FBI. It is suggested that the persons required for this work, which will outlast the existence of PMB, be attached to the British and American Embassies. A detailed plan is attached, TAB A.

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2. That APB be instructed to prepare a detailed scheme for the control of the Italian press and radio in North Italy, and of such Italian-controlled stations as are audible in North Italy, (including Rome II) through press officers working in close cooperation with the Regional Commissioners, and that it prepare a directive to govern the work of these press officers.
3. That PMB be instructed to provide APB with all necessary facilities, including the provision of the necessary staff, to make the foregoing project effective, and that PMB cease all other activities in Italy outside Venezia Giulia.
4. That press officers, attached to APB, act as agents for the distribution of OWI and MOI publications in North Italy.

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MEMORANDUM TO ADMIRAL STONE :

1. At the direction of General McNARNEY and after discussion with General ROBERTSON, you are requested to take up informally and in a preliminary way with the Italian Government, plans which are under consideration here for the disposition of German PW's.
2. It is General McNARNEY's view in which General ROBERTSON concurs that German prisoners should be made to work so long as they are held in Italy. With this in mind a portion of the German prisoners could be turned over to the Italian Government to assist in rehabilitation. Will you ascertain from the Italian Government whether they would be prepared in principal to accept German prisoners for this purpose upon the following terms:
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3. The numbers involved are as yet indefinite, but for present purposes should be assumed to be within the range of one hundred to one hundred fifty thousand. If the Italian Government is prepared in principal to accept German prisoners on the above terms will you obtain their best estimate as to numbers that could be usefully employed and the localities in which they should be concentrated.
4. In connection with the foregoing you should also inform the Italian Government that plans are being developed on the US side and being studied here by which German prisoners may be substituted for Italian Military personnel at present in the employ of the US Armed Forces including both Cooperators and USIT units. The objective of these plans would be to release Italian personnel from their present duties. Obviously the future disposition of personnel so released is a matter which requires careful consideration by the various agencies concerned and will be the subject of fuller discussion as the plans develop.

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