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Reference Admin. Section's note on #1, no action in admin appears to be required for this Sub-Committee

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Call. Howard ⁽¹⁾ ~~for~~ for your very early personal review retention. Please draft reply as at ⁽¹⁾

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May 8.

V.P. ⁽¹⁾ ~~is~~ in my judgement is not for the Sub-Committee. We have some of the relevant correspondence and are quite in the dark as to the protocols involved. Suggested refer to Political (the Admin) in to the V.A. wishes this V.C. to submit, that we are given all relevant files.

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Thank you No action would seem necessary.

Admin
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CONFORMING TO LAST PARAGRAPH PAR 357, REPORT PROCEEDINGS BEING TAKEN FOR
IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY PAPAL SEMINARY AT BENEVENTO AS MILITARY HOSPITAL.
MESSAGE OF 27 MAY FROM ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION IS AS FOLLOWS: PARA
ON ORDERS FROM CINC, AAI, REGIONAL COMMISSIONER AGO BEING INSTRUCTED
THAT REQUIREMENTS OF OPERATIONS MAKE IT NECESSARY TO PROCEED TO
REQUISITION ENTIRE BENEVENTO SEMINARY FOR OCCUPANCY IMMEDIATELY AS
MILITARY HOSPITAL. PARA THOUGH ARCHBISHOP DEEMED ALTERNATIVE ACCO-
MODATIONS OF LOWER SEMINARY AND COLLEGGIO LABALLE TO BE INADEQUATE,
IT HAS BEEN FOUND THAT THEY CAN HOUSE THE 105 PERSONS, INCLUDING 20
SISTERS AND 5 CIVILIANS, WHO MAKE UP THE ENTIRE PRESENT PERSONNEL OF
BENEVENTO SEMINARY STUDENTS AND PROFESSORS. PARA INSTRUCTIONS TO
REGIONAL COMMISSIONER ARE TO MAKE APPROPRIATE READJUSTMENTS SO THAT IF
NECESSARY PERSONNEL OF LOWER SEMINARY (TOTAL 79, INCLUDING 10 SISTERS
AND CIVILIANS) CAN ALSO BE ACCOMMODATED AT COLLEGGIO LABALLE AT
BENEVENTO. PARA MONSIGNOR CARROLL, VATICAN REPRESENTATIVE, HAS REQU-
ESTED THAT PAPAL SECRETARY OF STATE BE ADVISED OF PRESENT DEVELOPMENT
AND THAT ARCHBISHOP, WHO HAD CONSIDERED THE ALTERNATIVE ACCOMMODATIONS
UNSATISFACTORY, HAD OFFERED HALF OF REGIONAL SEMINARY. PARA MONSIGNOR
CARROLL HOPES THAT IF ENTIRE COLLEGGIO LABALLE IS MADE AVAILABLE TO PAPAL

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SEMINARY, ACCOMMODATIONS WILL PROVE ADEQUATE. PARA MONSIGNOR CARROLL WISHES PAPAL SECRETARY OF STATE TO BE TOLD THAT SEMINARIES AT FARMOLI LABINO, CAMPORASSO AND FOGGIA, END PART OF BENEVENTO DIOCESAN SEMINARY, HAVE ALREADY BEEN GIVEN TO HIS ALLIED AUTHORITIES. PARA WHEE ENDS PARAPHRASE OF APO MESSAGE. PARA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER IS ASKING FOREIGN OFFICE TO TRANSMIT MONSIGNOR CARROLL'S MESSAGE TO VATICAN. PARA ADVANCED BUREAU APOH REPORTED 12 JANUARY GREATEST DIFFICULTY FINDING HOSPITAL ~~////~~ ACCOMMODATIONS; SOUGHT AUTHORITY TO REQUISITION PAPAL SEMINARIES AT MOLFETTA (600 BEDS) AND BENEVENTO (1400 BEDS). EACH CASE WAS BROUGHT TO ATTENTION OF VATICAN THROUGH BRITISH GOVERNMENT; WITH REQUEST ARCHBISHOPS BE INSTRUCTED TO MAKE AVAILABLE. AFTER LONG DELAY MOLFETTA STUDENTS WERE SETTLED ELSEWHERE AND PREMISES OCCUPIED. PARA 15 APRIL APOH DELAYED MESSAGE FROM PAPAL SECRETARY OF STATE TO ARCHBISHOP OF BENEVENTO, TO FOLLOWING EFFECT: PARA BRITISH MINISTER REQUESTS BENEVENTO SEMINARY FOR HOSPITAL FOR WOUNDED; ACCOMMODATION URGENTLY NEEDED AND CAN NOT BE FOUND ELSEWHERE. HOLY SEE FULFILLING ITS CHARITABLE MISSION IS ALWAYS READY TO GRANT SUCH REQUESTS WHEREVER POSSIBLE. SEE WHAT PROVISION YOU CAN MAKE FOR MOVING YOUR SEMINARY AND REPORT TO ME URGENTLY, TO ENABLE ME TO REPLY TO BRITISH MINISTER

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YOUR PHOTOS F 45650 OF 14 MAY. AGC ARE CONDUCTING NEGOTIATIONS RE
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Sgt L. Please see 64 branch, to get copy of F45650 of 14 May 44



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CONSIDER COS DIRECTIVE IN PARA THREE (OF OUR F 41945 OF 5 MAY; ALSO FILFOI MESSAGES
Q 2171 OF 9 MAY AND 2191 OF 13 MAY) ALSO REQUEST FOR REPORT IN OUR F 44127 OF 10 MAY.
PARA . WE ARE INFORMED THAT STATEMENT IN YOUR 2552 OF 24 MARCH ON MOLETTA, AS CORRECTED
BY 2615 OF 26 MARCH, IS NOW CONFIRMED. IMPORTANT TO AVOID ANY MISUNDERSTANDING ON
BENEFITS. REQUEST THEREFORE COMPLETE REPORT SOONEST TO ENABLE AFHQ TO SUBMIT CASE TO
COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF AS REQUIRED. YOUR REPORT SHOULD COVER NOT ONLY QUESTIONS IN
OUR F 31009 OF 12 APRIL, BUT ALSO EXPLAIN ABSENCE TO DATE OF REPLY BY ARCHBISHOP TO
HOLY SEE, INVITED IN OUR F 28133 OF 5 APRIL. IS ALSO CONDUCTING THE NEGOTIATIONS REFERRED
TO IN Q 2191. STATE PRESENT SITUATION FULLY

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