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ITALIAN CIVIL SERVANTS
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Minute sheet No. **2**

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Date

INT. see 22 & 21.

Have you any papers
 for LCCAR. at 21. ?

R. J. Burpee
C/O ad. in.

May 5

V.D. My views are at 4. I do not depart from
them by one jot or tittle. Report for duty - Top
by all means. Resumes duty without fail.
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way, then with the complete cross current
blowing between the proposal, and proposals
for defacification - Then with the officials
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defacification. Why not after report for
duty screen before being allowed to
leave office?

May 8 v.p. Open - no record.

alg. v. c. p. s.

INT. see 22 & 21.

Has yr any pass to add to passport stuff

by LCCAL. at 21.?

R.R. Chipp
C/O ad. in. ✓

May 4. 44

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resume office?

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May 6 V.P. agreed - no comment.

adj. W.C.P.S.

May 7.

Lt.

see. 23, 24, 25.

Nov. 9 & 16 has been returned to R.C. 979. Sec.

See witness at post of 25.

✓ R.R. Chipp

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ITALIAN CIVIL SERVANTS

Commenced 23 Jan. 44

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Precis

REMARKS

- 1 From Chief Liaison Officer to HQ AMG 15 Army Group dated 23 Jan. 44 embodying a communication from the M.O.I. re ordering of all civil servants to their posts to resume their duties immediately.
He asks for instructions as a reply.
- 2 To all Liaison Officers Reg I, II and Ita. Govt. enclosing copy of No 1 and asking to get in touch with R.C. and to send a copy of this reply to ybe letter.
- 4 To Vice Chief of Staff (Intro 'VP Admin. Sec) dated 31 Jan. 44 re. Officiate Gazette 3rd Jan. 44 (Italian Civil Servants) stating cannot translate Decree with accuracy, nor as any one been found in this HQ who can do with legal accuracy.
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
AFO 394



Ref/272/31/GA

SUBJECT: Italian Civil Servants.

TO : R.C.'s Regions III, and V.
S.C.A.O.'s 5th and 8th Armies.

1. The demand for Italian civil servants increases as the area under Italian Administration grows and the organs of government are normalized.

2. With the object of filling the existing gaps in the ranks of Italian officials and of constituting a pool of civil servants available for future demands a Decree-Law was promulgated in unoccupied territory on 3 January 1944-no. 3.

3. This law provides that "functionaries and civilian employees of the State and State Administrations with autonomous set-up, residing or living in the liberated territories, who have been unable to reach their offices for causes due to State of War, must report without delay, and in any case not later than 15 days from date of publication of the Decree, to the nearest Prefecture in order to be sent to their seats, if possible, or eventually to be sent to or employed in other offices". Provisions are also made for adjusting salaries and allowances, regulating official status and imposing penalties for non-compliance.

4. It is considered desirable that the provisions of this Decree-Law be implemented in territory under Allied administration so that the recuperation of personnel may attain its maximum and be progressively applied to further territories as they come first under AMG and eventually under Italian Administration.

5. Accordingly steps are being taken to effect such implementation by the insertion of a special endorsement in the Italian "Official Gazette".

6. In the event of any of the functionaries referred to in para 3 above being proposed for appointment by the Italian Government or by prefects locally, the power to accept or reject will remain with Regional or Provincial Commissioners as the case may be.

Alfred C. Fawcett
M.S. LUSH
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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Copy to:

R.C. Region I
R.C. Region II
R.C. Region VI
R.C. Region VII
Admin. Section (3)

REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

AGC/4/5/IM

6 MAY 1944

SUBJECT: Position of Civil Servants (Italian Government).

TO : RC & MG Section.

1 Reference your 872/5/CA.

2 The decree-law No. 3 of Jan 3, 1944 (Italian Government) is not at present applicable in occupied territory. It has been agreed between the Executive Commissioner and the Chief Legal Officer that it should be so applicable. Accordingly an indorsement to the decree has been signed by the Executive Commissioner and will be promulgated at an early date in the "Gazzetta Ufficiale".

3 In accord with your request an explanatory instruction to Regional Commissioners in occupied territory is attached.

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STANBATE
-VF Adm. Sec.

Incls:

- (1) Draft containing instructions to RCs
- Royal Law Decree of Jan. 3, 1944 No. 3 (Italian-English)
- List of Personnel of the Ministry of the Interior (Italian)

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.S. SECTION
APC 394

23 April 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Civil Servants.

TO : RGA Regions 3, 5, & SOAGS 5 & 6 Areas.

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5. Accordingly steps are being taken to effect such implementation by the insertion of a special endorsement in the Italian "Official Gazette" in conformity with the procedure exemplified in the annexed copy of the circular letter addressed to Provincial Commissioners by the Legal Sub-Commission.

6. In the event of any of the functionaries referred to in para 3 above being proposed by the Italian Government or by prefects locally for appointment in occupied territory, the power to accept or reject will remain with Regional or Provincial Commissioners as the case may be.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copies to: RO I
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VII

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Legal Subcommittee
APO 394

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ART/ap

ACC/4133/L

28 April 1944

SUBJECT : Position of Civil Servants (Italian Govt.).

TO : V. F. Administrative Section.

1. In accordance with the letter from the Deputy Executive Commissioner Ref. 272/5/CA dated 23 April 1944 on file returned herewith, it being considered desirable to apply the RDL in question to occupied territory, as requested a draft is annexed of an explanatory instruction to RCLs *to be signed by the Executive Commissioner*

2. Steps have been taken to implement the decree No.3 in the "Gazzetta Ufficiale" at an early date.

G. R. Upjohn 66
G. R. UPJOHN,
Colonel,
Chief Legal Officer.

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ACC/4133/L

28 April 1944

SUBJECT : Italian Civil Servants.

TO : RCs Regions ^{3, 5, 6, 7 & 9} 1, 2, 3 & 7.

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4. It is considered desirable that the provisions of ~~65~~ Decree-Law be implemented in territory under Allied administration so that the recuperation of personnel may attain its maximum and be progressively applied to further territories as they come first under AMG and eventually under Italian Administration.

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5. Accordingly steps are being taken to effect such implementation by the insertion of a special endorsement in the Italian "Official Gazzette" in conformity with the procedure exemplified in the annexed copy of the circular letter addressed to Provincial Commissioners by the Legal Sub-Commission.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Enclos :

Copy of explanatory
circular.

6. In the event of any of the functionaries referred to in para 3 above being present by the Italian Government or by prefects holding of appointments in occupied territory, the power to accept a report will remain with Regional or Provincial Commissioners as the case may be.

Copy to. R.C.I. (as per)

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/272/5/CA

23 April 1944

SUBJECT: Position of Civil Servants (Italian Government).

TO : Admin. Section.
for Att: Interior and Legal Sub-Commissions.

1. The attached papers are forward to you for an opinion as to whether the decree-law No. 3 of January 3, 1944 (Italian Government) is applicable in occupied territory.
2. If in your opinion it is so applicable would you please draft
 - a) a cover therefor
 - b) an explanatory instruction to R.C's which will cover the whole subject.
3. Copy of interim reply to Marshal Badoglio is attached.

Disputed White
for
NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

Incls:

Royal Law Decree of Jan. 3, 1944 No. 3 (Italian-English) ✓
List of Personnel of the Ministry of the Interior (Italian) ✓
Copy of translation of letter from Marshal Badoglio to
Lieut-General MacFarlane.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
AFC 394

Ref/272/6/CA

23 April 1944

SUBJECT: Position of Civil Servants.

TO : H.E. Marshal Badoglio
Il Capo del Governo
Salerno.

Sir,

I am desired by the Chief Commissioner
to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 14 April
1944 on the above subject and to say that inqui-
ries are being made and action will follow in
due course.

M.S. LUSH
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner
For Chief Commissioner

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF THE GOVERNMENT

Salerno, 14 April 1944

No. 3487-Pres.Cons.

2 Incls.

Dear General Mac Farlane:

As you know, the R. Italian Government, to determine the position of its civil servants, who have not been able to rejoin their original offices, because of the state of war, and to provide for the needs of public offices, has issued the provisions contained in the R. Decree-Law of 3 January 1944, No. 3, which I attach herewith in copy.

From the enclosed list, transmitted by Major Rastol, chief of the office of civil affairs at Campbasao, it appears that in said province there are at present several functionaries and employees who, although not having resumed their service, continue, nevertheless, to receive their salaries.

It is not to be excluded that numerous others find themselves in identical circumstances in localities still administered by the Allied Military Government.

To be able to proceed with the return of this personnel and normalize its position in all respects, I am pleased to call to your attention the necessity that provisions similar to those issued by the Italian Government be adopted also by the Allied Authorities within the territory under its jurisdiction.

In such case the return to service and assignment to offices could be effected through the Regional Offices or the R. Prefecture.

I shall be pleased, my dear General, to know the decisions of the Allied Military Government in the matter.

/s/ BADOGLIO

TO: General
Sir Noel M. MACFARLANE
Chief of the Allied Control Commission
S A L E R N O

for pages 9 to 6
see minute 5 dated 7/5

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
SALERNO PROVINCE

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General

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AMG/S/25

Subject :- Italian Civil Servants.

To :- H.Q. Region 2.

2 Feb. 44.

Reference your letter to AS/5/2 dated

I am ^{*strongly*} ~~sharply~~ against the application of the decree as stated being applied to the territories under A.M.G.

The reason in this Province for those Civil Servants who are ^{*not*} at their posts, owing to the conditions resulting from war, is because they have been dismissed by A.M.G. because of their fascist background.

If this decree was published these fascist Civil Servants would presumably again reappear and either our policy towards Fascism would have to be changed or the whole process of screening would again have to be carried out.

I have not seen the decree and its possible that there is a clause which included Civil Servants dismissed by AMG but I cannot see any other reason owing to conditions resulting from war, for a Civil Servant not being at his post unless of course he is in enemy territory in which case the decree hardly applies.

There are of course cases where Civil Servants have resigned for reasons of their own or been dismissed for inaptitudes

These cases however do not seem to come under the clause owing to the conditions resulting from the war.

H. P. B. B. B.

Lt., Col.

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Reference your letter to AS/5/2 dated

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Copy to Col. Spicer
Acting Director, Interior
Sub Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION

File No 27a

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23 January 1944

To : All Liaison Officers, Regions I, II, and Italian Government

1. Copy of letter of 23rd January, addressed by the Chief Liaison Officer, Allied Control Commission, is forwarded herewith for your information.

2. Please establish touch with your Reo RAO and send me a copy of this reply to the letter in question.

/S/ R.G.B. Spiger
Lt. Col.
Acting Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGION 2.

2-2- 1944

Ref A5/5/2

To : S.C.A.O. - Potenza
Salerno
Matera
Cosenza
Catanzaro
Reggio

Copy to : HQ A.C.C. Inter Sub-Commission
(Ref. Your No 27a d. 28 I - I944)

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Ref. No 1 above and enclosed letter please send comments

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Acting Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGION 2.

2-2-1944

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Salerno
Matera
Cosenza
Catanzaro
Reggio

Copy to : HQ A.C.C. Inter Sub-Commission
(Ref. Your No 27a d. 28th I - 1944)

Ref. No 1 above and enclosed letter please send comments
on this suggestion.

By order of the R.C.A.O.

E.G. Fricker, Lt. Col.
Imperial Light Horse
Chief of staff
Region 2.

C O P Y42/190
42/18/6
23 January 1944.

Subject :- Italian Civil Servants.

To :- H.Q. A.M.G. 5 Army Group.
H.Q. A.M.G. A.C. NAPLESFrom :- CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

1. The following communication dated 17 Jan' 44 has been received from the Head of the Prime Minister's Office:

" To meet the demands of the Civil Administration, the Italian Government has ordered all civil servants in liberated Italy who are not at their posts owing to conditions resulting from the war to resume their duties immediately.

To this end and decree R.D.3/1/1944, N3 has been ~~in~~ published in the official Gazzetta of 3 Jan 1944, No. 1, copy attached, which also lays down the penalties for evasion.

It is requested that the possibilities of applying this decree to the territories under AMG be examined, so that the services of all civil servants of which the Government has need may be called upon, and in order to provide uniformity of treatment with personnel in the territory under control of the Italian Government".

2. The Italian Government are finding it difficult to lay their hands upon a sufficient number of reliable Officials within the 4 Provinces of Apulia. They believe that if all Italian Civil Servants in liberated Italy return to their last post or duty, it will be found that there are officials to ~~XXXX~~ spare.

3. I shall be glad to know what reply I am to communicate to the Italian Government.

/s/ E.B. MAYNE, Lt.Col.
Pro Chief Liaison Officer
Allied Control Commission.

Copy to : Interior Sub-Commission
Major McSweeney

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION

FILE NO. 42

31 January 1944

SUBJECT: Official Gazette, 3 January 1944 (Italian Civil Servants)

TO : Vice Chief of Staff
(through Vice President, Administrative Section)

1. In the absence of 2nd Lt. Wedloigh (A), transferred, I cannot translate this decree with accuracy, nor have I been able to trace anybody in this HQ who can do so with legal accuracy, but my opinion is that "to resume their duties immediately" in the Chief Liaison Officer's letter is not a correct rendering of "e fatte obbligo di presentarsi". It would appear to me to be better interpreted by "to report".

2. The term "all civil servants" is a wide category and might well include individuals of such strong Fascist tendencies that their employment in Governmental office may be highly undesirable.

3. It is essential that any civil servants who report for duty should be screened before they are allowed to resume office by responsible AMG/ACC authority, viz: Security Intelligence. A recent flagrant example of "resuming office" was the appointment to the Ministerial Office by the Royal Italian Government of an officer whose services had been terminated by HQAC, Region II. Such cases, after screening, should be referred to this Sub-Commission for communication of their views to the Italian Government.

4. Paragraph 9(d) of the Memorandum of 23 January 1944, dealing with ACC reorganization, however, reads: "Care should be taken, however, not to interfere directly or to give the appearance of interfering directly in or with the local administration except in real emergency."

5. My conclusion is that there is nothing to apprehend in the order provided the civil servants so reporting are fully screened before they are allowed to resume office, and that the order could, with such conditions, be equally applied in territories under AMG.

6. I consider, however, that this is a matter affecting many Sub-Commissions, and is one that might well be discussed at the Vice President's conference before a reply is sent.

R. B. Smith

R. G. B. SMITH
Lt Col
Acting Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION

23 January 1944

File No. 27a

To: All Liaison Officers, Regimes I, II, and Italian Government

1. Copy of letter of 23rd January, addressed by the Chief Liaison Officer, Allied Control Commission, is forwarded herewith for your information.

2. Please establish touch with your SAC and send me a copy of their reply to the letter in question.

Rec *his*
R. A. [Signature]
R. A. [Signature]
Lt. Col.
Acting Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION

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File No 27a

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28 January 1944

TO : All Liaison Officers, Regions I, II, and Italian Government

1. Copy of letter of 23rd January, addressed by the Chief Liaison Officer, Allied Control Commission, is forwarded herewith for your information.

2. Please establish touch with your Res RCO and send me a copy of this reply to the letter in question.

s/ R. G. E. SPICER
Lt. Col.
Acting Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGION 2

2-2-1944

To : S.C.A.O. - POTENZA
SALERNO
MATERA
COSENZA
CATANZARO
REGGIO

Copy to: HQ. A.C.C. Inter Sub-Commission
(Ref. your No 27a d. 28-1-1944:)

Ref. N° 111 above and enclosed letter please send comments on this suggestion.

By order of the S.C.A.O.
- 2 FEB -

E.G. Fricker, Lt. Col.
Imperial Light Horse
Chief of Staff
Region 2

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C O P Y

13 JANUARY 1944

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SUBJECT: ITALIAN CIVIL SERVANTS
 TO : H. 45 ARMY GROUP.
 R. 45 ARMY GROUP.
 FROM : CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER
 ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.

1. The following communication dated 17 Jan '44 has been received from the Head of the Prime Minister's Office:

"To meet the demands of the Civil Administration, the Italian Government has ordered all civil servants in liberated Italy who are not at their posts owing to conditions resulting from the war to resume their duties immediately.

To this end decree R.O. 1/1/1944, as has been published in the Official Gazette of 3 Jan 1944, No. 1, copy attached, which also lays down the penalties for evasion.

It is requested that the possibilities of applying this decree to the territories under A.C.C. be examined, so that the services of all civil servants of which the Government has need may be called upon, and in order to provide uniformity of treatment with personnel in the territory under control of the Italian Government."

2. The Italian Government are finding it difficult to lay their hands upon a sufficient number of reliable Officials within the 4 provinces of Apulia. They believe that if all Italian Civil Servants in liberated Italy return to their last post of duty, it will be found that there are Officials to spare.

3. I shall be glad to know what reply I am to communicate to the Italian Government.

/s/ E. E. MANN, Lt. Col.
 For CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER
 ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

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COPIES TO -----
 (Major McDERMOTT)

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23 JANUARY 1944. Rec 34/11.

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SUBJECT: ITALIAN CIVIL SERVANTS.

TO: H.Q. A.M.C. 15 ARMY GROUP.
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FROM: CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER
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It is requested that the possibilities of applying this decree to the territories under AMG be examined, so that the services of all civil servants of which the Government has need may be called upon, and in order to provide uniformity of treatment with personnel in the territory under control of the Italian Government."

2. The Italian Government are finding it difficult to lay their hands upon a sufficient number of reliable Officials within the 4 Provinces of Apulia. They believe that if all Italian Civil Servants in liberated Italy return ~~to~~ to their last post of duty, it will be found that there are Officials to spare.

3. I shall be glad to know what reply I am to communicate to the Italian Government.

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