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(1)
(2)
(3)

July 18. V.P. 1. Particulars of No 4 Cesare Nanio for you to see. He is Ital. Govt's No. 1 nomination as Prefect for Florence.

2. Two other specially selected names with short autobiographies with mine to-day.

3. Also Italy two names as in 2. with mine to-day as Suidaci for Florence.

4. I "gather" Italy sims Plenipotentiary name will be in either list. I expressed no views or opinion, except to say Italy in their communications to us were not in harmony with the political platforms of the nominees but in their efficiency as administrators

R.A.Butler

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Colonel.

(4)

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VP. Thank you for seeing. Thanks for Attached list

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(5) not applicable

(6) not applicable

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(4)

July 19 V.D — The Minister has submitted two other names in addition to his original nomination viz Ab Cerano Mario. Page 5 - 6

(1) Ab Pontoglios. Present Prefect of Lanciano. We have no dirt on him officially or otherwise and I see no circumstances could I recommend his acceptance.

(2) Ab. F. Vicedomini. Has not yet obtained a screen certificate but is known beyond inadequate particulars as ab 9(b). ✓

(3) Actg/ C.C. Teramo. I understand, like before. ✓

Minute No 8.

20 : Acting Chief Commissioner.

HQ AFF AND SOS
109
19 July 1630

The Director of the Interior Sub-Commission informs me that you wish to see the attached file.

Relevant papers in the matter of Prefect of Florence are:

No 5.
No 6.
No 6A (extract from card index),
and No 4

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R.S. Chippa.
R.S. CHIPPA, Col
Chief Staff Officer.

(Signed in absence on duty by A/Hon. Col.)

AG(I) Sec.
19 Jul 44.

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To. - V.P.

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1. As I have stated in my minute (7), from personal knowledge and from Regional Commissioners and Provincial Reports, I could under no circumstance recommend Dott. FORTICLIONE.

2. I interviewed Dr. Francesco VICHERINI yesterday. Not only was I unfavourably impressed with his personality, but he also said to me that he hoped I could find it possible to make an adverse report against him as he did not wish to go to Florence for domestic reasons. He need have had no fear in this regard.

3. Finally, I interviewed Dott. DE CESARE, Mario. He is a young man, active, and appeared to me highly intellectual. He was prepared to accept the office without demur if offered to him, and would be ready to move on 48-hours notice. I have not as yet received Security's report on him, but hope to shortly.

4. He has, as you will note on page 5, been very highly written up by the Italian Government.

5. I must register, however, my feelings that his personality did not appeal to me, but that may be an entirely wrong impression on a short interview of some 30 minutes, and I do not think that such an impression (which, however, I feel bound to report) should stand in the way of his appointment.

6. Subject to his screening being satisfactory, therefore, I recommend that Dott. DE CESARE, Mario be appointed tentatively as Prefect of Florence should he be required when Florence falls.

To Int.
Para 6. Carry on if Screening satisfactory.
GRL
/Sgt 24.7.44

(10)

Note
Robin Thank you

R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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	(11)	
24 July	INT See A.V.P.'s approval at foot of your minute No. 9. R. P. Cooper	
July 26	(12) Ed Discussing return to Dr. de Cesare urgently requested	
July 24	(13) Director 1. Please see #15 + 15A which arrived to-day subsequent to minute (12) 2. In view of what transpired at your interview with VICE DOMINI on 20 July, please observe passage marked in pencil in #15A! C.O.S.	15 + 15A
July 25	(14) Ed Notify Nat. Grand Hotel Dr. de C. is approved tentatively as Prefect of Florence if return Flor. fails + Prefect is required Written offer + acceptance will be required in due course. II. Notify B HQ of choice. Give both particulars wish when he should be sent forward.	11 & C

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MINUTE SHEET NO. 5.

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Aug 9. V.P. Tonate. The D.M. is personally extremely angry with Br de Cesare.

(2) We must start all over again. but I thought you should know position at once.

Rex A Sturm
Colonel.

(16)

Aug 9. To V.P.

I believe Ct Spini has something more to say about this.

(17)

P.O. Comptr

They are a yellow hitered race.

Aug 9. Ed Urgent action as regards Italian Govt.

(18)

Aug 11. V.P. Perfect for Florence.

(19)

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Nomination by D.M. and
1. Gorgopotamos
well known Tovo slightly reported on
2. De Rosis. Being screened. to HF
H.E. Consent obtained by Italian Govt. with regret
to remove.

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MINUTE SHEET No. 6

DATE		PAGE
Aug 19	Addit. 23 cte should be transferred to McColl. file. (20)	
Aug 21.	Addit. No action req. (21)	
Aug 22nd	Director: Reference (22) and your conversation with Major Bollard RCMP. Please send Acc Schedo Personnel these two new Nominees	23
Aug 28.	Ex/Gregoriata finally selected - should go forward at once to rebut Re. Florence (Prefettura). Give him authority letter, passes, form affdt. re "Good Boy" Re. (23) 2. I should like to see him here in Ottawa.	
Aug 28	Transmit. (24) Director 1. Ref. above minute (23) - your cable sent to Florence is at #28. 2. I saw Lt. Col. Stethem yesterday & he authorized me to go ahead. 3. Please see (a) cable to S. Regina at #29. (b) letter to Minister at #30. CGS	28. 29 30.

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Aug 30 — E-A / Please see 33. What about this bombing?
We can only wait to.

Aug 31 — V.A — To see 35. (25) Asst. Com.

(26).

Sept 1st — V.P. / Please see 35 & 33

Benuti telephoned me last night said that the N.A. attaché had discussed the matter. Sforza had agreed not to proceed with Expulsion against Goyzueta who is now in Rome (on his way from Potenza from which he was forcibly called) and had strongly advised that Goyzueta be left in charge of an important province for Operation 33
S.I.S. shows the Minister of Interior's views.
The Minister had however agreed to hold Goyzueta in view of Sforza's advice. Please inform me of other proposals.

Action is urgent. Nothing in writing as Goyzueta would be screened as he was already a Prefect. Secret. A.F.C.

Colonel.

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Sch. 2 Ky/ Forward advice (27) Plan. Complete 36 36A, B. for such action as they may deem fit.

2. It is considered that the matter raises grave issues, particularly, from an Afg point of view, the statement "Haji" confirmed by the Allies" will be disclosures."

3. This seems to a definite abrogation of The Amanita terms in regard to appointments which cannot be passed without the consent of HCA.

4. A reply is requested. L

No action on a newspaper report.

(28) GPR 1102

Sch. 3. V.A/ Please see 37. For your orders GPR/Mun Col.

(29) Please prepare signal on lines of para 5 of 37. GPR 37

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(30)

Ed. 3 Region VI. Rptd. 8 Army. Rptd Region VIII
derhatch
Please note urgently. Patrols present
Prefect Ancona to Florence as
Prefect designate.
Please see Ed.

(31)

Ed. 4 Ex Allied English wishing to cross Allied
should go through to Rome concerned
eclusa-

(32)

Ed. 5 Ex Caltle RZ. VIII Allied
8 Army. 5 Army.
8 Army reports Patrols left for
Florence 11th. No enemy in Rz.
as to arrival or installation. Please
direct P.C. Florence + report further
earliest.
for SCAO Florence.

No. P. 49.

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MINUTE SHEET NO. 11

DATE	(35)	PAGE
Sept 23.	Adjt to read date of actual affln. on Card. Board is recorded. L.	
"	Dir / noted + instructions given accordingly L. 36	1180
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Sept 29	page 52 carded and boarded	52
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MINUTE SHEET No. 12

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Oct 21	Directly (38) 1. Please see no 70. 2. At my request Mr. Mudaliar rang up the Personal at the Ministry 2-days ago who is the Conspicuous Officer in charge of Group A officials, Dy. DE ZERBI. 3. He pointed out that Arcona is a most important fortress (Port, Troops etc.) – that it is already short staffed – that prima-facie therefore, we would not favour the removal from Arcona of Conspicuous MELLO – but we should like to know the nature of the minimum for which the Prefect of Flarence requires them. 4. The reply was that they would drop the suggestion to transfer MELLO – but they would also point out from the Prefect why he wants a Conspicuous	70
Dec. 18	Boarded. p. 81 ante.	81
January 3	Replied. p. 85 ante	85

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MINUTE SHEET NO. 13.

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July 15	(39) Ed / Does this mean as VPI? If so, this does not clash with any other arrangements. Get him cleared forward at an early date. /	92.
July 17	Director (40) 1. CAPASSO showed go to Florence as Carabinieri + Capo Gabinetto. See our letter at no. 90, paras. 2 + 6, in which we informed the Ministry that AMG were desirous MAZZA to act as VPI Florence + that another Carabinieri would therefore be required to replace him. 2. As appears from the Teramo + Ascoli files, CAPASSO was found at Teramo when the province was liberated last June, serving as Capo Gabinetto. In that capacity, he was naturally locally compromised (having been, by virtue of the nature of his duties, too closely associated with the Rebublican Prefect) + AMG transferred him to Ascoli, where however he is surplus to establishment. 3. The transfer to Ascoli was a mistake I think; but it does perhaps show that he cannot be seriously compromised. If he were, AMG would have suspended him + not sent him to the province next door. 4. In the circumstances, he must be screened: I am writing / Naples Region accordingly. [illegible]	92 90

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1. CAPASSO [illegible]

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4. In the circumstances, he must be screened: I am writing Abruzzi-Marche Region accordingly. C.J.S.

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July 17 Director

1. Please see no. 93 + papers annexed at nos. 93 A – D. This is the reply to your letter at no. 86, asking for comments on the "Unità" article on Patrono. 93 93A – D 1 / 786

2. No action seems to be called for by this S/C. You will observe that the suggestion in para. 6 of 93 A has not been taken up by SCAO in 93: + if it had, I would not advise any such thing. As to the actual appointments in the Florence SEPRAL, this has been taken up by AMG with Economic Section. C.J.S.

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Jan. 20	Stuffed. p-92 ft.	92
" "	Stuffed p.94 ft.	94
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29 Jan.	CA Section 1. Please see p. 99 for your information. 2. I recommend no action now. We'll just make mental note of Lt. Col. Rolfe's remarks and when any of us are up at Firenze we shall back the new P.C. what he thinks. R.F. Temple, Major for Director	99
	(43)	
29 JAN	Lord Gu V.P. is in agreement with your proposals in mem 42. I am passing them to make in discussions between VP & Lt/Col Rolfe. GRP Gumpp CI	
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for Director

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discussed between VP & Lt/Col Rolfe.

R. H. Temple
C.I.

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1 Feb.

Maj. W.

1. Reference p.100 - apparently CAFASSO is not suitable at Ascoli now. We shall have to get another nominee. 100

2. Reference p. 101. Handle the usual way 101

R. H. W.
for Director

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MINUTE SHEET NO. 15

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2 Feb. 45 Director:

(45)

1. See letter No. 100, where PC requests retention of Cons. CAPASSO at Ascoli.

Officials at Ascoli:

Prefect	BROISE	
VPV	RIGUCCI	
VPI	GIACOMO	Note: PERONGINI has been ordered several times to go to Arezzo.
Consiglieri:	PASCUCCI	
	TANZI	
	CAPASSO	Nominated for Florence
	DE NORA	Nominated for Aquila
		Note: MEMMO resides at Ascoli only
Segretari:	GUACCI	
	SIMONINI	

2. I suggest the Ministry should be asked whether they consider 2 Consiglieri and 2 Segretari sufficient for Ascoli. If they reply in the affirmative, CAPASSO can be sent to Florence. If not, it is doubtful whether they can nominate another Consigliere for Florence (see File 4/1/66, letter 52 of 16 January), so a decision will probably have to be made as to whether the need of Florence is greater than that of Ascoli.

W. I. Cunningham Capt.

W. I. CUNNINGHAM, Captain
Local Government Sub Commission.

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Feb 3

Ltr (1) There is no doubt that Florence ranks

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Note: LEMMO resides at Ascoli only

Segretari: GUACCI
SIMONINI

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W. I. CUNNINGHAM, Captain
Local Government Sub Commission.

(46)

Feb 3

Feb 4 (1) There is no doubt that Florence ranks at higher priority than Ascoli.

(2) Both offices conspicuously understaffed.

(3) Yes. Approach Ministry as at (2) above - get them written backing. You may mention my views as at (1) (2) 1176.

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(47)

Feb. 4 Director

1. Please see #103. Before we deal with the request for a refusal on MAZZA in particular, have you any orders as to the general principle enunciated in the first para. of the Ministry's letter, i.e.,

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that promotions of officials in AMG territory will not considered, but certain vacancies left in their favour.
2. As to NAZZA, we must ask PC Hurd RC for a formal report. CJS

(48)

Feb 4 — Feb 4

(1) Mr Bo Ashley Hall was in the S.C. the Prov. Commissioner. hold the particular office in the highest terms with regard.

(2) As to para. 103 of the decision of the S/C is that an arbitrary line in the regard is to be regretted, no wonder if there is to be so much that career officials are both to go forward. We feel that instead of such a decision a balance

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(1) Mr 33a Hedley Hand was in the
. the Prime Minister. hold this particular
officer in the highest possible regard

(2) As to para. 1b 103 the decision of the S/C is
that an arbitrary line in the regard is
to be rejected, no wonder if there is to
be so misleading that career officers
are loth to go forward. We feel that
instead of such a decision a better one
would be to treat special cases on their
merits as indeed has been done in the
case of Mr 33a.

Pass f/L with the wish to proceed
to assist by obtaining full reliable
reports in such cases.

Done at no 104

(49)

Feb-8. Director

Ref. fo. 103, your minute (48) and fo. 104 – please see note of interview at fo. 105.

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February 13	Stuffed - loaded - p - 101 - ff -	101
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Feb 15	Fit Any comments? I may require to put Pellegrini's case to V.P. L (51)	107
Feb. 14.	Director 1. PELLEGRINI's history is summarised in minute 31 on file 4/1/64 (Magenta) herewith.	
	2. No action seems required on fo. 107. We have reported P. until examination judgment is given.	107
Feb. 15.	(52) Director 1. Ref. fo. 101, nominating DE PASQUALE for UPV Florence.	101.
	2. No action on this has appeared on this file so far.	
	3. The reason is that the Ministry postponed him (with 18 others) for promotion on 5 Dec.. After getting the necessary particulars about him from the Ministry, we wrote RC Southern on	

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Pellegrini's case to V.P. L

Feb. 14. Director (51)

1. PELLEGRINI's history is summarised in minute 51 on file 4/1/64 (Macerata) hereunto.

2. No action seems required on fo. 107. We have rejected P. until clearance judgment is given. 107

Feb. 15. Director (52)

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3. The reason is that the Ministry proposed him (with 18 others) for promotion on 5 Dec.. After getting the necessary particulars about him from the Ministry, we wrote RC Southern on 9 Jan. for a report. We have had no reply. All this is on file 4/27. 174

4. We sent a reminder on 13 Feb. I am writing again today asking for an urgent reply on DE PASQUALE, in advance of the other 3 cases referred to RC on 9 Jan.

(53)

Feby 18. Director

Further to above minute DE PASQUALE has now been cleared by Security. No reply from RC Southern Region yet. 4/27 file

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MINUTE SHEET NO. 18

DATE		PAGE
2 March.	(54) Director Dott. Carlo CAPASSO called here this morning at 11.15 to report on his way to Florence. He had a letter of introduction from P.C. Accoli & not only seemed eager to go but had his own transport and travel permit from Accoli to Florence via Rome! He said he had got everything fixed up for his journey before he left Accoli so he didn't want to cause us any trouble. I congratulated and thanked him. I gave him a letter of introduction to Florence. He is leaving Rome before 0700 hours tomorrow morning 3rd March. DPC. Mamma Mia! RCT mention to Miele	119. 120.
5 March.	(55) Director Dott. Pirlo called here this afternoon. He said he had come to see if his appointment to Florence was affirmed. I told him that it was entirely a matter for P.C. Florence to decide and that we had written the P.C. to that effect and were waiting for a reply. (See page 118) He then said the Ministry had appointed him to Ivrea. I told him I knew of this and that we had no longer any authority over Ivrea. He said he didn't want to go there! I told him it was a matter for the Ministry to decide, unless P.C. Florence required him. He had been to Lecce on leave and was returning to Florence to get his clothes etc. He would call and see P.C. Florence re our letter. Apparently the Ministry is going to keep [illegible]	118.

Florence. He is leaving Rome [illegible] 6/00 Lewis tomorrow morning and will

DH. Mannoni Mrs RCT

mentions to Micale

(55)

5 March. Director

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DH.

RCT
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March 13 Stopped. p. 115 ff -

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March 27 Phoned Ministry re ff 126 Dott Virgilio promised to send a further telegram

(57)

April 4 Nice. Please phone Ministry re ff 126 and despatch (56). Where is DE PASQUALE? 126

April 5. The Ministry has received a telegram (58) from the Prefect of Benevento saying that Dr. DE PASQUALE is ill there and unable to travel. Dr. Parente said they are making investigations and will let us know the results as soon as possible. Nice HB.

(59)

April 5. Director. Please see (58). Here we go again! Ministry were notified on 26th July 115
that he was acceptable and asked to bring him to Rome. Another month wasted.

DH.

April 5 Sealed. p. 113 ff - 113

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MINUTE SHEET NO. 19

DATE	(60)	PAGE
April 7	Director. / Further to Minute (58). I phoned Parente this morning (Alice interpreting) and told him that we must have a nomination for VPV Florence by Monday as the matter was extremely urgent. I asked him to pick an official who he knew would go immediately and not cause delays by such as other enquiries. 2. Parente said he would do his best to have a nomination made today or ~~tomorrow~~ Monday. He is coming to see Maj Williams on Monday morning and will talk to me about this at the same interview.	
April 9	Stepd. Boarded p. 132 ff.	132
Apl 10.	To. VP. (61) (a) Please see file 135 which is a resume of the steps taken & developments regarding the appointment of PATERNO as Prefect of Florence. (b) While I appreciate that it is desirable to get on with the matter if we are going to carry out the proposal of the Hon. Home Secy re PATERNO. I feel that before discussing it	

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Apl 10.

To. VP.

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(a) Please see file 135 which is a resume of the steps taken & decision regarding the appointment of FIERRO as Prefect of Florence.

(b) While I appreciate that it is desirable to get on with this matter if we are going to carry out the proposal of Gen. Thune to remove FIERRO. I feel that before discussing it with the I.G. I would like to get more information from A.M.G. & Army and the 1172 View of TOSCANA Region.

(c) I think you may wish to mention the matter to C.C. as he was very much in touch with the original appointment.

A. P. Chipps Lt.

Note Discussed. (b) with V.P. who agreed with proposal in para (b) and does not wish to comment (c)

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April 13	Skipped - p. 134 ff. (62)	134 -
	Director :-	
April 21.	Dott. TEMPERINI reported here today, ready and willing to go to Florence. He gives quite a good impression. Adjutant has arranged transport for him on the convoy for Tuesday morning 24th April. HH	133
June 12	Skipped. circled. headed. p. 145 ff.	145

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19 June

To: Director.

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1. Reference paragraph 3 Folio / we have had no answer to this; I endeavoured to telephone FLORENCE on 16 and 17 June without getting through. 148

2. CIGLI was Vice Prefect during the nazi-fascist period and the CLN took some objection to him at first. As they charged malversation of public funds, we had MASCOLO, the Ministry's Prefect Inspector General, go to FLORENCE and hold a formal enquiry. MASCOLO found that CIGLI, when in charge of ARP administration, had an air raid shelter constructed in his own house out of public money. It was thereupon agreed to suspend him, and a substitute, TEMPERINI, was sent down on 24 April.

3. The first intimation we had that CIGLI was still in office was in the PG's monthly report for April, to which Folio 148 is the reply. 148

4. Retaining a man formally found guilty of fraud, and that after his successor has arrived, is, of course, quite unsound and makes us look foolish in the eyes of the Ministry. However, the damage is done and in view of the handover on 19 June we are helpless.

Copy also sent as AC/1/2/A/26

C.G.R.WILLIAMS, Major
Local Government S/C.

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19 June

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C.G.R. WILLIAMS, Major
Local Government S/C. 1171

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APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/27/A/LG Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Local Government reports for April 1945. 30 May 1945

TO : RC TOSCANA Region

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3. It is not understood why Dott. GIGLI is still in office as Vice Prefect Vicario : his removal was agreed upon a long time ago and Dott. TAMPERINI was sent down to replace him.

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FOR THE DIRECTOR:

S/ RALPH R. TEMPLE,
Major,
Deputy Director,
Local Government S/C

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CANOVAI, Prof. Tito Cesare, 167

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Joined Fascist Party in Nov. 1921
Sciarpa Littorio
Schoolteacher
~~Headmaster~~ At one time Headmaster
of Collegio Cicogni of Prato
Fascist Deputy for Tuscany ~~1924~~ 1924/7
Prefect of Pescara 1927/30
" " Viterbo 1930/6
" " Cagliari 1936/40
" " Perugia 1940/3
" " Verona until 23 Sept.43

Removed from his position by Republican Fascists in agreement with German authorities.

From Min Int Rodrio
FSS. have nothing
in relation with him
living at Prato

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To: C.M.G. Local Government Sub-Commission,

From: Director.

Date: 7th March, 1945.

I attach herewith a note on Prof. Canovai, who Lt. Col. Radice states is living in the Province of Florence.

Col. Radice would like us to take this up with the Italian Government and ascertain what the position is in his regard. Can he be used again in the administration, or is he likely to be the subject of Epuration ?

Will you please have a letter written to Col. Radice when you know the facts.

R.C.B. SPICER,
Colonel,
Director
Local Government Sub Commission.

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TOSCANA REGION

FLORENCE Province

Prefect	:	PATERNO' Giulio Dott.	Deputazione Provinciale	:	YES
V.P.V.	:	GIGLI Gino.	Communes	:	49
V.P.I.	:	DE FRANCISCI Guido Dott.	Giunte	:	49

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NB Mazza has in fact acted in

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NB Magg. has in fact acted in funzione VPI. vice 18 Feb.

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(2) Ed Radio feels Francisci transfer to another area would be good. Is one "alla difensiva" doing nothing in Provincia. Effettivi?

Wanting - whether of FSS effd 427 = of Feb 45

NB Francisci was offered Arezzo as VPI but refused.

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APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/60/LG

Tel: 286

SUBJECT: Dott. Artero TEMPERINI.

23 April 1945

TO : PC Florence.

1. This will introduce the above-mentioned, who is to assume duties at Florence as Vice Prefect Vicario.

2. May every facility please be extended to him.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

RALPH R. TEMPLE
Major
Deputy Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/4/1/60/LG. Tel. 478190

SUBJECT : Communal Secretaries. 23 April 1945.

TO : RO. Toscana Region.

Copy for : PC. Florence.

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1. I refer to your R.VIII/68/1.A dated 16th March 1945 forwarding list of communes in the Province of Florence which were without Communal Secretaries.

2. The matter was taken up with the Ministry of Interior and I enclose copies in English and Italian of their reply.

3. In the circumstances I am afraid the Prefect will have to find local men to act as "segretari reggenti".

FOR THE DIRECTOR

RALPH R. TEMPLE
Major
Deputy Director
Local Government Sub Commission.

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Encl. as in N. (2) above.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
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21 APR 1945

21 April 1945

Adjt 300.4

SUBJECT: Travel Orders

TO : All Concerned

1. Mr. Andrew Tamporini, Italian civilian, will proceed to Florence Italy, on or about 24 April 1945 on a permanent change of station to return duties as Vice Prefect Florence thereat.

2. Travel by privately owned transport is authorized.

BY ORDER OF MAJOR GENERAL STONE:

Nicholas Tomkins
NICHOLAS TOMKINS
U.S. USA
Asst Adjutant

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Tamporini Andrea
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1. Prepared to accept the Fifth Army point of view for Calannandrai.

2. If he is NOT appointed prefer to continue for the moment with present incumbent rather than have an unknown man pushed in.

3. If Calannandrai is agreeable and acceptable to the Italian Government well and good but in view of the change of Provincial Commissioners and the reduction in AMG Staff we have no objection to present encumbent for a month or so in fact this course seems to me preferable.

apr 13 1945

R. J. Thorn

Florence Plow

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REPORT ON VISIT BY DIRECTOR OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT
SUB-COMMISSION TO 5 ARMY, 12th to 16th April, 1945

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT

12th April

(Left Rome 0900 hrs and arrived Florence HQ 5 Army 1345 hrs)

1. On arrival the Director reported to 5 Army and discussed with Lt. Col. Sutherland and Major Bynors the proposition of the SCAO that the present Prefect (Paterno) of Florence Province should be removed. Lt. Col. Sutherland stated that the reasons he wished to remove Paterno were based on a number of actions by him and which in themselves were none of them (taken separately) sufficient to cause his removal, but on the other hand were cumulative in effect and he was of the opinion (speaking for the SCAO) that it was time he was removed. 5 Army AMG had in the past resisted his removal in order that it should not appear that the action was dictated by popular outcry. This had now died down and 5 Army wish to remove the Prefect before handing over the Province of Florence to Tuscanna Region.

2. The matters which brought them to this decision were
(a) That the Prefect had in 1941 made a particularly anti-British speech in the Province of which he was then Prefect, this 5 Army maintain indicates that he is a Fascist and that his general behavior at the present time is still somewhat Fascist in outlook.
(b) That in December there had been some difficulty with the then Provincial Commissioner, Lt. Col. Dolphs, in which it appeared that the Prefect had inserted additional matter to a persuasion for the payment of employees after Col. Dolphs had placed his visto thereon and although the Prefect had given an explanation of this case which was accepted, the matter had never been considered satisfactory.
(c) That in some recent correspondence over the removal of one Arista, of the Italian Public Safety Office, M.E. Ferrari at the Ministry of Public Safety in writing to the Questore recommends the removal of Arista on the ground that "he has been reported to be tied to the Communist Party, to the Tuscan Committee of National Liberation and to the Provincial Delegate for Epuration, Emilio Gabrielli, persons who politically dominate Florence in complete disagreement with the Prefect of Florence, who for months has continued to hold his difficult and dangerous position only through the authoritative and benevolent support of the Allied Command."

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3. 5 Army consider that the words quoted above came from some report from Florence and very much suspect that the Prefect is the author, they therefore take grave exception to his attitude which is shown by the words underlined.

(d) That the Prefect is in disagreement with many of his Sindaci in the Provinces and particularly with those with Leftist tendencies: as an instance the case of Prato is quoted, where a Communist is the Sindaco and is a man who carries out his duties efficiently. 5 Army feel that with the withdrawal of many of the AMG officers Provincial administration may well break down if their support is no longer there to assist the authorities at present in office in maintaining their position. In fact, it was suggested that there might be open disobedience by the Italian administrative authorities when AMG were thinner on the ground.

AMG 5 Army suggested the name of Colonna Prei as a possible successor. They were not aware whether he would be prepared to take the job. His present position is that of Rector of the University of Florence, and his name was originally considered for the position of Sindaco of Florence. He is a qualified Lawyer.

4. The Director of the AMG agreed that it did appear that it might be necessary to remove the Prefect, but he would like first to ascertain whether Colonna Prei was prepared to take the position before

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approaching the Italian Government. It was therefore agreed that an approach would be made to Calamai Dredi confidentially by AMG 5 Army.

4. It was also agreed that the Director should discuss the matter with Tuscana Region, who as yet were not informed of the proposals of 5 Army AMG, in order to get the views of the Regional Commissioner or his deputy.

April 13th.

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

6. Visited Montecatini Regional Headquarters, Tuscana Region, and discussed at length the question of the Prefect of Florence with the Deputy Regional Commissioner as the R.C. was away from Headquarters in Elba at the time. The Deputy R.C. gave his views as follows and confirmed the statement which he has signed:
(a) He is prepared to accept the 5 Army point of view with regard to Calamai Dredi.
(b) If he (Calamai Dredi) is not appointed he prefers to continue with the present incumbent for the moment rather than have an unknown man pushed in.
(c) If Calamai Dredi is agreeable and acceptable to the Italian Government he has no objection to his appointment, but in view of the shortage of Provincial Commissioners and the reduction of AMG staff the Region has no objection to the present incumbent for a month or so. In fact this seems to be preferable.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

12. The SCAO 4 Corps was visited. The position of the Liaison Officer to be attached was discussed and the SCAO explained that he required the officer on the spot to give him advice and help over the appointment of Local Government Officials. He particularly wanted a man forward who could give the answers and the views of this Sub-Commission and the Italian Government in particular instances right away. He will call the officer forward when he is ready for him.
The directives of C.A. Section were handed to SCAO personally.

6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

16. In the late evening Captain Sutherland and Major Rymers visited the Director at his Hotel and explained that Calamai Dredi was not prepared to accept the appointment of Prefect of Florence. It was agreed that the Director of the [illegible] should return to Rome at the earliest possible

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8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

16. In the late evening Captain Sutherland and Major Mynors visited the Director at his Hotel and explained that Calvesan Brvi was not prepared to accept the appointment of Prefect of Florence. It was agreed that the Director of the LCAO should return to Rome at the earliest possible moment to discuss this matter with V.P., C.A.C., and that on Sunday two other nominees which 5 Army have in mind should be approached. They were:

(i) NOLI, Adone - the present Vice Sindaco, and
(ii) PACCHIANI, at present President of the C.T.L.N.

It was agreed that the Director should further discuss this matter with Col. Radice, Provincial Commissioner, Florence.

14th April.

17. Visited Lt. Col. Radice, who was strong in his opinion that the Prefect should be removed at the earliest opportunity. His opinions were the same as those set out in paragraph 2 of this report. He particularly stressed the Fascist outlook and bearing of Paterno and the fact that he is at loggerheads with his Communal administrators. He agreed, however, that from a technical point of view, Paterno is highly satisfactory.

11. [illegible]

26. Returned to AMG 5 Army and discussed the Prefect case again in the light of the Provincial Commissioner's remarks in the morning. Colonel Sutherland agreed that while he still objected to Paterno he admitted that technically he was good and that he had managed to keep the balance between the interested parties in the Province.

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13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

34. The Director returned to Florence in the evening and was informed by the Provincial Commissioner for Florence that he had discussed the matter of the Prefect with Nagghiarte, who had stated that he was of the opinion that it was most unwise to select a member of the C.T.L.N. for the Prefecture of Florence. He considered that this action would result in a great disagreement among the CTLN which were working at the present moment in perfect harmony, but the Prime Minister if interviewed might have some other name to put up which the local AMG have not yet thought of and that this might prove a solution to the matter.

17th April.

14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT

35. Visited 5 Army and discussed the matter of the Prefect of Florence with Major Nymore as both General Hume and Col. Sutherland were not available. I expressed the view that I thought it unwise to make the change immediately as it appeared that 5 Army had no candidate to put forward and that it was unlikely that anybody put forward by the Italian Government would be more competent than the present incumbent and that, in fact, he carried out the job reasonably successfully and had maintained the balance between the various conflicting parties well.

36. Major Nymore was in agreement that no further action would be taken in home unless further requested by AFHQ 5 Army.

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Rome, 11 April 1945

From : MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
Dir. Gen. Amm.ne Civile

Ref. Div.2A Sect.1 N.17200 in reply to 21/3/1945. NO.4/I/60 IG

To : Hq. Allied Commission, Local Govt. S/C

Subject : Province of Florence - Communal Secretaries

In reply to the above indicated letter we wish to communicate that the precarious situation outlined with reference to the communal secretary's offices of the Province of Florence is met with in almost all the dependent provinces on account of the remarkable shortage of available personnel, due above all to the great number of suspensions from office which have been ordered on political grounds.

Nevertheless this Ministry will not fail to appoint to such offices suitable nominees whenever a possibility will arise for doing so.

In the meantime, the Prefecture of Florence may provide with the appointment of regent secretaries, in accordance with the law of 1st September 1940 n.1498, in the same way as it has been suggested for the other Provinces subject to the government of your Commission .

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Ministero dell'Interno
DIR. GEN.LE AMM.NE CIVILE

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Roma, 11 APRILE 1945

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Al QUARTIERE GENERALE-COMMISSIONE ALLEATA-SOTTOCOMMISSIONE GOVERNO LOCALE - ROMA

Divisione 2ª *Sez.* 1ª
Prot. N. 17200 *Allegati*

Risposta al Foglio del 21/3/1945
Div. *Sez.* N.20.4/1/ GO L.G.

OGGETTO: Provincia di Firenze.
Segretari comunali.

In risposta alla lettera sopradistinta si comunica che la precaria situazione rappresentata nei riguardi delle segreterie comunali della Provincia di Firenze si riscontra in quasi tutte le provincie dipendenti, a causa della notevole deficenza di personale disponibile, dovuta sopratutto al gran numero di sospensioni del servizio disposte per ragioni politiche.

Tuttavia, questo Ministero Ministero non mancherà di assegnare a quegli uffici elementi idonei, qualora se ne presenti la possibilità.

Nel frattempo, la Prefettura di Firenze potrà provvedere con la nomina di segretari reggenti, a' sensi della legge 1° settembre 1940 n.1488, così come è stato eseguito per altre Provincie sottoposte al Governo di codesta Commissione.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

Adj: 300.4 15 April 1945

SUBJECT: Travel Orders

TO : All Concerned

1. Consigliere Carmelo Oneto, Italian civilian, having completed his temporary duty with Local Government Sub-Commission, this Headquarters, will return to proper station, Florence, Italy, on or about 18 April 1945 to resume duties thereat.

2. Travel by government motor transport is authorized. (Courier).

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE:

Nicholas Fiorbino

NICHOLAS FIORBINO
CWO, USA
Asst Adjutant

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Incoming Message

April 13/1342 Received Apr 1 14/0745

To : PREFECT OF FLORENCE

en d: to Allied Commission for Information
Local Gvt.S/C

R: CIPAR

6797 A G P TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION HEALTH CONDITION VICE PREFECT INSPECTOR DOTT FELICE DE PASQUALE BY TODAY'S ORDER HIS TRANSFER TO FLORENCE HAS BEEN REVOKED FOR THE MINISTER MOLE.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference:
Date Time of Origin: APRIL 13/1340

Message Centre No: D/7609
Date Time Rec'd: APRIL 14/0745
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: PREFETTO BENEVENTO

TO : PC COMMISSIONE ALLEATA (SOTTOCOMMISSIONE INTERNI) ROME

ACTION

INCLEAR.

8797 A G P TENUTO CONTO CONDIZIONI DI SALUTE VICE PREFETTO ISPETTORE DOTT FELICE DE PASQUALE EST REVOCATO CON ORDINANZA ODIERNA SUO TRASFERIMENTO SEDE FIRENZE ALT PEL MRO MOIE

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14 APR 1945
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41/60 Roma 13 aprile 1945

Ministero dell'Interno
Dir.Gen.Affari Gen. e Pers.

Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Interni
R O M A

Direzione Pers. Div.
Sez. N° 1739 /1 Allegati

Risposta al f. del
Div. Sez. N°

OGGETTO: Dott. Carmelo ONETO -Consigliere-

Il Dott.Carmelo ONETO, Consigliere della Prefettura di Firenze, mentre trovavasi a Palermo in regolare licenza concessagli dal Prefetto, ha chiesto e ottenuto 4 mesi di aspettativa per comprovati motivi di salute.

Poichè ora,essendo scaduto il termine dell'aspettativa, deve rientrare in sede, pregasi codesta On.Commissione di volergli rilasciare l'autorizzazione a recarsi a Firenze.

PEL MINISTRO

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11 APR 1945

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Rome, 11/4/1945 H.12

From : MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
Cabinet - Telegraphic Office

To : Prefect of Pescara
and for information to Allied Commission, Local Govt.S/C

8523 A.G.P. By today's order Dr. Antero [illegible] has been assigned to the office of the Prefecture of Florence to perform vicarious functions. Stop. You are kindly requested to release at once said official who shall report with the utmost dispatch to the Allied Commission to make arrangements for the trip from Rome to Florence. Stop. Confirm.

FOR THE MINISTER

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Ministero dell'Interno

GABINETTO

UFFICIO DEL TELEGRAFO E DELLA CIFRA

N Telegramma

11 APR 1945

Roma 11/4/1945 H. 12

PREFETTO PESCARA e per conoscenza
COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE INTERNI = R O M A

8528 A.G.P. Con ordinanza odierna Dr. Antero Temperini est destinato missione Prefettura Firenze per esercitarvi funzioni vicarie alt Pregasi mettere immediatamente in libert funzionario che dovrà presentarsi con sollecitudine questa Commissione Alleata per concertare viaggio Roma Firenze alt Assicuri .

PEL MINISTRO MOLE

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/60/LG

Tel: 478706

Memorandum on the Selection of the Prefect for Florence

Director:

4 July 1944 — Letter received from AMG Rear 8 Army confirming conversation between Brigadier Bush and Group Capt. Benson, in which a Prefect for Florence was requested.

12 July 1944 — Letter to the Ministry of Interior asking for recommendation for a Prefect and Sindaco for Florence. From that point on the following nominations were made:

(a) Dott. Mario DE CESARE--h e was provisionally approved for appointment but his candidacy was withdrawn for reasons of health:

(b) Dott. PORTIGLIONE--he was rejected by Interior S/C on the basis of his previous experience and on the PC of Catanzaro's report that he was unsuitable:

(c) Dott. VICEDOMINI--he suggested an adverse report from the Director of Interior S/C in order to avoid the appointment, which he said he did not want for domestic reasons: he was rejected:

(d) Dott. BROISE--he was satisfactory but became unavailable when he was appointed Prefect of Ascoli:

(e) Dott. Mario DE GOYZUETA--(see below).

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27 Aug. 1944 — Telegram from Col. Spicer stating that D E GOYZUETA was acceptable for Prefect. It was followed the same day by a letter to the Ministry stating that the appointment of DE GOYZUETA was acceptable to 5 Army and approved by HQ, and requested the Italian Government to direct DE GOYZUETA to report to Rome in order to be sent forward to Florence. Col Spicer also reported that Col. Mich ie was 99% certain of CALAMANDREI as Sindaco.

30 Aug. 1944 — This S /C received an exchange of correspondence between the High Commissioner for Epuration and the Ministry of Interior, dealing with purported charges against Dott. DE GOYZUETA.

1 Sept. 1944 — Following an interview the day before between [illegible] Minister and Col. Spicer, the latter informed t he Vice [illegible]t Count SFORZA had agreed not to proceed with epurati[illegible]charges against DE GOYZUETA, but advised that in view of the importance of the province that it would be wiser not to send DE GOYZUETA to Florence.

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2 Sept. 1944 At an interview between Prime Minister BONOMI and Col. Spicer, the Prime Minister stated he could not help wit hdrawing the name of DE GUTTUTA, owing to circumstances of epuration, but that he nominated in his place Dott. Giulio PATERNO, who was recently sent by AMG to Ancona as Prefect. He gave Dott. PATERNO the highest possible recommendation. The Prime Minister rang up Count SFORZA's office to make sure there were no epuration c harges against PATERNO.

3 Sept. 1944 With the approval of B rigadier Upjohn, signal was sent to AMG 5 Army st ating that the nomination of DE GUTTUTA as Prefect for Florence was withdrawn and that PATERNO was substituted. AMG Region V was directed by signal to dispatch PATERNO to Florence. In his letter of the next day to RC Region V. Col. Spic er pointed out t hat PATERNO's name had been agreed upon by the Acting Chief Commissioner, the Prime Minister and Count SFORZA.

13 Sept. 1944 Signal received from Gen. Hume, AMG 5 Army, as follows:

"Reference signal of four September, when is PATERNO leaving for Firenze where his appointmen t is overdue and urgently necessary? Please advise soonest."

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10 A pril 1945 Telephone call from Gen. Hume to Col. Cripps, in which Gen. Hume s tat ed that he wanted PATERNO removed and given a position some place else. In hi s place, he desired to put CALAMANDREI, prese ntly the Rector of Florence University and at one time a suggested candidate for Sindaco. The reasons advanc ed by Gen. Hume for his removal (PATERNO's) were that the public clamor of several months ago had died down but that he was still extremely unpopular with the people. Gen. Hume desired his replacement before AMG turned over the province to the I talian Government, since he felt t hat the Italian Government itself would do that. CALAMANDREI had the approval of the Committee of National Liberation and was strongly favored by ECNOMI. However, he refused to accept the position since he wanted to return to the Rector-ship of Florence University.

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Prof. PIERRACINI instead was appointed by AMG to the office of Sindaco. He was the unanimous choice of the Committee of National Liberation and this was one of the reasons that CALAMANDREI refused to substitute for him.

Gen. Hume in his conversation with Col. Cripps asks that we ~~urge~~ the Italian Government to find another position for PATERNO. It is to be borne in mind that PATERNO was the agreed choice of HQ, AMG 5 Army and the Italian Government. He has performed his duties against formidable odds very efficiently. As a matter of fact, no one has ever questioned his capability as a Prefect. It will not be an easy task to find another province for a man of PATERNO's stature--Rome now has a Prefect and the Regional Commissioner for Lombardia certainly will not appoint PATERNO to Milano. The same thing probably could be said for other RCs so far as other Northern provinces are concerned. The idea of "taking credit" for the substitution of an unpopular Prefect for a popular one does not particularly appeal to me. On the other hand, if that is what the Italian Government is going to do any way, we can do it for them. We must not, however, do the ungrateful thing by letting down PATERNO completely.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/L/1/60/LG 9 April 1945

SUBJECT : Vice Prefect Vicario for FLORENCE Tel. : 478190

TO : His Excellency, the Minister of the Interior

Your Excellency,

1. I refer to your letter Pers. Gen.1 n.5000 dated 8th April 1945 nominating Dott. Antero TEMPERINI as Vice Prefect Vicario at the Prefecture of Florence.

2. The Allied Commission has no objection the the proposal. Please order Dott. TEMPERINI to report to this Sub Commission as soon as possible in order that transportation may be arranged to take him to Florence.

FOR THE DIRECTOR :

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RALPH R. TEMPLE
Major
Deputy Director
Local Government S/C

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HEADQUARTERS AILIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/4/1/60/LG 9 April 1945

SUBJECT : Vice Prefect Viesrio for FLORENCE Tel : 478190

TO : SCAO 5th Army - with copy for PC Florence -

1. I have been trying for several months to get a replacement for Dott. GIGLI as Vice Prefect Viesrio at the Prefecture of Florence, as stated in my letter of 3rd January 1945. The Ministry of Interior, after nominating several officials who were either unacceptable from a security standpoint or who went sick when ordered to move, have now nominated the Vice Prefect Inspector Dott. Antero TEMPERINI who is at present carrying out the functions of Vice Prefect Viesrio at Pescara.

2. Dott. TEMPERINI was appointed by AMG in Pescara on 3rd October 1944 and was screened and found satisfactory from a security standpoint. I enclose herewith copies of a biographical note supplied by the Ministry of Interior.

3. I have requested the Ministry of Interior to order him to report to this HQ. and will forward him on to Florence as soon as possible.

FOR THE DIRECTOR :

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RALPH R. TEMPLE
Major
Deputy Director
Local Government S/C

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Copy for PC FLORENCE
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Translation on 8 APR 1945

Rome, 8 april 1945

From : MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
Dir. Gen. Aff. Gen. & Personale

Div. Pers. Sect. I N.5000

TO : ALLIED COMMISSION, Local Govt. Sub Commission

SUBJECT : Prefecture of Florence

The Prefect of Brescia has informed this Ministry that Dott. Felice DI PASQUALE on account of his precarious health conditions is unable to reach the Prefecture of Florence, where some time ago he had been assigned to carry out vicarious functions.

In replacement of dott. DI PASQUALE, we propose for the above mentioned post at the Prefecture of Florence, Vice Prefect Inspector, dr. Antero TORRIANI who, at present, is carrying out the functions of Vice Prefect at the Prefecture of Pescara.

This Ministry has already reported to your Commission on the civil and political conduct of this official on the occasion of his appointment to the last named Prefecture.

We are waiting to hear from you in regard to this matter.

FOR THE MINISTER

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Ministero dell'Interno
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del Personale

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Roma 8 aprile 1945
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Alla Commissione Alleata
(Sottocommissione Interni)

8 APR 1945

OGGETTO : Prefettura Firenze.

Il Prefetto di Benevento ha informato questo Ministero che il dott.Felice DE PASQUALE si trova nella impossibilità,per le sue precarie condizioni di salute, di raggiungere la Prefettura di Firenze, ove, a suo tempo, é stato destinato per l'esercizio delle funzioni vacarie.

In sostituzione del dott.DE PASQUALE, si segnala, per il citato incarico presso la Prefettura di Firenze, il Viceprefetto Ispettore dr. Antero TEMPERINI che, in atto, esplica le funzioni di Viceprefetto presso la Prefettura di Pescara.

Questo Ministero ha già riferito a codesta On.Commissione sulla condotta civile e politica del funzionario in occasione della di

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lui assegnazione presso quest'ultima Prefettura.

Si rimane in attesa di cortesi notizie.

PEL MINISTRO

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REGARDING: FEBRUARY 20TH.

Col. Radice feels that Francisci, VPI, should be transferred to another area. He is now in disposizione in the Province, but is doing nothing. He understands that Francisci was formerly offered to go to Arezzo as VPI but he refused. He feels it would be very much healthier if Francisci were moved out of the Province.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/60/LG Tel: 236

SUBJECT: Province of Florence--Communal Secretaries. 3 April 1945

TO : His Excellency the Minister of the Interior

Your Excellency:

1. My records indicate that no reply has been received to letter under the above reference dated 21 March.

2. It will be appreciated if an early reply is obtained.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

RALPH R. TEMPLE
Major
Deputy Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/60/LG

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Province of Florence--Communal Secretaries. 21 March 1945

TO : His Excellency the Minister of the Interior.

Your Excellency:

1. The AMG authorities for the above province have communicated with me regarding certain Communes which are without Communal Secretaries. The Communes concerned and the position regarding the appointment is set out in the enclosed list.

2. The Provincial Commissioner for the area is naturally anxious to arrange for these positions to be filled as early as possible, but states that there are no suitable officials to be found in the province. He, therefore, inquires if your Ministry could assist towards filling the vacancies.

3. Your Government's difficulties regarding the shortage of administrative personnel are well known to this Sub Commission, and it is also within my knowledge that there are Communes in provinces other than Florence which are in need of Secretaries. I shall, however, be glad if you will consider the matter and let me have your views and any suggestions you may have to make with a view to dealing with the situation in this province.

R. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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Encl. as in (1) above.

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TOSCANA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

RVIII/68/1A/279.

16 Mar 45.

MAR 1945

SUBJECT : Italian Officials.

TO : HQ, AC.

1. I enclose a list of Communes in the Province of FLORENCE which are without Communal Secretaries. Col RADICE (P.C.) is anxious to have these posts filled as early as possible and as there are no suitable officials to be found in the Province he requests that the Italian Government be urged to fill the vacancies. I recommend this course be adopted.

For the Regional Commissioner:

G.T.JOHNSON,
Colonel,
Executive Officer.

GTJ/cb.

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Translation

R. PREFETTURA DI FIRENZE

LIST OF THE COMMUNES ON FLORENCE PROVINCE
WITHOUT A COMMUNAL SECRETARY

Vacancies for Secretaries

DICOMANO	The former Secretary is in Northern Italy with the Republican Government. At present this post in the Commune is partially attended by the Secretery of VICCHIO.
FIRENZUOLA	The Secretary has followed the Republican Government to Northern Italy and the Commune is looking for a new secretary.
SAN GODENZO	The Secretary of RUFINA is partially attending also to this Commune.
SCARPERIA	The Secretary of BROGO SAN LORENZO is partially providing to this Commune.
CALENZANO	The Secretary is suspended for reasons of health and the post is partially attended by the Secretary of SIGNA.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/L/J/60/LG. Tel. : 478190

SUBJECT : Dott. PERLO Carlo. 15 March 1945

TO : His Excellency the Minister of the Interior.

Your Excellency :

1. I enclose herewith a communication from the above mentioned which has been forwarded by the Provincial Commissioner for Florence.

2. I am informed by the Provincial Commissioner that Dott, Perlo's services are not required in Florence Prefecture and I understand that the Ministry have, in fact, appointed Dott, Perlo to the Prefecture of Teramo.

for

for R. G. B. SPICER,
Colonel,
Director,
Local Government S/C.

Encl. as in N. (1) above.

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TELEGRAM

10 March 1945

FROM : FOR THE MINISTER MOLE' ITALIAN GOVT.

TO : PREFECT OF BENEVENTO
For information of Allied Commission - Local Government S/C. -

By order dated today Dr. FELICE DE PASQUALE has been appointed in mission to the Prefecture of Florence to carry out vicarious Functions.

You are requested that the above mentioned should reach Rome as soon as possible in order to report to A.C. to make travel arrangements for his journey from Rome to Florence.

Acknowledge by telegram .

FOR THE MINISTER MOLE'.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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Message Centre No: O 4717

Date Time Rec'd: MAR 201825A

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: PEL MINISTRO MOLE ITALIAN GOVT to PREFECT DE BENEVENTO

TO: COMMISSIONE ALLEATA SC INTERNI ROMA

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5154 AGP con ordinanza caterna Dr FELICE DE PASQUALE est destinato missione prefettura FIRENZE per esercitarvi funzioni vicarie. Pregasi disporre che predetto raggiunga ROMA ogni possibile sollecitudine onde presentarsi questa Commissione Alleata per concretare viaggio ROMA FIRENZE. Assicuri telegrafo.

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Chief Commissioner
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APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/A/1/60/LG.

Tel. : 478190

SUBJECT : DE FRANCISCI Guido - at present Vice Prefect Inspector at Florence.

12 March 1945

TO : His Excellency the President of the Epuration Commission, Ministry of the Interior

Your Excellency,

1. I refer to my letter dated 23rd February 1945 on the above subject.

2. I have now been informed that Dott. DE FRANCISCI was handed the letter from the President of the Epuration Commission by the Prefect of Florence on 5th March 1945.

for R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government S/C

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Colonel
Director
Local Government S/C

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AAI FIFTH ARMY
APO 464, U.S. ARMY

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5 March 1945.

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REFERENCE: 22/1

SUBJECT : DM PRESIDENT, Guido.

TO : U.S. Allied Commission,
Attn: Local Government Sub-Commission.

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1. Reference your letter AC/A/1/10/Lo of 23 February 45, the above named official was presented by the Prefect of Florence with the ministry of Interior Epuration Commission's letter on 5 March 45.

2. Copy of letter from P.C. Florence is enclosed.

For the Commanding General:

H. Hollyman Major

L.R.H. Simons,
Major, Coast Guards,
Operations Officer,
A.A.I. Fifth Army.

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HEADQUARTERS
FLORENCE PROVINCE
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER

REF. NO. FG/98A/

5 Mar 45

SUBJECT DE FRANCISCI GUIDO

TO S.C.A.O. AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 (2)

1. Ref. Local Government Sub-Commission letter AC/4/1/60/LG dated 23 Feb 45, the Prefect is today handing to Dr. DE FRANCISCI the letter from the President of the Epuration Commission.

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I. DE L. RADICE, Lt.Col.,
Provincial Commissioner.

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AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

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REFERENCE: 22/1 Lieut:MEP

SUBJECT : Doc*. Proj. MESLO, Carlo.

TO : H.Q. Allied Commission,
Attn: Local Government Sub-Commission.

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1. Reference your AC/4/1/60/1G of 1 March 45, Carlo's services are not required in Florence.

2. Copy of letter from F.C. Florence is enclosed.

For the Commanding General:

D.H.E. MORRIS,
Major, General Staff,
Operations Officer,
A.F.H.Q. Fifth Army.

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HEADQUARTERS
FLORENCE PROVINCE
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER

REF. N° FG/98N
SUBJECT Dott.Rag. PERLO CARLO
TO S.C.A.O. AMG Fifth Army
APO 464 (2)

6 Mar 45

1. Ref. Local Government Sub-Commission letter AC/4/1/60/LG dated 1 Mar 45.

2. PERLO's services are not required in FLORENCE and I am having him informed that he has been appointed to the Prefettura of TERAMO.

IDLR/ag

I. DE L. RADICE, Lt.Col.,
Provincial Commissioner

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TO : HQ. A.C. (For Local Government Sub Commission)

FROM : HQ. AMG/AC Abruzzi-Marche Region

SUBJECT : Consigliere for FLORENCE

REF : R5/514/17

DATE : 2 March 1945

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P114 A. C.

Reference your AC/4/1/60/LG dated 26 Feb 45 Dr.CAPASSO left for ROME from ASCOLI on 28 Feb 45.

FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER :

J.D. SCHOLTZ
Lt. Colonel
Executive Officer

TC/ec

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APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/60/LG.

Tel. : 473190

2nd March 1945

SUBJECT : Consigliere for Florence.

TO : SCAO 5 Army (Copy for PG. Florence).

1. When Florence was surveyed by officers from this S/C. on 6th January 1945 it was agreed with the PG. that Dott, MAZZA should replace DE FRANCISCI as V.P.I. and that a Consigliere should be obtained to fill the vacancy this occasioned .

2. The Ministry have nominated Dott, Carlo CAPASSO. He has been in the service at the Prefecture of Ascoli and I have had a good report on him from PG. I enclose copies (in duplicate) in English and Italian of the biographical note on CAPASSO supplied by the Ministry of the Interior.

3. Dott, CAPASSO is being despatched to Florence today. DE FRANCISCI should now be sent to Rome to report to the Ministry of the Interior as soon as possible.

for

A. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government S/C.

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Encls. as in R. (2) above.

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APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/60/LG.

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Colonel
Director
Local Government S/C.

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Colonel
Director
Local Government S/C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/360/LG.

Tel. : 478190

SUBJECT : Dott. Carlo CAPASSO.

2 March 1945

TO : SCAO 5 Army (Copy to HC.Florence)

1. This letter will introduce to you Dott. Carlo CAPASSO formerly Consigliere at the Prefecture of Ascoli who has been transferred to Florence to fill a Vacancy, occasioned by the promotion of Dott. MAZZA.

R. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government S/C.

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R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government S/C.

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HEADQUARTERS
A.M.G.
ASCOLI-PICENO PROVINCE
ABRUZZI-MARCHE REGION
C.M.F.

28 Feb 45.

REF: AP/716/193.

SUBJECT: Introduction.

TO: Director, Local Government Sub-Co mission, HQ AC.

1. This letter will introduce to you Dott. Carlo CAPASSO, formerly Consigliere of this Prefettura, and transferred to FLORENCE by order of your letter AC/4/1/60/LG dated 9 Feb 45. Your letter quoted above instructed him to report to you before proceeding to Florence.

E.C.V. RUTTER,
Lieut-Col.
Provincial Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.C. 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

Ref. your letter

Tel.: A72190

SUBJECT : Transmission of letter.

1 March 1945

TO : SCAO 5 Army (with copy for PC Florence).

1. I refer to your 1st Indorsement VIII/XT dated 22nd February 1945 attached to letter PC/98 A dated 20th February 1945 from the P.C. of Florence forwarding a letter from Dott, Rag. PERLO Carlo to the Ministry of Interior requesting employment at the Prefecture of Florence.

2. PERLO applied for employment at the Prefecture of Siena in December last but the P.C. said that there was no vacancy. The Ministry was informed of this and have to-day notified me that they have appointed PERLO to the Prefecture of Teruse where his services are required.

3. As P.C. Florence has forwarded the letter to the Ministry when it was within his own powers to appoint PERLO if he required him, I presume that PERLO is not required at Florence. No such vacancy was notified to the Officers from this S/C. who surveyed Florence on 6th and 7th January 1945 nor has any vacancy been notified since.

4. If PERLO's services are urgently required in Florence it is still within the powers of the PC. to appoint him and the Ministry of Interior will have to find someone else, but I hope the PC. will bear in mind that there is an acute shortage of Italian Officials and that all staffs will have to be kept to a minimum in order that there may be enough to go round.

5. Please notify me as soon as possible if PERLO is to be employed in Florence.

for H. G. B. SPICER,
Colonel,
Director,
Local Government S/C.

WIC / cm.

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Transmission of letter - 14.1 to Ministero degli Interni. VHR/kr
HEADQUARTERS, AMG FIFTH ARMY, APO 464 U.S. Army 22 Feburary 45.

TO: HQ Allied Commission.

1. Forwarded as per request in basic communication.

For the Commanding General:

Victor H. Rust

VICTOR H. RUST,
Captain, Cavalry,
Asst. Adm. Officer.

1 Incl: n/c

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HEADQUARTERS
FLORENCE PROVINCE
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER

REF. N°: FG/98A/ 20 Feb 45

SUBJECT: Transmission of letter

TO: S.C.A.O. AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464

A. M. G.
Date 2/2
File No 14/1
D8/15
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I enclose a letter addressed by Dott. Rag. PERLO CARLO to the Ministro degli Interni for onward transmission and recommend that the Ministro should be urged to deal with the matter promptly.

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I. DE L. RADICE
Lt. Col.,
Prov. Commissioner.

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TO : THE MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

GENERAL DIRECTION OF GENERAL AFFAIRS AND PERSONNEL
ROME.

SUBJECT : Employment.-

Referring to the letter of the 1st of July 1943 n. 1372.2 Pers.of this Ministry and to the following one of the 21st of June 1943 n. 3453.

The undersigned dott. Rag. PERLO CARLO sent on the 15th of September 1944 and through the Prefecture of Siena, a letter to the Direction asking to be taken in service as regular Vice Ragioniere (Vice Accountant), this letter was sent to the Prefecture only onthe 5th of October, because of the actual contingencies The undersigned still has not received any direct answer from the Ministry on the question. He only received information at the Prefecture of Siena, thathis request had been applied for on the 25th of November 1944 and that the afore-mentioned Prefecture had been asked by the Com. of the A.M.G. of Siena to inform them if there were any offices available, and that on the 2nd of January 1945 there was an answering letter n. 6/1887 adressed to the Provincial Commissioner of the A.M.G. of Siena.

The undersigned in the meantime has returned to Florence - Via Cavour 80, his usual residence,with relatives of his wife.

Theundersigned sends the present letter so that the Ministry give orders for his immediate settlement and points out that since the 11th of July 1944, ~~in~~ when he was retired as a War Mutilated , and therefor since then at the disposition

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The undersigned in the meantime has returned to Florence - Via Cavour 30, his usual residence, with relatives of his wife.

The undersigned sends the present letter so that the Ministry give orders for his immediate settlement and points out that since the 11th of July 1944, when he was retired as a War Mutilated, and therefore since then at the disposition of this Ministry, he has not received any salary, and also his war pension has not been payed because of the ctual contigencies.

The undersigned sends the present letter through the Prefecture of Florence, asking the Ministry if it is possible, to appoint him in this Prefecture.

The undersigned points out to the Ministry that to settle his position in regards to age or grade (rank), it is necessary to ask the Ministry of Italian Africa, where the undersigned was alredy employed amongst the Regular Agrarian Colonials, before apartaining tot the Ministry of the Interior, the record of the undersigned.

Dott. Rag. PERLO CARLO

Florence, 6th of February, 1945

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HEADQUARTERS
FLORENCE PROVINCE 28 FEB 1945
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER

REF. NO. FG/98A/67 26 Feb 45
SUBJECT Dott. DE FRANCISCI
TO Local Government Sub-Commission. A.C.
(for attn. of Col. R.G.B. SPICER)

Referring to our conversation of 22 Feb 45, I enclose copy of Field Security report on the above. In this connection the Prefect has written again to the Minister of Interior pointing out that De Francisci is 'a disposizione'.

I consider it would be advisable to have him removed from Florence as soon as possible.

IDLR/ag

I. DE L. RADICE, Lt.Col.,
Provincial Commissioner.

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Subject : DE FRANCISCI

427 Field Security Section
C.M.F.

Ref: 427/POL

Feb 45

To : AMG PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER.

On 30 Dec 44 a report was submitted to Lt Col ROLPH by this section recommending the dismissal of DE FRANCISCI from his position as Vice-Prefect prior to internment by this section. Col ROLPH agreed with the necessity for his removal and promised that he would get in contact with Allied Commission ROME, in order to arrange for a replacement. To date no further communication has been received on the subject by this office.

The following reasons were given in the recommendation for his dismissal :-

This man has also held important administrative positions during the Fascist Regime. He was Vice-Podestà of FLORENCE in 1938 and previously held the post of vice-Prefect of MASSA. He was appointed Commissario Prefettizio during the BADOGLIO period and continued in the position under the Republican regime, carrying out the various orders of the German authorities quite assiduously. He also became president of the Society 'Amici della Germania' during the BADOGLIO period. The aims of this society were not purely educational, but rather it was created with the definite purpose of pointing out the profound historical and cultural reasons behind the Italo-German Alliance. At a speech made in Dec 43 on the occasion of the new 'sede' of the society, DE FRANCISCI pointed out that the celebration coincided happily with the anniversary of the pact between the two Axis powers and Japan; which was to establish a new order in EUROPE and Greater East ASIA. He went on to say that the society wished to unite GERMANY and Republican ITALY as closely spiritually as they were already military; he concluded by toasting the Tripartite Pact and the common victory.

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/S/ R.C.PARRAT Capt. INTELLIGENCE CORPS.
O/C 427 Field Security Section

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/60/LG

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Official for Florence.

26 February 1945

TO : His Excellency the Minister of the Interior.

Your Excellency:

1. I refer to the Ministry's letter No. 5000 (Dir. Gen. Personale) dated 12 January, recommending the Councillor, Dott. Carlo CAPASSO, now serving at Ascoli for transfer to Florence. Inquiries have been made that Dott. CAPASSO can be spared from Ascoli, where there are two other Consiglieri beside him—Dott. PASCUCCI and Dott. TANZI. His nomination is, therefore, accepted.

2. As the province of Ascoli is still under the jurisdiction of Allied Military Government, the Provincial Commissioner has been asked to give orders that Dott. CAPASSO come to Rome and report first to the Ministry and then to this Sub Commission, for the purpose of traveling to Florence.

3. It is understood that the inspective functions at Florence will be discharged by the Consigliere, Dott. MAZZA, already in service there, and that Dott. CAPASSO will go to that Prefecture with the functions of Consigliere.

4. I refer also to the Ministry's letter No. 5000 (Dir. Gen. Personale) dated 25 January, nominating the Vice Prefect Inspector, Dott. Felice DE PASQUALE, to take office at Florence with vicarious functions. He is acceptable to the Allied Commission.

5. As Dott. DE PASQUALE is now serving in Benevento, a province under the jurisdiction of the Italian Government, I should be glad if the Ministry would arrange with him to come to Rome and report to this Sub Commission for the purpose of going to Florence.

Replied - 19/3/45 - OK

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R. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/2/60/LG

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Consigliere for Florence.

26 February 1945

TO : RC Abruzzi-Marche Region (with copy for PC Ascoli)

1. I refer to my letter of 9 February, requesting Dr. CAPA330 be sent to Rome to report to the Ministry of the Interior and this Sub Commission for the purpose of going to Florence. He has not yet arrived: will you be good enough to see that he comes as soon as possible.

for

R. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS
SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER

R/1626 23 February 1945

SUBJECT: Promotions to Vice Prefect Inspector.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
(LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION)

Reference your AC/4/22/4/LG, dated 9 January 1945.

1. Reports have been received from Zones as follows on the officials who have been nominated for promotion to Vice Prefect Inspector.

BRANCIA Dr. Gaetano: "This official is deserving of this promotion and can serve in his new rank in any newly liberated territory or anywhere within Italy, being a conscientious and capable official."

De PASQUALE Dr. Felice: "Is highly recommended by the Prefect of Benevento who states, he is a first-class official and indispensable to him. He is capable of taking over the duties anywhere in Italy. He is of good character and type."

2. It has not yet been possible to obtain full information regarding Drs. LA PENNA and MIADONNA. This will be forwarded as soon as possible. The delay is much regretted.

For the Regional Commissioner:

(Signed) Edmund C. Howell

EDMUND C. HOWELL,
Colonel, Infantry,
Actg. Executive Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/60/LG

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: DE FRANCISCI Guido—at present Vice Prefect Inspector at Florence.

23 February 1945

TO : His Excellency the President of the Epuration Commission, Ministry of the Interior.

Your Excellency:

1. Your communication of 17 February has been received and the annexed letter addressed to Dott. DE FRANCISCI has been transmitted to the Allied Military authorities at Florence for delivery to the person concerned.

2. I will inform you of the date on which it is so delivered as soon as this information reaches me.

for R. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/4/2/60/LG

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: DE FRANCISCI Guido--at present Vice Prefect Inspector at Florence.

23 February 1945

TO : SCAO 5 Army (with copy for PC Florence)

1. Will you please direct the Prefect to deliver to Dr. DE FRANCISCI the enclosed letter from the President of the Epuration Commission, Ministry of the Interior, dated 17 February.

2. The Prefect should report the date on which the letter is delivered to DE FRANCISCI and this information transmitted to this Sub Commission so that the Epuration Commission may be informed.

3. Copy of translation of the letter is enclosed in duplicate, in case you or the PC would like to have it for your records.

for R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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Encls. as in (1) and (3) above.

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MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO

N. 47

COMMISSIONE PER LA EPURAZIONE

OGGETTO : Invio foglio contestazione.

ECC. IL PREFETTO DI

FIRENZE

Con preghiera di consegna all'interessato dell'unito foglio comunicando, con sollecitudine, il giorno preciso dell'avvenuto recapito.

Ringrazia.

Il Presidente

(V. De Ficky)

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ROMA, 17 febbr. 1945

MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO

Direzione Generale dei Culti

COMMISSIONE PER L'EPURAZIONE

Prot. N. 47

Al Dott. Guido DE FRANCISCI
Vice-Prefetto
R. Prefettura di
FIRENZE

OGGETTO : Contestazione addebiti .

L'Alto Commissariato per l'Epurazione ha chiesto a questa Commissione di promuovere giudizio a carico della S.V. per i fatti previsti dagli art. 12 N. 1 e 17 D.L. 27/7/944 n.159 (collaborazione attiva col governo repubblicano, prestazione giuramento aiutandone l'azione politica, Presidente associazione Italo-germanica, esaltazione in un discorso di propaganda, nel dicembre 1943, della potenza germanica ed ineggiando alla vittoria dell'asse, propaganda privata per accrescere il numero degli aderenti all'Associazione degli amici della Germania).

Pregasi voler presentare nella Segreteria della Commissione, in triplice esemplare, nel termine di giorni 10 dalla ricezione della presente, le proprie deduzioni.

Il Presidente
d'ordine

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/L/27/IC.

Tel. : 478190

15 February 1945

SUBJECT : - Instruction to Vice-Prefect Inspector.

TO : - RC. Southern Region (with copy for
TO. Naples)

1. I refer to my letter AC/L/32/L/IC. of 9 January as to which I sent you a reminder on 13 February.

2. I shall be very glad to hear from you with particular urgency as to DE PANTHALIS, Dr. Police, now at Benevento, as he has been nominated for an important post at Florence.

R. G. B. KEYES,
Colonel,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

Tel. : 478190

AC/L/1/60/in.

15 Febr. 1945

SUBJECT : - Vice Prefect Inspector PELIZZONI,
Avv. Demenico.

TO : - His Excellency the Minister of the Interior.

Your Excellency :

1. I have received your letter No. 5000 (Dir. Gen. Pers.) dated 10 February.

2. I note that the Epuration Commission has not yet given its decision upon the case of Avv. PELIZZONI. I am unable express an opinion upon his suitability for the post of Vice Prefect Inspector of Benevento until I am informed of the Epuration Commission Judgment.

R. G. B. SPICER,
Colonel,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

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MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

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General Direction of General Affairs and Personnel

FILE : 5000 Pers. in answer to +:
AC/4/1/60/IG of the 3rd of Feb.

P. 102

10th of Feb. 1945

TO : ALLIED COMMISSION
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

SUBJECT : Vice Prefect Avv. Domenico PELLEGRINI.-

P. 102

Referring to the above letter, we assure the Commission that this office has not failed to submit dott. Pellegrini to judgment of epuration.

This judgment has not yet been made.

As soon as the decision will be taken by the Authorities within who's jurisdiction it lies, we will at Ct you know.

We ask you to give us an answer.

FOR THE MINISTER
(Micale)

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Ministero dell'Interno
Direzione Generale Affari
Generali e Personale

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Roma, 10 febbraio 1945 - XX

Div. Pers. Sez.
Prot. N. 5000 Allegati

A LA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Interni

Risposta al Foglio del 3.2.1945
Div. N. AC/4/1/60/LG

OGGETTO Vice Prefetto Avv.Domenico PELLEGRINI

In relazione alla lettera contrassegnata, si assicura codesta On.Commissione che questo Ufficio non ha mancato di sottoporre il Dr. Pellegrini a giudizio di epurazione.

Tale giudizio è tuttora in corso.

Sarà cura di questo ufficio informare a suo tempo codesta On.Commissione della decisione adottata in merito dal Collegio competente.

Si rimane in attesa di cortesi notizie.-

PEL MINISTRO

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In relazione alla lettera controdistinta, si assicura codesta On.Commissione che questo Ufficio non ha mancato di sottoporre il Dr. Pellegrini a giudizio di epurazione.

Tale giudizio è tuttora in corso.

Sarà cura di questo ufficio informare a suo tempo codesta On.Commissione della decisione adottata in merito dal Collegio competente.

Si rimane in attesa di cortesi notizie.-

PEL MINISTRO

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/4/1/60/RS

Tel: 473190

SUBJECT: Consigliere for Florence.

9 February 1945

TO : AC Abruzzi-Marche Region (with copy for RO Ascoli).

1. Reference your R5/514/17 of 29 January. I am glad to have the RO's good opinion of Cons. CAPASSO; and I note that he would like to keep him at Ascoli.

2. I observe that the Prefecture of Ascoli is well up to a reasonable number in present circumstances. It has one of our best Prefects in Dr. BROISE and both a Vice Prefect Vicario—RIGUCCI—and a Vice Prefect Inspector—DI GIACOMO. Apart from CAPASSO and DE NORA (the latter is to go to Aquila), there are 2 Consiglieri—FANCIUCCI and TASSI. There are also 2 Segretari—GUACCI and SIMONINI.

3. The advice of the Ministry of the Interior (with which I agree) is that 2 Consiglieri and 2 Segretari are as much as can be spared at this time. Normally, every Prefecture should have at least 4 Consiglieri; but in view of the extreme shortage of personnel, two is as much as can be spared to any province, except a few of the largest. As an illustration of the shortage, the Ministry have a bare 500 officials for some 1,200 posts throughout Italy.

4. In these circumstances, we must make use of one of the Ascoli Consiglieri elsewhere, and I feel sure you will agree, too, that Florence is the most important province that AMG has to administer at present. In these circumstances, I think we must adhere to the proposal to transfer CAPASSO to Florence.

5. I can regard the opinion expressed in your letter now under reply as equivalent to a satisfactory screening report, and accordingly I will be glad if you will instruct Dr. CAPASSO to come to Rome and report himself first to the Ministry of the Interior and then to this Sub Commission, for the purpose of going on to Florence. He should be instructed to bring with him to Rome all luggage and personal property which he requires to have on a permanent change of station.

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C. C. B. WILKES
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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Note of Interview

SUBJECT: Promotions of Italian officials in Military Government Territory.

TO : Director, Local Government S/C.

FROM : Major C. G. H. Williams

7.2.45

1. Reference first para of folio 103 and your reply at 104, I took the opportunity to mention this subject yesterday morning to Dr. MICALI, Dir. Gen. of Personnel.

2. I said we quite appreciated the Ministry could not determine upon promotions if they had not before them proper reports as to the recent conduct of the officials concerned. To refrain from promoting officials in AMG Territory, however, had certain disadvantages. In the first place, even if places were reserved for them, they would lose their seniority by not being promoted until a later date than their colleagues from the South.

3. MICALI said that it was not so, because when the time came to promote them, the promotions will be back dated so as to preserve their proper seniority: and pay, etc. at the rate for the higher grade would be back dated, too.

4. I said that officials might not understand this properly, however, so that when it was proposed to move an official from the South to the North he might think he was going to lose his chance for promotion and his seniority. MICALI's answer was that their practice of not granting promotions now to officials in AMG Territory only applied to officials who were already there; i.e., found there on liberation and remaining in AMG Territory. As to officials proposed to be sent up from the South, the Ministry already had adequate information about them, and there was no question of their not getting a promotion.

5. MICALI suggested that to obviate any misunderstanding, the Ministry would send a circular out to Prefectures explaining the position and they would send us a copy.

6. I stated that Col. Spicer had written a letter to the Ministry about it, in which he had said that if the Ministry ever wanted a report upon an official in AMG Territory, this S/C would be only too happy to give it. MICALI expressed appreciation of this and said the Ministry would not fail to ask us for reports when occasion arose to do so.

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7. I think we can leave the position as it is. The important thing, to my mind, is that the promotions will be back dated. As long as our AMG officials don't in the long run lose anything, and as long as the position is explained to them in their Ministerial circular, I think our objection (10) unanswered.

C. G. H. WILLIAMS, Major
Local Government Sub Commission

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SUB-COMMISSION ALLIED COMMISSION
A.P.O. 394
FINAL CONFIDENTIAL SUB PROJECT ICH

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Tel 47619C

To: H.E The Minister of
The Interior

6th February 1945

Subject: Consigliere dr MARRA

Your Excellency,

With reference to your letter of 27 January, File No. 5000 I would inform you that Dr. Marra is held in the highest possible regard by t his Sub Commission, and also by the responsible Provincial Officers of Florence. Having made that statement in his regard it would seem redundant to add anything to such praise, and we therefore hope very much that you will be able to deal favourably with the question of his promotion.

2. Apart, however, from the specific case of Dr. Marra, I am concerned as to your sentence wh ich when translated into English reads as follows: "adopted the general line not to take into consideration the position of these officials serving in AMG are as, considering that it wou d not be possible to ascertain elements for the judgment" Our opinion is that although the following sentence gives their cause consideration this decision is f n d ined to be arbitrary and I would point out to you the viewpoint that if this is to be so it is no wonder that career officials are loth to go forward, as I am sure you will a gree they are, into f orward areas.

3. My own view is that instead of such a decision a better one would be to treat all such special cases on their merits, as ind eed is being done in the case of Dr. Marra. This Sub Commission would be only too pleased to assist by obtaining full and reliable reports in such cases as you may desire

R.C.B. SITCH,
Col onel,
Director,
L ocal Government Sub Commission

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TRANSLATION

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

General Direction of the
General Affairs and Personnel.

8 FEB 1945

ROME, 27 January 1945

TO : The Allied Commission
Interior Sub-Commission

ROME

Div. Pers.
File No. 5000

Answ. to the letter 3.1.1945
N. AC/4/1/60/LG. P 85.

SUBJECT : Consigliere dr. MAZZA Ideale.

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Reference the above subject, we inform you that in the occasion of recent scrutinies for the promotions to Consigliere di 1ª classe (grado VII), the "Commissione Unica" for the Personnel, qualified to make promotions, adopted the general line not to take into consideration the position of those officials serving in AMG areas, considering that it would not be possible to ascertain elements for the judgment. Anywey a fair number of vacancies in the promotion has been left in favour of these officials and also their seniority will be duly considered.

For such reasons, Dr. MAZZA has not been promoted Consigliere di 1ª classe,

However, in consideration of the favoureble reports on Dr. Mazza supported by this S/C, this Ministry has decided to submit Dr. Mazza's case to the above mentioned "Commissione per il Personale".

It would be necessary, anyhow, that this S/C. be so kind sending on to us a report in regard to that official.

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Waiting for a kind reply, we thank you.

FOR THE MINISTER

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Ministero dell'Interno
DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEGLI AFFARI GENERALI E DEL PERSONALE

Roma, 27 gennaio 1945

Mod. N. 103 D
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Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Interni
R.O.M.A

Divisione Pers. Sez.
Prot. N. 5000 Allegati

Risposta al Foglio del 3.1.1945
Div. Sez. N. AC/4/1/60/LG

OGGETTO : Consigliere dott.MAZZA Ideale.

In relazione alla nota sopracitata, si comunica che, in occasione di recenti scrutini per promozioni a Consigliere di 1ª classe (grado VII), la Commissione Unica per il Personale, competente a procedere alle designazioni, adottò il criterio di ordine generale di non prendere in esame la posizione dei funzionari in servizio in territorio non ancora passato all'amministrazione del Governo Italiano, nella considerazione che non sarebbe stato possibile aver conoscenza degli elementi necessari per il giudizio, disponendo, però, a tutela di detti funzionari, che a loro favore fosse riservato un congruo numero dei posti disponibili e che le promozioni da effettuare fossero disposte con riserva di anzianità a loro favore.

Per tal motivo, non fu proceduto alla promozione del dr. Mazza a Consigliere di 1ª classe.

In considerazione, però, delle favorevoli segnalazioni pervenute sul suo conto da parte di codesta On. Sottocommissione, questo Ministe-

Spazio bianco per non scrivere sotto la piegatura e per la numerazione del protocollo

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In considerazione, però, delle favorevoli segnalazioni pervenute sul suo conto da parte di codesta On. Sottocommissione, questo Ministero ha deciso di sottoporre la posizione del dr. Mazza alla ricordata Commissione per il Personale.

Sarebbe, però, necessario che codesta On. Sottocommissione si compiacesse trasmettere nei riguardi del funzionario, di cui trattasi, un rapporto informativo.

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In attesa di cortese riscontro si ringrazia.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/60/LG.

Tel. : 478190

SUBJECT : Officials for Florence and Benevento.

3 February 1945.

TO : His Excellency the Minister of the Interior.

Your Excellency :

1. I refer to your letter 5000 Div. I dated 25th January 1945 proposing Dott. DE PASQUALE for the position of Vice Prefetto Vicario at Florence Prefecture and Avv. Domenico Pellegrini as V.P.V. at Benevento.

2. I will inform you as soon as possible regarding the appointment of Dott. De Pasquale.

3. I refer to your letter Div. Ia File No. 737.1 dated 7th December 1944 regarding Pellegrini's liability to Epuration. Before giving a decision on the appointment of Avv. Pellegrini I shall require to know the result of the Epuration proceedings.

4. Please let me have a reply as soon as possible.

R. C. B. SPICER,
Colonel,
Director,
Local Government S/C.

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MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

General Direction of General Affairs and Personnel

FILE : 5000 Div.1 Sec.1 — 25th of January,1945

TO : ALLIED COMMISSION
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

SUBJECT : Prefecture of Florence -

The Sub Commission has pointed out that the Vice Prefect dott. Umberto PARISI is not capable to carry out the vicarious functions at the Prefecture of Florence and has asked us at the same time for another nomination to substitute him .

Therefore , we inform the Sub Commission that this Ministry considers appointing the Vice Prefect Inspector Dott. Felice DE PASQUALE,, in service at the Prefect of Benevento.

The officiel has infact the necessary qualifications and could be substituted , at the Prefecture of Benevento, by the Vice Prefect Inspector Avv. Domenico Pellegrini, who is actually at disposition.

We enclose a biographical notice of the above dott. De Pasquale and we expect your answer on the subject.

FOR THE MINISTER
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MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
General Direction of General Affairs and Personnel

DE PASQUALE dott. Felice - Vice Prefect Inspector .-

Born in 1899

Began his career in 1926

Inscribed to the National Fascist Party the 20th of April 1926

He held office in the Prefectures of Torino - Vercelli - Pistoia - Alessandria - Benevento -

He was constantly qualified "excellent".

He carried out many special appointments very well

Specially intelligent official who has preperation, seriousness , and is attached to the service.

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Ministero dell'Interno
DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEGLI AFFARI GENERALI E DEL PERSONALE

Roma 25 Gennaio 1945

Divisione 1ª Fas. 1ª
Pos. N° 5000 Allegati

Risposta al f. del
Div. Fas. 1ª

31 JAN 1945

Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Interni
R O M A

OGGETTO Prefettura Firenze

Codesta On.Commissione ha fatto presente che il Vice Prefetto Dott.Umberto PARISI non sarebbe idoneo per l'esercizio delle funzioni vicarie presso la Prefettura di Firenze ed ha invitato, in pari tempo, lo scrivente a designare un altro nominativo in sua sostituzione.

Ciò stante, si ha il pregio di informare codesta On.Commissione che, ad avviso di questo Ministero, l'incarico potrebbe essere affidato al Vice Prefetto Ispettore Dott.Felice DE PASQUALE, in servizio presso la Prefettura di Benevento.

Il funzionario risulta, infatti, in possesso dei necessari requisiti e potrebbe essere sostituito, presso la Prefettura di Benevento, dal Vice Prefetto Ispettore Avv.Domenico Pellegrini, che,

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DE PASQUALE dr.Felice - Viceprefetto Ispettore

Nato nel 1899

Entrato in carriera nel 1926

Iscritto al disciolto p.n.f. dal 20.4.1926

Ha prestato servizio nelle sedi di Torino - Vercelli-
Pistoia - Alessandria - Benevento -

Ha riportato costantemente la qualifica di ottimo.

Ha assolto lodevolmente vari incarichi speciali.

Funzionario di spiccata intelligenza, che si distingue per preparazione, serietà, attaccamento al servizio.

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Roma 25 Gennaio 1945

31 JAN 1945

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DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEGLI AFFARI GENERALI E DEL PERSONALE

Div. 1ª Sez. 1ª
Fasc. N° 5000 Allegati

Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Interni
R O M A

Risposta al foglio del
Div. Sez. N°

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risulta attualmente disponibile.

Si allega un cenno biografico sul conto del Dott.De Pasquale e si rimane in attesa di cortesi notizie.

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DIREZIONE GENERALE DEGLI AFFARI GENERALI E DEL PERSONALE

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TO :- HQ. AC. (For Local Government Sub-Commission).

30 JAN 1945

FROM :- HQ. ACC/AC Abruzzi-Marche Region.

SUBJECT :- Consigliere for FLORENCE.

REF :- RS/514/17.

DATE :- 29 January, 1945.

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1. Reference your AC/4/1/60/IC. dated 17 Jan 45 in respect to the proposed transfer from ASCOLI of Dott. CAPASSO.

2. The P.C. of ASCOLI has requested that this official be allowed to remain in view of the services he has rendered in the Prefettura at ASCOLI. He has since leaving TERAMO proved his ability and his work has largely contributed to the reorganization of the services with the result that previous opinion expressed in regard to this official is modified accordingly by the Provincial Commissioner.

3. In view of the remarks in the foregoing paragraph, will you please state if Dott. CAPASSO may have his present appointment at ASCOLI confirmed.

FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER:

J. D. Schmitz
J. D. SCHMITZ,
Lt. Colonel,
Executive Officer.

Received 13/2/45 [illegible]

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Copy to:- Prov. Commissioner, ASCOLI - MACERATA.

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SUBJECT: Note of Interview - PC Florence.

DATE : 29 January 1945.

PRESENT: Lt. Col. Ralph L. Rolph, PC Florence.
Capt. W. I. Cunningham, Local Govt. S/C

1. Lt. Col. Rolph, PC Florence, called this morning to say goodbye as he is leaving on home posting.

2. PATERNO: Lt. Col. Rolph stated that PATERNO wanted watching, and he had come to the conclusion he should be changed. PATERNO was playing a very deep political game and Col. Rolph was not satisfied with him morally. He had discovered that PATERNO had lied to him on several occasions recently. He did not give any details but suggested that his Finance Officer could give some instances.

3. On the other hand, PATERNO is a strong man and Lt. Col. Rolph said it would require an equally strong man to replace him. Lt. Col. Rolph suggested that PATERNO should not be changed for at least two months; otherwise, it would look as if he had been changed as a result of Lt. Col. Rolph's departure.

4. Lt. Col. Rolph thought that we possibly thought too highly of PATERNO and his main concern was to warn us to watch him carefully.

5. I thanked Lt. Col. Rolph for his information and said goodbye to him on behalf of the Sub Commission.

W. I. CUNNINGHAM
Captain
Local Government Sub Commission

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SUBJECT: Note of Interview - Ministry of the Interior.

DATE : 24 January 1945 - 11:30 a.m.

PRESENT: H. E. MICALI, Dir. Gen. Personale
Major C.C.R. Williams
T. CAETANI, interpreting

1. I informed H. E. that Major Temple and I had seen Dott. PARISI yesterday afternoon. We agreed he was a Vice Prefect of considerable experience: as to his personal capacity, we could not judge.

2. I said it was evident he didn't want to go to Florence, though the reasons he gave us might not be the true ones. It was also evident to us that PARISI was a man who felt some resentment that other more junior officials had been promoted over his head: and that he was ~~certainly~~ an old and tired man who was only interested in rounding off his career in some not too troublesome job.

3. I added that he had told us that PATERNO, Prefect of Florence, was his Segretario when he, PARISI, was serving as Consigliere at Lucca. In these circumstances, we doubted whether PARISI would prove a loyal and energetic supporter of the Prefect of Florence, and unity and loyalty in that Prefecture were very essential. MICALI protested this very strongly, saying that he knew PARISI to be a gentleman and was quite sure that if he went to Florence he would be loyal.

4. I said that nevertheless we did not think that he was the right man for the job. I asked H. E. if he could not produce a Vice Prefect, say, in his early 50's, who still had his career before him and was ambitious and anxious to give a good impression, and do a good job and earn further promotion.

5. H. E. promised he would bear this in mind and let us have the name of another man as soon as possible.

C. G. R. WILLIAMS
Major
Local Government Sub Commission

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SUBJECT: Note of Interview (in Local Government S/C offices)

DATE : 23 January 1945 - 3 p.m.

PRESENT: Dott. Umberto PARISI, Vice Prefect.
Major R. R. Temple
Major C.C.R. Williams
T. CAETANI, interpreting.

1. Dott. PARISI first filled in the career form at No. 42. While doing so, he explained to Signa CAETANI that he had not kept the appointment for 11 a.m. the same morning because he had not received clear instructions as to where to go and spent considerable time trying to find the proper office.

2. PARISI opened the conversation by thanking us for the confidence shown in him in desiring to send him as Vice Prefect to Florence, and he went on to explain the reasons why he did think he was a suitable person for that post. The main facts and impressions emerging from the ensuing conversation are as follows:

3. PARISI was appointed VPV (Grade 5) in 1926 direct from Consigliere (Grade 7): he was never a Vice Prefect Inspector. He was sent to Caltanisetta in 1926 as VPV where he stayed eight years. He was then transferred to Palermo where he remained until 1941.

4. In 1941, he was suddenly dismissed by the Fascists for being an Anglophile (so he said) and not being loyal to the Regime. It was evident that for the purposes of the interview and of making the impression on us that he wishes, PARISI attached great importance to his dismissal from Palermo. He kept referring to it again and again, as if it were the central fact of his life.

5. Since 1941, he has been an Inspector General of the Ministry. Although he has been a VPV since 1926, he tried to emphasize that he had been employed in inspective functions at Caltanisetta and Palermo. As Inspector General at the Ministry, he said he was concerned with administration of the "sussidi militari" and had traveled up and down South Italy inquiring into the function of this service. A little cross examination, however, showed that he had in fact acted as VPV both in Caltanisetta and Palermo and had frequently been Reggente of those provinces in the absence of the Prefect.

6. He said that the Ministry originally asked him if he was willing to go to Florence as VPV for two months only: this was about a month ago. Later they told him they wishes him to go permanently. His reply was that he would go as VPI, as that was his forte, but he didn't think he would make a good VPV.

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7. He mentioned that he had a bad heart and that he would soon be in his 68th year. He is a widower with three children in Rome.

8. He knows the Prefect, Dott. PATERNO. At the end of the interview,

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he said there was a "moral question" involved. He referred to his long service and experience again. He said that a VP must be the alter ego of the Prefect and be in full sympathy with him and able to carry out the Prefect's policies in the latter's absence. If he went to Florence, what would be find? A Prefect who had been his Segretario when he was a Consigliere at Lucca.

9. Our general impression may be summarized as follows:

(a) He is obviously a very experienced man:

(b) We could form no judgment as to his ability, but we do not think he is quite such a fool as he would have us think:

(c) He obviously does not want to go to Florence. What his real reasons are, we cannot tell. It may well be that he wants to keep out of any disputes between PATERNO and the CLN.

(d) He is an old and tired man, at the end of his career and would evidently like to round it off in a fairly comfortable job with not too much anxiety attached to it.

We think, too, that he feels his merits have not been sufficiently recognized and he ought to be promoted to Prefect. He obviously resents the promotions of more junior officials over his head.

(f) If he did go to Florence, he is not likely to be a loyal supporter of the Prefect.

C. G. R. WILLIAMS
Major
Local Government Sub Commission

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MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

General Direction of the
General Affairs and Personnel.

ROME, 18 Jan. 1945

TO : THE ALLIED COMMISSION
(Interior Sub Commission)

ROMA

DIV. Pers. SEZ. 1
File No, 5000

Answ. to the letter of 10.1.1945
Div. AC/4/1/60/L.G,

SUBJECT : Prefecture of Florence.

The Ministry has received the Commission's instructions concerning the inspective functions at the Prefecture of Florence and as regards the last part of the letter to which we reply, we refer you to the letter of the Ministry of the same file, regarding Dott, Carlo Capasso.

FOR THE MINISTER

Action already taken in f. 93 - Our letter of 10 Jan. (f. 89) + Answering letter of 12 Jan. (f. 93) enclosed

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Ministero dell'Interno
Direz.Gen.degli Affari Gen. e
del Personale

Divisione Pers. Sez. I
Prot N.° 5000 Allegati

Roma 18 gennaio 1945

Alla LA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
(Sottocommissione Interni)
R O M A

Risposta al Foglio del 10.1.1945
Div. AC/4/XX/60/L.G.

OGGETTO : Prefettura Firenze.

Questo Ministero ha preso atto di quanto codesta on.Commissione ha disposto circa l'esercizio delle funzioni ispettive presso la Prefettura di Firenze e, per quanto concerne la ultima parte della lettera cui si risponde, fa riferimento alla ministeriale pari numero di data 12 gennaio u.s. relativa al dott.Carlo Capasso.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/L/1/60/LG

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Consigliere for Florence.

17 January 1945

TO : RC Abruzzi-Marche Region (with copy for PC Ascoli)

1. The Ministry of the Interior have nominated CAPASSO, Dott. Carlo, to fill a vacancy at Florence. Dott. CAPASSO is a Consigliere, formerly in service at Trapani and transferred thence to Ascoli by AMG.

2. It is understood that the transfer to Ascoli was ordered because Dott. CAPASSO had acted as Capo Gabinetto to the Republican Prefect at Teramo, and being by virtue of that also closely associated with the Republican Prefect, he was somewhat compromised in that locality.

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3. In the circumstances, I should be glad if you will have Dott. CAPASSO screened and let me know whether he can safely be sent to Florence from a security point of view.

R. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

14 January 1945.

REFERENCE: 113/1

RVDJ:DREM:HDP

SUBJECT : Prefect of Florence.

TO : H.Q. Allied Commission,
Att: Local Government Sub-Commission.

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1. Reference your letter AC/4/1/60/LG of 5th January, attached is a copy of the comments of the Provincial Commissioner with enclosures.

2. Attached also for your information is a copy of the Provincial Commissioners letter of 26th December about the appointment of Barbieri and Dell'Opio by the Ministry of Agriculture, together with a copy of this H.Q. letter on the same subject to the Economic Section of Allied Commission.

3. It may be of interest to you to know that a new leaflet has recently appeared on the walls of Florence attacking the Prefect. The recent weather has made it impossible to procure a copy intact off the walls, but if a dry copy is found it will be sent you for information.

The leaflet deals mainly with the Prefect's Anti-British speech at Frosinone referred to in the article in "Unita" of January 5th.

For the Commanding General:

for R.V.D. JANZAN,
Lt. Col., Cav.,
Acting Chief of Staff,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

Florence Province

Office of Prov. Comm.

Ref. No. PG/99

12th January 1945.

Subject: Prefect of Florence.

To : S.C.A.O. A.M.G. 5 Army APO 464.

1. Reference letter dated 5 January 1945 received from the Director of the L.G. Sub-Commission, H.Q., A.C. enclosing copy of an article which had appeared in the "Unita" referring to the Prefect of Florence, I have the following comments to make.

2. This article refers, I believe, almost exclusively to the dismissal of Barbieri and Dell'Opio from the directorship of SEPRAL Florence and their substitution by Palazzo.

3. In this matter, I, not the Prefect, sabotaged, (that is if acting according to instructions is now to be referred to as sabotage) the Governments directive decreeing that Barbieri and Dell'Opio should be Director and Vic Director of SEPRAL when the A.M.G. did not want them and the C.T.L.N., who had originally appointed them, were tired of their mal-administration.

4. I presume that the Italian Government was aware of the Prefects' "battle of the wheat" prize giving speech before it sent him here. It does not occur to me as being over damning.

5. As far as Dott. Palazzo's record is concerned I need only refer you to the attached decree made by the Giunta Comunale of the Commune of Bagno a Ripoli. Needless to say, before being appointed, his record was carefully gone into by myself. He was certainly not a Squadrista. He joined the P.N.F. in 1929 andhis membership was back dated to 1925 for the usual reasons.

6. The article referred was a scandalous and irresponsible piece of journalism and I hope that appropriate action will be taken against those responsible for its publication.

/s/ R.L. Rolph.
Lt. Colonel
Provincial Commissioner.

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COMMUNE DI BAGNO A RIPOLI

LA GIUNTA

Riunitasi in seduta straordinaria oggi 11 Gennaio 1945 alle ore 15.

Appreso che a Firenze sono stati affissi manifestini anonimi contro il Sindaco di Bagno a Ripoli Prof. Fortunato Palazzo, con accusa di carattere politico e morale;

Tiene a precisare:

Che il prof. Palazzo Fortunato non e' mai stato squadrista;
Che fu nominato Commissario Prefettizio del Comune il 2 agost 1943 e cioe' subito dopo la caduta del Fascismo e rimase in carica anche dopo l'8 settembre per volere degli antifascisti del Comune;

Che durante il periodo dell'occupazione tedesca si mantenne sempre in contatto con gli antifascisti della zona sabotata con gravissimo rischio personale tutte le iniziative dei nazifascisti e reso importantissimi servigi ai partigiani favorendo la lotta per la liberazione;

Che il Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale di Bagno a Ripoli, in riconoscimento dell'opera svolta dal prof. Palazzo in periodo clandestino, del continuo suo interessamento a favore del popolo e della sua indiscussa fede antifascista oltre che della sua alta competenza e rettitudine, lo chiama all'unanimita' a ricoprire la carica di Sindaco che tuttora mantiene con piena soddisfazione dei partiti e della popolazione;

Percio(

CONFERMA

La propria stima nel prof. Fortunato Palazzo;

RESPINGE

Le calunniose accuse aninime a di lui carico sia di carattere politice che morale;

DEPRECA

Che in regime di liberta' si lancino vili offese verso chi ricopre pubbliche cariche;

ED ESPRIME

La propria indignazione per l'immorale sistema deprecato da tutti gli onesti.

GLI ASSESSORI

Francolanci Daniele — Borselli Gallia
Biffoli Virgilio — Archilli Agosti

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

Florence Province.

Office of Provincial Commissioner

Ref. No. PG/97

26th December 1944

SUBJECT Appointments - SEPRAL

TO S.C.A.O., A.M.G. 5 ARMY APO 464

Copy to S.C.A.O. Florence City.

1. Having performed most unsatisfactorily for some time, it has been decided to change the directorate of the Sezione Provinciale Alimentazione of the Province of Florence.

2. This change has been brought about by a Prefect's decree dismissing the existing directorate and putting in their place another director, Dr. Palazzo, who has the full authority to chose his own subordinates.

3. Amongst those dismissed are Rag. Barbieri and Sig. Dall' Oppio, who were commissario and director respectively in the old organisation.

4. It appears that the two persons mentioned in the previous paragraph, having gained the impression that a change was being made, proceeded to Rome without reference to this HQ or to the Prefect and, apparently, interviewed the Italian Minister of Agriculture, who proceeded to issue a decree, also without consulting the A.M.G. or the Prefect, appointing Rag. Barbieri and Sig. Dall' Oppio as director and vice director of SEPRAL.

5. The decree of the Minister is obviously not valid in this Province, but it has however created, quite unnecessarily, a considerable amount of bad feeling, and I should be glad if the Italian Government could be requested not to make such decrees without prior reference to the Allied authorities.

/s/ Ralph L. Rolph

/t/ RALPH L. ROLPH
Lieut. Col. R.E.
Provincial Commissioner.

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AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

HVEJ:DRBM:HLP

REFERENCE: 202/13 28th December 1945.

SUBJECT : Appointments to SEPRAL.

TO : H.Q. Allied Commission - Economic Section.

1. Attached copy letter from P.C. Florence is self-explanatory.

2. It is requested that you take up most strongly with the Italian Ministry concerned this infringement of the authority of the Allied Military Government in a matter in which the Italian Government has no authority whatsoever, and that you obtain satisfaction from them that there will be no recurrence of such incidents.

For the Commanding General:

/s/ R.V.D. JANZAN,
Lt. Col., Cav.,
Acting Chief of Staff,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

Copy to:

P.C. Florence.
R.C. Toscana.

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General Direction of General Affais
and Personnel

Div.PERS.
File No. 5000

TO : THE ALLIED COMMISSION
Local Government Sub Commissinn

ROME

Answ. to the letter of 3/1/1945 No.AC/4/1/
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SUBJECT : Prefecture of Florence
CAPASSO dr. Carlo-Counsillor

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Referring to the request made by the Commission with the above named letter, we propose for assignment at the Prefecture of Florence the Councillor Dr. Carlo CAPASSO, who has already been in Office first in the Prefecture of Teramo and then in the Prefecture of Ascoli Piceno. He is actually at disposition.

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We enclose a short biograpfical-note of the above named Offial and we are waiting for the decisions of the Commission.

Concerning the promotion of Dott. MAZZA Idealo we shall inform you later.

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FOR THE MINISTER:

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CAPASSO Dott. Carlo . Councillor.

Born in 1910

Began career in 1934
Inscribed to the Fascist Party after the March on Rome.
Has been in Office in the Prefecture of Pesaro and Teramo.

Classified always "excellent" with analytical opinions

all in the superlative.

Official exzellently fitted for his work, cultivated,

intelligent and diligent.

Passed - 13/4/45 PC

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Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA (Sottocommissione Interni) - Roma

Risposta al foglio del 3.1.1945
Div. Sez. N° AG/4/1/60/15

OGGETTO: Prefettura Firenze-
CAPASSO dr.Carlo-Consigliere.

In relazione alla richiesta avanzata da codesta On.Commissione con la nota su indicata si propone, per l'assegnazione alla Prefettura di Firenze, il Consigliere dr.Carlo Capasso, che già in servizio presso la Prefettura di Teramo e successivamente presso quella di Ascoli Piceno, risulterebbe attualmente disponibile.

Si allega un breve cenno biografico sul conto del funzionario e si rimane in attesa delle decisioni di codesta On.Commissione.

Si fa riserva di comunicazioni per quanto concerne la promozione del Dr. Mazza Ideale.

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Ministero dell'Interno

CAPASSO dr.Carlo - Consigliere

Nato nel 1910

Entrato in carriera nel 1934

Iscritto al p.n.f. dopo la marcia su Roma.

Ha prestato servizio nelle sedi di Pescara e Teramo.

Classificato sempre ottimo con giudizi analitici tutti al superlativo.

Funzionario di ottime doti professionali, colto, intelligente, attaccato al servizio.

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REPORT No. 132.

SUBJECT: Interview with the Provincial Commissioner and the Prefect of Florence.

DATE : 7 January 1945

1. The interview with the Prefect was largely confined to arrangements discussed the previous day (and contained in report of interview with the PC) regarding personnel at the Prefettura.

2. The Prefect entirely supported and urged the retention of CIGLI. He also was desirous of securing the suggested arrangement in regard to Dr. MAZZA.

3. The Prefect was shortly to be in Rome and would see Col. Spicer before proceeding to the Ministery of Interior where he desired to secure the above arrangements.

W. V. M. LEWIS
Captain
Local Government Sub Commission

READ AND NOTED BY:

R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Date: 9 Jan/45

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REPORT N° 131

SUBJECT: Interview with Lt. Col. Rolph, Provincial Commissioner, Florence Province.

DATE : 6 January 1945.

1. I interviewed Lt. Col. Rolph regarding local government organization and the Provincial administration and report as follows:

2. Personnel

(a) Prefect--PATERNO: The PC stated that PATERNO continued to work well and to his complete satisfaction in all respects. He stressed the difficult conditions under which the Prefect operated and the attacks that were still being made upon him. In spite of these, PATERNO refused to be "brow-beaten" and insisted on the observance of Italian law in administrative affairs. The PC stated that a further attack had been made upon PATERNO which arose out of the dismissal of two Sepral officials who had been nominated by the CLN. It was necessary to discharge them for inefficiency (with which the CLN agreed, incidentally). This in turn was followed by an attack upon PATERNO in which a speech was recalled made by him in January of 1941, when Prefect of Frosinone, in which he was exhorting Italians to continue the then struggle and had made numerous strong anti-Allies statements. The Prefect had approached the PC and admitted the occasion, saying that as a Government official he was required to carry out orders which had been given to him and all other Prefects for the purpose. The PC did not report this with a view to any steps being taken against PATERNO, whom he desires should be retained in office.

(b) Vice Prefect Vicario--GIGLI: Reference was made to the previous arrangements under which GIGLI was to be removed from Florence following MASCOLO's report. The PC now stated that in the meantime, GIGLI had continued to work to his complete satisfaction and had proved efficient and conscientious official. The PC considered that no person or body was any longer concerned with GIGLI's dismissal or removal and he, the PC, desired that he should be retained in office. The PC advised in this sense for the above reasons, and was also influenced by the fact that owing to the admitted shortage of satisfactory Italian officials it was doubtful whether he would ever be adequately replaced. The PC requested that this should be submitted to ACHQ with a view to GIGLI's retention.

(c) Vice Prefect Inspector--DE FRANCISCI: The PC had no objection to the removal of this official as previously arranged. With regard to the vacancy thus caused, both he and the Prefect were desirous that Dr. MAZZA, present Capo di Gabinetto, should be promoted to the acting rank. If this were done, it would be necessary to obtain a capable Consigliere for the cabinet work, which would in practice be continued under MAZZA's supervision.

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(d) Other officials: In all other respects, no shortages were reported.

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3. Local Government Organization

(a) Giunte Comunali: These existed in the 49 communes through the Province. A number of changes had been necessary from the persons originally appointed by spearhead AMG officers, and this remark also applied to Sindaci. Further changes may still be necessary, but in the main present appointments were proving satisfactory.

(b) Deputazione Provinciale: This has been formed and was in operation. Its members included representatives in various parts of the Province. The PC attended their first meeting and a copy of his speech on that occasion is attached hereto and marked No. 1.

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(c) Giunta Provinciale Amministrative: This had been formed and was in operation.

(d) Florence City: Giunte Comunali existed and the Sindaco PIERACCINI was still in office. In the PC's view, he was a person who was mutually approved by all political parties, but the man himself was in fact old and lacking in drive. The Vice Sindaco, a local Avvocato, was in fact the principal power. Some difficulty had arisen regarding the Segretario Comunale of Florence, Dr. SOMMA, who the PC said was a capable, hard-working and conscientious official and one who (like the Prefect) insisted on the observance of Italian administrative law. For this reason, he was unpopular with the Giunta who at times excluded him from their meetings. The PC did not recommend any change or action by ACC and intimated that he had a plan in mind for dealing with the situation. The report in this respect was for information only.

(e) General: In conclusion, Lt. Col. Ralph stated that the provisions of R.D.L. 111 had been completely following in all respects and expressed the view that now that the organisation had been set up, AMG could do no more and it was incumbent upon the Italians themselves to operate the system properly.

4. Comitato di Liberazione

The PC stated that the influence of this body during December was less marked than previously, but on 31 December, he had found it necessary to address a letter (copy attached hereto marked No. 2) to the Comitato ordering them to refrain from assuming or purporting to assume powers and authority which in law they did not possess.

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W. V. M. LEWIS
Captain
Local Government Sub Commission
13 January 1945

READ AND NOTED BY:

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R. G. B. SPIGER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Date: 15 Jan 45

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I am very happy to be present at this ceremony. You are the members of the first Provincial Deputation of Florence to be formed after more than twenty years, and the expression of the reborn administration representing the organization in its local activities. This is a great step ahead, as it does away with the discarded dictatorial system to which you have been subjected for such a long period of time.

I wish to remind you that your appointment has been effected in a manner which is not in conformity with the fundamental legislation of this country, but on the basis of a provisional law, due to the impossibility to hold elections at the present time. If it would have been possible to hold elections, the Provincial Council would have been the first representative body to be formed; this being the assembly of the representative regularly elected for the various districts of the province, and within which the members of the Deputation would have been elected.

I am speaking to you of this to bring to your attention the quality of the official representatives of this population, whose needs you must consider in dealing with provincial matters.

You have been put in office in what is perhaps the most critical moment that this province has ever faced. The difficulties facing you are immense, but I am sure that with your good administration and the patience of the population, you will succeed in putting back in order all the projects of public interest, roads, bridges, schools, cultural and art institutes, hospitals and welfare institutes; in short, all the projects necessary for the resumption of normal life.

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I assure you that the Allied will do all they can to assist you in this task. If at the present time this aid will seem inadequate, I must remind you that we are still at war and that this terrible war will continue to req[illegible] 1080 hardest sacrifices from each one of us.

I will end wishing each one of you success in your individual tasks which are for the benefit of the entire province; until the day of victory when it will be possible for us to devote ourselves/to the reconstruction of our with all our energy Country.

Translation by V. Bonnani

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
FLORENCE

31st December 1944 2.

TO : Comitato Toscano di Liberazione Nazionale
FLORENCE

Gentlemen : -

Referring to your letter 3533 A/1/P of 21st December 1944 addressed to the Bank of Naples of Florence, we wish to confirm what Col. Rolph has already informed your President Dr. Ragghianti in connection with this matter, namely that the C.T.L.N. has no athority to give any orders or instructions either to the Bank of Naples or to any other institution or governmental body.

As Col. Rolph informed Dr. Ragghianti, if you consider that certain action such as that which we the subject of your letter should be taken, you may advise the appropriate officer of A.M.G. accordingly, who will then proceed to at as may be considered desirable.

In this connection a number of notices have appeared in the local newspapers as to the plans or proposals of the C.T.L.N. so phrased as to lead the public to believe that the C.T.L.N. does have some official governmental position or authority. We therefore take this opportunity of reiterating what we have previously pointed out to you, tha is, tha while your advise and assistance is welcomed at all times and while we are fully appreciative of what you have done in the past, especially during the emergency period, the C.T.L.N. has no constitutional powers and no governmental authority and, in order to avoid any possible future misunderstanding, we hereby order you to refrain from assuming or purporting to assume or leading the public to believe that you possess such powers and authority. Violation of this order will be subject to punishment under paragraph 42 of V. of Proclamation n.1 of the Allied Military Covernment.

Yours truly

THOMAS J. MICHIE Lt. Col. A.C.
SCAO - AMG - FLORENCE City

RALPH I. ROPLH Lt. Col. R.E.
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HEAD,QUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/4/1/60/LG

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Florence Province--Appointment of Vice Prefect Inspector.

10 January 1945

TO : SCAO 5 Army (with copy for AC Florence)

1. I refer to my letter of 3 January and to Capt. Lewis' conversation with you and Lt. Col. Rolph.

2. I have since discussed this matter with the Prefect of Florence who called on me today, having previously seen the Ministry of Interior thereon.

3. It is understood that the Prefect and the Provincial Commissioner will be satisfied if, on the departure of DE FRANCISCI, the duties of Vice Prefect Inspector are undertaken by Dott. MAZZA, the present Capo di Gabinetto.

4. I now write to confirm that with the consent of all concerned, it is open to AMG to arrange for Dott. MAZZA to be given the functions of Vice Prefect Inspector. As such he will be entitled to the appropriate salary payable to a Vice Prefect Inspector.

5. However, it should be clearly understood that this arrangement does not confer the grade of Vice Prefect Inspector for the reasons explained in my previous letter; merely the functions thereof.

6. The Prefect's request for an additional Consigliere to fill a vacancy caused by these arrangements has been conveyed to the Ministry of Interior.

R. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/60/LG

Ref: 478190

SUBJECT: Florence Province--Appointment of Vice Prefect Inspector.

10 January 1945

TO : His Excellency the Minister of the Interior.

Your Excellency:

1. Referring to your letter of 13 December 1944 (Pers. Div. 1ª 5000) an officer of this Sub Commission has since been in Florence and has discussed with the Provincial Commissioner and the Prefect the filling of the vacancy of Vice Prefect Inspector on the departure of DE FRANCISCI.

2. The Prefect wishes for arrangements to be made to enable these duties to be performed by Dott. MAZZA, the present Capo di Gabinetto.

3. This arrangement meets with the approval of the Allied Commission and His Excellency PATERNO who called on me this morning states that the proposal is also agreed by your Ministry.

4. In the circumstances, I have written A.C and I enclose a copy of my letter for your information.

5. It will be observed that for reasons connected with Italian civil service arrangements, Dott. MAZZA will assume only the functions and not the grade of the office.

2 /// 6. As a result of this arrangement, the Prefect states that it will be necessary for a new Consigliere to be appointed, and I should be glad if you will nominate a capable official for the purpose.

R. G. B. WEIGER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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Encl. as in (4) above.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

MG/4/1/60/LC — Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Applicata CARAMELLI Emilia. — 9 January 1945

TO : His Excellency the Minister of the Interior.

Your Excellency:

1. I have received the Ministry's letter No. 1764/5 (Dir. Gen. Personale) dated 5 January.

2. It is well known to the Ministry and should be equally well known to the Prefect of Florence that communications of this kind should be presented by the Prefect to the Provincial Commissioner who will cause them to be transmitted to this HQ with his opinion, when the Ministry will be consulted by this Sub Commission. It is essential that this procedure be followed.

3. The importance of observing the proper channels of communication was particularly mentioned to the Director General of Personnel some time ago, and he was requested to return to the Prefects any communications of this kind they might make to the Ministry direct and to request that they be submitted to the Provincial Commissioner.

4. The letter above-mentioned is accordingly returned herewith for this to be done.

R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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Encl. as in (4) above.

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MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

General Direction of General Affairs and Personnel

FILE : 1764/3

5th January , 1944

6 JAN 1945

TO : ALLIED COMMISSION
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

SUBJECT : CARAMELLI Emilia clerk - Proposal of transfer.-

The Prefect of Florence has asked, for reasons of advisability, the immediate transfer of the clerk Caramelli Emilia to another Prefecture, possibly in Tuscany.

Taking into consideration the deficency of personne l of group C) at the Prefecture of Pisa, the Caramelli could, if this Commission has nothing to say in the contrary, be utilised in this Prefecture.

Could you kindly give us an answer on the subject.

FOR THE MINISTER
(Micale)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION.

Ext. 620

5th January, 1945.

Subject: Prefect of Florence.

To: G.C.A.C. Fifth Army (With copy for P.C. Florence).

1. A violent article has appeared in the Unita of the 5th January here and I attach what I believe to be a very accurate translation.

2. Could you please let me have your comments on this ? I am of course as well aware as anybody that the Unita and the C.L.N. generally are running for him. My only concern in so far as I can judge the situation from this Headquarters on the advice of Provincial and Regional Commissioners, is to establish the facts and know the truth.

3. Could you please let me know what are the facts in this connection.

R.G.H. SPICER,
Colonel,
Director,
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION.

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Complete Translation

From "The UNITA" of the 5th of January.

"Paterno ! Paterno !" When a Prefect is the saboteur of the Government's directives, when a Prefect surrounds himself with the old fascist figures, of the most uncompromising and violent Fascism, when a Prefect ousts from the administration all those men that the popular confidence had placed there; how can we wonder if this Prefect is judged by the whole population as one judges a fascist ?

This is the case of the Prefect of Florence: Paterno ! We have under our eyes an interesting precedent on him: a speech that he did in 1941 when he was Prefect of Frosinone on the occasion of the distribution of prizes to the farmers for the "Battle of Wheat".

It is easy to think what words a fascist Prefect used in an official ceremony and it is easy to imagine the nausea which the reader feels in reading phrases like "the indomitable resistance which is nourished by the excellences of the just cause", the just cause was naturally the fascist one

Today this man, Paterno, is Prefect of Florence. Today this man is the saboteur of every plan on the part of the Government or of the people which has as its aim the reconstruction or reconstitution of the Country.

The most recent scandalous action taken by this "residue of fascism" is the nomination of the director of the Conral: Fortunato Palamo. The biography of this man is rather juicy: squadrista, fascist podesta prefectural commissioner at the time of Manganiello.

His nomination as Director of the Conral follows shortly after his violent expulsion from the Administration of Bagno a Ripoli, where the continuous popular manifestations of protest accused him of many embezzlements.

The matter is still more serious as Palamo succeeds two democratic elements nominated on the 3rd of January by the C.L.N. Two elements, who therefore enjoyed the trust of the population, who had given numerous proofs of their capacity, and who moreover had been confirmed in their appointments by a decree of the Minister for Agriculture, a decree that the Prefect did not take into any consideration.

The fact is that the vicious actions taken by Barbieri in

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capacity as Commissioner of the Sepral, went against the interest of the fascist speculators, who immediately found support in the Prefect.

The fascist speculators cannot speculate any more ? The fact is serious and the elements who hinder them must immediately be taken away

And so the Prefect Paterno has sent away from the Sepral the Commissioner Barbieri and the Director and in their place has put a trusted element: the fascist Palazzo.

I n future, probably the Sepral of Florence will become the centre of the Florentine fascists The population will suffer from it but the Prefect Paterno can be happy: no one will disturb the sleep of his friends of his clients.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

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Tel: 47190

SUBJECT: Vice Prefect Inspector for Florence. 3 January 1945

TO : His Excellency the Minister of the Interior.

Your Excellency:

1. I refer to the Ministry's letter No. 5000 (Dir. Gen. Personale) dated 13 December 1944, as to Dott. Guido DE FRANCISCI, former Vice Prefect Vicario of Florence. I have just received a report that he will be sent to Rome to report to the Ministry as soon as transport is available.

2. Before expressing any opinion as to this official's suitability for employment in a Prefecture under the jurisdiction of the Italian Government, this Sub Commission requires to know the results of the epuration proceedings in respect of him.

3. In a conversation between H. E. ASSENTI and Captain Temple on 16 December, the suggestion that Dott. MAZZA, now Chief of Cabinet at Florence Prefecture, should be charged with the functions of Vice Prefect Inspector was discussed and agreed. It was also agreed that he should be promoted to the rank of Consigliere 1° classe. The Allied Military authorities in Florence, however, inform me that they consider it more desirable that Dott. MAZZA should continue in his present employment as Chief of Cabinet, to which this Sub Commission proposes to agree. I trust, however, that Dott. MAZZA's promotion to the rank of Consigliere 1° classe, already agreed upon, will be carried out. I have, therefore, to ask the Ministry to nominate an official to take the place of Dott. DE FRANCISCI as Vice Prefect Inspector at Florence.

Please advise.

R. G. B. SPEER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/4.2/60/10 Tel: 470190

SUBJECT: Vice Prefect for Florence. 3 January 1945

TO : AMG 5 Army (with copy for PB Florence)

1. I refer to your 225/1 of 27 December 1944.

2. Dott. MAZZA: Personally, I sympathise with your suggestion in this case: as you know, I have formed a very good opinion of Dott. MAZZA. The difficulty is that Italian Law does not permit it. As stated in my letter of 16 December, he can be promoted from Counciller 2nd class to Councillor 1st class and the Ministry have agreed to do that. He then has to serve three years in the rank of Councillor 1st class before he can be considered for promotion to the rank of Vice Prefect Inspector. I am afraid the Ministry will not agree to any breach of Italian Law in this respect, nor could I properly ask them to do so. Moreover, it is our policy here not to concern ourselves with the rank of an official in which we are not entitled to interfere but only with the actual appointment.

3. The foregoing relates to Dott. MAZZA's rank. As stated in my letter of 16 December, he could be given the functions of Vice Prefect Inspector. I note, however, that you wish him to remain as Capo Gabinetto.

4. DE FRANCISCI and GIGLI: I note that DE FRANCISCI is being sent to Rome as soon as possible and Dott. GIGLI as soon as his replacement arrives. I have approached the Ministry for two good men to replace both of these and will do my best to get them down to Florence as soon as possible.

R. G. B. BEECHER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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IL PREFETTO DI FIRENZE

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Allied Protocol
Florence

Florence, Dec. 25-1944. F.6

A.C.B. SPICER, Col.
Allied Commission
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Sir,

I am greatly pleased to express to your Great Nation, to you and to your Family my best, sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

As I shall shortly reach Rome it will be a great honour for me to come to you and thank you again for the great moral support given me by your esteem and friendship that has allowed me to serenely fulfil my difficult task.

Yours respectfully,

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Local Government Sub Commission
Headquarters.
Allied Control,
C.M.H.

29th December, 1944

Thank you very much for your letter of December 25th and for your kind wishes, which I reciprocate.

You certainly have both my esteem and friendship and I have the greatest admiration for the way in which you have faced your difficult task and have and are performing your onerous duties.

His Excellency Giulio Paterno,
Il Prefetto Di Firenze
FLORENCE

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AND FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

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27th December 1944.

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SUBJECT: Officials for Florence.

TO : H.Q. Allied Commission - Local Government Sub-Commission.

Reference your letters AC/4/1/LG dated 14 December, AC/4/1/60/LG dated 17 December and AC/4/1/109/LG, undated.

1. The cases of the two Vice-Prefects De Francisci and Gigli and the Capo Gabinetto Mazza appear to be bound up with one another, so I am answering your three letters together. I have discussed this matter fully with Lt. Colonel Polph, Provincial Commissioner, who in his turn has discussed it with the Prefect.

2. The Provincial Commissioner's wishes are as follows:

a. Dr. Mazza to be promoted to the rank of 'Vice Prefetto' but remain in the office of Capo Gabinetto. It is pointed out that the Office of Capo Gabinetto in a Province as important as Florence is normally occupied by a man with the rank of Vice Prefetto.

b. Dr. De Francisci is available to proceed to Rome forthwith. It is hoped that a replacement for the Office of Vice Prefetto Ispettore can be provided as early as possible. De Francisci will be despatched to Rome as soon as transport is available.

c. Dr. Gigli is available for transfer, but, before he can be released, he must be replaced by a suitable man who must be of the highest quality.

3. Will you please let us know how soon you can provide the necessary replacements for the two Vice Prefects.

For the Commanding General;

D.R.B. MYNORS,
Major Scots Guards,
G-2 & 3.,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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R.C. Toscana.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/60/LG

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: DE FRANCISCI, Dott. Guido - Vice Prefetto Ispettore, Florence.

16 December 1944

TO : SCAO 5 Army.

1. Since writing my letter on 14 December 1944 (File AC/4/1/60/LG) I have received a request from the Italian Government to have Dott. DE FRANCISCI report to Rome, where his case has been submitted to the Commission for Epuration.

2. In a conference with the Ministry, I was informed that Dott. MAZZA has been recommended to be promoted to the next highest grade for which he is eligible, namely Grade 7, which is the rank of Councillor First Class. The Ministry agreed furthermore that the PC assign him the functions of Vice Prefetto Ispettore. It is to be noted that the assumption of these functions does not confer upon MAZZA the grade of that office, namely Grade 6. Regulations provide that he must be in the previous grade three years before promotion takes place. However, in the meantime he will be drawing the salary and entitled to all the privileges of the office which he is assuming.

3. If the foregoing arrangement is agreeable to you, will you please instruct the PC to order DE FRANCISCI to remove himself to Rome where he should report to the Ministry of Interior, and also direct MAZZA to assume the functions of Vice Prefetto Ispettore.

R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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AC/4/1/60/LG

SUBJECT: Note of interview--Ministry of Interior (Dr. BERRUTI).
Vice Prefect Inspector situation at Florence.

DATE : 16 December 1944

1. I told Dr. BERRUTI that we had received the Ministry's letter asking that Dr. DE FRANCISCI be sent to Rome in order that his case be considered by the Committee for Epuration. I said before writing to the Provincial Commissioner requesting that this be done, I wanted to know whether the Ministry was in a position to indicate what they intended to do with MAZZA, Chief of Cabinet in the Prefecture of Florence, whom we have recommended for the Vice Prefect Inspector position.

2. BERRUTI informed me that MAZZA is in Grade 8 and they are recommending to the Council of Ministers that he be brought to the next grade to which he is eligible, namely Grade 7. Since he must be in the latter grade for three years, he cannot be jumped to Grade 6 immediately, that being the grade of Vice Prefect Inspector. However, they have no objections and as a matter of fact they suggest that MAZZA be instructed to assume the functions of Vice Prefect Inspector in the meantime. His promotion to Grade 7 makes him a Councillor of the First Class.

3. I referred to the Ministry's question as to whether the Sub Commission approves of the employment of DE FRANCISCI in another Prefecture under the jurisdiction of the Italian Government. I suggested that it would be better for all concerned that the epuration case be disposed of as quickly as possible and then if the man were cleared that his designation for another Prefecture be referred to us. I suggested that this was better procedure than to have him go to another post with a cloud hanging over him. BERRUTI agreed to this.

Ralph R. Temple

RALPH R. TEMPLE
Captain
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/60/LG

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: DE FRANCISCI, Dott. Guido - Vice Prefetto Ispettore, Florence.

14 December 1944

TO : SCAO 5 Army.

1. I have received a copy of a report made by H. E. MASCOLO on the inquiry being conducted in Florence at the request of the Provincial Commissioner into the various allegations made against Dott. Guido DE FRANCISCI, Vice Prefetto Ispettore of Florence.

2. I enclose an English translation of the document herewith.

3. I am in agreement with Dott. MASCOLO's recommendation for DE FRANCISCI's transfer.

4. In connection with this matter and also the case of Dott. GIGLI Vice Prefetto Vicario of Florence referred to in my letter of 9 December 1944 (File AC/4/1/109/LG), I wish to point out that Lt. Col. Rolph discussed the Vice Prefectural situation with Captain Temple when the latter was in Florence several days ago. Lt. Col. Rolph indicated that he favored the following disposition of the matter:

(a) Transfer of Dott. GIGLI and Dott. DE FRANCISCI to other Provinces.

(b) Replacement of Dott. GIGLI by a career Vice Prefetto Vicario supplied by the Government.

(c) Raising of Dott. MAZZA, Chief of Cabinet in the Prefecture of Florence, to the rank of Vice Prefetto Ispettore, or at least assigning him the functions of that office.

(d) The obtaining of a Corsigliere from the Italian Government to assume the functions of the Chief of Cabinet in MAZZA's place.

5. Before taking up the foregoing line of action with the Ministry of Interior, I should be glad to know if you agree and also to receive any observations you wish to make on the matters.

NOTE: Reference para 4, sub para c, I raised this point personally with the Under Secretary for the Minister of Interior this morning, and he assured me that he would use his best influence for my request to be fulfilled.

R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

Gen. Dir. of Gen Affairs and Personnel

FILE : 5000 (1) 13th of December, 1944

TO : ALLIED COMMISSION
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

12 DEC 1944

SUBJECT : Vice Prefect dott. Guido De Francesci . =

The Vice Prefect dott. Guido De Francisci, following the result of the inquiry made by dott. Antonio Mascolo in his regards, is submitted to the competent Commission for Epuration for the Personnel.

As it is necessary, on the other hand, to remove him from Florence, we ask the Sub Commission to ask him to present himself at this Ministry as urgently as possible , for communications

We would also like to know if the Sub Commission has nothing in the contrary , that the afore-mentioned official be employed in a Prefecture under the jurisdiction of the Italian Government.

FOR THE MINISTER

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Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEGLI AFFARI GENERALI E DEL PERSONALE

Div. I Sez.
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Risp. a f. del
Div. Sez. N°

Alla Commissione Alleata
Sottocommissione Interni

OGGETTO Vicepretetto dr. Guido De Francisci.

Il Viceprefetto comm.dr.Guido De Francisci a seguito dei risultati dell'inchiesta effettuata dal Prefetto dr.Antonio Mascolo nei suoi confronti viene deferito alla competente Commissione per l'Epurazione del personale.

Occorrendo, d'altra parte, procedere al suo allontanamento da Firenze, si prega codesta On.Commissione di voler cortesemente invitarlo a presentarsi, con ogni possibile urgenza a questo Ministero per comunicazioni.

Si gradirà, intanto, conoscere se nulla osti da parte di codesta Commissione a che il funzionario venga utilizzato in una sede sotto la giurisdizione del Governo Italiano.

Pel Ministro

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IL PODESTA' DI FIRENZE

24 febbraio 1944.XXII

Eccellenza
dottor Raffaele Manganiello
Capo della Provincia di
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IL PODESTA'
(Giotti Dainelli)

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ENCLOSURE A

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THE MAYOR OF FLORENCE

24 FEBRUARY 1944.XXII

Excellency
Dr. Raffale Manganiello

Head of the Province of FLORENCE

I should be very glad if you would take part at the dinner which I shall give on Tuesday 29 inst. at 19.30 hrs. at the Doney Restaurant (first floor), Via Tornabuoni.

THE MAYOR

(Giotti Dainelli)

/s/

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On 20th November 1944 at 12,30 hrs. in the office of the General Secretary of the Commune of Florence, Palazzo Vecchio, I questioned Dr. Filippo Cristini Head of the Rationing Office of the Commune of Florence, who gave the following answers:

QU. What reports have you had regarding the prohibition to issue ration cards to Jewish families?

ANS. Toward the end of 1943 or early in 1944 (I could not give the precise state) the Commune received an order from the Prefecture signed by Dr. Martelloni, Prefect Commissioner for Jewish affairs, ordering that ration cards of new issue were not to be issued to Jews. This order followed the normal course of all the correspondence coming into the Commune. On arriving at the competent office, the order was carried out after the Head of the Office, i.e. myself, had discussed it with Comm. De Francisci and had agreed that as it was a precise order from the Head of the Province - as Martelloni received orders from him - there was nothing to do but carry it out. Comm. De Francisci made no further observations regarding this order, but lately about 20 - 30 days before the liberation of Florence, he encouraged me to "close an eye" in applying the second order to the same effect, and permit the ration cards to be issued.

QU. What do you know about a meeting held by the employees for the distribution of ration cards, during which very severe penalties were ordered against employees if they were to issue ration cards to Jews!

ANS. On the eve of the distribution of ration cards for the four months of November 1943 - February 1944, the General Secretary of the Commune, Comm. Somma, held a meeting at the Rationing Office between all the employees. At this meeting Comm. Somma urged that a careful distribution be made, taking into account the list of persons of Jewish race according to the above order, and above all urged that the members of all the families of Florence be controlled at the time of issuing the ration cards in order to eliminate abuses derived from the names of persons not present in Florence. This was the most important part, discussed at length by Comm. Somma, calling everybody's attention on the delicacy of the service and warning them that they would be punished if they caused trouble. This warning referred to all his urges and not exclusively to that regarding the Jews.

ON QU.ANS. - I do not think that Comm. De Francisci was present at this meeting, and I do not know if before it took place there was an agreement between the General Secretary and Comm. De Francisci.

/s/Filippo Cristini

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All. B

L'anno millenovecentoquarantaquattro addì 20 novembre alle ore 12 e nell'Ufficio del Segretario Generale del comune di Firenze, in Palazzo Vecchio, è alla mia presenza il dott. Filippo Cristini, capo dell'Ufficio tesseramento del Comune di Firenze, il quale a domanda risponde:

D. Che cosa le risulta circa il divieto di consegnare le carte annonarie alle famiglie degli ebrei?

R. Verso la fine del 1943 o ai primi del 1944 (non potrei precisare la data) pervenne al comune dalla Prefettura una disposizione a firma del dott. Martelloni, Commissario Prefettizio per gli affari ebraici, con la quale si disponeva di non consegnare le carte annonarie di nuova emissione alle famiglie di razza ebraica. Detta disposizione seguì il corso normale di tutta la corrispondenza in arrivo al Comune. Pervenuta all'ufficio competente, l'ufficio stesso vi diede esecuzione dopo che il Capo dell'Ufficio, ossia io, ne conferì con il comm. De Francisci e si convenne che trattandosi di una disposizione categorica del Capo della Provincia - dato che il Martelloni prendeva gli ordini da lui - non cera nulla da fare che darle corso. Il comm. De Francisci non aggiunse alcuna considerazione su tale disposizione, ma negli ultimi tempi, ossia circa 20-30 giorni prima della liberazione di Firenze mi incoraggiò a..."chiudere un occhio" nell'applicazione della ripetuta disposizione, consentendo il rilascio delle carte annonarie.

D. Che cosa le risulta circa una riunione degl'incaricati della distribuzione delle carte annonarie, durante la quale sa-

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R. Alla vigilia della distribuzione delle carte annonarie 1053 quadrimestre novembre 1943-Febbraio 1944 il Segretario Generale del Comune, comm.Somma, indisse una riunione presso l'Ufficio tesseramento di tutti gli incaricati della

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distribuzione. In tale riunione il comm.Somma raccomandò di effettuare una distribuzione accurata,tenendo conto degli elenchi degli appartenenti alla razza ebraica, ai quali non dovevano essere consegnate le tessere,secondo l'accennata disposizione,ma sopratutto raccomandò di controllare la composizione di tutte le famiglie di Firenze al momento della consegna delle tessere allo scopo di eliminare gli abusi che derivavano da nominativi di persone non presenti a Firenze. E questa la parte più importante sulla quale il comm.Somma si soffermò richiamando l'attenzione di tutti sulla delicatezza del servizio e avvertendo che sarebbero stati puniti qualora avessero dato luogo ad inconvenienti. Chiarisco che tale avvertimento si riferiva a tutte le raccomandazioni fatte e non esclusivamente a quella relativa agli ebrei.

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fto.Filippo Cristini

fto. Mascolo

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fto.Filippo Cristini

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Vice-Prefect Comm. Dr. Guido DE FRANCISCI has lent his services to the Commune of Florence uninterruptedly from 28 July 1938 to 10 Aug. 1944 and in the following capacities: as vice-Podesta' from 28 July 1938 to 8 Aug. 1943; then as Prefectual Commissioner from 9 August 1943 to 13 February 1944 and finally again as Vice-Podesta' from 14 February 1944 to 10 Aug. 1944.

It would be sufficient to consider these dates and recall the political and historical events that have characterized the periods between these dates to establish that Comm. De Francisci has not been - and perhaps is not - a hero.

I wish to state immediately that with this conclusion I don't intend to minimize in the least De Francisci either as a man or as an official.

Not all men can inherit from nature the legacy of a heroic temperament and I don't pretend to count myself among the fortunate people. On the other hand the employees of public bodies in general and of the statal in particular have never been asked to excercise any heroism outside that obscure, deily one of living honestly and with dignity with means that are not always adequate.

However, if he has not been a hero, we must recognize that Comm. De Francisci has been a good sailor who has sought honestly to steer the ship entrusted him and bring it to port with the least possible damage. And if sometimes the surges overwhelmed it, threatening to send it down, it was not due to the mariner but to the violence of the tempest which was stronger than himself and the ship.

Departing from the metaphor we must recognize that Dr. De Francisci is an administrative official - that is - a technician and not a politician.

As an official, that is to say, as a technician he was faced - not because of his free choosing, but by order given him by his legitimate superiors in accordance with proper legal provisions - with the task of executing technical functions belonging to his grade and his career in an administrative body which, if called traditionally ~~being~~ autarchic, had, with fascism, lost every independence and power of initiative.

If politics sometimes entered the administration, surely it was not De Francisci who opened the doors or summoned it but the force of the events; only a hero and not a simple official like De Francisci could have barred its way.

As a technician De Francisci has confined himself to pursue and apply the laws without being able to discuss their benevolence. During the fascist regime, and worse still, during the Nazi-fascist regime every day measures were being issued which did not have the character that laws usually have in other civilized countries but which had a coersive power which was more efficacious than laws: violence, machine-guns and the execution squads.

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The Commission met on 5 Aug. 1943 and after having examined the names of 20 streets which were of fascist figures and martyrs and of dates of fascist events, decided to postpone for the time being the change of all the names, with the exception of Via 28 October for which the old denomination of Via Malcontenti was proposed and of Via del Littorio for which Via Italia was proposed.

When Comm. Dr. Guido De Francisci was appointed Prefectural Commissioner he again convoked the Consultive Commission in order to proceed to a radical revision.

The Commission met on 13 Aug. 1943 and reached the following decisions:

Old Denomination	Proposed change
Via Annibale Foscari	Via dei Pilastri
Via Fernando Agnoletti	Via del Pignone
Piazza Giovanni Berta	Piazza delle Cure
Via Gastone Bartolini	Via Maragliano
Via Gino Bolaffi	Via dei Cioli
Viale Italo Balbo	Viale Principessa Clotilde

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Via Carlo Manabuoni	Via Pier Franc. Giambullari
Piazza Costanzo Ciano	Piazza Camillo Cavour
Via Dante Rossi	Borgo La Croce
Via Giuseppe Montemaggi	Via Circondaria
Via Gustavo Mariani	Via di Circonvallazione
Via Guido Fiorini	Via di Legnaia

The said Prefectural Commissioner Dr. De Francisci, in November 1943, after the German occupation and the constitution of the fascist republic, again convoked the Consultive Commission to resume examination of the names of the streets which are of a political nature, to the suppression of which the Commission declared itself favourable at the preceding meetings.

The Commission decided that all the denominations done away with were to be restored with the exception of Viale Italo Balbo and Piazza Costanzo Ciano and then proposed the following changes:

Old Denomination	Proposed changes
Corso Regina Elena	Corso Italia
Viale del Re	Viale degli Olmi
Piazzale del Re	Piazzale delle Cascine
Viale della Regina	Via dei Lecci
Piazzale della Regina	Piazzale sull'Arno

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2) Dinner in honour of the German authorities in the name of the city of Florence.

It is precise to say that De Francisci took the initiative, for on the day in which the dinner was given (29.2.44) the head of the Administration was the Mayor Prof. Giotto Dainelli, the only person who could have taken the initiative. This is confirmed moreover by the invitation to the dinner sent by Dainelli to the head of the Province, Dr. Manganiello; I found this letter among the documents at the R. Prefecture of Florence (enclosure A).

3) Italo-German Association in Florence.

Dr. De Francisci is reproached for having been President of the Florence Section of the Italo-German Association.

We point out that at the fall of fasciam De Francisci was appointed trustee of the property of this Association by Prefect Manno (assigned to Florence by the Badoglio Government). If he remained at that post after the 8th of September 1943 it was not his will but the force of events which was the cause. The fact that the head of the Province, Manganiello, with letter No. 1976, Gab. of 17. 4.1944 to the Ministry of Popular Culture in Venice, proposed Avv. Giuseppe Morelli to be appointed President of the Florence Section of the Italo-German Association in place of De Francisci proves that he was not acceptable to the fascist authorities.

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Avv. Giuseppe Morelli formerly Under-Secretary of State was in fact appointed to this post with telegram No. 1381 of 17.5.1944 of the Ministry of Popular Culture signed by the Minister Mezzasoma, but he rejected the office when he saw it was impossible to insure the body an appropriate number of representatives (as he explains in a letter to Dr. Manganiello)

Dr. De Francisci cannot therefore be charged for this act. On the contrary he deserves merit for having contributed to prevent the funds of the Association (160,000 lire) from being transferred North, assigning it to the autonomous body of the Communal Theatre Vittorio Emanuele II at Florence, contrary to the order of the Ministry of Popular Culture (General Direction for Cultural Exchange).

4) Persecution of the Jews - Ration Cards refused to Jewish families.

I think it is sufficient to refer to the declaration of D. Filippo Cristini, Head of the Rationing Office - still in service - of the Commune of Florence. According to this declaration (encl. B) no blame can be placed on Dr. De Francisci. He, like all his other direct collaborators and service technicians, did nothing but execute a precise order, without much zeal, on the contrary with a certain leaning toward the Jews.

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If by collaboration is meant an initiative taken spontaneously to offer the Germans help or facilitate directly or indirectly their plans regarding either the Army or the public, it cannot in the slightest be considered that Dr. De Francisci had collaborated or even vaguely thought of collaborating with the Germans.

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It is to be remembered also that when the Germans were requisitioning cars, De Francisci did all he could to save the cars of the Commune, and partly succeeded. Also at the right moment he facilitated communications between Palazzo Vecchio and Palazzo Pitti where the Allies had already arrived. If the Germans had come to know this fact, there is no doubt as to what would have been the destiny of Comm. De Francisci.

In conclusion of this matter I would like to recall another episode which came to my knowledge during my investigation and which proves what the feelings of De Francisci were and how little the Nazi-fascist trusted him, and how they controlled even his smallest acts. The Commune, under pressure of the fascist republican federation and the City Press, was forced to organize between October and November 1943, a mass in honour of the victims of an air-raid. Comm. De Francisci gave an employee of the Commune the task of writing the letters of invitation to that ceremony.

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This employee wrote the original letter which read more or less: "You are cordially invited to attend a mess to be celebrated on .....in the Basilica della SS. Annunziata in honour of the victims of the enemy air-raid" and handed it to Dr. D'Elia to have it passed by Comm.De Francisci. The latter after reading the letter handed it back with his signature after cancelling the word "enemy". The cancelling of this adjective brought about critifism in fascist circles against Comm. De Francisci. The fascist republican federation even made enquiries as to this act of De Francisci, from which he saved himself both because the original letter was not found and because the text which appeared in the newspapers included the word "enemy" and because D'Elia had sent the unpurged text,so to speak,for publication.

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CONCLUSION

The task entrusted to me was to ascertain:

1) The position of Dr. De Francisci after 8 Set 1944.
2) If he had sworn allegiance to the fascist republic.
3) If he had collaborated with the Germans.

I believe I have covered the first point thoroughly with the presentation of the most salient facts from which we can deduce that De Francisci's position has always been that of a reserved and discreet person, of an official who has always done his duty, excuting the orders given him by his legitimate superiors, trying at the same time to avoid as much as possible any political entanglements. If he did not succeed fully in this it was not his fault. I answered the second point in the negative and believe that the proof will not give rise to any doubts.

My conscience tells me that third point must likewise be answered in the negative.

Nevertheless, due to the political situation in Florence which is superflous to elaborate since it is so well-known, I believe that the tranfer from Florence to another chief-city of Comm. De Francisci would not only be advantageous to him but would also be received favorably in Florentine circles where, at this time, a favorable press is lacking and would perhaps contribute to an improvement of the political situation in Florence.

Rome, 2 Dec 1944

The General Prefect Inspector
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Per uscire dalla metafora dobbiamo riconoscere che il dott.De Francisci è un funzionario amministrativo ossia un

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tecnico e non un uomo politico.

Come funzionario,ossia come tecnico egli si è trovato - non per libera elezione, si badi bene, ma per obbedire a un ordine impartitogli dai suoi legittimi superiori in conformità di regolari disposizioni di legge - ad assolvere delle mansioni tecniche inerenti al suo grado e alla sua carriera presso un ente amministrativo che,se per antica tradizione si chiamava ed era autarchico,aveva,col fascismo,perduto oltre all'attributo ogni autonomia e ogni potere d'iniziativa.

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I°) Ripristino dei nomi fascisti di vie e piazze, che erano stati sostituiti durante il periodo badogliano:

Alcuni giorni dopo la caduta del fascismo e prima ancora che giungessero dal Goverpo Centrale precise istruzioni in merito

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il Podestà del tempo gr.uff.Paolo dei Conti Venerosi Pesciolini,ritenendo opportuno che alcuni nomi stradali aventi carattere politico dovessero essere sostituiti,convocò la Commissione consultiva per la denominazione delle Vie e Piazze.

La Commissione,riunitasi il 5 agosto I943,dopo aver preso in esame i nomi di 20 strade intitolate a personalità e martiti fascisti e a date di avvenimenti fascisti,decise di soprassedere per il momento al cambio di tutti i nomi,eccezion fatta per la via XXVIII ottobre per la quale propose la vecchia denominazione di Via Malcontenti e per la Via del Littorio che propose di sostituire con la denominazione di Via Italia.

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Via Dante Rossi	Borgo La Croce
Via Giuseppe Montemaggi	Via Circondaria
Via Gustavo Mariani	Via di Circonvallazione
Via Guido Fiorini	Via di Legnaia

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Lo stesso Commissario Prefettizio dr.De Francisci,nel novembre I943,dopo l'occupazione tedesca e la costituzione della Repubblica Fascista,convocò di nuovo la Commissione Consultiva perchè riprendesse in esame le denominazioni stradali aventi carattere politico,alla cui soppressione la Commissione erasi pronunziata favorevolmente nelle precedenti adunanze.

La Commissione decise che tutte le denominazioni soppresse dovessero essere ripristinate ad eccezione del Viale Italo Balbo e della Piazza Costanzo Ciano e propose poi i seguenti nuovi cambiamenti:

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Che avrebbe potuto fare il De Francisci? Obbedire se non voleva fare l'eroe. Ma se non lo fece lui,non lo fecero nemmeno i componenti la Commissione Consultiva; con la differenza che il De Francisci era costretto a occuparsi di quelle cose,in quanto funzionario comandato a quel posto, mentre i componenti la Commissione,liberi cittadini,avevano ben facoltà di declinare l'incarico.

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I7.4.I944 al Ministero della Cultura Popolare,in Venezia,propose per la nomina a Presidente della Sezione di Firenze dell'Associazione Italo-Germanica - in sostituzione del De Francisci, l'avv.Giuseppe Morelli,già sottosegretario di Stato al Ministero della Giustizia,il quale,infatti,fu nominato, come da telegramma n°I38I del I7.5.I944 del Ministero della Cultura Popolare a firma del Ministro Mezzasoma, ma rinunciò all'incarico,vista l'impossibilità di assicurare (come spiega in una lettera indirizzata al dott.Manganiello) all'Ente un numero decoroso di aderenti.

Nessuna censura,pertanto, può essere mossa per questo fatto al dott.De Francisci al quale,anzi,bisogna riconoscere il merito di aver contribuito a salvare dal trasferimento al Nord il fondo di cassa dell'Associazione di £ I60.000, destinandolo all'Ente Autonomo del Teatro Comunale Vittorio Emanuele II di Firenze,contrariamente all'ordine del Ministero della Cultura Popolare (Direzione Generale per gli Scambi Culturali).

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In proposito ritengo sufficiente riportarmi alla dichiarazione resa dal dott.Filippo Cristini, Capo dell'Ufficio Tesseramento - tuttora in servizio - del Comune di Firenze,dalla quale dichiarazione (all.B) risulta che nessuna colpa può farsi al dott.De Francisci. Egli - come del resto tutti gli altri suoi

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5°) Giuramento di fedeltà al governo fascista repubblicano.

Non risulta che il comm.De Francisci abbia prestato giuramento. In base alle indagini da me eseguite posso, anzi,

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senz'altro escluderlo. Infatti, nè il personale della Prefettura nè il personale del Comune è stato mai invitatoa prestare giuramento.

Ora,il De Francisci, essendo funzionario di Prefettura e come tale comandato presso il comune di Firenze, non avrebbe potuto giurare che o in Prefettura o al Comune, il che è da escludere dato che - come ho detto - nessuno ha giurato nè in Prefettura nè al Comune.

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In onore del vero devo anzi dire che dalle indagini da me eseguite è risultato che in Palazzo Vecchio tutti i contatti con le autorità tedesche erano tenuti dal dott.D'Elia

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triestino, Capo di Gabinetto del Podestà, il quale parlava perfettamente la lingua tedesca ed era un fanatico filonazista anche perchè figlio di madre di origine tedesca. Orbene,in varie occasioni il dott.De Francisci deplorò il dott.D'Elia perchè troppo facilmente accoglieva le richieste dei comandi germanici. Era il D'Elia il despota della situazione al Comune, tanto che una volta che il comm.De Francisci rimproverava al D'Elia in presenza di altri impiegati comunali di aver consentito che i tedeschi portassero via dalla sede dell'Associazione Italo-Germanica un tavolo antico di proprietà del Comune, il D'Elia,saltando di palo in frasca, esclamò: "Sa con chi sono a cena questa sera? Con Bruno Spampanato, il quale ha tutte le possibilità d'interferire sulle nomine,promozioni e....trasferimenti dei funzionari ministeriali". Al che il comm.De Francisci rimase senza parola, dato il ghiaccio che si determinò fra i presenti a questa uscita del D'Elia.

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incursione aerea. Il Comm.De Francisci diede incarico a un impiegato del Comune di preparare le lettere d'invito a tale cerimonia.

Detto impiegato compilò la minuta che era pressapoco del seguente tenore: "Invito la S.V.ad intervenire alla messa che sarà celebrata il giorno.....nella Basilica della SS.Annunziata in suffragio delle vittime del bombardamento aereo nemico", e la consègnò al dott.D'Elia perchè la sottoponesse al "Visto"- del Comm.De Francisci . Questi, letta tale minuta la restituì con la sua firma dopo averne cancellata la parola "nemico". La soppressione di quell'aggettivo suscitò negli ambienti fascisti sfavorevoli commenti contro il comm.De Francisci a carico del quale vi fu perfino un'inchiesta da parte della federazione fascista repubblicana,dalla quale inchiesta il De Francisci si salvò sia perchè la min uta della lettera non si trovò più, sia perchè il testo dell'invito apparso sui giornali riportava la parola "nemico" perchè il D'Elia aveva mandato per la pubblicazione il testo diciamo così non purgato.

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stesso tempo di schivare quanto più gli fosse possibile ogni compromissione politica. Se non vi è riuscito in pieno non è colpa sua. Al secondo quesito ho risposto negativamente e credo che la dimostrazione non possa dare adito a dubbi.

Al terzo questio ritengo in coscienza che si debba rispondere del pari negativamente.

Tuttavia,data la particolare situazione politica fiorentina sulla quale è superfluo soffermarsi perchè troppo nota,ritengo che un trasferimento da Firenze in altra sede del comm. De Francisci oltre a tornare a vantaggio dello stesso interessato,sarebbe favorevolmente accolto negli ambienti fiorentini oge,in questo momento,non ha una stampa del tutto favorevole,e forse potrebbe contribuire a un miglioramento della situazione politica di Firenze.

Roma,2 dicembre 1944.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/A/1/60/LG Tel: 489081 Ext. 620

SUBJECT: Vice Prefetto, Firenze--Dr. Guido de FRANCISCI. 29 November 1944.

TO : His Excellency the Minister of Interior.

1. Reference your letter of 29 September, file No. 5817, I append hereafter for information a report received concerning the above-mused official.

R. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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Encl. as in (1) above.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

27th November 1944.

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29 NOV 1944

SUBJECT: Report on Vice Prefect Dr. Guido de Francisci.

TO : H.Q. Allied Commission - Local Government Sub-Commission.

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Reference your ACC/4/1/60/INT of 21 November 44 the following is the report on the above named official received today from P.C. Florence.

"So far as can be ascertained, the above named did not take the oath to Republican Fascist Party.

It is difficult to obtain an accurate account of Dr. de Francisci's behaviour after the 8th of September last year. He did, however, continue to carry out his duties as a Vice-Prefect under Republican Government. As a result of this, he was appointed Vice-Podesta' of Florence which is a normal position for a Vice-Prefect to hold in large cities, and thus he cannot be unduly condemned for this.

During the period of the Badoglio Government he was appointed by Prefetto Manno as Commissario for the control of the property of the German-Italian Association in Florence. Soon after the armistice, he asked to be relieved of this office and eventually succeeded in shaking off this job in June 1944.

FSS state that they have a security objection against him, based on the fact that he is reputed to have been a close collaborator with the fascist and republican regimes.

This case has been under discussion for some time and the conclusion has been that if Dr. de Francisci is to be dismissed, then practically all other Vice-Prefects will have to be dismissed as well. His political back-ground as revealed by his "Schede personale" is very mild and he held no fascist or republican fascist position."

For the Commanding General,

D.R.B. Mynors Major

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D.R.B. MYNORS,
Major, Scots Guards,
G-2 & 3.,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
ASO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

KG/L/1/60/1G

Tel. 478190

SUBJECT : Officials for FINLAND

25 November 1944

TO : His Excellency the Minister of the Interior.

Your Excellency :

1. I refer to your letter No. 2538.1, Div. I, Sec. 1 dated 22 November.

2. I cannot trace any request from Allied Military Government in FINLAND for a Vice Secretario and therefore no objection is raised to the employment of Lt. MANTARI in FINLAND.

for E. C. B. TUTCHER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

DIRECTION OF GENERAL AFFAIRS AND PERSONNEL

25 NOV 1944

FILE : 2538.1 Div. 1 Sec.1

TO : ALLIED COMMISSION
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

Palermo 21st of November, 1944.

SUBJECT : ANASTASI Dott. Luigi - Vice Secretary

The Vice Secretary Dott. Luigi ANASTASI, actually on leave in Palermo has pointed out to this Ministry, that his bad health does not allow him to go to Florence, where he has been appointed.

As what this officials reports conforms to the truth, and as on the other hand, this Ministry has to send other employees of Group A to the Prefectures in Sicily, we ask the Commission to kindly let us know if they have any objection to us using Dott. ANASTASI in one of these Prefectures.

FOR THE MINISTER

1. Ask ANASTASI send a medical certificate
2. See the Sig. and Florence
3. Can the Ministry send another employee
in place of ANASTASI

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Roma 21 novembre 1944

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Ministero dell'Interno
DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEGLI AFFARI GENERALI E DEL PERSONALE

Div. 1ª Sez. 1ª
Pos. N° 2538.1 Allegati

Alla Commissione Alleata
Ufficio Interni

Riservato all'Ufficio
Div. Sez. Fg.

OGGETTO Anastasi dr.Luigi - Vicesegretario.

Il Vicesegretario dr.Luigi ANASTASI,attualmente in licenza a Palermo,ha fatto presente a questo Ministero che le precarie condizioni di salute in cui si trova non gli consentirebbero di raggiungere la Prefettura di Firenze,ove era in forza.

Poichè quanto il funzionario riferisce risponde a verità e,d'altra parte,questo Ministero si trova nella necessità di destinare altri impiegati di gruppo A presso talune Prefetture della Sicilia,si prega codesta On.Commissione di far cortesemente conoscere se nulla osti a che il dr.Anastasi,venga utilizzato in una di quelle sedi.

Pel Ministro

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Rag. Pirisino systematically denied any connection with the matter particularly participation in the meeting on the 13th September, 1943. He also denied that there was a meeting to found a Fascist Committee in Sardinia. He confessed to having received the iron tube containing the documents from an unknown person by means of a clerk in his office. He denied having signed any manifesto or appeal and said that his signature is deposited in the Bank and therefore, according to him, cannot be forged. (The President again observed that Professor Altamura had stated that Pirisino's signature was genuine.) Thus after three hours' interrogation Pirisino returned to the bench of the accused.

On the days following the Court interrogated the others accused, who denied any knowledge of the matter as did General Martini and Pirisino.

The Court will move in a few days from Cristano to Corsica in order to interrogate a witness (the same who accompanied General Martini in the M.T.B. in order to confirm several new factors which resulted from the interrogations. For the moment it is impossible to see the outcome. The most astute lawyers from Cagliari, Cristano and Sassari are defending the accused.

The public have no great interest in the proceedings. Although most of the accused are well known in Sardinia for their high Fascist positions, the slowness of the proceedings has made the majority of the public suspect some tendency to minimize the importance and seriousness of the crime. There is a great deal of talk regarding the release of the most important among the accused, namely Offeddu, Maccari and Chiarra. (B.4.)

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Now, when the war with its risks and dangers is far removed from our city, the new Prefect has come to Florence with the intention of re-establishing order, which, according to him, is jeopardised by the new democratic institutions of the city.

Naturally his first business on arrival was to reinstate civil officials who, until the day of the liberation, had been zealous servants of the Germans and of Mangeriello, such as Comm. Gigli, notorious carcerist and the ex-vice-Prefect De Francisci, the vice-podesta during the Nazi occupation of our city.

It is natural that the Prefect Paterno's first contacts should have been with well-known Fascist Republicans and informers of the S.S., such as Dr. Torrini, in whose house he was a welcome guest as soon as he arrived in Florence and for whom he secured immunity together with car permit to travel freely.

It is also natural that the Prefect Paterno should immediately manifest a keen antipathy towards the C.T.L.N. ordering all officials of

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the Prefecture to break off any relations with the Committee and to suspend the work of the Commission of Epuration; also that he should boycott all the democratic organizations which had arisen out of the C.T.L.N. which worked for the liberation of our city from the nazi-fascist oppression and was the genuine expression of the will of the people of Florence.

The Florentine people cannot tolerate that this prefect should be issuing orders, like a little Duce, for the return to squadristi and republicans of premises which local organizations had requisitioned for the homeless.

Neither can the Florentines tolerate that, to the many calamities brought upon them by Fascism, should be added the shame of having a Fascist Prefect, a reactionary and enemy of the people.

The Florentine people want and demand epuration and first of all that of Marchese Paterno, actual Fascist Prefect of Florence.

The people of Florence."

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SUBJECT: Notes of Interview between Col H.C.B. Spicer, and M. Berruti, 10 October 1944.

ALSO PRESENT: Dott. Cavara (Ministry of Interior
Captain W.V.M. Lewis
Mr. Mellano - Interpreter

1. GIANNINI

Col Spicer referred to the Ministry's letter confirming him as Sindaco ation intimating that he should have a position of higher importance, e.g. Prefect. Col Spicer had pointed out that the nomination and nature of the employment suggested came from the Italian Government and any consideration of their proposal should be dealt with by them. He therefore referred the matter to Berruti with a request to be notified of the Ministry's decision upon GIANNINI's objection.

2. MIGLIORINI - Vice-Prefect

Col Spicer reminded Berruti of the arrangement under which all appointments of men above that of Vice-Prefect for restored Italy must be approved by ACC. He referred to letter & file 1/102 which suggested that MIGLIORINI had already gone to Sicily. ACC were not prepared to approve him. Cavara stated that he had not yet gone and the letter was meant to signify that he had merely been appointed to the position. It was agreed that Col Spicer would write to the Ministry within 3 days.

3. Col Spicer stated that PARENTI', Prefect of Florence had interviewed him regarding the great difficulties he was experiencing in the proper discharge of his work on account of the activities of the C.L.N. ACC held the Prefect in high regard and reminded Berruti that the Prefect (under ACC) was the only proper Government authority in Florence.

Berruti stated that as the Government had no jurisdiction in this ACC area, it was their earnest wish that "everyone in Florence" should co-operate and obey the Prefect and that his authority be respected. If the state in Florence exists in other terms, the problem would become worse.

Yesterday, a member of the C.L.N. (one of moderate tendencies) visited the President Bonomi and recounted the state of affairs from the C.L.N. point of view. This member had complained that the Prefect "was not tactful". Col Spicer agreed that the C.L.N. might charge PARENTI' with tactlessness, but it appeared to him that their charge was based on the fact that the Prefect would not do what the C.L.N. wanted him to do. Strong men were frequently untactful.

The C.L.N. also complained because he was a Sicilian. Berruti said that the C.L.N. might feel they were "losing the game" and had therefore sent a moderate man to Bonomi with a view to the Prefect's removal. The view of the Government to which the President personally subscribed, was that the Prefect should be kept in office - at any rate until such time as the C.L.N. was brought to heel.

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Berruti agreed with Col Spicer that if AMG had called a meeting of the C.L.N. immediately on the arrival of the Prefect and presented him to them as such, with the full authority of AMG behind him, many of the difficulties at present occuring might not have happened.

Berruti stated that the Prefect had offered to resign. This had been refused by the President. Col Spicer agreed.

4. COMITATO CENTRALE DI LIBERAZIONE

Col Spicer referred to previous enquiries regarding the existence of this Central body and stated that he had seen correspondence officially headed as such. Berruti stated that he had enquired of Bonomi who said that the central organisation had ceased to exist as a political body since the formation of the present Government. It continues to exist, however, as an administrative body dealing exclusively with matters concerning Partigiani.

W. V. H. LEWIS
Captain
Staff Officer
Local Government S/C

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MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
GEN. DIR. OF GEN. AFFAIRS AND PERSONNEL

13, October, 1944

FILE :1544.1 Div.1

TO : ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

OBJECT: Councillor Dr. Domenico MOLLO

The Prefect of Florence has asked that the Councillor of I class Dr. Domenico Mollo, actually in service at Ancona, should be sent on a special mission to Florence as Vice Prefect Inspector.

We ask this Commission to kindly let us know if it has no objection.

For the MINISTER

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3769 C Roma, 13 ottobre 1944

Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEGLI AFFARI GENERALI E DEL PERSONALE

Div. 4 Sez.
Pos. N° 1544.1 Allegati

Alla Commissione Alleata di Controllo - Sottocommissione per l'Interno

18 OCT 1944

Risposta al foglio
Div. Sez. N°

OGGETTO Consigliere dr.Domenico Mollo.

Il Prefetto di Firenze ha chiesto che sia inviato in missione presso quella sede,con le funzioni di Viceprefetto Ispettore,il Consigliere di 1^ classe dr.Domenico Mollo,attualmente in servizio ad Ancona.

Si prega codesta On.Commissione di compiacersi far conoscere se nulla osti da parte sua al riguardo.

Pel Ministro

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/4/1/60/Int. 30 September 1944

SUBJECT - : Vice Prefect of Florence

TO - : SCAO ACC 5 Army

1. I append the translated contents of a letter from the Minister of Interior :

"We beg the Allied Commission to take inquiries about the position of the Vice-"prefect of Florence, dott. Guido De Francisci, particularly about his behaviour "after 8th september and the fact whether he has taken the oath to the Republican "fascist or not. ".

2. I shall be obliged if you will kindly arrange to let me know the required information regarding DE FRANCISCI.

R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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Reminder 11/11/44.
4 sent 21/11/44.

Ref: / am.

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Subject : Vice Prefect of Florence.

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Roma 27 settembre 44

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30 SEP 1944

Alla Commissione Alleata di Controllo=Sotto-commissione Interni=
ROMA

Risposta al f. del
Div. Sez. N°

OGGETTO Viceprefetto

Si prega codesta Commissione di volersi compiacere accertare la posizione del viceprefetto di Firenze dott. Guido DE FRANSCISCI specie in relazione al suo comportamento dopo l'8 settembre e alla circostanza se abbia prestato giuramento al governo repubblicano fascista.

D'ORDINE DEL MINISTRO

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HEADQUARTERS
AFO FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

22 SEP 1944

13th September 1944.

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SUBJECT: Appointment of Prefect of Florence.

TO : See distribution.

Herewith copies of the order signed by the C.C.A.C. appointing Dott. Guido PIERACCINI as Prefect of the Province of Florence.

For the Commanding General:

J.A.Lyons Capt.

E.B. WAYNE,
Colonel, U.S.A.,
Chief of Staff,
A.A.G. Fifth Army.

DISTRIBUTION:

P.C. Florence (3) - one copy for Prefect.
H.Q. Region VIII.
Interior Sub-Commission.
C.C. & M.G.S.
P.C.C., Florence City.

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REGULATIONS
AND TYPE ACTS
AFO 464 U.S. Army

WHEREAS the office of prefect of the province of Florence has become vacant; and

WHEREAS it has in consequence become necessary to make provision for the exercise of the functions of prefect in the said province;

BY VIRTUE of the powers conferred upon me, I, Major General Hume, Deputy Commander, Fifth Army Civil Affairs Officer, A.M.G.,

ORDER

that Dott. Giulio PATERNO be appointed, as from today's date, prefect of the province of Florence with the powers inherent in the office of prefect.

/S/ Edgar Erskine Hume

Edgar Erskine Hume
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Deputy Civil Affairs Officer,
A.M.G., Fifth Army.

Dated 19 September 1944

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GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO
QUARTIERE GENERALE
DELLA QUINTA ARMATA

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VISTO che il posto di Prefetto della Provincia di Firenze
e' divenuto vacante;

RITENUTO, pertanto, che si rende necessario provvedere all'esercizio
delle funzioni di Prefetto nella suddetta Provincia;

IN VIRTU' dei poteri conferitimi, Io, EDGAR ERSKINE HUME, Generale di
Brigata, O.C., Ufficiale capo degli Affari Civili della A.M.G. Quinta Armata

O R D I N O

Il Signor dott. Giulio Paterno nominato, a decorrere da oggi,
Prefetto della Provincia di Firenze con i poteri inerenti alla carica
di prefetto.

/S/ Edgar Erskine Hume

EDGAR ERSKINE HUME,
Generale di Brigata, O.C.,
Ufficiale Capo degli Affari Civili,
A.M.G. Quinta Armata.

Data: 19 Settembre 1944

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT · GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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SEP 1944

TO: HQ ACC FOR INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 50/18

FROM: AMG FIVE ARMY FOR HQMS

CLASSIFICATION: RESTRICTED

REFERENCE No: 8531

PRECEDENCE: NONE

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: SEPT 18/1622

OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

CITE: NONE

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REFERENCE YOUR SIGNAL 9443. PATERNO REACHED FLORENCE ON 14 SEPTEMBER AS REPORTED IN OUR SITREP OF 15 SEPTEMBER. WOULD POINT OUT THAT INQUIRIES ABOUT F FLORENCE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED THIS HQ FOR ACTION AND NOT REPEAT NOT REGION EIGHT UNTIL PROVINCE IS HANDED OVER. CITE OUR 349

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

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HEADQUARTERS A.C.C. 15 SEP 1944

TO: HQ ACC FOR INTERIOR SUBCOMM

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: N76/15

FROM: AMG REG 5

CLASSIFICATION: NONE

REFERENCE No: 497

PRECEDENCE: NONE

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: SEP141600

OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

REFERENCE NUMBER 8447 DATED 12 SEPTEMBER RECEIVED TODAY.
THIS HEADQUARTERS INFORMED PATERNO DEPARTED MONDAY 11 SEPTEMBER.

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HEADQUARTERS
15 SEP 1944
A. C. C.

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TO: HEADQ HQ ACC

FROM: AMG REGION FIVE

Originator's Number: 497

Date: 14 1600

Reply to Number

FOR	INTERIOR	SUB-	COMMISSION	(.)	REFERENCE
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THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY ABBREVIATIONS OR PARAPHRASE

WRITTEN BY: WOJG

THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER IF LARGE SO INTERCEPTOR OR TO FALL IN TO ENEMY HANDS

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INCOMING MESSAGE

4/11/60

15 SEP 1944

TO: HQ ACC

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 1/15

FROM: AMG MAIN 8TH ARMY

CLASSIFICATION: RESTRICTED

REFERENCE No: M548

PRECEDENCE: IMPORTANT

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: SEP 1417003

OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

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REFERENCE YOUR 3212 OF 13 SEP. PATERNO LEFT ANCONA ON 12 SEP.

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FROM AMG MAIN EIGHTH ARMY 141700B
TO HQ ACC
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AMG REGION FIVE (for info)

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INCOMING MESSAGE 5066

18 SEP 1944

TO: AMG REGION 5 FOR ACTION TO HQ ACC FOR INTERIOR SC FOR INFO

FROM: AMG 5 ARMY FOR HUME

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 81/12

REFERENCE No: 8447

CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: SEP 1217193

PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY

OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

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REF HQ ACC SIGNAL 2726 OF 4 SEPT, WHEN IS PATERNO LEAVING FOR FIRENZE, WHERE HIS APPOINTMENT IS OVERDUE AND URGENTLY NECESSARY. PLEASE ADVISE ETA SOONEST. CITE OUR 320.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

12 SEP 1944

9th September 1944.

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SUBJECT: Officials of FIRENZE, PISTOIA, LUCCA, and APUANIA provinces.

TO : P.C. Firenze.
P.C. Pistoia.
P.C. Lucca.
P.C. Apuania.

Attached herewith copy of letter from A.C.C. reference 100/b/1/(G)int dated 6th September subject as above, together with list of principle Italian Government officials in these provinces is forwarded for information.

for the Commanding General:

Capt.
A.M.G.
Captain, Scots Guards,
G-2 & 3.,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

Copy to:

HQ. ACC - Interior Sub-Commission.
H.C. Region VIII.
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INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/4/1/60/Int 6 September 1944

SUBJECT: Officials of FIRENZE, PISTOIA, LUCCA, and APUANIA Provinces

TO : HC, Region VIII

Ref: RVIII/5

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b. For the same reason, the officials mentioned are those who were in office in 1943. We are without information as to what changes may have been made since then.

4. I hope in spite of these defects the information obtained will be of some practical value to you.

R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

Encl: as in 2
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/4/4/60/Int 4 September 1944

SUBJECT: Prefect for FLORENCE

TO : HQ, Region V

1. I refer to my signal 2726 of today's date asking you to send the newly appointed Prefect of Ancona, Dr. Giulio PATERNO' across to Florence urgently for which he has now been designated as the Prefect. A fuller explanation than this is only your due seein that

a. you signalled me to send down Dr. PATERNO' for Ancona on 3 August;
b. owing to unusual transport and screening delays I could not get him to your Headquarters until 22 August;
c. a bare fortnight after, he is called away for another province.

2. The appointment of the new Prefect for Florence is probably the most important administrative appointment the Allied Control Commission has had to handle since the fall of Rome. The Acting Chief Commissioner has concerned himself personally with it. A suitable candidate was found and agreed by all parties: but at the last minute, the office of the High Commissioner for Sanctions Against Fascism brought charges against him. The Italian Government soon found that the charges had no substance and they dropped them: the result was they were compelled to withdraw their recommendation for the candidate in question. The Prime Minister himself stated he could no longer be considered a sound appointment from the point of view of good administration.

3. In the circumstances, the whole field of possible candidates has been surveyed and Dr. PATERNO' has been selected. His name has been agreed upon by the Acting Chief Commissioner, the Prime Minister, and Count Sforza.

4. The operational situation in the city of Florence itself presents a grave problem. In the circumstances the best man available must be got - and it has been decided that this is Dr. PATERNO' - and that he must be got to Florence as quickly as possible.

5. I fully appreciate the inconvenience which this movement will cause in the administration of your region but it cannot be avoided.

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6. This leaves you without a Prefect at Ancona and for this office I suggest (with the approval of the Italian Government) Dr. Gaetano ORRU'. I wrote you as to him on 26 August with biographical particulars and again on 28 August recommending him for Pesaro. It is now suggested however, that he be appointed to Ancona in the place of Dr. PASSERO': and I will find you another candidate for the Province of Pesaro as soon as I can.

R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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AIG REGION FIVE (for action)
REGION EIGHT (for info)

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TRANSLATION No. 221 - INTERIOR

ROME, 30 August 1944

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

File No. 3877/1783
Reply to letter No. 4/1/60 of 12 August

SUBJECT: Prefectures of Florence - Pistoia - Lucca - and Apuania.

TO : A.C.C.
INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION
R O M E

P. 21

In reference to your request in the above-indicated letter, we are forwarding you the particulars of the officials of group A and the higher grades of group B working in the Prefectures of Florence, Pistoia, Lucca and Apuania.

The information obtained from the documents with the General Direction of Personnel is insufficient in regard to the former political activities of the officials concerned, for the personal record documents having been sent north, it is not possible to collect and supply more complete and detailed reports on the same.

We point out moreover that the above-mentioned General Direction has had to refer to the situation of the personnel during 1943 in each single Prefecture, having no way of obtaining information of the variations and modifications taken place previously.

BY ORDER OF THE MINISTER
/s/

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Ministero dell'Interno

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Divisione *Sez.*
Prot. N. 3844 | 1763 *Allegati*

Risposta alla lettera
N. 4/1/60 del 12/8

OGGETTO

Prefetture Firenze-Pistoia-
Lucca e Apuania.

Roma, 30 agosto 1944 (XXII) 1944

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Alla Commissione Alleata di Controllo= Sottocommissione Interni =

ROMA

In relazione alla richiesta contenuta nella lettera sopraindicata, si trasmettono in fogli a parte, i dati concernenti i funzionari di gruppo A e B, di grado più elevato, in servizio presso le Prefetture di Firenze, Pistoia, Lucca e Apuania.

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PREFECTURE OF FLORENCE

Dr. Gino GIGLI - Vice-prefect

Enrolled in the P.N.F. after.....
Classified always "excellent" with the exception of one "good" in 1909
He is an official of ingenious qualities and wide experience
There is some reserve on his character which is described as rather despotic and insincere.

Dr. Leone DELLA ROCCA - Vice-prefect inspector

Enrolled in the P.N.F. on 10th of October 1921
Classified as "distinct" in 1925 and 1927, "excellent" in the other years.
He has a gentlemanly manner
His unfortunate family situation (wife's serious illness and debts) influences his work.

Dr. Rag. Ettore POLVANI - Councillor

Enrolled in the P.N.F. on .....
Classified always as "excellent"
He has worked up from accountancy
He is an official who is more suitable as inspector, than as director
He is on the whole a good worker lacking somewhat in juridical preparation.

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Dr. Oreste D'AVANZO - Councillor 1st. class
Enrolled in the P.N.F. on the 13 December 1922
Classified always as "excellent" with the exception of one "good" in 1914.
He carries out his work in satisfactory manner.
He has been praised and mentioned more than once. Some reserve on his reliability and impartiality.

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Dr. Giovanni BASSI - Councillor 1st. class

Enrolled in the P.N.F. on the 8 of April 1926
Classified as "distinct" in the years 1926,-28 - 31 - 32 and "excellent" in the other years.
He is more suitable to executive work, although he does not lack intelligence. Others have expressed on the whole a poor opinion of him. On various occasions he has not been considered suitable to the work of superior grade.
He was repatriated from Montenegro because living with a typist of that country.

Dr. Vittorio DEGLI ALBIZZI - Councillor

Enrolled in the P.N.F. on the 17 April 1926
Classified always as "excellent" with the exception of one "distinct" in 1934.
He is a mediocre official, but with a gentlemanly manner. Poor opinion of him.

Dr. Giuseppe ROCCHIO - Councillor 1st. class - "Antemarcia"

Enrolled in the P.N.F. on 9 January 1921
Classified always as "excellent"
He is very willing, serious and competent.

Dr. Carmelo ONETO - Councillor
Enrolled in the P.N.F. on the 15 September 1925
Classified always as "excellent"
A capable, correct, and well prepared official.

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Dr. Ideale MAZZA - Councillor 2nd. class
Enrolled in the P.N.F. ~~x~~ in 1928
An excellent official. He has outstanding directive and organizing qualities, capable of a brilliant career.
He held the office of Chief of Cabinet in the Prefecture of Florence.

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PREFETTURA DI FIRENZE

- GIGLI dr.Gino - Viceprefetto
Iscritto al P.N.F. [illegible]
Classificato sempre "ottimo" ad eccezione di un "buono" nel 1908.
Funzionario che ha qualità di ingegno e di larga esperienza.
Qualche riserva sul carattere che viene definito autoritario e poco sincero.

- DELLA ROCCA dr.Leone - Viceprefetto Ispettore
Iscritto al P.N.F. dal 10.10.1921
Classificato "distinto" nel 1925 e '27, "ottimo" negli altri anni.
Buon funzionario di tratto signorile.
La difficile situazione familiare (grave malattia della moglie debiti) incide sul suo rendimento.

- POLVANI dr.rag.Ettore - Consigliere
Iscritto al P.N.F. [illegible]
Classificato sempre "ottimo"
Proviene dalla carriera di ragioneria
Funzionario più adatto alle funzioni ispettive, che direttive
Nel complesso è un buon elemento con qualche lacuna nella preparazione giuridica.

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Iscritto al P.N.F. dal 10.10.1921
Classificato "distinto" nel 1925 e '27, "ottimo" negli altri anni.
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Iscritto al P.N.F. [illegible]
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Funzionario più adatto alle funzioni ispettive, che direttive
Nel complesso è un buon elemento con qualche lacuna nella preparazione giuridica.

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- D'AVANZO dr.Oreste - Consigliere di 1^ cl.
Iscritto al P.N.F. dal 13.12.1922
Classificato sempre "ottimo " ad eccezione di un "buono" nel 1914
Funzionario che disimpegna il servizio in maniera soddisfacente.Più volte encomiato e segnalato.Qualche riserva sulla sua fidatezza e oggettività.

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- BASSI dr.Giovanni - Consigliere di 1^ cl.

Iscritto al P.N.F. dall'8.4.1926

Classificato "distinto" negli anni 1926 - 28 - 31 - 32 e "ottimo" negli altri

Più adatto alle funzioni esecutive, benchè non privo di intelligenza. Giudizi analitici in linea di massima scadenti. In vari anni non ritenuto idoneo alle funzioni del grado superiore. Rimpatriato dal Montenegro perchè viveva, more uxorio, con una dattilografa montenegrina

- DEGLI ALBIZZI dr.Vittorio - Consigliere

Iscritto al P.N.F. dal 17 aprile 1925

Classificato sempre "ottimo" ad eccezione di un "distinto" nel 1934

Funzionario di comune levatura, di tratto signorile. Giudizi analitici in genere scadenti.

- ROCCHIO dr.Giuseppe - Consigliere di 1^ cl. - Antemarcia

Iscritto al P.N.F. dal 9.1.1921

Classificato sempre "ottimo"

Funzionario pieno di volontà, serio, competente.

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- ONETO dr.Carmelo - Consigliere

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- DEGLI ALBIZZI dr.Vittorio - Consigliere
  Iscritto al P.N.F. dal 17 aprile 1926
  Classificato sempre "ottimo" ad eccezione di un "distinto" nel 1934
  Funzionario di comune levatura,di tratto signorile.Giudizi analitici in genere scadenti.

- ROCCHIC dr.Giuseppe - Consigliere di 1^ cl. - Antemurale
  Iscritto al P.N.F. dal 9.1.1921
  Classificato sempre "ottimo"
  Funzionario pieno di volontà,serio,competente.

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- ONETO dr.Carmelo - Consigliere
  Iscritto al P.N.F. dal 15.5.1925
  Classificato sempre "ottimo"
  Funzionario capace,corretto e ben preparato.

- MAZZA dr.Ideale - Consigliere di 2^ cl.
  Iscritto al P.N.F. dal 1928
  Funzionario ottimo,di spiccate qualità direttive e organizzative,segnalato come meritevole di fare una brillante carriera
  Ha assolto la carica di Capo Gabinetto alla Prefettura di Firenze.

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PREFECTURE OF FLORENCE

Dr. Rag. Marino MONTAGNONI - Chief Accountant 2nd class (VIII)

Began his career in 1911
Enrolled in the P.N.F. on 31st July 1933
Constantly classified as "excellent"
He was formerly in the Administration of Religious Affairs.
A diligent, intelligent and orderly official, attached to his work.
He has a thorough knowledge of accountancy and of administration.
He is graduated in Economics and Commerce.

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Rag. Armando MARIOTTI - Chief Accountant 1st class (VII)

Began his career in 1898
Enrolled in the P.N.F. on the 28th. August 1924
Constantly classified as "excellent"
A highly capable and experienced official worthy of every consideration. He has a thorough knowledge of the various branches of accountancy and administration;
Praised and honorably mentioned.

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Rag. Giuseppe BOGANI - Chief Accountant 2nd class (VIII)
Began his career in 1904
Enrolled in the P.N.F. on the 1st April 1926
Constantly classified as "excellent"
He is an excellent and diligent official.
He has a thorough knowledge of accountancy, which he uses to the full extent.

Rag. Carlo GRIMALDI - Chief Accountant 1st class (VII) 1003

Began his career in 1906
Enrolled in the P.N.F. in June 1925
Classified constantly as "excellent"
An excellent official worthy of full consideration.
Intelligent and diligent, he does his work willingly and with efficiency.
Praised and honorably mentioned more than once.

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MARIOTTI rag. Armando — Ragioniere Capo 1^ classe (VII)

Entrato in carriera nel 1898

Iscritto al p.n.f. il 28.8.1924

Costantemente qualificato "ottimo"

Funzionario di grande capacità ed esperienza, meritevole di ogni considerazione - Dotato di completa conoscenza dei vari servizi contabili ed amministrativi.

Più volte segnalato ed encomiato -

BOGANI rag. Giuseppe - Ragioniere Capo di 2^ classe (VIII)

Entrato in carriera nel 1904

Iscritto al p.n.f. il 1.4.1926

Costantemente qualificato "ottimo" -

Funzionario di molto valore e di notevole rendimento -

Ha completa conoscenza dei servizi di ragioneria, cui attende in modo lodevole -

GRIMALDI rag. Carlo - Ragioniere Capo di 1^ classe (VII)

Entrato in carriera nel 1908

Iscritto al p.n.f. nel giugno 1925

Qualificato costantemente "ottimo"

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Più volte segnalato ed encomiato -

BOGANI rag. Giuseppe - Ragioniere Capo di 2^ classe (VIII)

Entrato in carriera nel 1904
Iscritto al p.n.f. il 1.4.1926
Costantemente qualificato "ottimo" -
Funzionario di molto valore e di notevole rendimento -
Ha completa conoscenza dei servizi di ragioneria, cui attende in modo lodevole -

GRIMALDI rag. Carlo - Ragioniere Capo di 1^ classe (VII)

Entrato in carriera nel 1908
Iscritto al p.n.f. nel giugno 1925
Qualificato costantemente "ottimo"
Funzionario esemplare e degno della massima considerazione
Intelligente e diligente, svolge il suo lavoro con passione
e con piena capacità -
Più volte segnalato ed encomiato -

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SUBJECT: Interview with His Excellency the Prime Minister, Bonomi and Col R. C. B. Spicer, Interior S/C.

DATE AND TIME: Saturday, 2 September, 1944, 1000 hours

1. I interviewed the Prime Minister His Excellency Bonomi this morning personally and stated to him that the question of Prefect for Florence was of the highest importance, following on His Excellency's communication to me that he had been forced to withdraw the name of de Goyzueta.

2. He stated that he could not help withdrawing the name of de Goyzueta owing to circumstances of Epuration, which he had already been discussed at length, but that de Goyzueta could be used for another less important province.

3. He nominated in his place Dott Giulio PATERNO' whom we have recently sent to Ancona as Prefect. He gave him the highest possible recommendation.

4. He then stated that Prefect CERU' who was now in Chieti "alla disposizione" could, in his opinion, adequately fill Giulio PATERNO's Prefectureship in the province of Ancona.

5. His Excellency Bonomi rang up Count Sforza's office to make sure and ask whether there was anything at all against either of these two officials and the reply was no. We have therefore to take the following steps:

1. to notify PC Florence that the nomination of de Goyzueta definitely withdrawn.

2. that Prefect Giulio PATERNO' now of Ancona is substituted.

3. that Dott. CERU', now "alla disposizione" is now appointed as Prefect and is sent forward to Ancona in that capacity.

6. In my opinion this must go out as an order from AC & MG. If it does not we shall undoubtedly have the same bickering and quibbling as we had previously with the Comitato di Liberazione splitting hairs over whether they agree with the appointments or not. I therefore recommend strongly that these transfers and appointments be sent out as an order. I have already stated that in my opinion the administration of Florence requires strengthening at the earliest possible moment.

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R. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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DATA 4/1/61 PROVINCIA

GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO

N. B. - Penalità severissime, di prigione e di ammenda sono previste per chiunque facesse delle dichiarazioni false nella presente scheda.

SCHEDA PERSONALE

SI DEVE rispondere a ogni domanda secondo le indicazioni
Every Question Must be Answered

1. Cognome Nanni Nome Carlo
c/ ~~di~~ fu Salis Ulderico ~~di~~ fu fu Luigi

a) Luogo di nascita *Place of Birth* Oristano
b) Data di nascita *Date of Birth* 9.3.1895

2. Indirizzo *Address* Oltre Padria
a) Residenza permanente *Permanent Residence* Firenze

3. a) Professione *Profession* funzionario dello Stato
b) Posizione attuale *Present Position* Prefetto del Regno collocato a disposizione del Governo Repubblicano

c) Carica desiderata *Position Desired*

4. Eravate inscritto al P. N. F.? *Were you a member of P. N. F.?* No
a) Da quando? *Since when?* 1935, grado di consultore

5. Appartenevate ad uno dei seguenti gruppi (SI o NO):
Did you at any time belong to any of the following groups (Answer YES or NO).

a) Sansepoleristi no b) Squadristi no c) M. V. S. N.? No

d) Se eravate nella Milizia, in quale delle seguenti unità avete prestato servizio? Indicate con un **SI** od un **NO** l'unità e la data negli spazi rispettivi):
If you belonged to the Militia, in which of the following units did you serve? (Answer YES or NO opposite unit giving the date).

	PERIODO DI SERVIZIO (Length of Service) (Specificare se servizio effettivo o nei quadri) (Specify whether permanent or temporary Service)
Milizia ordinaria? *Ordinary Militia?* no	
Milizia Ferroviaria? *Railroad Militia?* no	
Milizia Postale? *Postal Militia?* no	
Milizia Portuale? *Port Militia?* no	
Milizia Forestale? *Forest Militia?* no	

Fui nominato ispettore della Milizia, come tutti gli altri Prefetti del Regno, ma non so di aver prestato servizio

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Address

Permanent Residence

3. *a*) Professione *Impiegato dello Stato*
Profession

b) Posizione attuale *Prefetto del Regno collocato*
Present Position *a disposizione del Governo Repubblicano*

c) Carica desiderata
Position Desired

4 Eravate inscritto al P. N. F.? *Sì*
Were you a member of P. N. F.?

a) Da quando? *1935, giusto ex combattente*
Since when?

5. Appartenevate ad uno dei seguenti gruppi (**SI** o **NO**):
Did you at any time belong to any of the following groups (Answer YES or NO).

a) Sansepoleristi *no* *b*) Squadristi *no* *c*) M. V. S. N.? *Sì*

d) Se eravate nella Milizia, in quale delle seguenti unità avete prestato servizio? Indicate con un **SI** od un **NO** l'unità e la data negli spazi rispettivi):
If you belonged to the Militia, in which of the following units did you serve? (Answer YES or NO opposite unit giving the date).

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Milizia ordinaria? *Ordinary Militia?* — *no*	
Milizia Ferroviaria? *Railroad Militia?* — *no*	
Milizia Postale? *Postal Militia?* — *no*	
Milizia Portuale? *Port Militia?* — *no*	
Milizia Forestale? *Forest Militia?* — *no*	
Milizia Stradale? *Road Militia?* — *no*	
Milizia Confinaria? *Border Militia?* — *no*	
Milizia Universitaria? *University Militia?* — *no*	
Milizia Antiaerea? *Antiaircraft Militia?* — *no*	
Milizia Artiglieria Marittima? *Naval Artillery Militia?* — *no*	
« Moschettieri del Duce »? *The Duce's Musketeers?* — *no*	
Battaglioni « M »? *« M » Battalions?* — *no*	

Fui nominato Ispettore della Milizia, come tutti gli altri Prefetti del Regno, ma non ho mai prestato servizio in alcun modo, né in tempo di pace, né in tempo di guerra

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e) Se avete militato solo in tempo di guerra, siete entrato nella milizia da volontario o in seguito a regolare chiamata?
If you served during the war only, did you volunteer or were you drafted?

6. Avete ricoperto una delle seguenti cariche nel Partito Fascista (rispondete **SI** o **NO** e indicate i periodi di servizio in ciascuna carica negli spazi rispondenti):
Did you at any time hold any of the following positions in the Fascist Party? (Answer YES or NO giving the length of time of each).

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LENGTH OF SERVICE

a) Segretario nel P. N. F.? no
Secretary of the P. N. F.?

b) Membro del Direttorio Nazionale? no
Member of the National Council?

c) Segretario Federale? no
Federal Secretary?

d) Membro del Direttorio Federale? no
Member of Federal Council?

e) Ispettore del Partito? no
Inspector of the Party?

f) Ispettore Federale? no
Federal Inspector?

g) Segretario Politico di un Fascio? no
Political Secretary of a Fascio?

h) Fiduciario di un Gruppo Rionale? no
Fiduciary of a Regional Group?

i) Membro di un Gruppo Rionale? no
Member of the Regional Group?

j) Capo-settore? no
Chief of a Sector?

k) Capo-nucleo? no
Chief of a Group?

l) Una posizione autorevole nella G.I.L.? no
An authoritative position in the G.I.L.?

m) Una posizione autorevole nel G.U.F.? no
An authoritative position in the G.U.F.?

n) Una posizione autorevole nei Fasci Femminili?
An authoritative position in the women Fasci?
no

o) Qualche altra carica nel Partito? no
Some other position in the Party?

Quale? —
What?

7. Siete stato in qualche periodo membro dell' OVRA? no Quando? —
Were you at any time a member of the OVRA? *When?*

8. Avete fatto parte dell'ufficio politico dei CC. RR.? no Quando? —
Were you a member of the Political Office of the CC. RR.? *When?*

9. Avete fatto parte di un ufficio politico di P. S. no Quando? —
Were you a member of the Political Office of the P. S.? *When?*

10. Siete stato in qualche periodo funzionario in una delle seguenti organizzazioni?
Were you at any time a functionary in any of the following organizations?

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LENGTH OF SERVICE

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Member of the Regional Group?

j) Capo-settore? no
Chief of a Sector?

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An authoritative position in the G.I.L.?

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An authoritative position in the G.U.F.?

n) Una posizione autorevole nei Fasci Femminili?
An authoritative position in the women's Fasci?

no

o) Qualche altra carica nel Partito? no
Some other position in the Party?

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Were you at any time a functionary in any of the following organizations?

a) in una Corporazione? no
In a Corporation?

Quale? —
Which One?

Denominazione della carica —
Title of Position

b) In una unione sindacale? no
In a syndical Union?

Quale? —
Which One?

Denominazione della carica —
Title of Position

c) In un Consorzio Agrario? no
In a «Consorzio Agrario»?

Quale? —
Which One?

Denominazione della carica
Title of Position

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LENGTH OF SERVICE

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LENGTH OF SERVICE

d) In qualche altra organizzazione corporativa o sindacale? no
In some other Corporative or Syndical organization?

Quale? —
Which One?

Denominazione della carica —
Nature of Work Done

11. Indicate le cariche nazionali, provinciali o comunali - governative o parastatali - occupate da voi dal 1921, come segue:
Give the National, Provincial or Communal, governmental or parastatal positions held by you since 1921.

NOME DELL'ISTITUTO *Name of the Institute*	PERIODO DI SERVIZIO *Length of Service*	MODO DI ASSUNZIONE *How Acquired*
Capo Ispettore e Capo Div.ne al Min.o Interno e poi Pref.to della Regia	ininterrotto	Assunto nel 1910 per pubblico concorso

12. Indicate le principali fonti dei vostri introiti durante il regime Fascista:
Show the principal sources of income during the Fascist Regime:

FONTI *Source of Income*	MEDIA ANNUALE *Yearly Average*	INTROITO DEL 1942 *Income in 1942*
Stipendio da funzionario	Dal 1919, circa £ 18.000 annui, successivamente aumentati per promozioni, fino a quello di Prefetto, circa £ 50.000	Circa £ 50.000 più indennità per diverse spese

13. Avete prestato servizio militare? Si' *a*) In quale arma? Fanteria (sottotenente)
Have you rendered military service? What branch?

b) Quando? nel 1916-1919 *c*) Quale grado rivestivate ultimamente? Capitano di complemento
When? In rank?

d) Dove avete prestato servizio? al fronte italo-austriaco (Carso)
Where did you serve?

e) Siete stato «volontario» nella guerra civile Spagnola? no
Were you a «volunteer» in the Spanish Civil war?

f) Siete stato «volontario» nella campagna dell'Africa Orientale? no Del Nord Africa? no
Were you a «volunteer» in the Ethiopian Campaign? North African campaign?

Della campagna in Russia? no
Russian campaign?

g) Avete goduto di qualche esonero dal servizio militare? no
Were you deferred from Military Service?

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Show the principal sources of income during the Fascist Regime:

FONTI *Source of Income*	MEDIA ANNUALE *Yearly Average*	INTROITO DEL 1942 *Income in 1942*
Stipendio da funzionario	Dal 1912, circa £ 18.000 annui, successivamente aumentate per promozioni, fino a £ 50.000 circa, quale Prefetto di Trieste	Circa £ 50.000 più indennità per missioni speciali

13. Avete prestato servizio militare? *Have you rendered military service?* Sì' a) In quale arma? *What branch?* Fanteria (mitragliere)

b) Quando? *When?* nel 1916-1919 c) Quale grado rivestivate ultimamente? *What rank?* Capitano di cavalleria

d) Dove avete prestato servizio? *Where did you serve?* Esercito austro-ungarico (fronte)

e) Siete stato «volontario» nella guerra civile Spagnola? *Were you a «volunteer» in the Spanish Civil war?* no

f) Siete stato «volontario» nella campagna dell'Africa Orientale? no Del Nord Africa? *North African campaign?* no

Della campagna in Russia? *Russian campaign?* no

g) Avete goduto di qualche esonero dal servizio militare? no
Were you deferred from Military Service?

Per qual motivo? *Why?* —

14. Avete fatto parte dal 1922 in poi di qualche organizzazione politica diversa del Partito Fascista? no
Have you belonged to any political party other than the Fascist Party since 1922?

Nome dell'organizzazione: *Name of the Party or Organization?* —

Periodo di appartenenza? *How long were you a member?* —

IO Dichiaro sinceramente e solennemente che tutto quanto ho affermato è vero.
I solemnly swear that all I have said is true.

Firma *Signed* Aldo Mauro

Testimone *Witness* Livio Maitan

Data *Date* 15 agosto 1944

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Italian Govt document concerning [illegible] a Italian Govt. procedure

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N. B. - Penalità severissime, di prigione e di ammenda sono previste per chiunque facesse delle dichiarazioni false nella presente scheda.

SCHEDA PERSONALE

SI DEVE rispondere a ogni domanda secondo le indicazioni

Every Question Must be Answered

1. Cognome Mazza Nome Libero Rafaelfdi Arcangelo
e di Maini Giuseppina

a) Luogo di nascita *Place of Birth* Pisa b) Data di nascita *Date of Birth* 16.3.1910

2. Indirizzo *Address* Via Guelfa, 1 - Firenze a) Residenza permanente *Permanent Residence* Firenze

3. a) Professione *Profession* Ragioniere di Prefettura b) Posizione attuale *Present Position* Capo fabbricato

c) Carica desiderata *Position Desired*

4. Eravate inscritto al P. N. F.? *Were you a member of P. N. F.?* Si a) Da quando? *Since when?* 1932

5. Appartenevate ad uno dei seguenti gruppi **(SI o NO)**:
Did you at any time belong to any of the following groups (Answer YES or NO).

a) Sansepolcristi no b) Squadristi no c) M. V. S. N.? no

d) Se eravate nella Milizia, in quale delle seguenti unità avete prestato servizio? Indicate con un **SI** od un **NO** l'unità e la data negli spazi rispettivi):
If you belonged to the Militia, in which of the following units did you serve? (Answer YES or NO opposite unit giving the date).

	PERIODO DI SERVIZIO (Length of Service) (Specificare se servizio effettivo o nei quadri) (Specify whether permanent or temporary Service)
Milizia ordinaria? *Ordinary Militia?*	
Milizia Ferroviaria? *Railroad Militia?*	
Milizia Postale? *Postal Militia?*	
Milizia Portuale? *Port Militia?*	

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Address *Permanent Residence*

3. *a)* Professione *Impiegato di Prefettura* *b)* Posizione attuale *Capo fabbricato*
Profession *Present Position*

c) Carica desiderata
Position Desired

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Were you a member of P. N. F.? *Since when?*

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Milizia Ferroviaria? *Railroad Militia?*	
Milizia Postale? *Postal Militia?*	
Milizia Portuale? *Port Militia?*	
Milizia Forestale? *Forest Militia?*	*no*
Milizia Stradale? *Road Militia?*	
Milizia Confinaria? *Border Militia?*	
Milizia Universitaria? *University Militia?*	
Milizia Antiaerea? *Antiaircraft Militia?*	
Milizia Artiglieria Marittima? *Naval Artillery Militia?*	
« Moschettieri del Duce »? *The Duce's Musketeers?*	
Battaglioni « M »? *« M » Battalions?*	

e) Se avete militato solo in tempo di guerra, siete entrato nella milizia da volontario o in seguito a regolare chiamata?
If you served during the war only, did you volunteer or were you drafted?

6. Avete ricoperto una delle seguenti cariche nel Partito Fascista (rispondete **SI** o **NO** e indicate i periodi di servizio in ciascuna carica negli spazi rispondenti):
Did you at any time hold any of the following positions in the Fascist Party? (Answer YES or NO giving the length of time of each).

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PERIODO DI SERVIZIO
LENGTH OF SERVICE

a) Segretario nel P. N. F.? _____
Secretary of the P. N. F.?

b) Membro del Direttorio Nazionale? _____
Member of the National Council?

c) Segretario Federale? _____
Federal Secretary?

d) Membro del Direttorio Federale? _____
Member of Federal Council?

e) Ispettore del Partito? _____
Inspector of the Party?

f) Ispettore Federale? _____
Federal Inspector?

g) Segretario Politico di un Fascio? _____
Political Secretary of a Fascio?

h) Fiduciario di un Gruppo Rionale? _____
Fiduciary of a Regional Group?

i) Membro di un Gruppo Rionale? _____
Member of the Regional Group?

j) Capo-settore? _____
Chief of a Sector?

k) Capo-nucleo? _____
Chief of a Group?

l) Una posizione autorevole nella G.I.L.? _____
An authoritative position in the G.I.L.?

m) Una posizione autorevole nel G.U.F.? _____
An authoritative position in the G.U.F.?

n) Una posizione autorevole nei Fasci Femminili? _____
An authoritative position in the womens Fasci?

_____

o) Qualche altra carica nel Partito? _____
Some other position in the Party?

Quale? _____
Wuat?

7. Siete stato in qualche periodo membro dell'OVRA? no Quando? _____
Were you at any time a member of the OVRA? *When?*

8. Avete fatto parte dell'ufficio politico dei CC. RR.? no Quando? _____
Were you a member of the Political Office of the CC. RR.? *When?*

9. Avete fatto parte di un ufficio politico di P. S. no Quando? _____
Were you a member of the Political Office of the P. S.? *When?*

10. Siete stato in qualche periodo funzionario in una delle seguenti organizzazioni?

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Fiduciary of a Regional Group?

i) Membro di un Gruppo Rionale? no
Member of the Regional Group?

j) Capo-settore? _____
Chief of a Sector?

k) Capo-nucleo? _____
Chief of a Group?

l) Una posizione autorevole nella G.I.L.? _____
An authoritative position in the G.I.L.?

m) Una posizione autorevole nel G.U.F.? _____
An authoritative position in the G.U.F.?

n) Una posizione autorevole nei Fasci Femminili? _____
An authoritative position in the womens Fasci?

_____

o) Qualche altra carica nel Partito? _____
Some other position in the Party?

Quale? _____
What?

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Were you a member of the Political Office of the CC. RR.? *When?*

9. Avete fatto parte di un ufficio politico di P. S. no Quando? _____
Were you a member of the Political Office of the P. S.? *When?*

10. Siete stato in qualche periodo funzionario in una delle seguenti organizzazioni?
Were you at any time a functionary in any of the following organizations?

PERIODO DI SERVIZIO
LENGTH OF SERVICE

a) in una Corporazione? no
In a Corporation?

Quale? no
Which One?

Denominazione della carica /
Title of Position

b) In una unione sindacale? no
In a syndical Union?

Quale? _____
Which One?

Denominazione della carica /
Title of Position

c) In un Consorzio Agrario? no
In a «Consorzio Agrario»?

Quale? /
Which One?

Denominazione della carica /
Title of Position

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d) In qualche altra organizzazione corporativa o sindacale? no
In some other Corporative or Syndical organization?

Quale?
Which One?

Denominazione della carica
Nature of Work done

PERIODO DI SERVIZIO
Length of Service

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11. Indicate le cariche nazionali, provinciali o comunali - governative o parastatali - occupate da voi dal 1921, come segue:
Give the National, Provincial or Communal, governmental or parastatal positions held by you since 1921.

NOME DELL'ISTITUTO *Name of the Institute*	PERIODO DI SERVIZIO *Length of Service*	MODO DI ASSUNZIONE *How Acquired*
Commissario Prefettizio al Comune di Fiemmola (Siena)	marzo - giugno 1939	decreto prefettizio

12. Indicate le principali fonti dei vostri introiti durante il regime Fascista:
Show the principal sources of income during the Fascist Regime:

FONTI *Source of Income*	MEDIA ANNUALE *Yearly Average*	INTROITO DEL 1942 *Income in 1942*
Stipendio e dopo il matrimonio un decimo dell'undicesima parte dell'ammontare delle mogli (£10.000 annue circa)	Stipendio iniziale £550 mensili; attuale £3.800 mensili	circa £22.000

13. Avete prestato servizio militare? Sì a) In quale arma? *What branch?* R. Marina - corpo di commissariato
b) Quando? *When?* 1941-42 c) Quale grado rivestivate ultimamente? *Last rank?* Tenente
d) Dove avete prestato servizio? *Where did you serve?* Comando Superiore T.S.I.M. - Sez. disciplina - La Spezia
e) Siete stato «volontario» nella guerra civile Spagnola? no
Were you a «volunteer» in the Spanish Civil war?
f) Siete stato «volontario» nella campagna dell'Africa Orientale? no Del Nord Africa? no
Were you a «volunteer» in the Ethiopian Campaign? *North African campaign?*
Della campagna in Russia? no
Russian campaign?
g) Avete goduto di qualche esonero dal servizio militare? no
Were you deferred from Military Service?

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Show the principal sources of income during the Fascist Regime:

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Stipendio e dopo il matrimonio undecimità del patrimonio della moglie (£10.000 annue circa)	stipendio iniziale £550 mensili; attuale £2.800 mensili nette	circa £22.000

13. Avete prestato servizio militare? *Have you rendered military service?* sì a) In quale arma? *What branch?* R. Marina - Corpo di Commissariato

b) Quando? *When?* 1941-42 c) Quale grado rivestivate ultimamente? *Last rank?* Tenente

d) Dove avete prestato servizio? *Where did you serve?* Comando Superiore I.S.S.M. - Uff. Disciplina - La Spezia

e) Siete stato «volontario» nella guerra civile Spagnola? *Were you a «volunteer» in the Spanish Civil war?* no

f) Siete stato «volontario» nella campagna dell'Africa Orientale? *Were you a «volunteer» in the Ethiopian Campaign?* no Del Nord Africa? *North African campaign?* no

Della campagna in Russia? *Russian campaign?* no

g) Avete goduto di qualche esonero dal servizio militare? *Were you deferred from Military Service?* no

Per qual motivo? *Why?*

14. Avete fatto parte dal 1922 in poi di qualche organizzazione politica diversa del Partito Fascista? *Have you belonged to any political party other than the Fascist Party since 1922?* sì

Nome dell'organizzazione? *Name of the Party or Organization?* dall'ottobre 1943 ha collaborato col Comitato Toscano di Liberazione Nazionale

Periodo di appartenenza? *How long were you a member?*

IO Dichiaro sinceramente e solennemente che tutto quanto ho affermato è vero.
I solemnly swear that all I have said is true.

Firma *Signed* Dr. Aldo Mazza

Testimone *Witness* Dr. Fabrizio Poggiani Fico

Data *Date* 15 agosto 1944

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION 2

Ref: A/ 35/ 102

27 August 1944

31 AUG Recd

SUBJECT: - Prefect of Potenza

TO : - R.C. & M.G. Section
A.C.C. HQ. APO. 394

1. The attached copy of letter dated 21 August 1944 from Prov. Commissioner at Potenza, together with copy of extract from article in "Gazzetta del Mezzogiorno" dated 20 August 1944 is forwarded for information.

F.H. McLEARY, Lt.Col.
Regional Commissioner

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A. M. G.
GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO
POTENZA PROVINCE

21 August 1944

TO: A.C.C., HQ. Region 2, BARI

FROM: Major A.E. HOWELL, Provincial Commissioner - POTENZA

SUBJECT: - Prefect of Potenza

I enclose copy of an excerpt from an article published in the newspaper Gazzetta del Mezzogiorno which concerns the Prefect of Potenza. I cannot express too strongly my condemnation of the libellous insinuations of this article against the Prefect. De Goyzueta was not confirmed by Badoglio, but was appointed by him on 3 August 43 to replace the existing Fascist Prefect. He cannot therefore come into the category of epuration or defascistisation, more eepecially as he has never in any sense of the word been a Fascist, which was in fact the reason for his appointment.

Throughout the whole of their residence in Potenza he has cooperated loyally and wholeheartedly with the AMG/ACC authorities, as all reports of my predecessors and myself will confirm. It is obvious that this is a continuation of the attack carried out by the Communist paper the implications expressed in the article as a reflection against Allied policy and request that representations may be made to know why SCOCCIMARRA was permitted to make such statements at a meeting attended by members of the public press.

(sgd) A E Howell. Major
Provincial Commissioner

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S T R A L C I O di un articolo pubblicato in terza pagina del gionale "LA GAZZETTA DEL MEZZOGIORNO" N.224 del 20 Agosto 1944.

L' EPURAZIONE DEI PREFETTI

-Magistrati sospesi dall'ufficio-

Rome, 19 Agosto.

L'Alto Commissario aggiunto all'epurazione, SCOCCIMARRO, in una riunione alla quale hanno partecipato rappresentanti della stampa, ha illustrato l'opera finora svolta nel settore a lui affidato. Tra l'altro egli ha annunziato che, nella prossima settimana, verrà iniziata l'epurazione dei Prefetti, tra i quali sono stati segnalati, per l'immediata rimozione dall'incarico, quelli delle Provincie di Brindisi e Potenza e alcuni della Sicilia. Si prevede che i quattro quinti dei Prefetti confermati in un primo momento dal Governo Badoglio e dagli Alleati, saranno rimossi. A sostituirli verranno nominate persone di provata onestà e capacità, anche se non di carriera.

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E X T R A C T FROM AN ARTICLE PUBLISHED ON THE THIRD PAGE OF "GAZZETTA DEL MEZZOGIORNO" NO. 224 OF AUGUST 20th.1944.

THE PREFECTS' EPURATION

- Magistrates discharged from their offices -

Rome August 19th

The deputy of the High Commissioner of Epuration, Scoccimarro, during a meeting attended by members of the public press, has explained the work that he has carried out up to the preent in his section. Among other things he informed that in the coming week the prefects' epuration will begin; among those who have been pointed out for immediate discharge are the prfects of the provinces of Brindisi and Potenza and some of Sicily. It is anticipated that four fifths of the prefects confirmed at first by Badoglio's government and by the allies will be discharged. Persons of proven honesty and capability will replace them even if they are not career personnel.

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ROUTINE

Interior S/C

UNEXPECTED DELAY PROPOSED PROPHET MASTER FLASH EC AMC PLANNERS FOR EC FOR ACTION AND TO SCAO AMC FIVE ARMY FOR INFO FROM INTERIOR NIGHTS TRUE FLASH WILL CANCEL AS SOON AS FINALITY CAN BE REACHED

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SUBJECT: Record of Interview between Col R. G. H. Spicer, Director Interior and The Prime Minister
His Excellency Dr. Berruti
His Excellency Baron Tedeschi, Chief of Cabinet for [redacted].
Lt G. Zampagliore
Consigliere Camera, Secretary to the Minister of Interior

TIME & DATE: 31 August 1944, 1115 hours

1. Col Spicer explained he did not wish to send Prefect DE GOYZUETA forward until the question of epuration had been settled in his regard finally and definitely.

2. It was then ascertained that His Excellency the Prime Minister and Count Sforza were in council. His Excellency Berruti stated that the Prime Minister Himself had said that the charges against DE GOYZUETA were without foundation and could be ignored. Baron Tedeschi informed me that Count Sforza had the same opinion, but Col Spicer asked that this should be confirmed and conveyed both telephonically at the earliest possible opportunity and confirmed in writing. Until such communication was received, he was not prepared to send Prefect DE GOYZUETA forward.

3. Baron Tedeschi stated that in view of this, he will again refer the matter to Count Sforza immediately he came out of council, and would convey Count Sforza's decision to the Minister of Interior, whose duty it was to convey such a message to Col Spicer. This was the end of the conference on this subject.

4. His Excellency Berruti stated that he had interviewed Dino Philipson who stated that he had obtained the pass to go to Florence through the office of the Ministry of Marine, and that such pass had been countersigned by a British general.

5. Col Spicer asked His Excellency Berruti if he knew of any naval engagement that was being fought in the River Arno. His Excellency stated no, and would take up the matter with the Ministry of Marine and inquire as to the grounds such a pass was issued, and also to ascertain the name of the general who had endorsed the pass.

6. On receiving this, Col Spicer stated, on his part, that he proposed to report the matter to the Chief Commissioner of AOC. In concluding this part of the interview, His Excellency stated that Dino Philipson called on the Prime Minister last night, who had refused to see him, and that H.E. Berruti had informed him, as per instructions from the Prime Minister, that the Prime Minister forbade him to interfere in any way whatsoever with regard to the administration of Florence City in the future.

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Signed. R. G. H. Spicer

R. G. H. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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30 AUG 1944

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TO: SOUTHERN REGION ACC NAPLES INFO ACC HQ

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 63/30

FROM: ACD BARI

CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL

REFERENCE No: R2/138

PRECEDENCE: NONE

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: AUG 291730B OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

REF GR 74 OF 28 AUG. PREFECT DE GOYZUETA LEAVES POTENZA UNDER OUR OWN TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS 30 AUGUST REPORTING MINISTRY INTERIOR 31 AUGUST.

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A. I would like to see him personally.

B. All transport arrangements handled at convenient Letter to P.C. Florence Lt.-Col. Rothschild. to clear for Florence Friday 1st.

Col.

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DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: AUG 291730B OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

REF GR 74 OF 28 AUG. PREFECT DE GOYZUETA LEAVES POTENZA UNDER OUR OWN TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS 30 AUGUST REPORTING MINISTRY INTERIOR 31 AUGUST.

A. I would be very
pleased.

B. All transport arrangements
handled as covering a letter
to P.C. Florence hd. Col. Rothe.
to catch for Florence Friday 4th. 1st

RSA/Marion
Col.

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TO SOUTHERN REGION ACC NAPLES

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3 AUG 1944

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
Cabinet

Rome, 1 August 1944

File No. 3416/1477.

SUBJECT: Prefect Dr. Mario DE GOYZUETA.

TO : the ACC - Interior Sub-Commission

For your information we enclose herewith copy of correspondence exchanged between the Assistant High Commissioner for Epuration and this Ministry, regarding Prefect Dr. Mario De Goyzueta.

BY ORDER OF THE MINISTER:

/s/ Serruti

Enclosures : 2

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Ministero dell'Interno
Gabinetto

Roma 21 agosto 1944

Divisione S.C.

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Alla Commissione Alleata
di Controllo
Sottocommissione Interni
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Divisione Uff. I° 3416 | 1447 Sez. 3 S. C. Risposta al foglio del

Oggetto Prefetto dott. Mario De Goyzueta.

Si trasmette per conoscenza copia della corrispondenza intercorsa tra l'Alto Commissario Aggiunto per l'Epurazione e questo Ministero in merito al prefetto dott. Mario De Goyzueta.

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TRANSLATION No. 204

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
Cabinet

3 AUG 1944

SUBJECT: Prefect Dr. Mario De Goyzueta.

TO : HIS EX. THE ASSISTANT HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR EPURATION AND FOR INTELLIGENCE.
TO : HIS EX. THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR SANCTIONS AGAINST FASCISM.

The Council of Ministers, at the meeting of the 5th. Inst., having examined the political situation in the province of Potenza, has resolved to tranfer Prefect Dr. Mario De Goyzueta from the office of that city. He has been put at the disposal of the Allied Control Commission for assignment to one of the cities under the direct control of the Allied Military Government.

The A.C.C. has given its approval.

A newly appointed prefect will be sent to Potenza to replace Dr. De Goyzueta as soon as the Allied Control Commission will have given its approval.

Regarding, in particular, the proposal stated in the letter we are replying to, we point out:

1) that Dr. De Goyzueta, though he began his career in 1910, was appointed Prefect in 1943, that is, after the fall of the fascist government. He had formerly been constantly omitted from the promotion because unmarried.

He has therefore been Prefect only since the fall of fascism.

2) De Goyzueta has no fascist reputation and he is not an officer of the militia; much less did he collaborate with the nazi-fascists or swear loyalty to them, for he has been in Allied occupied Italy since the 8th. September.

During his past career, moreover, he has never caused fascist manifestations or exhaltation or taken privileges of any kind: as he was unmarried, his appointment to Prefect came after 33 years of service.

3) For the reasons stated in the preceding number it seems that the above-mentioned is not included in any of the circumstances specifically mentioned in the law on epuration.

4) It seems that the regulations of article 12 and those following of the law of 27th. July refer to the period in which the fascist regime was in force, ~~xxx~~ or else, to the period between the 8th. September 1943 and the date of liberation for the territories occupied by the Germans.

Dr. De Goyzueta, according to reports [redacted] has in no way been implicated during the period ending on 26 July 1943, in any of the facts stated in the law, while since the 8th. September he has been only in liberated Italy.

5) If the data given in the preceding number is exact, it should follow that the regulations of the law on epuration are not applicable in the case of De Goyzueta, regarding his activities as Prefect of

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Potenza during the period in which that Province, after the fall of fascism, was controlled by the Allied Military Government, or by the Italian Government.

In such a case it seems that the provisions of the law on epuration are not applicable.

On the contrary, it seems that the work of De Goyzueta should be the object of political appreciation on the part of the Government.

The importance of these considerations cannot be overlooked by this Commissariat, since it is a question which however it may be looked at, has evident reflections of a general character.

Will you therefore kindly study the question very carefully, and let us know your opinion.

Lastly, regarding the particular case of Dr. De Goyzueta, the Government will of course take into consideration, for subsequent resolutions, all the specific data it shall receive besides that contained in the order of the day issued by the Potenza Committee of Liberation on 6 July.

THE MINISTER
/s/ Bonomi

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Roma, 20 agosto 1944

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Risposta alla lettera

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A S.E. L'ALTO COMMISSARIO AGGIUNTO
PER L'EPURAZIONE
ROMA

e, per conoscenza:
A S.E. L'ALTO COMMISSARIO PER LE SANZIONI
CONTRO IL FASCISMO
ROMA

OGGETTO

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2°) Il De Goyzueta non è nè benemerito fascista, nè ufficiale della milizia; tanto meno, poi, egli ha collaborato coi nazi-fascisti o prestato giuramento di fedeltà ai medesimi, essendosi trovato nell'Italia occupata dagli Alleati dopo l'8 settembre 1943.

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Dai precedenti di carriera risulta, inoltre, che egli non ha mai compiuto manifestazioni di esaltazione del fascismo o conseguito vantaggi di sorta: la sua nomina a Prefetto, data la sua condizione di celibe, è venuta dopo 33 anni di servizio.

3°) Per quanto è detto al numero precedente sembra che il Prefetto sopra nominato non incorra in nessuna delle circostanze specificamente previste dalla legge per l'epurazione.

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4°) Sembra che le disposizioni degli articoli 12 e seguenti della legge 27 luglio u.s. si riferiscano al periodo in cui è stato in vita il regime fascista, oppure, per i territori occupati dai tedeschi, al periodo decorrente dall'8 settembre 1943 sino alla data della liberazione.

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HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR SANCTIONS AGAINST FASCISM

Assistant High Commissioner for Epuration of the Administration

Rome, August 17, 1944

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Enclosure 1

To His Excellency the Minister of Interior

ROME

Complying with the votes expressed by the Potenza Provincial Committee of Liberation to your Excellency in Order of the Day a copy of which I enclose, and in order to meet the pressing requests send directly to me from other sources, I beg to ask your Excellency to suspend DE GOYZUETA MARIO from his Office of Prefect of Potenza.

THE ASSISTANT HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR EPURATION

/s/ Dr. Mauro Scoccimarro

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Alto Commissariato Aggiunto per l'Epurazione dell'Amministrazione.

Roma, 17 agosto 1944=

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A S.E. IL MINISTRO DELL'INTERNO

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PROVINCIAL COMMITTEE OF LIBERATION
POTENZA

Potenza, 6 July 1944

To: His Excellency the Minister of the Interior and to Their Excellencies the Ministers without Portofolios.
Salerno.

I wish to submit to your Excellencies the following order of the day unanimously approved by this Provincial Committee of Liberation at its meeting of 6 July:

The Provincial Committee of Liberation of Potenza,

Having considered that the task of the National Government, of "carrying out within the country and in a truly democratic manner an activity directed to uphold and strenghten the material, moral and economic forces", is the surest way of rendering the Nation apt to the great test which will enable it to take its place among the free peoples of the earth;

Having examined the absurd and anti-democratic situation which has developed in the Province of Potenza;

Precisely because of the position taken by the prefect in appointing in many administrations of the provincial capital and throughout the Province elements which were connected with fascism and bound to the province by interests of various kinds; and because the Prefect, by entrusting to the afore-mentioned persons public offices, has pursued methods which are absolutely anti-democratic; and because he is under the influence of elements which are foreign

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and hostile to the Committees of Liberation whose votes he feigns to ignore and whose proposals he hampers with a methodic obstructionism, misinterpreting the directives of the Allied Authorities;

The Provincial Committee of Liberation meanwhile calls the attention of the Government to the gravity of the situation and votes that it adopt for the supreme interest of the population urgent and radical measures which the situation itself calls for.

Declaring explicitly,

that should this system continue, it will be forced to suspend further cooperation until the decisions and the votes of the Committee will be duly considered by the political authorities of the Province and the parties forming the democratic Government respected.

This order of the day has been approved by the representatives of all the parties that make up the Provincial Committee of Liberation. With the explicit vote of sending a copy to the Ministry of the Interior, to the Ministers without Portfolios and to the Headquarters of the various parties.

Provincial Committee of Liberation
Potenza

Secretary
Avv. Antonio Tamburrini
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COMITATO PROVINCIALE DI LIBERAZIONE

POTENZA

Potenza, 6 luglio 1944=

A S.E. il Ministro dell'Interno ed alle LL.EE.
i Signori Ministri senza portafoglio.

S A L E R N O

Mi pregio portare a conoscenza delle Ecc.VV. il seguente ordine del giorno approvato, ad unanimità, da questo Comitato Provinciale di Liberazione; nella sua tornata del giorno 4 corrente mese di luglio:

IL COMITATO PROVINCIALE DI LIBERAZIONE DI POTENZA

Ritenuto che l'impegno del Governo Nazionale di "svolgere all'interno, con una penetrazione schiettamente democratica, un'azione diretta a sorreggere e rinvigorire le energie morali, materiali ed economiche " è sicuro il modo per rendere il Paese sempre piu atto alla grande prova che gli darà titolo per riprendere degnamente il suo posto tra i liberi popoli della terra. Esaminata la situazione politica assurda ed antidemocratica che si è venuta a determinare nella Provincia.

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Solennemente per l'atteggiamento assunto dal prefetto nel nominare e mantenere in carica, in moltissime amministrazioni del Capoluogo e della Provincia, elementi compromessi col fascismo e a questa legati da interessi di varia natura,; tanto piu che il Prefetto, nell'affidare ai suddetti elementi pubbliche funzioni, si ispira a metodi assolutamente anti-democratici e subisce l'influenza di gruppi estranei ed ostili ai Comitati di Liberazione, i cui voti finge di ignorare, e le cui proposte intralcia con sistematico ostruzionismo, malamente interpretando le direttive delle Autorità Alleate.

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Il Comitato di Liberazione Provinciale, richiama pertanto l'attenzione del Governo sulla gravità della situazione e fa voti perchè voglia adottare nei supremi interessi popolari, i provvedimenti urgenti e radicali che la situazione stessa richiede.

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DICHIARANDO ESPLICITAMENTE

che ove l'instaurato sistema dovesse continuare si vedrà costretto a sospendere ogni ulteriore collaborazione fino a quando le decisioni ed i voti del Comitato vengano tenuti nel debito conto delle Autorità, politiche della Provincia e venga rispettata la indicazione dei partiti che fanno Capo al Governo Democratico.

Il su trascritto ordine del giorno è stato approvato dai rappresentanti di tutti i partiti facenti parte al Comitato Provinciale di Liberazione con esplicito voto di trasmetterne copia al Ministero della =

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l'Interno, ai Ministri senza portafoglio e alle Direzioni dei singoli partiti.

COMITATO PROVINCIALE DI LIBERAZIONE
POTENZA

Il segretario
Avv. Antonio Tamburrini
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26 August 1944

1000 hours

Col Spicer saw PIERACCINI in Col Michie's office. P. was old, deaf and apparently ill. I can only describe him, in my opinion, as completely effete and totally incapable of holding any public office.

1330 hours

Col Spicer saw Lt Col Rolph. The latter asked him to send for DE GOYZUETA as Prefect of Florence.

1500 hours

Cable sent to Interior Sub-Commission to expedite DE GOYZUETA's journey from Potenza to Rome.

1900 hours

Col Michie said that he was 99% certain that he wanted CALAMANDREI. He would signal and/or telephone Col Spicer in 24 hours.

27 August 1944

2 Prefetti a riposo were stated to be in Florence - Soldarini and Villa Santa - Captain Williams has their particulars.

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R. G. HAMMOND
Lieut
Staff Officer
Interior Sub-Commission

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SUBJECT: Meeting

PRESENT: Col R. G. B. SPICER, Director, Interior Sub-Commission
Col MICHIE
Lt Col ROLPH

DATE: 25 August 1944, at Florence

1. Col SPICER brought up from Rome the names suggested by the Italian Government for Prefect and Sindaco of Florence. He presented these with the Schede Personali and other reports

Prefect DE GOYZUETA - now Prefect Potenza
Sindaco CALAMANDREI

2. Col MICHIE said that there were possibly local men available for Sindaco, although he had not been able to find one as yet, and that AMG could make its own appointments now as Prefect.

3. Col SPICER agreed that AMG could appoint Sindaci, or indeed anybody, but if a non-career man, they could not be appointed except as Prefetti Reggente. The agreement was that even in Army Territories the appointment of Prefects or Vice-Prefects should be notified to the Italian Government. In the case of Florence the Acting Chief Commissioner was himself interested and he certainly laid it down that the appointment of Sindaco for Florence should be notified to the Acting Chief Commissioner as well as to the Italian Government before any hard decisions were made. Only the Italian Government could make promotions in civil service grades and this was completely outside the sphere of ACC or AMG. Col Spicer had been cabled by SCAO 8th Army to have a Prefect and Sindaco ready for Florence. He had consulted the Prime Minister personally, who had very firmly nominated DE GOYZUETA as Prefect and CALAMANDREI as Sindaco, but if they were not acceptable, he would very much like to be informed why.

4. Lt Col ROLPH said that he wanted to appoint a Prefect as quickly as possible but he thought that his Comitato di Liberazione was a sensible body representative of public opinion and he would only consider a man acceptable to the Comitato.

5. Col SPICER reminded the meeting that the C in C at the MC's conference said "Administration must be carried on to the exclusion of politics".

6. BACCHIANTI, President of the Comitato di Liberazione was called in and asked by Lt Col Rolph to consider, with his committee, GOYZUETA as Prefect and to report back.

7. Col MICHIE said that he could not give a decision on CALAMANDREI until the answer to some enquiries he had made had reached him.

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8. RAGGHIANTI reported back that some of his committee thought GOYZUETA had shown Fascist tendencies when Vice Prefect of Milano. He produced a letter from CALAMANDREI saying that he would accept the post of Sindaco if PIERACCINI had refused it.

After RAGGHIANTI left. It was agreed that this difficulty could be overcome and the meeting ended.

R. C. HAMMOND
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/4/1/60/Int. 27th August, 1944.

SUBJECT: Prefect of FIRENZE.

TO : His Excellency, The Minister of the Interior.

Your Excellency,

1. I refer to my conversation with you on the 23 August and to previous correspondence as to this appointment.

2. During my recent visit to FIRENZE I have ascertained that the nominee for this office who would be most acceptable to the 5th Army is :

Dr. Mario DE GOYZUETA

His appointment is likewise approved by this Headquarters.

3. His presence is urgently required in the province for reasons that will be obvious.

4. You were good enough to say during our conversation on 23 August that you would approve Dr. DE GOYZUETA's appointment if he should be selected. In view of this and of the urgency of the matter, I have ventured to telegraph directly today to the Regional Commissioner, Southern Region. I enclose a copy of my telegram.

5. Would Your Excellency please cause a telegram to be sent to Dr. DE GOYZUETA confirming his new appointment and directing him to report to your Ministry at once? In due course I should also be glad to receive a letter from you conveying your formal approval.

6. May I please be informed as soon as Dr. DE GOYZUETA arrives at the Ministry?

for Capt. Capt.
R.G.B. SPICER,
Colonel,
Director,
Interior Sub-Commission.

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SUBJECT: Notes of Interview between Col R. G. B. Spicer and His Excellency Bonomi

ALSO PRESENT: Lieut. W. V. M. Lewis
Lieut G. Zampagliore, Interpreter

PLACE AND DATE: Ministry of Interior, 23 August 1944.

1. PREFECT AND SINDACO OF FLORENCE

Col Spicer explained that he was going to Florence tomorrow and wanted the Prime Minister's final views regarding the appointment of Prefect and Sindaco. Col Spicer referred to the press report that a Sindaco had already been appointed. The Prime Minister confirmed that such appointment was not officially known to the Italian Government and if made by the C.L.N. and Patriots agreed with Col Spicer that it was of a temporary nature only. The Prime Minister confirmed that his Government favoured for appointment of Sindaco

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of the two names recently suggested, viz: GIUGGIARDINI and CORSINI, he favoured the latter.

Regarding the Prefect the Prime Minister agreed that LUCIFERO was an excellent man but was not available owing to his appointment with the Royal Household.

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General PICCHIS was a Tuscan - possibly "alright".

GOYZUETA was the only definite nomination (not known personally by the Prime Minister). He would approve his appointment.

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PREFECT OF FLORENCE

Nominations	Comments
1. Dott. Mario DE CESARE Age 49 Prefect of Brescia until removed by Germans - Feb. 1944	Provisionally approved for appointment. Withdrawn 1/8/44 for reasons of health
2. Dott. PONTIGLIONE Age 53 Prefect of Catanzaro	Rejected by Interior S/C on previous experience and PC's report as unsuitable.
3. Dott. VICEDOMINI In retirement at time of nomination.	He suggested an adverse report from Director Interior S/C to avoid appointment which he did not want for domestic reasons. Rejected. Since appointed one of Ministry's Directors-General.
4. Dott. BROISE Prefect of Ascoli till dismissed by Republican Fascists on September 1943.	Satisfactory but since appointed Prefect Ascoli and thus not available.
5. Dott Mario De GONZUETA Prefect of Potenza Age 61 1933-40 - Vice Prefect Inspector Sondrio, Chieti, Firenze, Milano. 1940-43 - Vice Prefect Vicario, Milano	Report attached.

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Dott. Mario de GOYZUETA

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COMMENTS BY P.C. (Major N.H. Nicholls to Capt. Williams - Interior Sub-Commission 9 May 1944).

During earlier days De G. leant heavily on avv. Vito REALE whose local influence was used to support him. Reale was very co-operative and in this way De G. survived in office. De G. is very well liked an respected by the people and his staff. PC considers him a man of sound judgement who will never rush into anything blindly. Fully co-operative, courteous and polite. Has a "Civil Service" outlook and is reluctant to act unless he feels everyone is behind him: but if PC is firm enough, De G. will act promptly. "Hand over" on 11 Feb. did not alter attitude of DE G.. He at once (before receiving Italian Government's instructions to do so) wrote PC a very courteous letter assuring him of continued co-operation.

De. G. is of Spanish origin, a bachelor: for the latter reason he could not rise higher than VP in Fascist days.

EXTRACT FROM PC's MONTHLY REPORT FOR MAY 1944.

Honest, handworking, conscientious, intelligent and capable. Much liked and respected by population. Cooperated well with ACC.

COMMENTS BY PC. IN INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION PRO FORMA - May 1944

A very timid man, but of sound and balanced judgement, a first-class memory and an admirable grasp of detail. Has a through knowledge of his province. The typical Civil-Servant, he is reluctant to act unless he feels everyone is behind him, but in his relations with ACC acts promptly if a thing is put to him firmly enough. In the early days and again since his return from Salerno De Goyzueta has been influenced by the Avv. Vito Reale, late Minister of the Interior, who has always been a powerful influence in Potenza. At moment this is not liked by the extremist political parties.

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PERUGIA PROVINCE

18 August 1944

SUBJECT : Guido Broise.

TO : A.C.C. Interior Sub Commission.

FILE No. : PER/ADM/102

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Ref. your ACC/4/1/60/Int. of 12/8/44.

1. I interviewed Dr. Broise to-day. He informed me that since the date of your letter, he had an interview with Col. Spicer, filled in the Scheda Personale and has been appointed Prefect of Ascoli.

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20 AGO 1944
A. C. C.

E.V. FALK
Captain
Deputy Prov.Comm.
for P.C

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
PERUGIA PROVINCE

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E.V. FALK
Captain
Deputy Prov.Comm.
for
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INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/4/1/60/Int

12 August 1944

SUBJECT: BROISE, Dr. Guido

TO : PC, Perugia

1. The Italian Government has submitted the name of BROISE, Dr. Guido as a possible appointee as Prefect of FLORENCE.

2. Dr. BROISE is now residing in Perugia in care of Notario Gasperini at Via del Roscetto, 11.

3. I should be grateful if you could arrange to have Dr. BROISE fill out the enclosed Scheda Personale form and return the completed form to me as soon as possible.

4. I should also appreciate receiving any information and observations available about Dr. BROISE.

R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

Encl: as in 3 above

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Subject: Prefect - Florence.

Main H.Q., A.M.G.
Eighth Army.

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17 August 44.

R.C. & U.C. Section,
H.Q., A.C.C.
A.F.O. 394.

1. The appointment of a Prefect for FLORENCE is now being considered and two names have been suggested. Mamo is the nominee of the Committee of Liberation, and Mauro is the nominee by A.M.G., but Mauro is equally acceptable to the Committee of Liberation.

2. Attached are Dossiers Personnelle on both.

3. It is considered that Mauro would be by far the better appointment, as he has never had any connection with the Fascist party. He is young, energetic and able and very large personnegrata in FLORENCE.

4. Mamo is a professional prefect and therefore as such had to serve under the Fascist regime, although there is no intimation that he is anything other than an anti-fascist. He is nearly 60 years old.

5. It is requested that your views and those of the Italian Government be given at the earliest opportunity, so that an appointment can be effected.

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20 AUG 1944
A. C. C.

Group Captain,
Officer Commanding,
H.Q., A.M.G. Eighth Army Main.

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Copy to: Interior Sub-Commission, H.Q., A.C.C.
H.Q., A.M.G. Fifth Army.
S.C.A.O. Florence.

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ACC/4/1/60/Int

12 August 1944

SUBJECT: Provinces of FIRENZE, PISTOIA, LUCCA, and APUANIA

TO : HQ, Region VIII

1. Reference your RVIII/68/4 of 7th August, nothing is known in this Sub-Commission of the existing government officials in these four provinces.

2. I am making enquiries of the Italian Government and will transmit to you as soon as possible any information they may have.

R. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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ACC/4/1/60/Int 12 August 1944

SUBJECT: Provinces of FIRENZE, PISTOIA, LUCCA, and APUANIA

TO : His Excellency the Minister of the Interior

Your Excellency:

1. AMG 5th Army have sent me a letter enquiring if the names of the principal present state officials in the above-mentioned four provinces are known and if any information about them and their political background can be supplied.

2. If you have any information of this kind I should be grateful if you would supply it to me.

R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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ACC/4/1/60/Int 12 August 1944

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R. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

Encl: as in 3 above

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CENTRAL COMMISSION
REGION VIII.

AMG/CC/4.

AUG 44.

Subject : Italian Government Officials.

To : Sub-Commissions,
Interim Sub-Commissions,
C.C., A.C.C.

1. Can your Sub-Commission supply this Region with the present home-town of the principal Italian Government Officials in the Provinces of Ancona, Macerata, Ascoli, and Aquila, and if possible any information about them concerning their political status. If so, the receipt of same would be appreciated.

For the Regional Commissioner.

A. J. Munro.
Lt.-Col. A.C.C.,
Deputy,
Commissioner.

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1. Has Italian Govt any information?

2. If so please supply details particulars

for Reg. No VIII

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Gabinetto

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Alla Commissione Alleata
di Controllo
Sottocommissione Interni
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Numero Tel. T° 2497 Allegati 3

Risposta al foglio del
Div. Sez. N°

OGGETTO Prefetto di Firenze.
SUBJ: Prefect of Florence

Il Prefetto Mario De Cesare, designato per la carica di Prefetto di Firenze, con la lettera che si unisce in originale con l'allegato certificato medico, dichiara di trovarsi in condizioni fisiche menomate.

Egli afferma inoltre che in tali condizioni di salute non si sente in grado di poter espletare l'incarico suddetto che eventualmente gli dovesse essere conferito.

Per quanto sopra, non ritengo di insistere nel designare un funzionario che, dopo la suddetta dichiarazione, non da affidamento di poter espletare pienamente l'incarico che gli verrebbe conferito.

Pertanto designo per la stessa carica i seguenti Prefetti: Broise dott. Guido, De Goyzueta dott. Mario.

Si allega una breve nota informativa riguardante il prefetto dott. Guido Broise, che attualmente risiede a Perugia, presso

Now Prof Acsoli -

8 AUG 1944

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notaio Gasperini - Via del Roscetto, 11.

Il Prefetto De Goyzueta è già noto a codesta Commissione per aver assolto l'incarico di prefetto di Potenza.

IL MINISTRO

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TRANSLATION NO. 114

8 AUG 1944

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
CABINET

Rome, 7 August 1944

FILE NO. 2497

SUBJECT: Prefect of Florence

TO: ACC
Interior Sub-Commission
Rome

Prefect Mario De Cesare, designated for the office of Prefect of Florence, declares, with the enclosed letter and the attached medical certificate, that he is in poor health.

He further states that in such conditions of health he does not feel to be able to carry out the above-mentioned office which may eventually be given to him.

Following the above declaration I do not think it advisable to insist on designating an official who does not give assurance to be able to carry fully a position that would be given him.

I therefore designate for the same office: Dr. Guido Broise, Dr. Mario Goyzueta.

A brief note on Prefect Dr. Guido Broise is being enclosed; he is at present residing in Perugia, in care of Notary Gasperini, Via del Roscetto 11.

Prefect De Goyzueta is already known to the Commission as having held the office of Prefect of Potenza.

The Minister
/s/ Bonomi

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(18B)

Rome, 6 August 1944

Honorable Minister of the Interior
Cabinet

Rome

I have been informed, although I do not know if this is true, that I have been designated as Prefect of Florence.

There would naturally be no difficulty in my carrying out an eventual order in this regard, but I deem it my duty to disclose that my health is poor, as the enclosed medical certificate will testify. However, it is something that can always be controlled physically.

If, in spite of the above, it is deemed that I must and am able to carry out the eventual functions of Prefect of Florence, I repeat, no difficulty would be in the way, even if I would be impairing my health to execute the order.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Mario De Cesare

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Roma 6-8-44

On.le Ministero dell'Interno (15C)
Gabinetto

Roma

Mi giunge notizia, ignoro se rispondente al vero, di mia destituzione come Questore a Firenze.

Nessuna difficoltà, naturalmente, da mia parte ad espletare un esame tale ordine di riguardo, ma come volevo mia domanda per passaporto che mi trovo attualmente, consegnai

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Ha dato ordine certificato nuovo
in modificazione perché memorizzato, in
de, ben W intende, più tempo
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della sua volontà ad ispirare l'ordi-
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Alcide de Gasperi

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Dr. Renato Scoppetta

Rome, 5 August 1944

I certify that I have under my care Dr. Mario De Cesare who is suffering from neuro-psychosis and organic deterioration for which I prescribe, besides the particular care pertaining to the case, a period of two months of absolute rest to be spent possibly in a place of favorable climate.

/s/

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Dott. RENATO SCOPPETTA
OSPEDALI OSPEDALI RIUNITI
CLINICA MALATTIE RESPIRATORIE
MEDICINA INTERNA
Abitazione: Via Padova, 83 - Tel. 561-167
Studio: VIA FIRENZE, 38 - Tel. 480-822
RICEVE ORE 11-13 E 15-17
RAGGI X

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Roma - 5.8.64

Certifico anche io sono il
Dott. De Cesare Mario
il quale si reca da Dipendente
neuropsichiatrica e
dipendente Ospedaliero per
cui detto alle cure del suo
presente un periodo di
riposo assoluto di mesi
due c.c. da trascorrersi
obbligatoriamente in località
climatica.
Lui di legge

Renato Scoppetta

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Dr. Guido BROISE - Prefect of 2nd Class

Born in Chieti in 1893

Began his carreer in 1924

Has held the following offices: Florence - Macerata - Pola

Was promoted to Vice Prefect in 1940

Has carried out his functions in the Prefecture of Bolzano

Appointed Prefect on 15 June 1943

Offices held: Ascoli Piceno

He is an excellent official and his professional training, experience and energy know no bounds.

After the 8th of September he was dismissed by the republican fascist Government.

Cecchi 14/8

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BROISE Dr. Guido - Prefetto di 2^ classe

Nato a Chieti nel 1893

Entrato in carriera nel 1924

Ha prestato servizio nelle sedi di : Firenze - Macerata - Pola.

Promosso Viceprefetto nel 1940

Ha disimpegnato le sue funzioni presso la Prefettura di Bolzano

Nominato Prefetto il 15.6.1943

Sedi ricoperte: Ascoli Piceno

Funzionario ottimo senza riserve per preparazione professionale, esperienza ed energia.

Dopo l'8 settembre fu collocato a riposo dal governo repubblicano fascista.

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Ha disimpegnato le sue funzioni presso la Prefettura di
Bolzano
Nominato Prefetto il 15.6.1943
Sedi ricoperte: Asooli Piceno

Funzionario ottimo senza riserve per preparazione professionale, esperienza ed energia.

Dopo l'8 settembre fu collocato a riposo dal governo repubblicano fascista.

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APO 394

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ACC/4/1/60/Int 27 July 1944

SUBJECT: Prefect of FLORENCE

TO : SCAO, 8th Army

1. Reference your letter CA/72 of 4 July.

2. In agreement with the Italian Government, Dr. Mario DE CESARE has been selected for appointment as Prefect of FLORENCE, should one be required for that province when it has been taken.

3. Copies of the particulars as to Dr. DE CESARE supplied by the Italian Government and of the security report on him are annexed.

R. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

Encls: as in 3, above.

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ACC/4/1/60/Int 27 July 1944

SUBJECT: Prefect of FIRENZE

TO : His Excellency the Minister of the Interior

Your Excellency:

1. I refer to your letter no. 451 dated 14 July and to your subsequent letter dated 18 July in which certain names were suggested for the office of Prefect of FIRENZE.

2. I have to inform you that provisional approval has been given to the appointment to this office of Dr. Mario DE CESARE, if and when the province is liberated and it is found that a Prefect is required.

3. Please have Dr. DE CESARE informed accordingly and warn him to be prepared to leave for FIRENZE at twenty-four hours notice. At the same time it should be made clear to him that his selection is only provisional as yet. It is for Allied Military Government to decide, after a survey of the conditions of the province, whether a new Prefect is required; and Dr. DE CESARE will not be sent forward unless the authorities in the forward area call for him.

H. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SECURITY BRANCH
APO 394

CEF/mdp

Ref : SB/ I40 I

24th July I944

SUBJECT : Prefect of Florence

TO : Colonel Young

Following your instructions I have screened Dr. DE CESARE Mario.

Dr. DE CESARE was born in Rome in I895. He began his career in I920 and rended service in Chieti, Bolzano, Cuneo, Ragusa.

In I938 he took charge of the "Opere Pie" of Comunal Affairs.

He was appointed prefect in I94I and was until the German occupation in Brescia. After the German occupation he was removed from office and on the I6th of February I944 placed in retirement.

He is a cousin of ex prefect De Cesare Nicolò who until the 25th July I943 was private Secretary of Mussolini.

However the two cousins during their career, had very little contact with each other, and as Mario De Cesare never compromised himself with fascist party or fascist hierarchs, this relation with Mussolini's private Secretary cannot be taken in his disfavour.

Mario De Cesare is an intelligent, good, cultured and capable administrator. He has an affable personality and has always been liked by his dependents.

He has never carried any fascist honours and has not taken any active part with the fascist party. He is therefore acceptable from a security standpoint.

Carl E. Fehr Lt

C.E.FEHR
Lieutenant
Security Branch

Ist. Ind.

Ref. : SB/140K
HQ. A.C.C. Security Branch, A.P.O. 394 25 July 1944
To : Interior Sub-Commission, A.C.C.

1. No security objection.

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FOR THE DIRECTOR:

John A. McKay

JOHN A. McKAY
Major
Security Branch

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SECURITY BRANCH
APO 394

CEF/mdp

Ref : SB/I40 K 24th July I944

SUBJECT : Prefect of Florence

TO : Colonel Young

Following you instructions I have screened Dr. Francesco VICIDOMINI.

Dr. VICIDOMINI was born in Naples in I887.

He began his career in I903 and was prefect in Avellino, Chieti and Frosinone. He was placed in retirement in I939 for not being too cooperative with the fascist hierarcas.

He is a very intelligent, highly cultivated and distinguished person, and is known as absolutely honest and a very capable and tactfull administrator.

He has not carried any fascist honours and never actively participated in the fascist party, and from a security standpoint he is an excellent choice as prefect of Florence.

Carl E. Fehr Lt.

C.E.FEHR
Lieutenant
Security Branch

Ist. Ind.

Ref. : SB/140K

HQ. A.C.C. Security Branch, A.F.O. 394 25 July 19 44

To : Interior Sub-Commission. A.C.C.

1. No security objection.

FOR THE DIRECTOR: John Mackey
Major
JOHN A. MCKAY
Major
Security Branch

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Translation n. 36 - Interior - 23-7-44 - Romano

Ministry of the Interior
Cabinet

Rome, 22nd July 44

To :
ACC - Interior Sub-Commission

Subject : movement of Prefects

We forward you a copy of the plan of the movement of Prefects approved by the Council of Ministers in its last meeting. In it are set out the following variations in comparison with the other copy consigned by hand to Capt. Lewis :

1) - Dr. GIUSEPPE COCUZZA instead of Dott. Rodolfo Biancorosso

2) - Dr. ROSARIO SORRISO eliminated; whose position must be examined by the Council of Ministers at the next meeting.

Among the Prefects at disposal who are holding office, are included the Prefects Dr. Renato Pascucci and Dr. Salvatore Cossu, concerning whom the A.C.C. has reserved the right to make known its decision; naturally the above mentioned Prefects would be used only following the approval of the A.C.C.

As before, among the Prefects disposal who are holding office, is included the Prefect Dr. Francesco Vicedomini, who has also been indicated to the ACC for the office of Prefect for Florence. He would be used in the ministry should one of the Prefects indicated be chosen as Prefect for Florence.

And lastly we inform you that to the Prefect Dr. Giuseppe Livoti would be assigned operations of inspection.

The Minister

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Transfers

Dr. Francesco MUCCI	from Cagliari to Agrigento
Dr. Antonio ANTONUCCI	from unassigned to Bari
Dr. Sebastiano SACCHETTI	" " " Cagliari
Dr. Eduardo GULOTTA	" " " Trapani
Dr. Giuseppe COCUZZA	" " " Siracusa
Dr. Guido DE SANCTIS	resigned Prefect recalled to service assigned to Sassari

New Appointments

The following Vice-Prefects are appointed Prefects :

Dr. Giovanni PALAMARA	is assigned to Nuoro
Dr. Vincenzo PERLUZZO	is placed at disposal while awaiting assignment
Dr. Goffredo VOLPES	is assigned to Reggio
Dr. Costantino MIRAGLIA	is assigned to Cosenza
Dr. Corrado CATENACCI	is placed at disposal while awaiting assignment (Gen.Secrt. to the High Commissioner of Sardegna)
Dr. Mario MICALI	is placed at disposal while awaiting assignment
Dr. Nicola RIVELA	is assigned to Caltanisetta

PLACED AT DISPOSAL (UNASSIGNED) BUT WITH OFFICE :

Dr. Ferdinando FLORIS
Dr. Adalberto BENUTI
Dr. Francesco VICTORINI
Dr. Giuseppe SOLIMENA
Dr. Amerigo DE SONIS
Dr. Francesco TEDESCHI
Dr. Salvatore CORSO
Dr. Riccardo VENTURA
Dr. Giuseppe LI VOTI
Dr. Roberto MONTICELLI
Dr. Renato PASCUCCI
Dr. Carlo SCHIAVI

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Dr. Silvio INNOCENTI
Dr. Alfredo SALVATORE
Dr. Arturo VACCA DE DOMINICIS

Placements at disposal :
Dr. Salvatore AZZARO
Dr. Vincenzo OTTAVIANI
Dr. Emanuele DE ROSA

Suspended for an undetermined lenght of time from the grade and wages :

Dr. Domenico SOPRANO - already reported to the judicial authorities

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INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
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ACC/4/1/57/Int

21 July 1944

SUBJECT: Prefect and Sindaco for FIRENZE

TO : His Excellency the Minister of the Interior

Your Excellency:

1. In accordance with the verbal request made to Comm. CANEPA this afternoon on my behalf it is necessary to have Schede Personali completed by:

Prof. CALAMANDREI - nominee for the office of Sindaco
Enc. VICEDOMINI
Enc. DE CESARE - nominees for the office of Prefect

2. The forms have been handed to Comm. CANEPA to-day.

3. Please impress upon those concerned the necessity for completing and sending in these Schede by return of post so that they may be in my hands with the least possible delay.

P. C. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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MCI/4/1/57/Int

24 July 1944

SUBJECT: Prefect for Florence

TO : Vice President, Administrative Section

1. As I have stated in my minute (7), from personal knowledge and from Regional Commissioners and Provincial Reports, I could under no circumstance recommend Dott. PRETOLINI.

2. I interviewed Dr. Francesco VIGLIENSI yesterday. Not only was I unfavourably impressed with his personality, but he also said to me that he hoped I could find it possible to make an adverse report against him as he did not wish to go to Florence for domestic reasons. We need have had no fear in this regard.

3. Finally, I interviewed Dott. DE CESARE, Mario. He is a young man, active, and appeared to me highly intelligent. He was concerned to accept the office without demur if offered to him, and would be ready to move at short notice. I have not as yet received Security's report on him, but hope to, shortly.

4. He has, as you will note on page 2, been very highly written up by the Italian Government.

5. I must register, however, my feelings that his personality did not appeal to me, but that may be an entirely wrong impression on a short interview of some 30 minutes, and I do not think that such an impression (which, however, I feel bound to report) should stand in the way of his appointment.

6. Subject to his screening being satisfactory, therefore, I recommend that Dott. DE CESARE, Mario be appointed tentatively as Prefect of Florence should he be required when Florence falls.

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R. C. B. [illegible]
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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ACI/4/1/57/Int 20 July 1944

SUBJECT: Prefect of VICENZA

TO : Director, Security Branch

1. I refer to my letter of yesterday under the above reference and relating to DE CESARE, one of the nominees for the post of Prefect of VICENZA.

2. I annex short particulars of the other nominee, VICEDOMINI which have just been received from the Italian Government.

3. May VICEDOMINI please be screened and this Sub-Commission informed of the result?

4. I shall be grateful if you would treat this as urgent, for the reasons mentioned in my letter about DE CESARE.

R. G. B. SPIGER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

Encl: as in 2, above.

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SUBJECT: Note of Interview between Col P. C. B. Spicer and Mario De Cesare (nominee for appointment of Prefect of Florence)

Interpreter - Lieut Zambaglione
Also Present - Lieut W.V.M. Lewis

PLACE AND DATE: Ministero di Coporazione, 20 July 1944

1. Col Spicer referred to the importance of the position in view of which it was essential for the Prefect to be a man of outstanding ability.

2. DE CESARE stated that he abandoned his previous post of Prefect of Brescia five days after the German occupation as he was not prepared to collaborate.

3. Asked his feelings upon the possibility of being appointed, DE CESARE stated that whilst his home and interests were in the South, he was completely at the disposal of the authorities and would, if needed, go on 48 hours notice.

4. He knew Florence well, but not many people living in the Province.

5. He was Prefect 4th grade.

6. Col Spicer explained that AMG/ACC attached great importance to the post and that if DE CESARE was appointed the decision would be conveyed to him in due course.

W. V. M. LEWIS
Lieut
Staff Officer
Interior Sub-Commission

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S.O. File afferente alla Pratica H/ July 11

SUBJECT: Notes of Interview between Col R. G. B. Spicer and Carnivari, Under-Secretary, Ministry of Interior

Interpreter - Lieut Gambigliuce
Also present - Lieut. Vernon Lewis

Place and Time - Ministry of Interior, 19 July 1944.

1. Col Spicer explained that his visit was a courtesy call. He had no specific matters to discuss and asked Carnivari if he had any points to raise.

2. Col Spicer referred to the position regarding the appointment of Prefect of Florence and the arrangements made with Bonomi. Carnivari asked if a nomination had been made of a non-career official. Col Spicer explained that each nominee was an administrative official. Carnivari expressed the view that it would be in the interests of the administration if the position was given to a well-known public figure as opposed to a career official. Carnivari intimated that the subject was being examined in this light. Col Spicer made it clear that as far as AMG and he personally were concerned, the nominations had been made by Bonomi as representing the views of the Government and that if Carnivari desired any change of or addition to the existing nominations it would be necessary for him to take the matter up with Bonomi. Col Spicer was making no such proposal.

3. Towards the end of the discussion on the Prefect of Florence in 2, above, Carnivari whilst still referring to the point he made regarding the appointment of a non-career official, asked Col Spicer why would it not be possible to deal with the appointment of the Prefect of Florence in the same way as was being done with the Prefect of Rome. Carnivari then asked what Col Spicer thought of the proposed new Prefect of Rome. Col Spicer replied that he knew nothing of the proposal and enquired the position. Carnivari said that a new Prefect had been considered necessary and intimated that the matter had been dealt with accordingly. The proposed new Prefect was named PIRO RI and his appointment had been well received by the public. Carnivari had discussed the matter with the Prime Minister. Col Poletti had dealt with the appointment.

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Col Spicer asked if PERARI was from Rome and was told that he was a well-known practicing lawyer in Rome, but had been born in Caserta. If appointed he would have to give up his large private practice. Col Spicer repeated that he knew nothing about the matter as yet and mentioned that possibly Col Poletti had dealt with it in the first instance.

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Prefetto VICENDOMINI Dr. Francesco

Indirizzo: Via Pò 72

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PONTIGLIONE Dott. Giov. Battista - Prefetto di 2^ classe

Nato a Caserta (Napoli) nel 1891.

Entrato in carriera nel 1914, l'ha percorsa regolarmente prestando servizio nelle sedi di Pavia, Belluno, Benevento e presso il Ministero dell'Interno prima quale addetto alla Direzione Generale della Sanità Pubblica e successivamente quale Vice Capo di Gabinetto del Ministro.

Nominato Prefetto nel giugno 1941

Sedi ricoperte : Brindisi - Catanzaro

Il dott. PONTIGLIONE è sempre stato giudicato funzionario ottimo sotto ogni riguardo.

Assai equilibrato, sereno, ben preparato, il Dott. Pontiglione è in grado di impegnare ottimamente qualsiasi incarico.

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19 July 1944

ADC/4/1/57/Int

SUBJECT: DE CESARE, Dr. Mario

TO : Director, Security Branch

1. The above is one of the candidates recommended by the Italian Government for the office of Prefect of FLORENCE.

2. The Acting Chief Commissioner desires an agreement with the Government as to filling this post to be reached with all possible speed.

3. May DE CESARE please be screened and the result transmitted to this Sub-Commission as a matter of urgency.

4. A translation of the short biographical particulars of DE CESARE as supplied by the Italian Government is annexed. I will send you similar particulars as to the alternative candidate as soon as I receive them.

R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

Encl: as in 4, above.

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Ministry of the Interior

Rome, 18 July 1944

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TO: ACC
Interior Sub- Comm.

Rome

Subject: Prefect of Florence.

By order of the Minister, the following other prefects for the province of Florence are reccommended:

PONTIGLIONE dr. Giovanni Battista - At present prefect of Catanzaro.

VICENDOMI dr. Francesco - Retired prefect who has been called back to service.

I am enclosing notes on the above-mentioned prefects and another copy of those on prefect DE CESARE.

I am further enclosing biographical notes on the persons reccommended for the position of Mayor of Florence.

The Chief of Cabinet
/s/ ?

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Roma 18 luglio 1944=

18 JUL 1944

Prefetto di Firenze

AILA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
Sottocommissione Interni

R O M A

D' ordine di S.E. il Ministro designo i seguenti altri due prefetti per la provincia di Firenze:

PONTIGLIONE dr. Giovanni Battista - attualmente Prefetto di Catanzaro.

VICEDOMINI dr. Francesco - Prefetto a riposo richiamato in servizio.

Allego le note biografiche dei suddetti prefetti e altra copia di quelle del prefetto DE CESARE .

Allego inoltre due brevi cenni biografici delle persone segnalate per la carica di Sindaco di Firenze.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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Cav. Gr. Cr. Dr. VICERDOMI Francesco - Prefect of 1st class, retired.

Born in Naples on 11 October 1877.
Appointed Prefect, 20 March 1930.
Placed in retirement beginning 21 August 1939

Offices filled: Avellino, Chieti, ~~Ispettore Generale~~ General Inspector, Frosinone.

DR. PONTIGLIONE Battista Prefect

Born in Naples on 1st January 1891
Appointed prefect on 17th June 1941
Offices filled: Brindisi, Catanzaro.

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VICEDOMINI cav.gr.cr. dr.Francesco - Prefetto 1^ cl.a riposo

Nato a Napoli l'11 ottobre 1877
Nominato Prefetto a decorrere dal 20 marzo 1930
Collocato a riposo a decorrere dal 21 agosto 1939
Sedi ricoperte : Avellino - Chieti - a disposizione - Ispettore Generale - Frosinone -

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PONTIGLIONE dr.Giovanni Battista - Prefetto

Nato a Napoli il 1° gennaio 1891
Nominato Prefetto il 7.6.1941
Sedi ricoperte : Brindisi - Catanzaro -

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Ministero dell'Interno

DE CESARE dr. Mario - Prefetto di 2^ Classe
nato a Roma nel 1895

Entrato in carriera nel 1920, l'ha percorsa regolarmente prestando servizio a Chieti-Bolzano-Cuneo-Ragusa-
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Nel 1936 fu chiamato al Ministero dove resse le Direzioni delle Opere Pie e degli Affari Comunali.

Nominato prefetto nel 1941
Sedi ricoperte : Ravenna
Ministero (Direttore Generale del Fondo Culto per l anno e poi, per pochi mesi, degli Affari di Culto.

Brescia

Appena venuta l'occupazione tedesca il Comando Germanico lo esonerò dalla carica e lo sostituì con un fascista (Leone).
Fu poi collocato a riposo il 16.2.44
E' stato costantemente descritto come funzionario di grande valore, ed infatti si è affermato in tutti gli incarichi affidati.
E' dotato di grande esperienza amministrativa; è capace e pronto.
Combattente nella guerra 1915-1918, è decorato al valor militare.

Indirizzo di casa: Viale Gorizia, 16 - Roma

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ALLA PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

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T R A N S L A T I O N - PFC. BONANNI

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

18 July 1944

Dr. DE CESARE Mario - Prefect 2nd class

Born in Rome in 1895.

Began his career in 1920, and has followed it uninterruptedly, rendering service in Chieti, Bolzano, Cuneo, Ragusa.

Appointed Vice-Prefect Inspector in 1937 and assigned to Forli'.

In 1938 he was called to the Ministry where he took charge of the Opere Pie and of Communal Affairs.

He was appointed Prefect in 1941.

Offices held : Ravenna

Ministry (General Director of the Cult Fund for one year; and later, for a few months, of the Affairs of the Cult).

Brescia

As soon as the German occupation took place the German Command removed him from office and replaced him with a fascist (Leone).

He was placed in retirement on 16 February 1944.

He has been constantly described as a very valuable official, and he has in fact proven himself well in all the offices entrusted to him.

He has a wide administrative experience; he is capable and prompt.

He fought in the war of 1915-1918, and was decorated for military valor.

His home address is : Viale Gorizia, 16 - Rome.

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Extract from letter from Ministry of Interior
No.451 dated 14th July.44.

Original on file 4/1/37 page 40.

In regard to the urgent request concerning the offices of Firenzo (Florence) and Arezzo we suggest:

Florence - Dr. Mario De Casare

Arezzo - Dr. Vincenzo Peruzzo.

A Sindaco for Florence is still to be chosen but I will inform you as soon as a decision is reached.

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ADVANCED HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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ACC/4/2/57/Int

12 July 1944

SUBJECT: Italian officials for ANCONA, MACERATA, ASCOLI and FIRENZE.

TO : His Excellency, Minister of the Interior

Your Excellency:

1. I have received a communication from ACC giving warning that new Prefects may very shortly be required for the above-mentioned four provinces. Will you please let me know your recommendations, with short biographical details in each case?

2. It is also necessary to have a suitable person ready to act as Sindaco or Commissario Prefettizio of the Comune of FIRENZE, as to which I shall be glad to have your recommendation.

3. I need hardly emphasis that in the case of FIRENZE both the Prefect and the Sindaco should be men of outstanding worth and ability.

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ADVANCE HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

18 JUL 1944

ACC/R/INT/L. /rlp.
8 July 1944.

SUBJECT : Appointments, etc.

TO : Interior Sub-Commission, Rear Hq, ACC.

1. Reference attached copy letter from AMG, 8th Army.

2. The three places named in para 1 of enclosure are not included in the list of eight "earmarked" Prefects which was prepared with and agreed by the Italian Government.

3. In addition to the list mentioned in 2 above from which this sub-commission has worked, I have learned that Berruti, the representative here of the Ministry of Interior has prepared a further list of 19 suggested "candidates" for appointment of Prefect. This further list has recently been sent by Berruti to the Ministry of Interior at Salerno. They have not been screened or, as far as I know, ever been formally submitted to ACC.

4. I suggest you decide upon the Prefects to be earmarked as requested and inform me of your decisions. If the people agreed upon by you ~~if the~~ and the Ministry are in Rome, I will arrange for their screening here.

5. Please convey request concerning Intendente di Finanza to Finance.

6. Col Spicer already knows of para 2 of enclosure.

7. Please keep me informed of any developments, correspondence, etc.

W.V.M. LEWIS, Lt.,
Welch Guards,
Interior Sub-Commission.

P.S. I received RT's Cable re the Undersecretary. Min. of Int. I had already made an appointment with Berruti, & it was arranged that he would take me on to the Undersec. I was informed that the Undersec had received a Cable direct from the Italian Govt. requesting him to stay here. He was still here as the Car in which he had started for Salerno had broken down. I was further informed that he would be staying here. As decided. Later Dott Berruti & I went to the Undersec's office & I

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SUBJECT - Prefects of Newly Captured Provinces

AMG Rear Eighth Army
CA/72
4 Jul 44 -

EXECUTIVE DIRECTIVES BRANCH,
A LIED CONTROL COMMISSION.

Copy to ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION, ACC

1. Please earmark Prefects and Intendents di Finanza for the following provinces:

Arezzo
Macerata
Ancona

2. This will confirm conversation between Dr Gaffer LUCAS and Group Captain KIRKBY, in which a Prefect for PISTOIA was requested.

3. It is also requested that an Intendent di Finanza be supplied for PISTOIA.

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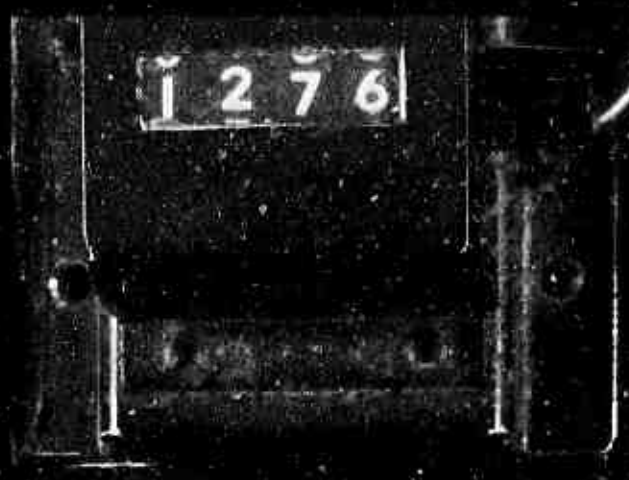
for Group Captain,
Officer Commanding,
AMG EIGHTH ARMY.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