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Subject: Control Areas.

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1. In view of the large number of problems requiring coordination between Regions, the Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission has found it necessary to divide Italy into three large areas, South Italy, Central Italy and North Italy with an Area Engineer in each area to act as our field representative who will settle such problems as he can on the ground and to keep us fully advised on the progress being made in his area.
2. We have found that not only do the problems differ in each of these areas, but the habits of the people seem to differ and their requirements are different. Electric Transmission Systems and Military Highways are no respectors of administrative boundaries and must be treated from an overall viewpoint, bearing in mind the territory served. The division made fits these problems admirably.
3. We are now functioning very satisfactorily along these lines in South and Central Italy. Insofar as North Italy is concerned Region IX is more accessible from Milan than it is from Rome with the plain of the Po valley extending over about half of that Region and Route 9 is running in a straight line from Milan through Parma and Bologna to Rimini. The problems of North Italy, the industrial section of this country, can be solved by us advantageously if treated as an area, as outlined.
4. The Ministry of Public Works, finding itself short of key engineering personnel, is adopting this same system as it will be of material help in solving its personnel problem.
5. Should it be found desirable at some future date to reduce the control personnel of A.C.C. it is believed that other Sub-Commissions, or Administrative Branches, may find this to be a more convenient division for limited control purposes, than the present larger number of Regions.
6. This is sent to you for information.
7. Attached hereto is a small map showing these Areas and the various Regions.

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