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Director:

1. Please see foregoing minutes and folios p. 6 and 8, and p. 5 and 12. However, 2. CAS may be interested in Col. Bowman's well tempered reply.

RR Temple, Major
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5. June 45.

Think 4 nkl. No further action.

R.R. Temple
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SUBJECT: Election held in the Commune of Mantiano

TO : Major Ralph R. Temple, Deputy Director
Local Government Sub-Commission, HQ A.C. *P. 6*

1. I was glad to receive your AC/1/9/1/LG of 15 June, enclosing a copy of Brigadier Upjohn's ACC/45-1/LG.

2. The principles enunciated in Brigadier Upjohn's letter, and in your remarks, are of course entirely sound. There is at the present time no provision for electing local government officials in AMG territory, and the election was in fact completely illegal.

3. In this specific case the result was legalized by the CAO and everyone seems to agree that the selections were wise, and the general consequences good. It is granted that it might not always be so.

4. As far as I can learn, this is the only instance of its kind in Emilia, and of course it should be pointed out that it took place early in March when the officer in question was serving under the SCAO Eighth Army AMG.

5. This officer is one of our most experienced, and I suspect that the Montiano incident has probably been duplicated on other occasions without report.

6. Emilia's shoulders are broad, and we are glad, in a way, to provide this harmless object-lesson as an occasion for the dissemination to all the regions of some obviously sound doctrine.

[Signature]
Colonel, JAGD
Regional Commissioner

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 REPORT N° 137

SUBJECT: Report of tour-Ravenna and Forlì Provinces, etc.--23 April - 1 May 1945

TO : Director, Local Government Sub Commission

FROM : Major C. G. R. Williams

1. I left Rome on 23 April and arrived at AMG Emilia Region HQ at Riccione that evening. I based myself at Regional HQ for the purpose of surveying Ravenna and Forlì Provinces, returning to that HQ each evening so as to keep in touch. HQ was in Bologna the whole week and I maintained contact with his Executive Officer, Lt.-Col. H. H-1, Hartley.
2. The next four days--24 to 27 April--were occupied in seeing or trying to see RUs, Prefects and other officials of the two provinces under survey. Both RUs were touring their provinces on 24 April: the tour of Forlì continued on 25 April. I did not succeed in seeing the Prefect of Forlì until the morning of Saturday, 28 April, as the whole week he was either out visiting comrades with the RO or out all day requisitioning a car.
3. Reports on the condition of local government in Ravenna and Forlì provinces are at Appendices "A" and "B".
4. In the course of travelling about these provinces, I interviewed SCAG 8 Army and RO Venetie Region. Reports on my conferences with them are at Appendices "C" and "D".
5. On Saturday, 27 April, with the approval of Lt. Col. Hartley, I traveled to Bologna for the purpose of interviewing AC Emilia and AMG 5 Army. I found Col. Bazman had returned to Riccione that day. I was, therefore, unable to see him at all. As to AMG 5 Army, both Col. Sutherland and Major Wyners I found were at Florence. I took the opportunity to call on the RO Bologna, Col. Floyd L. Thomas, who gave me information as to the position about the appointment of a Prefect: note of my interview with him is at Appendix "E".
6. I then journeyed on the same day to Florence where I contacted Major Wyners and yourself. It was too early for Major Wyners to give me any definite information as to the administrative position in the recently liberated provinces except as to Bologna, where I had already conferred with the RO.
7. On Sunday, 29 April, I set out to return to Rome, but trouble developed with the petrol feed system and electrical circuit of my car, obliging me to stay two nights at Perugia while it was repaired. The repairs have not proved successful and I consider myself fortunate in having returned to Rome at 1930 hours on 1 May.
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10. We should take up the question of a staging point on the Adriatic coast for officials going up to Venetie Region. The train service referred to by RC appears to be reserved for Allied officers, but I am verifying this with Transportation S/C. Riccione (if the train can be used) or Ravenna (if it can't) appear suitable places. I will prepare a letter to RC Emilia.

11. The rest of this report and its Appendices do not require action and have largely been covered by you in your tour.

12. I am grateful personally for the courtesy and hospitality extended to me by all the AMG officers I met.

C. G. R. WILLIAMS, Major
Executive Officer
Local Government Sub Commission

APPENDIX "A"

SUBJECT: Survey of Ravenna Province - 24 - 27 April 1945

Persons Interviewed:

Lt. Col. Henry F. Kuehn (A) RG
 Major John H. Luman (A) Executive Officer
 E. A. CIPRIANI, Cigiano - Prefect

1. CGM. The RG told me that it was 8 Army MG policy to dissolve the CGM's immediately; this is the first hint we have had of this policy. The RG himself said that on entering Ravenna city on December 7 last, he went through the formality of dissolving the CGM. He met the CGM on that day and they presented to him Avv. BARNOLINI, their President, who had been acting as Prefect. BARNOLINI formally handed over authority to the RG. The CGM accepted the position of MG and the appointment of CIPRIANI as Prefect. The RG desired to make BARNOLINI Vice Prefect, but he declined.

2. The CGM consists of:

<u>Communiste</u>	<u>Socialist</u>	<u>Party of Action</u>
2	2	1
<u>Neop-Christians</u>	<u>Liberal</u>	<u>Republicans</u>
1	1	1

3. The RG sees the members of the CGM very frequently and uses them as an unofficial sounding board. In the period of almost five months while the province has been under AMG, the CGM have made no attempt to exercise executive authority themselves or stepped out of line with respect to anything of importance. Their nominations for local government offices have been accepted and in most cases have been satisfactory.

4. The Prefect. Very hard working and industrious and quite satisfactory to the RG. He is very prompt. If the RG calls for a report or decree or anything like that, he produces it within a matter of hours. My own impression of him is that of a quick and agile brain with, of course, the technical side of his job at his fingertips. He is, I should say, a good manager of men and something of a diplomat. He is obviously a Southerner and speaks with a wealth of gestures and facial contortions. He might prove resolute in a pinch.

5. Local Government Organization. Ravenna Province is one of the smallest in Italy. It contains 13 Communes. Ravenna City itself, however, (c. 85,000 pop.) is one of the largest in area in all Italy and has 28 fractions.

6. Giunte Comunali and Giunte have been appointed for all the 13 Communes and are functioning satisfactorily.

7. An unofficial feature of local government in this province which we had met for the first time is the Giunta Provinciale. It seems that before arrival of AMG, unofficial bodies for the administration of communes and provinces had been set up by law under the aegis of the CGM, for meeting

Prefect. Alfredo recently named over authority to the Prefect. The Prefect accepted the position of AS and the appointment of ALFRED as Prefect. He desired to make BARBARA Vice Prefect, but he declined.

2. The DM consists of:

Communist	Socialist	Party of Action
2	2	1
Non-Christians	Liberal	Republican
1	1	1

3. The DM sees the members of the DM very frequently and uses them as an unofficial governing board. In the period of almost five months while the province has been under AMG, the DM have made no attempt to exercise executive authority themselves or stepped out of line with respect to anything of importance. Their resignations for local government offices have been accepted and in most cases have been satisfactory.

4. The Prefect. Very hard working and industrious and quite satisfactory to the DM. He is very prompt. If the DM calls for a report or decree or anything like that, he produces it within a matter of hours. My own impression of him is that of a quick and agile brain with, of course, the technical side of his job at his fingertips. He is, I should say, a good manager of men and something of a diplomat. He is obviously a Southerner and speaks with a wealth of gestures and facial contortions. He might prove resolute in a pinch.

5. Local Government Organization. Ravenna Province is one of the smallest in Italy. It contains 18 Communes. Ravenna City itself, however, (c. 83,000 pop.) is one of the largest in area in all Italy and has 22 fractions.

6. Giunta Comunale and Simacchi have been appointed for all the 18 Communes and are functioning satisfactorily.

7. An unofficial feature of local government in this province which we had met for the first time in the Giunta Popolare. It seems that before the arrival of AMG, unofficial bodies for the administration of communes and fractions had sprung up, more or less under the aegis of the DM. On meeting these bodies, AMG usually accepted them as unofficial advisory bodies and the Prefect has sorted out the situation since. The official appointed Giunta Comunale of the Commune had superseded the unofficial Giunta Popolare, but members of the old unofficial body had very largely become members of the new and official one. In Ravenna Commune, however, with its very big area and large number of fractions, a continued use has been found for the Giunta Popolare of the fractions themselves. The Prefect has regulated these by taking advantage of Article 154 of the Consolidated Text of 1915, which authorizes the Sindaco to delegate his functions to one of the communal councillors, or in the absence of one of these, to a local government elector. Thus, Giunta Popolare have been allowed to continue to exist in the fractions of Ravenna Commune as the agents of or advisors to the Sindaco. They had not at first understood that they had no independent authority, but the Prefect said he had now made this clear to them and they were performing quite a proper and useful function.

8. The Deputazioni Provinciale was nominated in December last. The citizen members of the GA had not been appointed at the time of my visit. The Prefect explained that before the advance at the beginning of April 1945, AGI was only in control of 6 communes; he did not want to have the citizen members of the GA chosen from these only and thought it wise to wait until the whole province had been liberated, so that the various parts of the province could be properly represented. Now that the whole province has been liberated, the Deputazioni Provinciale have taken up this question. I asked the Prefect to see to it that these citizen members were appointed with all possible speed, as AGI attached great importance to their presence on the GA. I pointed out, too, that it might be necessary to change the constitution of the Deputazioni Provinciale as that body, having been appointed in December, was representative of only the 6 southern communes. The Prefect agreed that this might be necessary.

9. There has been some difficulty in finding 4 suitable Secretaries General, e.g. one has had to serve in the Province of Ravenna three days and another in Florence province the rest of the week--see 3 May AGI Monthly Report for March 1945, Part II, para 6. The matter is easier now that the whole province has been liberated, as a number of suitable candidates have turned up.

10. Prefectural Staff. The position is as follows:

VIV--BALLOI, a Cammigliore 1st class, with vicarious functions
Prov. Inspector--GALLI, a Mag. (Grade IX)

I suggested this was rather a low grade for a Provincial Inspector: the Prefect agreed but said he was very satisfied with GALLI's work and desired to keep him as Inspector at present.

There are also a 1st Segretario, Segretario, 4 Ragionieri and 3 Avventizi.

The Prefect requires no further staff at present. He was quite definite about this. He has no Capo Gabinetto and does not want one. He says this is a very small province and he can easily do the work himself. He prefers to do that and keep his fingers on what is going on rather than have a stranger sent down.

11. The PC told me, however, that he had been urging the Prefect to get a good Provincial Inspector and that the Prefect and the Rag. Capo should get out into the Communes, for which purpose the Prefect was being urged to requisition the transport.

ANNEX "B"

SUBJECT: Survey of Pula Province--2, - 27 April 1945

Persons interviewed:

Major S. S. Patrick (S) EC
 H. B. MONTOMERI, Antonio, Prefect
 Dott. LINER, VVV

1. CIA. In this province also the CIA has been formally dissolved by order of AMG 6 Army. The PO, therefore, does not deal with them as a body; but he receives individual members if they wish to see him on specific business. Nevertheless, they do in fact continue to meet and the communal CIAs under them are fairly well organized. There has been one outstanding instance of an attempt of the CIA to interfere with administration. At the end of March, the Prefect was about to issue a Decree (on AMG instructions) raising the price of bread, when there came into the hands of the PO a circular letter from the Provincial body, directing the Communal CIAs President and Secretary of the Provincial body, signed by the Vice-President and Secretary of the Provincial body, directing the Communal CIAs that notwithstanding any orders they might receive from any other source they were to take steps to see that the price of bread did not go up. The signatories of the letter were arrested and jailed, brought before a Military Court within the week and sentenced to 6 months and 12 months in prison on different charges. The sentences were, however, suspended.

2. The CIA did not seem to understand they had been dissolved. Shortly after the price of bread incident, the Vice-President and Secretary with their legal adviser came to see the PO to inquire if they could communicate with their communal CIAs without breaching the law. The answer was that they were dissolved and could not and should not so communicate. They still attempt to play a part in the administration, however, as evidenced by a letter the PO showed me from the CIA of Mucione. This letter stated that the members of the local Giunta Comunale had the confidence of the population, but the CIA considered they should be substituted by others (who were named in the letter) and that as there would no doubt be considerable delay in the official reply to this communication, the CIA considered it advisable that the new nominees should enter on their functions at once--! The PO is taking no notice of this letter.

3. The Prefect. He is diplomatic in his behaviour and wary of saying yes or no, but he is loyal and prompt and the PO is, on the whole, fairly well satisfied with him. I was forced to be content with a very short interview with him myself and could hardly give a reliable personal impression.

4. Local government organization. All the 50 Communes have Giunte Comunali and Giustizi. Some of the citizen members recommended by the CIA and appointed by the speakehead GAOs have had to be checked. The Deputations Provinciali was nominated at the beginning of April: it met on 27 April to nominate the citizen members of the GPA.

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He has actually been VVV for 2 1/2 years and made quite a good impression on me. The Prefect said the Ministry had suggested his "collocamento a riparo"; he thought this was quite unnecessary as, although Dott. LIMU is 75, he is doing excellent work.

Prov. Inspector - Dott. MINGIANI, a Mag. Cape 1st class.

He is also Cape Gabinetto at the moment. He is an old, shabby little man, who always wears a cloth cap in his office and makes rather a poor impression at first sight. The Prefect, however, is very pleased with him and says he is energetic and willing and loyal. As an instance, the Prefect says he does his inspecting on a bicycle and thinks nothing of cycling 50 kilometers for the purpose.

Other Group A personnel: 2 Consigliori, Primo Segretario, Segretario

Other Group B personnel: Ragioniere Capo, 2 Ragionieri

6. The Prefect's principal need is a new Capo Gabinetto to replace Dott. BRACCIANI for the inspective functions. He formerly had as Capo Gabinetto one MALINVERNO, who turned up in the provinces after liberation. He then went sick, was given leave of absence and has not returned--the usual story. The Prefect has taken the matter up with the Ministry in the ordinary way.

7. Most of the staff of junior rank seem to be affected by political objections which in the Prefect's opinion make a change of province desirable. The Prefect stated that no allegations of Fascism could be made against them, but during the former regime, they had occupied positions which made them unpopular with the population. For example, Consigliere MATTEA was Capo Gabinetto to the Fascist Prefects; Primo Segretario GIRA had the job of requisitioning cars for the Germans; Rag. Capo CRIVARI was a friend of the "Fascist"; and Rag. SAJO was Consigliere Prefettizio of a Comune where he was directed to dislodge some of the employees on political grounds, and has recently suffered a personal assault in the streets of Forlì. The Prefect has taken up all these questions with the Ministry.

APPENDIX "B"

SUBJECT: Interview with Air Commodore G. B. Benson, SDAO 8 Army--25 April 1945

1. I told SDAO of the new directive about to be issued on the attitude towards the CIN, which would amalgamate the substance of Mr. Hopkinson's speech at the Regional Commissioners' Conference of 3-9 March with previous directives. SDAO said he hoped we would not do that as he had already issued his own directive on the subject and another would only confuse his officers. He gave me a copy of his directive--No. 101 of 2 April--which is filed at AG/47/10, Co. A3. He added that as no directive was issued by AG HQ for some time after the conference, he felt he had to act and issue his own.

2. I read the SDAO's directive and agreed that it was in substance the same as that about to come out. (NOTE: At the time, I had no knowledge of the additional matter which has since been inserted in the AG instructions, as to the consideration to be given to the Italian Government's proposals for Prefects and Ustorio. Neither does the SDAO's directive refer to AG's power in the last resort to dissolve the CINs.)

3. Although not mentioned in his directive, SDAO told me it was his policy to dissolve the CIN at the earliest possible date. His view is that once the Prefect and other organs of local administration have been established, the CIN has no more "raison d'être". He does not agree with the CIN continuing as an unofficial political body available to be consulted by the PO or Prefect if they desire and authorized to make representations. He considers that to allow this is to impose on the powers of the duly constituted local authorities an irresponsible and secret political control.

4. SDAO recognizes that he cannot prevent the CIN meeting in private houses, etc.; but he does not think he should depart from the position that the CIN is dissolved. He spoke very definitely on this subject.

5. As to Ravenna and Parli provinces, SDAO said he proposes to turn them over to Regional control in a very few days; they were in fact ripe to be handed over to the Italian Government. As to Bologna, he had paid his first visit to the city the previous day and found the CIN in control with a non-party President called HINCH.

6. I mentioned the question of the Prefect of Ferrara. SDAO told me that he did not propose to appoint the PO's candidate, GIANNINI, until he was quite certain there was no local man in Ferrara who was suitable for the post: he did not propose to hurry this appointment.

7. I mentioned that PO Veneto Region, when visiting HQ a week or two ago, had mentioned the desirability of an officer from this S/C being attached to the PO's staff to advise on local government problems. SDAO said that at the stage of Military Government with which he was concerned, he did not see that such an officer would be of much use. He thought provinces would be turned over to Regional control so quickly that there would be nothing for a local government officer to do in the Army AME stage.

APPENDIX "D"

SUBJECT: Interview with Brigadier J. E. Dunlop, VC Venetia Region--25 April 1945.

1. I saw the Brigadier after my interview with SCAG. He said the position in local government appointments was quite clear and that the CIN nominees should receive first consideration and that only if no one could be produced locally would he call on us. (This position has, of course, been altered somewhat by the directive on the CIN (9/20.1/GA of 27 April 1945) of which we were neither aware at the time.)

2. He told me he thought of establishing Regional HQ at Abano Terme, a health resort 11 kilometres southwest of Padua.

3. I mentioned the question of "staging" any Italian officials whom we might have to send up to this Region and said that we proposed to stage them all--whether for N.W. or N.E.--at Florence; from there we thought that they should be able to reach Venetia Region HQ in a day. The Brigadier thought not and said the best way to send them up was across to the Adriatic coast at Ancona or further north and onwards; there was a daily train service, he thought, from Rome to Rimini. He considered a staging point on the Adriatic coast to Emilia Region advisable.

4. The Brigadier did not himself mention the question of attaching a local government officer to his staff. In view of what SCAG had said about it, and the practical impossibility of sparing another officer (in addition to the one for N.W.) I thought it best to "let sleeping dogs lie".

5. The interview was necessarily short since the Brigadier had an appointment with SCAG.

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APPENDIX "B"

SUBJECT: Interview with Col. Floyd E. Thomas, PG Bologna--28 April 1945

1. The PG said he had met the Bologna CLN immediately on coming into the city and they had presented to him Ing. BORGHESE Chiaroide, who had been the CLN's Acting Prefect.
2. The PG reminded me that he had met the Italian Government's nominee for the post of Prefect of Bologna, H. L. FORNI, at the offices of the S/C some weeks ago. He said he had not been impressed by FORNI: he considered him old and ineffectual.
3. BORGHESE, on the other hand, had made a good impression. He was comparatively young, energetic and evidently not a man to be trifled with. He was a consulting engineer of some eminence and had been responsible for various public works in the vicinity of Venice. He is a Socialist. He had the confidence of everybody in Bologna.
4. The Republican Prefect, SANTOLINI Dino, had fled with the Germans. The VIV, DI VITA Dante, had stayed at his post: he was not a Fascist and could well continue in office. This was also the CLN's idea.
5. The PG was, therefore, recommending SOAO to appoint BORGHESE Prefect, and to continue DI VITA as Vice Prefect: he showed me his letter to that effect addressed to SOAO, enclosing a biographical particulars of BORGHESE, his scheda personale and the C-I-C report on him.
6. I said that this proposal was entirely in line with policy and I had no comment to make on it. I added that if and when SOAO approved the appointment of BORGHESE, we would appreciate it if the PG would give us formal notice and let us have a copy for our records with the biographical particulars.
7. I noted down the names of the Bologna CLN as follows:

President	Avv. ZUCCHETTI Antonio	Liberal
Secretary	GRAZIA Veronina	Socialist
	RETTI Paolo	Communist
	GIUSSANO Zurico	Party of Action
	PAGANI Umberto	Republican
	SALIZOGHI--substituting for	
	Prof. CARAZZO Filippo	Dem.-Christian

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/1/9/1/16

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: Election held in Comune of Montano.

15 June 1945

TO : NO Emilia Region.

1. With reference to your letter RIX/HQ/1/1/1 of 9 June, and enclosures, the observations of this Sub Commission are as follows:

(a) This election was held contrary to a directive of Civil Affairs Section (AGC/45/1/16 of 18 October 1944). The fact that that directive referred particularly to local and provincial police does not mean it did not include Sindaci.

(b) The election procedure itself is subject to much criticism. There seemed to be a prior commitment to accept the results by AMB; hence it was not an "advice-seeking technique".

(c) The exclusion of allegedly former fascists by the GIN is hardly a judicious way of determining the right to vote. The Italian law sets up a definite procedure in that regard.

(d) Rounding of voters by the Committee and a Carabinieri assisted of subtle "persuasion".

2. The absence of any display of violence and the obtaining of much more harmony and cooperation with the local government, ^{than} previously indicated are to be commended, but in view of the directive afore-mentioned and the fact that the preparation of electoral lists is in the offing, these sporadic elections may only give rise to confusion.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

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RAIMON R. TESSIER
Major
Deputy Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

13 JUN 1945

Reference: RIX/HQ/I/1/1

9 June 1945

Subject: Election held in Commune of Montiano

To: Local Government Sub-Commission,
HQ, A.C.

Reference your letter AC/1/9/1/LG of 10 May.

1. The attached correspondence is a report on the manner in which an election was held at Montiano on 3 March, for the purpose of selecting a Sindaco.

2. May we please have your observations.

For the Regional Commissioner:

H.H.S. Hartley
H.H-S. HARTLEY
Lt Colonel,
Deputy Regional Commissioner

1 Incl-Election Held in Comune of Montiano

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Interesting - but frankly I don't know where to begin to comment!

C.C.D. RRT

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

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Lt Colonel,
Deputy Regional Commissioner

1 Incl-Election Held in Comune of Montiano

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HEADQUARTERS
PROVINCE OF FORLÌ - EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO - 394

Ref. :

Date 7 June 1945

Subject : Election Held in Comune of Montiano.

To : Provincial Commissioner, Forlì Province.

1. Reference your request for an investigation of the procedure employed in conducting the election of a Sindaco by popular vote in the Comune of Montiano on March 3, 1945, find attached the communal record which is explanatory.

2. In a personal conference with Cancelliere Sig. MOLIGNANI Nicola who was appointed by Lt. Adam Gennette to conduct the election, the following questions were clarified:

- (a) Lt. Adam Gennette, then GAO of Montiano, authorized the election to be held for the purpose of electing a Sindaco.
- (b) Cancelliere Sig. MOLIGNANI Nicola was appointed by Lt. Gennette to conduct the election and was to be assisted by a Committee of four members of CMR. One representative each was picked from the four parties, Republican, Christian Democrat, Communist and Socialist, to serve on this Committee.
- (c) The Committee, first, listed all eligible voters excluding the known Fascists and Pro-Fascists. This gave the Comune a maximum vote of 1098 which included both men and women of the Comune over twenty-one years of age. However, it was decided to permit any married couples under twenty-one to vote as the Italian law requires that they be at least eighteen before marriage is permitted and after marriage they are no longer considered minors.
- (d) Only two candidates were named to run for the position as the Socialists decided that they were too weak to name a candidate and the Christian Democrat decided to throw their support to the Republican Candidate. Consequently, that left the Communist Candidate and the Republican Candidate.
- (e) Sig. MOLIGNANI and the Committee m/a conducted the election in the Municipality at Montiano and personally oversaw the entire procedure. This amounted to nothing more than the posting of the names of the candidates for the people and then presenting a blank piece of paper as the ballot with the instructions that the person was to place the name of either of the candidates upon the paper or the name of any person within the comune he wished to vote for. He or she was then instructed to fold the paper and place it thru a slot into the ballot box which was kept locked from the time the voting started until it was finished. Any illiterate person who wished to vote was instructed to have some member of his or her family write, place the name on the ballot as he or she instructed.

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Due to the fact many of the farmers did not understand what the procedure was and failed to appear for the election Sig. MOLIGNANI, the committee and a Carabinieri went around thru the country and contacted all eligible voters who had not appeared.

- (f) At the finish, the box was opened in the presence of the Committee who acted as counted the votes. When the results were obtained they were published in a manifest and posted for the public.
- (g) It was agreed upon by the committee that the candidate receiving the largest number of votes to be considered as the Sindaco and the candidate receiving the next largest number was to be considered as Vice-Sindaco. The naming of the rest of the commission was purely and arbitrary matter between the party representatives on the committee and the new Sindaco. The power to appoint his own commission was not given.
- (h) There was no display of force or violence at any time in connection with the entire procedure and since, it seems to be the general feeling of the public that it was the only fair means of placing a man in office. Generally, it can be said, there has been much more harmony and cooperation with local government than was ever indicated previously.

D. W. Miller, Captain.
CAO Cesena Area

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COMUNE DI MONTIANO

Provincia di Forlì

11 25 Febbraio 1945

AUTORIZZAZIONE

Autorizzo il Cancelliere sig. MOLICINI Nicola a procedere alle operazioni di votazione segreta e libera per no. 5 persone candidate alla carica di sindaco.

Ordine alle autorità comunali e di P.S. di collaborare con lui con tutti i mezzi.

IL GOVERNATORE

Off. Alano Gennetto
C.A.G. Montiano.

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COMUNE DI MONTIANO

PROVINCIA DI FORLÌ

*****IL COMITATO DI LIBERAZIONE NAZIONALE*****

EL ENCO delle persone segnalate dal Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale per la cancellazione dal ruolo degli elettori, a causa dei loro precedenti notoriamente filo nazi-fascisti:

1) BAIARDI Gastone	di	Giuseppe	46) BASINI Mario	fu	Giovanni
2) " Roberto	"	Gastone	47) POLLINI Augusto	di	Oliviero
3) " Osvaldo	"	Giuseppe	48) PAGLIACCI Nassa	fu	Edoardo
4) BERSANI Ulderico	"	Pompeo	49) PATERNINI Alessio	di	Nastarone
5) BIELLI Aldo Dino	fu	Galso	50) SORINI Marcello	di	Alberto
6) " Aurelio	"	"	51) SPADAZZI Giuseppe	"	Filippo
7) BALDINI Otello	"	Ernesto	52) TOMMASINI Giovanni	"	Domenico
8) BOCCHINI Primo	"	Leopoldo	53) VALDINOCCI Ugo	"	Angelo
9) " Silvio	"	Egisto	54) ZANOTTI Antonio	"	Secondo
10) COLLINUCCI Guglielmo	di	Pietro	55) " Vincenzo	"	"
11) CASADEI Vittorio	fu	Luigi	56) " Primo	"	"
12) CAPPANA Quinto	"	Sebastiano	57) " Cesare	"	"
13) CASALI Romano	"	Giulio	58) BOCCHINI Angela	fu	Egisto
14) CECCHIANI Romeo	di	Cesare	59) BERRASINI Assuntina	di	Paolo
15) " Mariano	"	Ignoti	60) " Rosina	"	Bartolo
16) CONCORDINI Carlo	fu	Domenico	61) BORGHESI Dorotea	di	Antonio
17) GECCHIANI Carlo	"	Federico	62) BAIARDI Maria	"	Giuseppe
18) COLLINUCCI Walter	di	Vincenzo	63) BERSANI Rachela	fu	Salvatore
19) CASADEI Egisto	fu	Agostino	64) COLLINUCCI Velia	di	Vincenzo
20) DRUDI Giulio	"	Costantino	65) CASADEI Clotilde	"	Pasquale
21) BERRI Biagio	"	Cesare	66) COLLINUCCI Vera	"	Vincenzo
22) FANTUZZI Agostino	"	Carlo	67) COLLINUCCI Vincenza	"	"
23) FANDI Agostino	di	Paolo	68) CECCHIANI Maria	"	Carlo
24) FRANCISCONI Pietro	"	Giovanni	69) " Olga	"	"
25) FANDI Vito	"	"	70) " Teresa	"	"
26) BERRASINI Domenico	fu	Serafino	71) CASADEI Anita	"	Vittorio
27) BISACCHI Lorenzo	di	Ernesto	72) " Alba	"	"
28) CASPERINI Mario	"	Primo	73) CECCHIANI Laura	"	"
29) COLLINUCCI Egisto	"	Luigi	74) BERSANI Luisa	"	Salvatore
30) GASPERONI Renato	"	Egisto	75) LUCCHI Lucia	"	Vittorio
31) " Alvaro	"	Mario	76) SACCHETTI Alma	"	Oreste
32) " Mario	"	Rinaldo	77) " Maria	"	Angelo
33) " Armando	"	Angelo	78) MAGGIANI Maria	"	Antonio
34) LUCCHI Vincenzo	fu	Leopoldo	79) MARCONI Maria	"	Emile
35) DELVECCIO Giordano	"	Sebastiano	80) BIELLI Olga	"	Restino
36) FRANCISCONI Lirino	"	Carlo	81) VERSARI Maria	"	Edoardo
37) LUCCHI Leo	di	Vittorio	82) RIVA Vincenza	"	Giuseppe
38) " Vittorio	fu	Leopoldo	83) VALDINOCCI Norma	"	Ugo
39) MOLANI Giovanni	di	Egisto	84) ZANOTTI Maria	"	Cesare
40) " Egisto	fu	Carlo	85) MONDARI Delfina	"	Secondo
41) MILCOVIC Aurelio	"	Adriano	86) ZANOTTI Anna	"	Vincenzo
42) MONIGLIANI Primo	"	Luigi			
43) MAGGIANI Nazario	"	Giuseppe			
44) " Guerrino	di	Antonio			
45) NOVEBRINI Guerrino	"	Ignoti			

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PER IL COMITATO NAZIONALE DI LIBERAZIONE

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COMUNE DI MONTIANO

PROVINCIA DI FORLÌ

COMITATO DI LIBERAZIONE NAZIONALE

Avvalendosi dell'autorizzazione concessa dall'Ufficiale dell'A.M.O. O.T. Sig. Ten. A. Gennette, con lettera 28/2/45 (allegata), di procedere all'elezione di un nuovo Sindaco in sostituzione del Sig. Birri, dimissionario, nel giorno 5 marzo 1945, con l'assistenza del Sig. Pollini Nicola, cancelliere giudiziario di I classe, si è recato nelle campagne e negli abitati di questo Comune, invitando i cittadini maggiori di 21 anni di anno i sessi a scrivere sull'apposita scheda ad ognuna consegnata, il nominativo della persona prescelta. Sono state adottate le misure necessarie per assicurare pura libertà e segretezza ai votanti.

I Candidati erano due:

- 1) ALBERTINI Giuseppe fu Tomistocle, presentato dal Partito Repubblicano.
- 2) BALDISSERA Primo fu Pasquale, presentato dal Partito Comunista.

Il Partito Socialista e il Democratico Cristiano non hanno presentato candidati, avendo i rispettivi esponenti dichiarato di non aver potuto trovare fra i compagni le persone adatte.

Il Sig. Pollini Oliviero inoltre ha espressamente rifiutato di partecipare alle operazioni di votazione, rimettendosi interamente alla discrezione degli altri membri del C.L.N. ed approvando senz'altro in anticipo il loro operato.

Da parte sua Sig. Baldissera Primo, per ragioni di opportunità e di lavoro ha delegato per la circostanza il Sig. Bartoli Eugenio, Segretario della sezione del P.C.I. in Montiano.

Martedì giorno 6 Marzo alle ore 10 si è proceduto al conteggio ed all'esame delle schede e finalmente allo scrutinio, il cui risultato è come segue:

Inscritti nella lista elettorale
 Per Baldissera Primo hanno votato
 " Albertini Giuseppe " "
 " Turchi Riccardo " "
 " Ferri Paolo " "
 " Bersani Mario " "
 " Caccarelli Urbano " "
 " Pollini Nello " "
 " Palmisani Nazario " "
 Scheda Nulle

No.	1098
"	498
"	205
"	14
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Totale dei Votanti

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Non e' stato concesso il diritto di voto alle persone indicate in elenco, a parte (allegato No.2) perche' iscritte al Fascio repubblicano o perche' notoriamente aderenti, chi per un motivo chi per un altro al nazifascismo; chi per la parola chi con le azioni, chi nella forma e chi nella sostanza. Si e' anzi rilevato che nel togliere loro il diritto del voto valgono non solo potenti motivi di igiene politico sociale e di opportunita' contingente, ma anche il fatto che la dottrina e la prassi fasciste non contemplano anzi escludono formalmente, nel nominare persone a coprire cariche pubbliche, ogni forma di consultazione democratica e popolare.

Lettera o inviyato al sottoscritto

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PER IL COMITATO DI LAMPADIONE

Montano, 6. Maria IGLESIA, 18. Pollarini Umberto

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COMUNE DI MONTIANO

PROVINCIA DI FORLÌ

11 IO Marzo 1945

L'anno millenovecentoquarantacinque undici del mese di Marzo in una Sala della Residenza Comunale, io SIRRI TIZIO, Sindaco di questo Comune a seguito dimissioni accettate dal Sig. Governatore ADAM GIBERTINI, ho proceduto alla regolare consegna al nuovo Sindaco nominato con provvedimento del Sig. Governatore in data 9/3/1945, nella persona del Sig. BALDISSERRA PRIMO.

Colla data del provvedimento di sostituzione il Sig. Sirri viene esonerato dal Governatore stesso da ogni responsabilità di Sindaco del Comune di Montiano.

Con allegati a parte il Sindaco uscente espone il quadro delle spese effettuate durante la sua gestione amministrativa dal 17/10/1944 al 9/3/1945, somme erogate dal Governo Militare Alleato per lavori urgenti di prima necessità indispensabili per il benessere della popolazione principalmente in materia di salute pubblica e d'igiene nonché approvvigionamenti alimentari.

Al Sindaco entrante vengono consegnati tutti i registri di Stato Civile, compresi quelli dell'anno in corso debitamente vistati dal Sig. Pretore, nonché il registro delle delibere e quello di protocollo, andati, e registri reversali ed un grosso messale antico anno 1753 "Canto Gregoriano".

Arredamento Uffici al completo quadri antichi ecc.

Archivio completo, cancelleria ecc.

Letto confermato e sottoscritto in data come sopra, si sottoscrivano: 2026

IL SINDACO USCENTE
(Sirri Tizio)

IL SINDACO ENTRANTE
(Baldissera Primo)

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/1/9/1/10

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Local government in Forli Province.

11 May 1945

TO : RC Emilia Region (with copy for RC Forli)

1. For your information and that of the RC, copies of the report of Major Williams' recent survey of this province are enclosed.
2. Very good progress has been made in the organization of local government in this province and there appears to be nothing in the report of survey on which special comment should be made.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

RRT

RALPH R. TEMPLE
Major
Deputy Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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Encls. as in (1) above.

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There has been no substantial change of an attempt of the U.S. to interfere with administration. It is not at all likely that the present was about to leave a house (or all institutions) and the union of the U.S. when there was into the hands of the U.S. a similar letter from the President to all Central U.S. signed by the Vice President and Secretary of the Privileged body, directing the Communist U.S. to take steps to see that the union of the U.S. did not go up. The signature of the letter was arrested and killed, brought before a military court within the same and sentenced to 6 months and 12 years in prison on different charges. The sentences were, however, suspended.

The U.S. did not seem to understand they had been directed. Initially after the union of the U.S. incident, the Vice-President and Secretary with their legal adviser came to see the U.S. to inquire if they could communicate with their counsel. The U.S. without breaching the law, the answer was that they were disallowed and could not and should not be communicated. They still attempt to play a part in the administration, however, no evidence by a letter that it showed no from the U.S. of the U.S. This letter stated that the members of the Local U.S. Council had the confidence of the population, but the U.S. considered they should be substituted by others (who were named in the letter) but that as there would be a considerable delay in the official reply to this communication, the U.S. considered it advisable that the new members should enter on their functions at once. The U.S. is taking no notice of this letter.

The U.S. is in a position in his behavior and way of saying yes or no, but he is loyal and never said the U.S. is, on the whole, fairly well satisfied with him. I was forced to be content with a very short interview with him myself and could hardly give a reliable personal impression.

Local Government Organization. All the 30 members have U.S. Councils and U.S. Councils. Some of the U.S. members represented by the U.S. and appointed by the U.S. have had to be elected. The U.S. Councils were constituted at the beginning of April. It met on 17 April to nominate the U.S. members of the U.S.

5. International Staff.

V.V. - 1944. U.S. Councils let alone with various functions

He has actually been V.V. for 14 years and made quite a good impression on me. The President said the U.S. had requested his 'collaboration in response'; he thought this was quite unnecessary as, although both, U.S. is 75, he is doing excellent work.

Rev. Inspector - 1944. U.S. Councils, a U.S. Cape let alone.

He is also U.S. Councils at the moment. He is an old, steady little man, who always wears a cloth cap in his office and makes rather a poor impression at first sight. The President, however, is very pleased with him and says he is energetic and willing and loyal. As an instance, the President says he even has inspected on a bicycle and makes nothing of cycling 30 kilometers for the purpose.

Other group members: 2 additional; 1 deceased & 100% disabled

Other Group II personnel: Nanyangene Congo, 2 Bagongantani

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7. Most of the matter of Justice rack seems to be affected by political objections which in the Prefect's opinion make a change of political desires. The Prefect stated that no allegations of Russian could be made against them, but during the former regime, they had occupied positions which made them unpopular with the population. For example, Comandiere MARTINI was Capo Submitta to the Russian Prefect; Primo Segretario GILIA had the job of requisitioning cars for the General; Ingo Capo TIRAPPE was a friend of the "Fascists"; and Ingo SALLI was Comandiere Prefectural of a Garzone about he was directed to dismiss some of the employees on political grounds, and has recently suffered a personal assault in the Chamber of Deputies. The Prefect has taken up all these questions with the Ministry.

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SUBJECT: Election at Mondaino--Forli Province.

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TO : EC Emilia Region (with copy for EC Forli)

1. A statement has been observed in the number of the AC Weekly Bulletin published on May 4 that a free election has been held with the permission of AMG in the above-mentioned Comune.

2. This is of the highest interest to this Sub Commission, particularly at the present time when the procedure for local elections is under consideration by the Italian Government and this HQ, and a full report on the matter will be greatly appreciated.

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Prefect Tortorici is reported to be doing extremely well. He is also highly appreciative of the very excellent treatment and consideration that he himself has received from the Regional and Provincial Commissioners. He has as a VEV a Consigliere of the 1st Class, by the name of Limon in functione, and as VPI the Capo Ragioniere Ercolani in functione, who, he says is an excellent man, knows the Province well, and whom he is most anxious to retain.

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The Deputatione

Deputations Provinciale will be functioning in a few days under the Presidency of Avv. Angeletti. The ^{CLN} in the Forli area has not given the Prefect any trouble at all.

The G.P.A. will be formed immediately after the D.P. has been constituted G.C. Out of the 50 Communes, 35 Sindaci have been appointed and 35 G.C. are operating. He has no C.P. as he proposes to form G.C. in the remaining 15 Communes almost immediately.

Politics: The Communist Party is easily superior, but it is interesting to note that another party exists in some strength in the Province and calls itself a Republican Party. It has as its main theme anti Monarchical views.

Prefect Tortorici stated that he really wanted a competent VPV badly, also a Capo di Gabinetto. He brought up very strongly a point in regard to pay and that is that the disgressa residenza allowance which was sanctioned by Art. 10 Decree 328 of 18th November 1944 should be re-sanctioned for destroyed and difficult areas such as Forli.

Will CAO go into this please.

^{Beaumont}
REGIONAL COMMISSIONER COL. BEAUMONT

In view of the fact that he as Regional Commissioner is operating in Forli Province although it is still under Eighth Army command, was in doubt as to whether G.O.35 should be promulgated for Forli, or whether Decree 159 should be implemented.

Colonel ^{Beaumont} also stated that there was a VPV and a CG who had perforce to be suspended in Ravenna, but who might be of use in the south. 2020

Would CAO look into this please.

Col. Beaumont expressed himself as being extremely pleased with his cooperation with Eighth Army officials.

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