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PLAN FOR NE ITALY  
APR., MAY 1945

## MINUTE SHEET NO. 1

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18 Apr Capt. L	(1) Refer folio 51. Our directive for N.W. Italy with little change is applicable for N.E. Italy. Transportation arrangements however will have to be changed I believe Please handle. RPT

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(2) 1.  
C.A.S. Ref. 1. His S.C.H. directive and Aspls at 2  
re Italian transports, no  
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24 Apr '44

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/6/15/16

Tel: 476190

SUBJECT: Conveyance of officials to Northern Italy.

23 May 1945

TO : HQ Emilia Region.

1. Thank you for your letter RIX/H/1/1/5 of 22 May, and we have reviewed the whole question of the method of sending officials to the North in the light of it--bearing in mind that they will have to be sent to Liguria, Piemonte and Lombardia Regions as well as to Venetie.

2. As to your particular proposals, it does not appear likely that the railway will ever be the most convenient and quickest method of sending officials up, so that one would be reluctant to ask you to set up special arrangements at Parli to receive officials coming down to the rail head there if they are not likely to come by that route.

3. Bologna is admittedly an excellent communication centre, but it could only be conveniently used as a staging point for Venetie Region. It is naturally desired to keep the staging points down to the minimum and the arrangements as simple as possible. The conclusion reached here, therefore, is that we can do with two staging points only—Florence and Piacenza—and that Italian officials for all the northern regions should be sent up via Florence and not by the Adriatic coast at all.

4. The routes for staging would accordingly be as follows:

<u>Region</u>	<u>First Stage</u>	<u>Second Stage</u>	<u>Third Stage</u>
Emilia	Florence	Bologna (Reg. B)	—
Liguria	"	Genua (Reg. B)	—
Piemonte	"	Piacenza	Turin (Reg. H)
Lombardia	"	Milan (Reg. H)	—

(NOTE: In the event of unusual difficulties on the route Florence-Milan, the official could make the second stage to Piacenza and go on to Milan next day.)

Venetie	Florence	Padova (Reg. H)	—	3821
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5. It is, therefore, not necessary to trouble you to make arrangements for accommodating these officials anywhere else than at Piacenza, as has already been done (see your RIX/H/1/1/5 of 24 April 1945). Your assistance and advice in the matter is very much appreciated.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

*RRT*

RAJPH R. TEMPLE, Major  
Dep'ty Director  
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
ACO 394

26 MAY

Reference: REVMR/1/15

22 May 1945

Subject : Conveyance of Officials for North-EAST Italy

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission  
(Attn. Local Government S/C)

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Reference your AC/6/15/LG dated 11 May 1945.

1. It is suggested that arrangements be made at two places, either of which can be used, Forli and Bologna.
2. If officials are despatched by rail they can stage at Forli, which is a railhead, and continue by road. On the other hand, if they are travelling by road, Bologna is an excellent center for communication.
3. Please signal if you agree and the necessary arrangements will be made.

For the Regional Commissioner:

*H. H-S. HARFORD*  
H. H-S. HARFORD  
Lieut Colonel  
Deputy Regional Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AO/6/15/IG

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Conveyance of officials for North ~~East~~ Italy. 11 May 1945

TO : RC Emilia Region.

1. A letter was written to you on 21 April, suggesting Piacenza as a suitable second staging point (Florence being the first) for Italian officials who may have to be sent up to North West Italy for duty by this Sub Commission. Lt. Col. H. E. Hartley mentioned the matter to Major Williams on his recent visit to your HQ and it is understood from him that you have no objection to this proposal.
2. A similar question arises, of course, as to the dispatch of Italian officials for North East Italy, Venetian Region, and Major Williams discussed this with Brigadier Dunlop on his recent tour.
3. RC Venetian Region suggests that the best way to send up officials to him is to strike the Adriatic coast somewhere north of Ancona and to travel thence to Rimini-Ravenna-Ferrara to his HQ near Faenza. This would involve a staging point somewhere north of Ancona.
4. In the course of discussion with HQ Venetian, it appeared that either Ravenna or Rimini would be convenient. Rimini has the advantage of being the terminus of the railway service from Rome: but inquiries into the possibility of using present rail facilities show they are not at all suitable and that it is likely to take much longer to get personnel up by rail than by road.
5. Will you be good enough to let us have your views on the question. Whatever staging point is selected, the main thing would be for the local Italian authorities to keep sleeping accommodation available: travelling officials can bring their own rations.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

*RRT*

RALPH R. THOMAS      3813  
Major  
Deputy Director  
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394.  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AO/6/15/LG.

Tel: 478107.

SUBJECT: Directive Occupation of North East Italy.

TO : Civil Affairs Section,

29th April, 1945.

1. Reference TS/18/16 CA dated 25th April, 1945.
2. There are no alterations which this Sub-Commission wishes to make in their Directive for Northeast Italy.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

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

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HEADQUARTERS THIRD COMMISSION  
ACO 394  
LEGAL COORDINATING SUB COMMISSION

2/425/46

tel: 470190  
21 April 1946

Proposed Planning Arrangements of Local Government  
Sub Commission in relation to North East Italy

1. The interest and functions of this Sub Commission remain as hitherto and are as follows:

(1) the establishment of a temporary system of democratic local government;

(2) ensuring the efficient working of the prefecture and where necessary supplying personnel to fill official posts therein,

With regard to 1(1) the intended system will follow the plan which has hitherto been operating in Central and Southern Italy and which is also intended for N.E. Italy. Such plan is contained in A.M. III and full details, instructions and directives thereon have been issued by and are in the possession of R.C.'s and M.G.'s.

Whilst the plan itself and the details thereof remain unchanged, the method of its application in the whole of Northern Italy may be affected by the C.I.N., particularly in areas where they have set up a form of provincial and/or communal administration. The policy to be followed and the attitude to be adopted towards the C.I.N. in relation to local government to be established by R.C. is contained in a directive (shortly to be issued,) (or alternatively G.A.S. Ref:..... dated .....,)

2. (1) With regard to 1(1) the procedure for filling vacancies varies according to the importance of the post,

(2) As to Prefects the agreed policy is that where a vacancy is found, or a new appointment otherwise necessary the R.C. is empowered to fill the office by the appointment of a suitable person from the particular province concerned.

(3) Owing to difficulties of communication, etc. R.C.'s for Northern Italy still (by amendment 1 of Executive Memorandum 30) appoint and remove Prefetti Reggenti in their own authority and without the prior approval of H.Q. AG, provided they report any such action with full particulars as soon as possible therewith.

(4) Where no local man is referred to in 3(1), is available, if it is otherwise impossible to secure such an appointment the Sub Commission will on request send to the S.M.A.O. or R.C. a Prefect from a reserve which

(4) the establishment of a temporary system of democratic local government;

- (ii) ensuring the efficient working of the Prefecture and where necessary supply the personnel to fill official posts therein.
2. With regard to 2(1), the intended system will follow the plan which has hitherto been operating in Central and Southern Italy and which is also intended for N.W. Italy. Such plan is contained in G.O. 111 and full details, in instructions and directives thereon have been issued to all are in the possession of M.R.'s and A.C.'s.

Whilst the plan itself and the details thereof remain unchanged, the method of its application in the whole of Northern Italy may be affected by the communal administration. The policy to be followed and the attitude to be adopted towards the C.R.I. in relation to Local Government administration to be established by M.R. is contained in a directive (shortly to be issued.) (or alternatively U.A.S. Ref. .... dated .....,)

3. (i) With regard to 1(1), the procedure for filling vacancies varies according to the importance of the post.

(ii) As to Prefects, the agreed policy is that where a Vacancy is found or a new appointment otherwise necessary the M.R. is empowered to fill the office by the appointment of a suitable person from the particular provinces concerned.

(iii) Owing to difficulties of communication, etc., it is for Northern Italy will (by amendment I of Executive Agreement 30) appoint and remove Prefects directly on their own authority and without the prior approval of M.R.G., provided they report any such action with full particulars as soon as possible thereafter.

(iv) Where no local man is referred to in 3(i), is available, if it is otherwise impossible to secure such an appointment the Sub Commission will on request send to the S.C.M.C. or R. A. Prefect from a reserve or "pool" which has been established in collaboration with the Italian Government. Such pool is to serve both N.W. & N.E. Italy. It is intended that, if possible, a proportion of the officials in the pool will be kept in Rome (employed at the Ministry, available to process Northern Italy at any time) but under the Minister being detailed about the Prefectures in Italian Government Territory from whence they can be called to Rome to replace those sent forward.

(v) As to Vice-Prefects, a similar "pool" has been established.

(vi) With regard to Consiglieri and Regioniere Capo, any vacancies will be notified by Prefects direct to the Ministry of the Interior (through A.C. 4/30/16 of 1 April 1945).

(vii) Vacancies in subordinate ranks will be filled by temporary staff recruited by the Prefect from local persons, so far as possible. If the Prefect is unable to recruit locally, he will apply to the Ministry of Interior as in para (vi).

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Italian personnel sent forward under 3 will be conveyed by AC transport from Rome to the Venetia Region under arrangements made by this Sub Commission with Transport Dispatch Office of the Commissariat, this HQ. The staging point for the first eight of the journey will be Florence where arrangements have been made for the official's (and driver's) accommodation. Nations will be carried. The journey from Florence onwards is dependent on condition of roads, bridges, etc., but subject to this it is intended to proceed to Reggio on the second day. On arrival there, Regier will assume responsibility for conveyance to the province concerned. If necessary, an intermediate staging point will be fixed according to circumstances.

If airfields are available and other conditions permit, air transport or officials will be arranged.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

4/42A/CA

18th April, 1945

Subject: Civil Affairs Section Plan  
for the Occupation of Northeast Italy.To: Legal Sub-Commission  
Local Government Sub-Commission  
Public Health Sub-Commission  
Public Safety Sub-Commission  
Mine Clearance

1. It is the intention of this Section to issue a "Plan for the Occupation of Northeast Italy."
2. Will you please submit your directive to be included in such a Plan. This may possibly be done by amending the directive you have already issued for Northwest Italy.
3. Please treat this matter as urgent.

  
A.D. Bonham-Carter, Lt. Col.  
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