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OFFICIALS DISCHARGED UNDER DEFASCISTIZATION DECREE
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9 April

Public Safety

1. No 5 refers : please also see nos. 1A + 1B.
2. Have you any information as to (a) the strength of PETRAGNANI's Fascism and (b) the grounds on which he has asked the Italian Govt. to "discriminate" in his favor?
3. I should be glad of your views generally on the case.

Lt. Col. W. J. Wilkins, Capt.

for
Mr. Col. R. G. B. Spicer
Director, Interior Sub-Commission

10 April

Notes

No information is in our possession regarding this man. This is a matter for the Italian Govt and I think we should leave it entirely to them.

W. J. Wilkins, Capt.

April 26

2nd Lt. T. I. Craft short particulars to Region II

ask them if they can give us any background, history, and present activities of these two

Director

We have already written to RC Region II (see letter dated 13 Apr. - P. 8) asking for "a full report" on these two men. A reminder was sent out 25 April. I doubt the advisability of sending another request now.

R. K. Temple, Capt.

April 29

Adjt. / J. / L. H.

Calendar for 5. May

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May 4

2nd Lt. T. I. Craft

- (1) Have him carded
- (2) Then send copy to P.S. for info.

May 9

Adjt. / S. / S.

please: (1) card (2) send copy to P.S. for info. (3) acknowledge receipt of P. 11 + 13 (4) Then submit to Col. Spicer for information present action (5) Acknowledge

ACC 4/2/1/INT

OFFICIALS DISCHARGED UNDER DE-FASCISTIZATION

8 MAR. 44

No	Precis	REMARKS
1	To M.O.I. (It. Govt) dated 8 Mar. 44 (Royal Decree) of 28 Dec. 43/ No 29/B asking to forward a list with short particulars of officials who have been dealt with and discharged from Office as a result confirmed decisions. Functionaries or Officials in whom this Sub-Comm. interested are (a) Prefect, (b) Vice-Prefect (V). (c) Vice-Prefect (I); (d) Councillors; (e) Dir. of Religious Affairs, and (f) Sindaci of Communes of over 50,000 population.	
1a	Copy letter from Dr. R. eale dated 15 Mar. 44 informing that changes have taken place by Decree in No I Commission has been established to examine changes and to discriminate on cases. Prefects Gr. Off. Dr. Umberto PETRAGNANI (Lecce) and V.P. (I) Dr. Giuseppe GAZZILLI, Provincial Inspector in Taranto Petragrani claims for discrimination on Art. 4, para d of Decree in No I. Asks to advise re. PETRAGNANI. NOTE: - Minister states that the Podestas of Communes having a population of more than 50,000 have been placed by Sindaci. ORIGINAL letter on File No 74	change
1b	From Interior to M.O.I. dated 20 Mar. 44 stating that it is not possible to advise in regard to this matter e.g. Defascistization.	
2	Reminder to M.O.I. dated 2 April and asking that list requested be forwarded at earliest convenience. 4 April 44.	
3	Reply to No 2 stating reply sent 15 Mar. 44 (Vide No 6 File 74) NOTE:- M.O.I. states No ACC/74/6) replied to on 20 March 44 (Vide ACC /74/6) .	
5	From M.O.I. dated 6 April 44 informing of the charges against PETRAGNANI (Brevets of the "March on Rome" and the Sciarpa Littoria). Not being able to consult the personal file, the Council of Ministers has adjourned consideration until file produced.	
6	Memo dated 11 April analysing M.O.I.'s two letters. Note by Director to ascertain all possible information from Security and Reg. II re. PETRAGNANI and GAZZILLI.	
7	To Security Branch ACC HQ 13 April enclosing copies of M.O.I.'s letters and asking for any information re. two officials mentioned in No 6. NOTE:- P.S. has been consulted - no info in their possession.	
8	To Reg. III 13 April 44 containing info. re. officials PETRAGNANI and GAZZILLI and asking for full report	

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No	Precis	REMARKS
	Especially on points mentioned by Dr. Reale. Asked to state whether PETRAGNANI was dismissed from the Prefecture of Lecce, by AMG.	
II	From Security Branch dated 19 April 44 to Colonel Young, Director, Security Branch Reply to No 7 No information on the files regarding PETRAGNANI AND GAZZILLI	
I2	From Region VI 20 April, 44 enclosing list requested by Capt. Temple (FASCISTS) NOTE:- Original of this letter together with List of Fascists in Reg. VI on File 75/13	
I3	From Reg. P.O. No II 30 April, 44 with information connected with GAZZILLI Giuseppe, V.P. (I) of Taranto Province. He is also acting as V.P. (V)	
I4	From Reg. P.O. Region II 4 May 44 enclosing copy of a Report by F.S.S. Lecce on PETRAGNANI Umberto who was Prefect of Lecce until the fall of Fascism. He was replaced by ROCCO Nino in Sept. 43.	
I5	To R.P.O. Region II 9 May 44 acknowledging Nos 14/14A	
I6	To R.P.O. 9 May, 44 acknowledging letter of 30 April 44 regarding GAZZILLI Giuseppe.	

REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUBCOMMISSION
APO. 394.

ACB/4/2/1/INT.

9th May, 1944.

SUBJECT: GAZZILLI Giuseppe.

TO : R.P.O. Region II.

Your letter PS.8 dated 30th April with information regarding the above-mentioned official is acknowledged with thanks.

R. L. Sample, capt.

R. G. B. SPIES,
Lt. Colonel,
Director,
Interior Sub-Commission. 6044

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO. 394

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ACC/4/2/1/INT.

9th May, 1944.

SUBJECT: PETRACKANI, Umberto.

TO : R.P.O. Region 2.

Receipt of your letter PS 8 dated 4th May 1944 enclosing copy of report by P.S.S. Lecce on the above subject is hereby acknowledged with thanks.

R.R. Temple, capt.

R.G.B. SPICER,
Lt. Colonel,
Director,

Interior Sub-Commission. 6043

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION ¹¹¹²⁹²⁸

REGION 2. HEADQUARTERS (14)

OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL POLICE OFFICER

Your ref _____

My ref PS 3

Subject PETRAGNANI Umberto. 4 May 1944

TO : Director, Interior Sub-Commission, A.C.C. ✓
Rear Headquarters, APO 394.

I attach hereto copy of report
by F.S.S. Lecce on the subject.

Submitted for your information.

For the Regional Commissioner.

P.E. Coxhead
P.E. COXHEAD.

Capt.

Regional Police Officer.

copy sent to Public Safety on 9/5/44 H.W.

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REPORT ON PETRAGGIANI

PETRAGGIANI was the Prefect of Lecce until the fall of Fascism and he was replaced by ROCCO NINO in Sept 1943.

He has the party distinctions of "Benigno Littorio" and "March on Rome", he was noted for his zeal in persecuting those of anti-Fascist sympathies e.g. as member and President of the Commission which tried all political cases he always for condemnation and full punishment, even using his casting vote as President to that end.

When Fascism collapsed he was heard to say that rather than remove his Fascist button-hole he would go home and retire from public life. In fact he stayed away from the Prefettura for several days through fear during the initial wave of anti-Fascist enthusiasm. He later approached a member of the Judiciary to enquire how he should go about the task of becoming a lawyer as he wished to retire from public life. As his home is in LANCIANO he went there but found that his house etc. was completely destroyed by the Germans and so returned to Lecce.

He did not resign from the position of Prefect but was relieved of that post by the first BADOGLIO Government and held at their disposition. Shortly afterwards he was nominated by REALE Vito, the Minister of the Interior, to the position of chief of Police in Salerno.

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SGT H. B. JACKSON.

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Sgt.
F.S.S. Lecce.

*Entered on cards. JFM.
- yls.*

HEADQUARTERS
ARMED CONTROL COMMISSION
SECTION II



Ref : PS.8

Subject: - GAZZILLI Giuseppe.

To : - Director, Interior Sub-Commission
Rear HQ ACC, APD / 394.

Reference year ACC/74/A/INT.

Gazzilli Giuseppe is still Vice - Prefect, Inspector of Taranto Province. It is confirmed that he was of "Squadrista" and had the Party Distinctions of "March on Rome" and the "Solelpa Littorio".

At present he is also filling the position of Vice - Prefect Vicario or acting as second in charge of the Province since the position of the Vice - Prefect Vicario has not yet been filled.

He is one of approximately ten whom the Central Committee of Ministries is supposed to deal with.

He was assigned to Taranto Province from Brindisi Province in December 1943, by the Minister of the Interior.

The information regarding Riccardo Umberto, will be forwarded to you as soon as available.

Entered on cards 5/5
R.P.

P.E. Coxhead
P.E. COXHEAD, Capt.
Reg. Police Officer
for Regional Commissioner

ECC/GPT

copy sent to Public Safety for information 5/5/44
R.P.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
HEADQUARTERS, REGION VI
APO 397

HQ/S/SA/112.

20 April 1944.

SUBJECT: List of Fascists.

TO : Capt R. R. Temple, Rear HQ, ACC, Interior
Sub-Commission, APO 394.

1. Enclosed please find list which you requested
in our conversation on your recent visit to this
Headquarters.

JEH/wld.

J. E. Hughes
J. E. HUGHES, Capt.,
RPSO, ACC, Region VI.

1 encl.

U. S. SECRET - BRITISH MOST SECRET

Original of this letter together with list of Fascists in
Region 6 is on file 75/13.

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HEADQUARTERS.

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.

Security Branch.

19th April, 1944.

SUBJECT:- PETRAGNANI Umberto and GAZZILLI Giuseppe.

Ref. No:- SE/311.5/140.D.

TO :- Colonel A.E.Young - Director, Security Branch.

1. With reference to the communication, dated 13th April, 1944, received from the Interior Sub-Commission regarding the above-mentioned men, (their ref. No. ACC/74/Int.) I have to report that there is no information recorded in the files at this Branch concerning these two men.

2. In the Italian "Who's Who" for 1940, PETRAGNANI is shown as the Prefect of LECCE, but no details about his Fascist Party record are given. GAZZILLI is not shown as Vice-Prefect of Taranto, and his name cannot be found in this book.

3. I have made enquiries at the British F.S.Section, the C.I.C., and also at the office of the Security Officer, Region 3, but nothing is known regarding these two men.

4. The two enclosures received from the Interior Sub-Commission are attached.

1st Ind.

JMK/mpf

Ref: SE/311.5/140 D.

HQ., ACC., Security Branch, APO 394, 20 April 1944.

To : Interior Sub-Commission, Rear HQ. ACC.

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Richard Elders
Captain.

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Ref: SE/311.5/140 D.

HQ., ACC., Security Branch, APO 394, 20 April 1944.

To : Interior Sub-Commission, Rear HQ. ACC.

Forwarded.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

John A. McKay
JOHN A. MCKAY,
Capt.,
Security Branch.

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Ministero dell'Interno.

Salerno, li 1 marzo 1944.

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No. 213, GAB. TTS/

Oggetto:

Defascistizzazione.

Alla Commissione Alleata di Controllo
Sottocommissione Interni - Ten.Col.
SPICER.Salerno.

In risposta alla nota sopraindicata, comunico che con provvedimento legislativo in corso di pubblicazione sono state apportate modifiche al R.D.L. 28 Dicembre 1943, n. 29/B, sulla defascistizzazione delle Amministrazioni dello Stato e degli altri Enti pubblici.

Poichè la principale modifica riguarda la costituzione di una Commissione unica, cui dovrà essere demandata, invece che ai Consigli di Amministrazione dei singoli Ministeri, la valutazione degli addebiti e delle eventuali discriminanti, non si è potuta ancora compiere la prescritta epurazione.

Con lo stesso provvedimento vengono prorogati i termini per le denunce e per il compimento della epurazione.

In base alle denunce finora pervenute dai funzionari che interessano codesta Commissione, vi sono un prefetto, il Gr.Uff. Dott. Umberto Petraggiani, già prefetto di Lecce - marcia su Roma e sciarpa littorio - e un vice prefetto ispettore, il Dott. Giuseppe Gazzilli ispettore provinciale di Taranto, squadrista - marcia su Roma e sciarpa littorio.

Il prefetto Petraggiani invoca la discriminante dell'art. 4 lettera d) del citato R.D.L.

La competenza a decidere è del Consiglio dei Ministri alle cui decisioni sottoporro al più presto la istanza.

Prima di stendere la mia relazione, amerei conoscere il parere della Commissione e sono disposto a mettere a disposizione tutto il fascicolo.

I podestà dei comuni con popolazione superiore ai 50.000 abitanti sono stati tutti sostituiti con Sindaci.

IL MINISTRO

Fto. R e a l e .

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Ministero dell'Interno.
Gabinetti.

Salerno, 6-4-1944.

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N.1605.

Risposta alla lettera
N.14 del 2-4-1944.

Alla Commissione Alleata di Controllo
Sottocommissione Interni

Oggetto:

Applicazione R.D.28 dicembre
1943, n.29/B.

Salerno.

A seguito della ministeriale del 15 marzo n.213, si comunica che è stato sottoposta al Consiglio dei Ministri del 4 corrente la denuncia presentata dal prefetto Umberto Petraghani di essere in possesso dei brevetti della marcia su Roma e di quella di sciarpa littoria.

Il Consiglio ha esaminato inoltre la domanda di discriminazione presentata dallo stesso ai sensi delle lettere d) ed e) dell'art.4 del R.D.L. in oggetto, per essersi distinto nella lotta contro il nemico in zona occupata dai tedeschi e rispettivamente per non aver svolto alcuna attività politica, essendogli state conferite le due suindicate distinzioni per l'esercizio delle sue funzioni di viceprefetto all'epoca della marcia su Roma e di prefetto poi.

Il Consiglio dei Ministri, non potendo consultare il fascicolo personale del funzionario ai fini di una esatta valutazione della invocata discriminante di cui alla lettera e) ha rinviato la decisione a quando verrà in possesso del fascicolo.

IL MINISTRO

Fto. R e a l e .

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ACG/7H/Ent

13 April 1944

SUBJECT: PETRACCHI, Umberto and GAZZILLI, Giuseppe

TO : HQ, Region II

1. The Minister of the Interior has written with reference to the investigation being made by the Council of Ministers into the past of these two officials, under the "Defascization" Decree of 28 December 1943, no. 29/B.

2. PETRACCHI is stated to be ex-prefect of LECCE, and to have the Fascist Party distinctions of "The March on Rome" and the "Scarpa Littorio". He is also stated to have pleaded in defence (under article 4(1) and (a) of the Decree) that he distinguished himself in the struggle against the enemy in the zone occupied by German troops and that he was never politically active.

3. The Minister states GAZZILLI to be Vice-prefect Inspector of TARANTO Province and that he is a "Squadrista" and has the Party distinctions of "The March on Rome" and the "Scarpa Littorio".

4. Please let me have a full report on these two officials, more especially on the points mentioned by the Minister.

5. In particular, was PETRACCHI dismissed from the Prefecture of LECCE by AMET?

[Signature]
R. G. B. SPICER
Lt Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

Reminder sent 25/4. su

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/74/na

19 April 1944

SUBJECT: PETRACIANI, Umberto and GARZILLI, Giuseppe

TO : Security Branch, ACC HQ

1. Herewith copies of letters from the Minister of the Interior
(i) no. 213 Cab. Ris., dated 15 March 1943
(ii) no. 1605 Gabinetto, dated 6 April 1943
2. I shall be grateful for any information that may be in your power as to both PETRACIANI and GARZILLI.
3. Public safety sub-commission has been consulted and stated that no information is in their possession.

Encs: as in 1. above

[Signature]
W. G. B. SPENCER
Lt Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/74/Int

11 April 1944

TO : Lt Col R. G. B. Spicer

1. The only question expressly raised in Reale's two letters is as to how PETRAGNANI should be dealt with under the Defascization Decree of December, 1943.

2. P. is charged with possessing two Fascist decorations, either of which brings him within the terms of the Decree - see Article 1, thereof.

3. To these charges, P has entered two defenses under Article 4, (d) and (e):

- (1) He distinguished himself by fighting the Germans
- (2) That he only participated in slight political activities, and that he should be retained in the state service because of special technical qualifications or distinguished merits.

4. You have already refused to advise Reale on these issues in your reply to his first letter - see #1A, 1B, in file.

A 5. It is a question whether Reale is in fact considering the re-employment of this ex-prefect. If that is the point, then his previous history should be ascertained through regional channels and in particular whether he was dismissed from Lecce by AMG.

B 6. The question of re-employment is, however, not raised or even alluded to, in the correspondence. If this is in fact his point, Reale would have to raise ~~it~~ ^{them} specifically and obtain express consent. I see nothing in this correspondence which he could use to justify his action (if he were to do such a thing) in appointing P. to a government post without ACC approval.

7. It is important not to say anything which might be so construed.

8. Submitted that Reale's letter of 6 April (#5 on file) be merely acknowledged and contents noted.

*Capt. W. I don't agree - we must get a more definite
picture of position. Ascertain all possible on S.A. B.
from ~~A. Spadaro~~ (B) security, Region II.
Further what is effect of decree in such cases?
P. Spadaro*

Ministry of Interior.
Cabinet.

No. 1605.

Reply to the letter
No. 14 of April 2nd, 1944.

Subject: Application of the Royal
Decree of December 28th 1943, No. 29/B.

74/1/5
SALERNO, April, 1944.

To the Allied Control Commission,
Interior Sub-Commission,

S a l e r n o .

Following the Ministry's letter of March 15th 1944, No. 213, I write to inform you that the denunciation made as to the Prefect Umberto PETRAGNANI that he possesses the brevets of the "March on Rome" and the "sciarpa littoria" has been submitted to the Council of the Ministers of April 4th 1944.

Moreover, the Council has examined the request for discrimination made by the above under paragraphs (d) and (e) of Article 4 of the Royal Decree-Law of December 28th 1943 No. 29/B, on the grounds that he has distinguished himself by fighting against the enemy in the zone occupied by German troops and that he has not practised any political activity. He points to the fact that the two distinctions mentioned above were conferred on him by reason of his having discharged his functions as Deputy Prefect (Vice Prefetto Vicario) at the time of the March on Rome and as Prefect later on.

The Council of the Ministers not being able to consult the personal file of the official so as to form an accurate judgement upon the defence made under paragraph (e) has adjourned the decision until it shall be in the possession of the file.

THE MINISTER

(Signed) R o n l e .



80^o Ministero dell'Interno

Gabinetto
N. 1605

Risposta alla lettera

N. 14 del 2-4-1944

OGGETTO

Applicazione R.D. 28 dicembre
1943, n. 29/B

Salerno, 6-4-1944

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALTERNATA DI CONTROLLO
Sottocommissione Interni

S A L E R N O

A seguito della ministeriale del 15 marzo n. 213, si comunica che è stata sottoposta al Consiglio dei Ministri del 4 corrente la denuncia presentata dal prefetto Umberto Petraggiani di essere in possesso dei brevetti della marcia su Roma e di quella di sciarpa littoria.

Il Consiglio ha esaminato inoltre la domanda di discriminazione presentata dallo stesso ai sensi delle lettere d) ed e) dell'art. 4 del R.D.L. in oggetto, per essersi distinto nella lotta contro il nemico in zona occupata dai tedeschi e rispettivamente per non aver svolto alcuna attività politica, essendogli stata conferite le due suindicate distinzioni per l'esercizio delle sue funzioni di viceprefetto all'epoca della marcia su Roma e di prefetto poi.

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IL MINISTRO

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OGGETTO

Applicazione R.D. 28 dicembre
1943, n. 29/BALLA COMMISSIONE ALIENATA DI CONTROLLO
Sottocommissione InterniSALERNO

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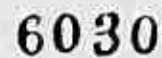
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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/14/Int

2 April 1944

SUBJECT: Royal Decree of 23 December, 1943, n. 23/3

TO : His Excellency, Dr. Reale, Minister of the Interior

Your Excellency:

P. 14

1. Reference is made to my ACC/14/Int dated 3 March 1944.
2. To date, this Sub-Commission has received no reply from your office.
3. Would you please forward the list requested at your earliest convenience?

R. G. B. Spicer

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

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/74/Int

20 March 1944

SUBJECT: Defasciation

TO : Minister of Interior, Italian Government

Your Excellency,

1. With reference to your letter on the above subject of 16 March, 1944, it is not possible for me to advise you in regard to this matter.
2. I am grateful to you for your adoption of the title "Sindaco" vice "Podesta".

/s/ R. G. B. SPICER
Lt. Colonel
Director
Interior Sub Commission.

Original on file 74.

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COPY:

Ministero dell'Inter

No. 213 Gab. Ris.

to:

A.C.G.

Sub Commission for the Interior

Lt. Col. G. B. Spicer

F A L S E R N O

Subject: Defascistizzazione
(Clearing out of Fascism)

With reference to the above note, I have to inform you that some changes have been brought by a legislative provision which is going to be enforced, to the R. Law Decree 28 December 1943, n. 29/B, concerning the "Defascistizzazione" in State Administrations and in other State Offices.

The planned clearing out not yet took place because the chief variations brought to the above decree, is the establishment of an only Commission, at the place of the Counsels of the various Ministries, intrusted with the examination of the charges and of the possible discriminations, against or in behalf of people under suspicion.

By the same provision the terms are extended for the denounces and the achievement of the established "defascistizzazione".

Based on the denounces already derived from the Officials to whom this Commission is interested in, there are a Prefect: Gr. Uff. Dr. Umberto PETRAGNANI, formerly Prefect in Lecce - March on Rome and Sciarpa Littoria - , and a Vice Prefect Inspector: Dr. Giuseppe GAZZILLI, provincial inspector in Taranto, Squadrista, March on Rome, Sciarpa Littorio. The prefect PETRAGNANI claims for his discrimination the art. 4 Para. d, of the ab. R. Decree.

The Counsel of the Ministers is incharged with the statemens on such matters and I will submit to its examination as soon as possible PETRAGNANI's application.

Before laying down my report I should like to know which is the advice of the Commission and I am keen to let at its disposal the whole file concerning PETRAGNANI.

The Podestas of the Communes having a population more than 50,000, have been

replaced by Sindaci.

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Decree 28 December 1943, n. 29/B, concerning the Administration and in other State Offices.

The planned clearing out not yet took place because the chief variations brought to the above decree, is the establishment of an only Commission, at the place of the Counsels of the various Ministries, intrusted with the examination of the charges and of the possible discriminations, against or in behalf of people under suspicion.

By the same provision the terms are extended for the denounces and the achievement of the established "defascistizzazione".

Basing on the denounces already derived from the Officials to whom this Commission is interested in, there are a Prefect: Gr. Uff. Dr. Umberto PERRACCHI, formerly Prefect in Lecce - March on Rome and Sciarra Littoria - , and a Vice Prefect Inspector: Dr. Giuseppe CAZZILLI, provincial inspector in Taranto, Squadrista, March on Rome, Sciarra Littoria. The prefect PERRACCHI claims for his discrimination the art. 4 Para. d, of the ab. R. Decree.

The Counsel of the Ministers is incharged with the statements on such matters and I will submit to its examination as soon as possible PERRACCHI's application.

Before laying down my report I should like to know which is the advice of the Commission and I am keen to let at its disposal the whole file concerning PERRACCHI.

The Podestas of the Communes having a population more than 50,000, have been replaced by Sindaci.

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THE MINISTER
s/ PERAL.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ACG/14/Int

3 March 1944

SUBJECT: Royal Decree of 28 December, 1943. n. 29/B

TO : His Excellency, The Minister of Interior, Italian Government

Your Excellency;

1. With reference to the above decree, I shall be grateful if your Excellency would forward to this sub-commission in due course, a list with short particulars of such functionaries or officials who have been dealt with and discharged from office as a result of confirmed decisions.

2. The functionaries or officials in whom this sub-commission is interested are confined to the categories of:

Prefect
Vice-Prefect (Vicario)
Vice-Prefect (Ispettore)
Councillors
Director of Religious Affairs
Sindaci of Communes of over 50,000 inhabitants

R. B. Spicer
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Lt Colonel
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Reminder sent 2/4, see P. 17.

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