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INCREASE OF CLERICAL STIPENDS
JAN.-AUG. 1944

Date

Minute sheet No. 4.

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June 27
F. Staff

This is letter to go to R.A.G.

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June 27

Capt. W. You may care to read this 13A. twice
you helped us in the matter. Can you give me a short
simple note as to what "stole rights" actually are.

(19)

Director

R.A.G.

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1. Reference minute (18) - "stole rights" are the fees
which a parish priest is entitled to charge for celebrating baptisms,
marriages & funerals.
2. A table of such fees is fixed by the Bishop for each diocese &
circulated to his clergy. The amount of the fee varies with the
importance of the ceremony, e.g.:

Matrimonio semplice 50 L.
" di messa gala 400 L
" di gran' gala 1000 L

3. These fees are payable exclusively to the parish priest who celebrates.
4. If he is assisted by a "vice-parroco" (= English curate) or
some other priest, it is customary for the "parroco" to pay over
a part of the fee to the assistant. That is a matter of private
arrangement. *Cf. 20*

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F. Staff. Wait answer 14 ✓

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July
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F. Staff Has this actually been done in 662.
not? Ask legal (Hannaford) ✓

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Director

1. Raccolta Ufficiale (containing all Ital. Govt. Decrees from 8/9/43 to #15A
8/2/44) seems to-day in legal S/C.
2. This contains an Order of the Ex. Comm. making all such
decrees applicable in Ital. Govt. Territory, with 3 exceptions.
3. Q.D.L. 24 Jan 1944 no 19 is printed in the Raccolta & is not one of
the exceptions. Therefore it applies in each Province of Ital. Govt.
Territory, as from the date when the Prefect receives a copy of
the Raccolta. *Cf. 22*

Done
10/10/44
C.R.

To inform Miss. [Signature]

Minyite sheet No. 3

Date

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June 5. Capt. Mc Keon Censors his youth (15)
 Major Mc Keon has kindly consented to your going &
 help. Please read 7 ~~in~~ particularly para 6. II
~~to~~ ⁽⁵⁾ also apply.

In refece to my para 11 of ~~7~~. what should be the
 next steps I should take?

Reflexus

June 9 Director (16) col-

1. To clear this matter up please with it, as far as it is
 essential to know what members of the Clergy who are paid
 by the State and who it is desired ~~one~~ should benefit
2. Attached note shows the members who are paid
 by the State and to whom the RDG would normally apply if
 extended to Reg III and other ATLG Territories.
3. In view of letter #8 suggest
 - (a) a reply be awaited which should clarify the
 position.
 - (b) On receipt and subject to the reply the Minister
 be asked
 - (i) whether he has any objection to the extension of
 the RDG
 - (ii) to prepare a list specifying each grade of
 priest with particulars of the pay he now
 receives & the amount he would receive if
 increased.
 - (c) When 3 is settled RCNG be notified of
 steps taken to apply RDG.
 - (d) That legal be not asked to app the RDG
 until the position is clearly settled.
4. Do you agree with above please?

To 1. S.O. Take immediate action as at (b) (1) ⁽¹⁾ ~~in~~ 661
 Then (c) but if ALD implementation
 does not cover to issue Ex. Mem. drafted
 to you additionally.

Director's (16)

Date

Minute sheet No. 2

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May
211) Director Dist. Sub-Comm

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1) Herewith in accordance with your instructions a draft for reply on V.P.'s signature or answer to ~~the~~¹, on basis of ~~to~~² and interview between Comand. Molca, Dir. Church Affairs of Min. of Interior, and this office.

2) Herewith also copy of Official Gazette No. 64 containing Royal Decree of ~~(23 May 44)~~ and translation of Art 6.

3) Gazette on loan from Maj. Mackintosh this office, and to be returned to Leg. Sub. Comm.

4) I believe that Dept. of Comm. is not aware that State Subsidies do not apply to many unpaid secular clergy (the religious Orders ^{are} affected because of rules), and that his request and that of P.L. Log III imply amelioration of economic conditions of clergy in general.

5) Therefore, I should suggest before sending this draft to V.P. for his signature that we should explore with Min. of Interior, and representative churchman question of payments for rest of clergy.

W.H.S. Holland, Capt.

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V.P. For signature is 6 approved in reply to ~~the~~¹ L

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May 24

Int. re amount draft reduced.

This is returned following our conversing this morning. (Spin-Cross especially.)

S. J. Campbell

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Urgent Draft. Holland to speak please.

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Director Dist. Sub-Comm. Herewith letter ^{P. 7} ~~for~~ corrected in accordance with your suggestions, for sending to V.P. for signature W.H.S. Holland, Capt.

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V.P. Draft for signature -

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Date:

Minute sheet No. 1.

2 May Copy to Ma of Int. for his info. 1.

May ~~10~~ ²⁰

4. ⁽²⁾ Copy to Ma of Int. for review of his early views
Please and reply indicating if he approves, what
specific action to bring this about he proposes.

May Why has action not been taken as
at ⁽²⁾.

4.5. Director file handled me 11:30 ^{Today} letter with signature.

May ⁽⁸⁾ Cpt. D. For your study of ~~40~~ for draft only to N.P. for
his signature in order to 40. ^{Adm. with hold.}

ACC/13/6

INCREASE OF CLERICAL STIPENDS.

No.	Precis	REMARKS
1.	To VP Admin Sec 2 May 44 stating that Finance SJ is of opinion that the state subsidy paid to the clergy according to Law 227 of 25 Jan 1931 should be increased by the same percentage as have been applied to wages and salaries. NOTE:- Matter raised by Region III, but as matter affects all areas it is suggested that the It. Govt be asked to take the necessary action and that ACC approve and extend such action to the AMG regions.	
2.	To MOI 5 May 44 containing contents of No. 1 and asking views, and if suggestion approved, to indicate what action the Government consider necessary to give effect to their decision. Note:- Copy to RC & MG (83/1/CA of 2 May to VP)	
3.	To MOI 16 May 44 asking whether in position to reply to No. 2. From MOI 19 May 44 enclosing copy of RDL 24 Jan 44. (a) Any person who becomes a member of the Holy Order, according to the constitution of the Roman Catholic Apostolic Church its members attend to this. (b) There is only one exception for the clergy of the part of the Austria Hungary Empire come under Italian jurisdiction As territories for the moment not under jurisdiction of that Government not possible at present to give instructions for raising their pensions.	
4/1A/B/C	Extract from copy of Royal Decree published in Gazzette Ufficiale No. 64 (on file in Legal).	
5.	From RC & MG 20 May 44 asking whether MOI has replied to No. 2.	
6.	To RC & MG 23 May 44 containing information supplied by the MOI. Suggested that this financial problem might be dealt with more appropriately by the Finance Sub Commission. NOTE:- further investigations to be continued.	
7.	Draft Ex. Memo enclosed recommending that the increase in State Subsidies for minimum priests be extended, and recommended that implementation of the Royal Decree No. 19 of 24 Jan 44 be extended to all Regions.	<u>ACTION</u>
8/	To MOI 6 June 44 referring to RDL No. 19 of 24 Jan 44 and stating that it would seem to deal exclusively with the increase of State allowances to one class of Clergy the "cleric congruato". Does the religious clergy ordained "titulo pauperatis" benefit by the aforesaid law? Are there in Italy any other categories of clergy (besides the religious) for whom an equitable increase in remuneration is not provided? For example, what provisions are made for the VICARIO PARROCCHIALE?	<u>Reply</u> Vide 13813A.
9.	NOTES by LUT LEWIS ON PAYMENT OF CLERGY.	
10.	Clean copy of No. 9.	
11.	To Region Commissioner from RC & MG 8 June, 44 stating that this has turned out to be a highly complex question and is being dealt with by Admin Sec. Ask that RC Region consult with his clergy and report their views and his recommendations concerning the matters suggested in the concluding paragraph of (13A of 23rd May, 44).	658

Precis

REMARKS

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- 12 To MOI 14 June 44 asking to hear in reply to letter of 6 June, 44
No. 8.
- 13/19A From MOI 15 June, 44 explaining the granting of allowances to
the Clerg.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

AOD/13/6/Int

2 August 1944

SUBJECT: Increase of clerical stipends

TO : His Excellency the Minister of the Interior

Your Excellency:

1. I have received your letter no. A.P.C. Gen. N-107/13 Prot. 1,51 ris.
dated 26th July and note your advice.

2. As you will know the Minister of Pardon and Justice has recently
published a "Raccolta Ufficiale" containing all the Decrees made by the
Italian Government from 8th September 1942 to 8th July 1944, including R.D.L.
24th January 1944, no. 19 as to increase of clerical stipends.

3. The "Raccolta" also contains the Order of the Executive Commissioner,
Brigadier Lush, dated 29th July directing the application in Military Govern-
ment Territory of all the Decrees in the "Raccolta" with three exceptions.

4. R.D.L. 24th January 1944 no. 19 is not one of the three excepted
Decrees.

5. The decree in question has, therefore, under the procedure described
above, already been made applicable in Military Government Territory in accord-
ance with your advice.

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

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TRANSLATION - NO. 68

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MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
General Office of Religious Funds

Rome, 26th July 1944

Genral Affairs No 107/13
File No. 451 ris.

P 14.

Reply to Letter No. 13-6-Int. ACC of 27 Juny, 1944

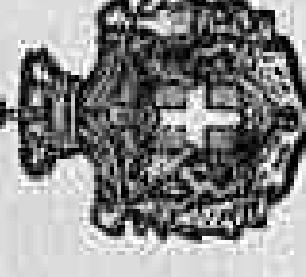
SUBJECT: Increase of Clerical wages.

In thanking the ACC for the kind regard shown toward this Ministry in asking our opinion on the subject, we are privileged to point out that the same reasons which justify the R.D.L. of 24 January 1944, no. 19, concerning the increase of the allowances made to the paid Clergy of the provinces which are under the administration of this Government, apply also to the same clergy living in the territory under the AMG.

I submit, therefore, with great pleasure, the provision necessary for ~~XXXXXX~~ increases similar to those stated in the above mentioned R.D.L. of 24 January 1944, no. 19, to the high sense of equity and justice of the AMG.

The Minister
/s/

P.M.



Ministero dell'Interno
Direzione Generale per il Culto

13 JUL 1944

N. 6/959 aff. fin N. 107/13
~~13~~ Risposta alla lettera prot. 451 ris.

M 3-6-Int. Min. C. del 27/5/944

OGGETTO

Aumento stipendio per il
Culto-

REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION

R O M A

Nel ringraziare per la gentile considerazione che cotesta Onorevole Commissione ha per questo Ministero, chiedendo il parere in merito all'affare in oggetto, si ha il pregio di riferire che le stesse ragioni che giustificano il R.D.L. 24 Gennaio 1944, N. 19, concernente l'aumento degli assegni a favore del clero congrugto delle provincie sotto l'amministrazione di questo Governo, ricorrono per la estensione del beneficio allo stesso clero residente nel territorio dell'A.M.G.-

Pertanto con vivo compiacimento subordino all'alto senso di equità e di giustizia di cotoesto Onorevole Governo il provvedimento necessario per l'estensione nei sensi proposti del citato R.D.L. 24. 1. 1944, n. 19.-

AL MINISTRO
Amministratore

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QUARTE

Roma , 11/7/1944

N. 64959 aff. gen n°107/13
Risposta alla lettera Prot. 451 ris.

M 3-6-Int. Adm.C. del 27/6/944

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION

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R.D.L. 24.1.1944, n. 19.-

A. IL MINISTRO

Montanaro

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REDAZIONE
N. 1

31 JUL 1944

A. C. C.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

ACO/13/6/Int

✓ 27 June 1944

SBJ: Increase of clerical stipends

To : His Excellency, Dr. L. Bonomi, Minister of the Interior

Your Excellency:

1. Thank you for your letter 6/784 dated 15 June, which makes clear which classes of the clergy are affected by R.D.L. 24 January 1944, No. 19.
2. In order that the clergy throughout liberated Italy may enjoy the same treatment and with a view to continuity of administration, it appears desirable that the R.D.L. above-mentioned should be made applicable within the territory under Allied Military Government.
3. Before I make such a recommendation, however, I should be glad to have your Excellency's observations upon it.

R. C. S. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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TRANSLATION - Capt Sheps

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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR

DEPARTMENT FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF FUNDS OF THE CHURCH

SALERNO 15 June, 1944.

SUBJECT: Religious Affairs

TO: Rear HQ, A.C.C.
 Interior Sub- commission
 APO 394

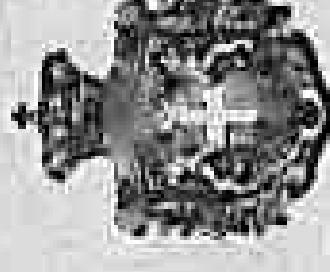
1. The R.D.L. of 24 January, No. 19, extended the increase which had already been granted to government functionaries by R.D.L. of 10 November 1943, No. 5/B, to the fixed and continuing allowances already enjoyed by the Clergy and charged on the budget of the Cult Fund. This R.D.L. expressly referred to the Clergy who were receiving a "supplemento di congrua" (or supplementary allowance) comparable, as far as the effect of the aforesaid law went, to the emoluments granted to the said functionaries. In fact, as is well known, such "supplemento di congrua" (or supplementary allowances) is the integration which the Cult Fund grants those invested with certain benefices (i.e., curacies, canonries, bishoprics) of the net income apertaining to all benefices, in order to bring the said income up to a legally fixed limit considered as the minimum of income sufficient for the maintenance of the invested. Therefore, the increase was extended only to the aforesaid integration (supplemento di congrua) as an allowance of a fixed and continuing nature and by analogy, it was granted also to all other fixed and continuing allowances in favour of the Clergy and charged on the Cult Fund budget.

2. The Secular Clergy, which is not invested with any benefice, cannot have the increase on the basis of the aforesaid law insofar as they do not receive any allowance payable by the Cult Fund, but, instead, draw their means of subsistence from compensation received from the faithful for their religious services (stole rights), and therefore, like others who exercise a free profession, may compensate themselves for the increased cost of living deriving from present war conditions by an increase of the relative tariffs and increases which should be ordered by the competent ecclesiastical authorities. The religious Clergy (religious orders) are maintained by their Communities which draw the necessary means of maintenance from the goods of the Communities themselves, from the gifts of the faithful and from the "stole" revenues which belong to the members of the order itself.

3. Other priests not invested with benefices could not have the aforesaid increase which was granted only to those invested with benefices and enjoying the "supplemento di congrua" or equivalent allowance of a fixed or continuing nature payable by the Cult Fund. Finally, the parish vicars, if independent, enjoy a supplementary allowance which is paid to them directly; they therefore get the above-mentioned increase directly: if, on the other hand they depend upon the parish priest, the compensation due to them is included in the "congrua parochiale" (or parish allowance) paid by the Cult Fund, and they should receive from the pastor himself the increase and allowance due to them since in the increase of the "suplemento di congrua" granted to the pastor, is included the same increase due to his assistant.

THE MINISTER.

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Ministero dell'Interno

Direz. Gen. del Fondo per il Culto

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Risposta alla lettera 17.8.

N.A.C.C./134/Tit. 5/5/24

OGGETTO

Affari Ecclesiastici-

16 JUN 1944

Salvo 15 Giugno 1944

REAR HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL
COMMISSION TERRITORI SUB COMMISSION
AO 394

1° Il R.D.L. 24 gennaio n° 19, estese l'aumento di stipendio, concesso ai funzionari statali ed assimilati con Decreto Legge 10 novembre 1943, n° 5-B, agli assegni fissi e continuativi già goduti dal Clero e gravanti sul bilancio del Fondo per il Culto e perciò si riferi espressamente al Clero, che percepiva il supplemento di congrua, assimilabile, a tale effetto, agli emolumenti spettanti agli intendegati. In verità, come è noto, il supplemento di conserua è l'integrazione, che il Fondo per il Culto concede agli investiti di determinati benefici (curati, canonici, vescovi) alla rendita netta appartenente ad ogni beneficio fino a raggiungere un limite legale fissato come minimo di rendita sufficiente per mantenimento dell'investito. Perciò solitanto a tale integrazione (supplemento di conserua) come assegno di natura fissa e continuativa fu esteso l'aumento, di cui si tratta, che per analogia va concesso anche a tutti gli altri assegni fissi e continuativi a favore del Clero gravanti sul bilancio del Fondo per il Culto.-

2° Il Clero secolare e, cioè, quello non investito di alcun beneficio non può avere l'aumento in base al citato R.D.L. in quanto non percepisce alcun assegno a carico del Fondo per il Culto, ma trae i mezzi di sussistenza dai compensi, che riceve dai fedeli per servizi religiosi, che presta (diritti di stola) e può, quindi, come un esercente una libera professione, compensarsi dell'aumento del costo della vita derivante dalle attuali contingenze belliche, con l'aumento delle relative tariffe, che deve essere disposto dalle competenti superiori Autorità ecclesiastiche.- Il Clero regolare (ordini religiosi) è mantenuto dalla comunità, che trae i mezzi necessari dai beni della comunità stessa, dalle elargizioni dei fedeli e dai proventi di stola, spettanti ai membri dell'Ordine stesso.-

3° Oltre gli investiti dei benefici, che godono del supplemento di conguaglio comunque di un assegno di natura fissa e continuativa a carico del Fondo per il Culto, gli altri sacerdoti non investiti di

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Risposta alla lettera 178.
N.ACC/134/Tdet. 5/5/24

OGGETTO
Affari Ecclesiastici-

REAR HAZARDOUS AIRS ALLIED CONTROL
COMMITTEE INVESTIGATION SUB COMMISSION
ATO 394

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Infine i vicari parrocchiali, se sono indipendenti godono del supplemento di congrua ad essi liquidato direttamente e quindi hanno l'aumento in parola direttamente, se invece sono dipendenti dal parroco, per cui il compenso ad essi dovuto e ammesso tra le passività nella liquidazione di congrua parrocchiale debbono avere dal parroco stesso l'aumento sull'assegno loro spettante, tenuto presente che nell'aumento concesso al parroco sul supplemento di congrua è compreso anche lo stesso aumento dovuto al suo adiutore.-

IL MINISTRO



cc

REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

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ACC/13A/Int

14 June 1944

SUBJECT: Church Affairs

TO : His Excellency, Minister of Interior

Your Excellency:

1. I shall be very glad to hear from you with regard to my letter of the 6th June, and to receive the information requested therein.

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

WWM/jgt

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

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Ref/83/11/CA.

✓ 8 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Increase of State Subsidies and
Pensions to Priests.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region III.

1. I refer to your letter of 21 April 1944, above subject.
2. This has turned out to be a highly complex question and it is being dealt with by the Administrative Section, a copy of whose most recent letter (ACC/13A/Int, 23 May 1944) is attached for your information.
3. I shall be grateful if you will consult your clergy and report their views and your recommendations concerning the matters suggested in the concluding paragraph of the letter.

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NORMAN E. PISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

ET/RAC.

Copy to:- Admin. Section. —

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NOTES ON PAYMENT OF CLERGY

1. A Clergyman receives various orders before finally being "ordained" as a Priest. In the Western Church, the first "major" order is the Subdeaconate.

The Subdeaconate comprises the following groups or classes of Clergymen whose "title of support" or financial means of livelihood are as stated below:-

(a) TITULO PATRIMONII - those possessing private means and thus financially independent and not requiring maintenance.

(b) TITULO PAUPERATIS - those members of the religious clergy who have taken the vow of poverty and are supported by their own order, Company or Society. The principal of these are Augustinians, Benedictines, Franciscans, and Dominicans; these include certain other organizations attached or affiliated to them.

(c) TITULO DIOCESIOS - this is the normal arrangement found in England and America whereby the Clergyman is supported by the Diocese. It is not known whether such arrangement applies in Italy.

(d) TITULO BENEFICI - At one time a member of the clergy was assigned a foundation, the revenues therefrom constituting his income and support. This foundation, usually a landed estate, was known as "DOS CONGRUA" and in the nature of a dowry. Both the foundation with its revenue called PREBENDA and its corresponding ministrations or office, were called the BENEFICIUM.

Later the State assumed ownership of lands previously held by the Church but undertook the liability for the management of such lands and also for the payment of an amount to the Clergy in lieu of that previously derived by them as DOS CONGRUA. The amount so paid by the State was (and is) known as "CONGRUUS STIPENDI" or "CONGRUA".

2. The "fully fledged" or "ordained"-priest is paid on the basis of the "Titulus beneficii" as in 4, above, and such persons and the method of their payment can be referred to as "Clero Congruato".

3. With regard to the type or class of the Clergy for whom the State has financial obligation, it is clear that they are liable to pay ordained priests in the class "Clero Congruato".

This class, however, may include sub deacons and others who are not yet "priests" and it is not known whether the State's payments also extend to them. It is thought that the State's obligation is confined to ordained priests only.

4. As stated in the Minister's letter of 11 May, no pensions as such, with the exception of the limited class in the old Austro-Hungarian area, is ever paid to a priest. On being ordained and accepted into the Church, the priest is entitled to his appropriate financial support. As at no time does he "retire"; whatever may be his age or state of health, the payment of stipend will continue till death, even though for a period he has not in fact been capable of doing his work.

D R A F T

Prepared by Mr. W. G. Miller & Giff & Peacock and Company
Approved by the Board of Directors of the Bank of Canada

NOTES ON PAYMENT OF CLEHGY

H. S. Miller

~~A man received~~ ~~ordination~~ ~~the monk who became a member of the Clergy holds~~
~~various minor offices before finally being "ordained" as a Priest. After~~
~~promotion from such minor positions, the entrant's first appointment of any~~
~~importance is that of "sub deacon". He is still, however, not as such, a~~
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2. Titolo Paupertatis - those members of the religious Clergy who have taken the vow of poverty (~~poverty~~) and are supported by their own Order, Company, or Society. The principal of these are Augustinians, ~~Reverentia~~, Franciscans & Dominicans; ~~and others, which~~ include certain other organizations attached or affiliated to them.

3. Titolo diocesios - This is the normal arrangement found in England and America by the Diocese. ~~It is not known whether such arrangement applies in Italy.~~

4. Titolo beneficij - At one time a member of the Clergy was, with certain appointments, assigned land and the revenues therefrom constituting his income and support. This ~~foundation, usually provided by the State~~ was known as "Doscongrua" and in the nature of a dowry. ~~Both THE FOUNDATION WITH ITS REVENUE, CALLED PREGENDA, AND ITS CORRESPONDING ADMINISTRATIONS OR OFFICE WERE CALLED THE BENEFICIJ.~~

ut undertook the liability for the management of such land and also for the payment of an amount to the Clergy in lieu of that previously derived by them as "doscongrua". The amount so paid by the State was (and is) known as "Congrous Stipend" or "Congrua".

The "fully fledged" or "ordained" priest is paid on the basis of the "Titolo beneficii" in 4, above, and such persons and the method of their payment can be referred to as "Clero Congruato".

With regard to the type or class of the Clergy for whom the State has a financial obligation, it is clear that they are liable to pay ordained priests in the class "Clero Congruato".

This class, however, was denied.
AND OTHERS

This class, however, may include sub deacons ^{AND OTHERS} who are not yet "priests" and it is not known whether the State's payments also extend to them. It is thought that the State's obligation is confined to ordained priests only.

4 With the exception as confined to ordained priests only.
As stated in ~~the~~ ^{the} letter of the ~~last~~ ^{new} class ~~and~~ ^{and} Husho-Hungaria goes
is ever said to a priest. On being ordained and accepted into
the Church the priest is entitled to his former appropriate
financial support. And as at no time does he ^{retire} whether
he may be ~~too~~ ^{too} old his age or state of health, the population of
it should still continue till death when though for a priest may be
he has not in fact been capable of doing his work.

As stated in the Minister's letter of the
11 May, with the exception of the limited class in
the old Austria-Hungarian area,

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YOUR HEADQUARTERS
ARMED FORCES COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 591

ACU/13A/Int

6 June 1944

SUBJECT: Church Affairs

TO : His Excellency, Signor S. Alvisio, Minister of Interior

Your Excellency:

1. The R.D.L., 24 January, No. 19, which Your Excellency encloses in reply to ACU/13A/Int - "Increase of State Subsidies and Pensions to Priests" - would seem to deal exclusively with the increases of State allowances to one class of clergy, the "clero conguato".
2. Does the religious clergy, ordained "titulus pauperatis" benefit by the aforesaid law? Are there in Italy any other categories of clergy (besides the religious) for whom an equitable increase in remuneration is not provided? For example, what provisions are made for the vicario parrocchiale?



R. G. D. SOLDIER
Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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R. D. L. 24 January 1944 No. 19

- Temporary improvements of fixed allowances granted to the paid Clergy -

VICTOR EMMANUEL III
King of Italy

Whereas art. 13 of the Law 19 Jan. 1939 No. 129
Whereas art. 6 of R.D.L. 23 Feb. 1942 No. 162
Whereas the R.D.L. 30 Oct. 1943 No. 2/B
Whereas the R.D.L. 10 Nov. 1943 No. 5/B

Having considered the exceptional state of things deriving from the War,

On the proposal of the Under-Secretary of State for Interior in agreement with
the Under-Secretary of State for Finance,

Having heard the Council of Ministers,

We decree:

Art. 1

A temporary allowance in addition to the present pay is granted to the clergy paid by
the Government. This allowance will be equal to the one fixed in Art. 1 of R.D.L.
6 Dec. 1943 No. 18/B. It will be effective from the 1st. Nov. 1943 and until new
provision are issued.

Art. 2

In order to make the present Decree effective the Minister of Finance is authorized
to make proposals for the changes to be made to the Budget.

Art. 3

The present Decree will be presented to the Legislative Assemblies for its imbar-
gement in law. A part of the fact that the allowance will be granted from the
date fixed in Art. 1, the present Decree will become effective the day after its
publication in the Official Gazette - Special Series -

We order etc.....

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Lieut. Gerardo.

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R. D.L. 24 January 1944 n. 19
 Temporary Increases ~~of~~ fixed allowances granted to the
 paid clergy -

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Victor Emmanuel III

King of Italy

Whereas art 18. of the law. 19 January 1939 n. 129

" " 6 of R. D. L. 23 February 1942 n. 162

" the R.D.L. 30 October 1943 n. 2/B

" the R.D.L. 10 November 1943 n. 5/B

Having considered the exceptional state of things deriving from the
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 with the Under-Secretary of State for Finance -

Harvey heard the Council of Ministers -

We decree.

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 until new provisions are issued -

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 granted from the date fixed in art. 1, the present Decree will become
 effective the day after its publication in the Official Gazette - Special
 Series -

We order etc. — — —

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Dear Col. Spicer:-

In refece to your para 11 of 48,

I suggest:-

You let me consult with a Papal Curia official here in Salerno, a certain Ruggi D'Aragona, who, I have been told, is the expert here on ecclesiastical remunerations - or appoint someone to speak with him.

As regards para 6, if "pension" means cessation of performance of a compensated office or function, priests who hold benefices could for several reasons cease to hold them. In such cases, the praebendum could cease "Beneficium propter officium." It is true (45B) that the priestly office is legally eternal. But need the beneficium be? However, some priests are ordained with that title of support (titulus beneficii) and it seems to me that as long as they remain ordained some beneficium or dvs.congrua is inherent in the very office of such priests. They are not, therefore, it would seem to be assimilated to the ⁶⁴⁴ Austro-Hungarian "government employee class" - who, as such, may be pensioned.

H. F. Shepton -

R. D. L. 6 December 1943 n. 18 B.

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Temporary Economic Improvements, temporarily granted to
government's personnel and employees depending from the State's
auxiliary offices and public offices.

Victor Emmanuel III *m*

King of Italy.

Whereas art 18 of the law 19 January 1939 n. 129

" R.D.L. 8 July 1943 n. 610

" R.D.L. 30 October 1943 n. 2/B

" R.D.L. 10 November 1943 n. 5/B.

We have decreed:

Art. 1

A temporary allowance, ~~to~~ to be charged on the budget of the respective Administrations, will be granted to civil and military personnel, permanently and temporarily employed by the State ~~Administrations~~, including those with autonomous administration, Provinces, Comunines and Public Assistance Institutions. This allowance will be ~~granted~~ net, it will ~~be~~ not be considered wanted for the rate of pensions and it will be granted ~~to~~ in the basis of the following table:

On the first 1000 monthly lire (0 part of them)	70%
" second "	60%
" third "	30%
" fourth "	20%
" fifth "	10% -

Art. 2

For all personnel permanently and temporarily employed ~~to~~ ~~and others~~, the rate of increase fixed by the previous article will be measured in the total sum ~~now~~ monthly sum deriving from adding the wages or the salary ~~in~~ the pay ^{to} with all personal allowances,

active service pay, and allowances granted war, family, and
expensive life allowances).

Every other allowance or pay granted on a permanent or temporary
basis must be excluded from this account.

Art. 3

In the case of personnel paid with salary, the rates mentioned in
art. 1 will be determined on the gross sum (wanted in months)
got by summing the pay, the personal allowance, the temporary war
allowance, the family and expensive life allowances.

On extra time work this increase will be fixed on the constant rate
of 60% -

- All exceptions mentioned in paragraph 2 of the previous article
are here confirmed.

Art. 4

Agencies controlled by the government and Public Institutes (also
those with an autonomous administration) supervised by the State, institutes
that receive a ~~not~~ permanent financial contribution in the State's budget,
and all such firms attached to these Institutes or directly depending from
them and to which regulations or collective contracts can not be
applied, are authorized to apply to dependent personnel provisions
fixed in previous articles to dependent personnel through decisions
of the competent offices. They have also the faculty to grant improvements
of pay in a smaller rate proportion of that fixe the one fixed by these
provisions -

Art. 5

In no case will this increase be ~~more~~ more than Rs. 100/- gross
19.00 monthly lire -

Art. 6

Provisions of the present Decree will be applied ~~from~~ from ^{1st} November
1963.

The present Decree will become effective on the day after its publication
in the special series of the Official Gazette and it will be presented to
the Legislative Assemblies for conversion into a judgment into law.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION
APO 394

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ACC/13N/int

23 May 1944

SUBJECT: Increase of state subsidies and pensions to priests

TO : RC and MG Section (Deputy Executive Commissioner)

1. The following information given by the Minister of Interior to the Interior sub-Commission is for reply to your letter Ref/83/4/CA of 2 May 1944.
2. It is possible from your reference to the Law No. 227 of 25 January 1931 that the Royal Decree No. 162 (Article 6) of 23 February 1942, and the Royal Decree No. 19 of 24 January 1944 may have been overlooked.
3. The Royal Decree of 23 February 1942 increased the state subsidies by 12%.
4. The Royal Decree of 24th January 1944 grants other temporary increases in these subsidies, as of 1 November 1943, equal to those granted government employees by Royal Decree No. 10/B of 6 December 1943.
5. These state subsidies are provided by the state only when Church income is not sufficient to pay "congruenti" i. e. the paid clergy and do not therefore change the economic position of other priests.
6. About the question which you raise of pensions for priests, the Minister of Interior has assured the Interior sub-Commission that the clergy are considered to be regular members of the hierarchy, even when unable to perform their duties because of illness, infirmity, or age and are paid for life.
7. There is a group of priests in occupied Italy whose parishes are in territory formerly part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. When that territory became Italian, these priests retained their status as government employees and were paid government pensions. Since all records of this group are in Rome and since their parishes are in territory not yet occupied, it is not possible for the Minister of Interior to issue instructions for increasing their pensions.
8. It should be noted that the minister of Interior and the minister of finance have not yet agreed upon an important detail of the Royal Decree of 24 January 1944. The minister of Interior contends that increases should be calculated upon a monthly basis instead of the half-yearly one desired by the minister of finance. The monthly basis would ensure more appreciable increases.

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particularly for the bishops whose plight is reported to be serious.

9. It is believed that this financial problem might be dealt with more appropriately by the Finance sub-Commission rather than by the Interior sub-Commission.

10. There are, however, many unpaid secular clergy, to whom R.C. III's letter may have primary reference, and it seems that the R.C. III is implying amelioration of economic conditions of clergy in general.

11. It is my proposal therefore to continue investigations in thin channels, and when these are complete, further report will be made.

12. Since the provisions of the Royal Decree No. 19 of 24 January 1944 have not been implemented and therefore apply only in Italian Government territory, it is recommended that the increases in state subsidies for priests be extended by

- (1) Executive Memorandum to all Army Group Areas in accordance with the attached draft;
- (2) Implementation of the Royal Decree No. 19 of 24 January 1944 to all Regions.

STANEGATE
Vice President
Administrative Section

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22 May 1944

EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM NO. _____

TO: COAC, 5th and 8th Army Groups

1. The provisions of Royal Decree No. 19 of 24 January 1944, increasing state subsidies for priests are hereby extended to all Military Government territory.

By Command of Lieut. General MACFARLANE:

M. S. JOSH
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner
Allied Control Commission

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394

22 MAY 1944

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Reb. reply
22 May 1944
22 May 1944

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 83/7/CA.20th May 1944.

SUBJECT: Increase of State Subsidies and
Pensions to Priests.

TO : Vice President,
Administrative Section.

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Has the Minister of Interior replied to your
ACC/13A/Int of 5th May? My 83/4/CA of 2.May refers.

Norman L. Fiske
Colonel, Deputy
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Region III (Ref your letter of 21.April).

Economic Section (for Finance Sub-Com) reference
13035/F of 28.April.

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Royal Decree No 16²
Art. 5

3 Feb. 1942

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A payment is authorized of Lire 7700,000 for the fiscal year 1941-42 and of Lire 9300,000 for each subsequent fiscal year, in order that - Starting 1st July 1941 and for all the duration of the war, an increase of 12% to be paid on the wages of priests payed by the Government.

Provisions fixed in art 4 of the Law 28 July 1941 n 701 concerning the assignment of Lire 4000,000 for payment of subsidies to the above mentioned priests are cancelled. The sum of Lire 2.000.000 granted by this provision is included in the sum of Lire 7.700.000 mentioned in the first paragraph of this article —

The Finance Minister is authorized to provide with his own Decrees to the necessary variations of the budget.

St. Gerardo - Translator

Translation No. 504 - Rush!

From copy of Royal Decree
published in Gazzetta Ufficiale
No. 64, on file in legal
Sub-Commission

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Legal Sub-Commission

W.A.S. Dollah
(age 40)

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 Ministry of Information, London, 16 May, 1944
 General Secretary of
 Religious Affairs
 File no. 6/501
 Enclosures 1.

19 MAY 1944

To Col. Hines -
 Director of War Information
 Submissions

Subject: License of Government allowances
 and permissions to parents. TP 43-441.

In reference to the license indicated
 below, I have the honor to advise that
 His Excellency, fully considering the
 difficult conditions of the day, has granted
 by R.D.L. of 24th January, 1944, no 19 temporary
 increases in the allowances made to the conser-
 vation clergy to commence on 1st February 1944,
 equal to one month's government allowances
 by the R.D.L. of 6th December 1943, no 18/13.
 By virtue of entry of the R.D.L. of 24/636

of 1944 no. 19, cited above,
 regarding the request, addressed by
 this Government for an increase of the clergy
 allowances, I desire it appears to point out

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Subject: License of Government witness
and permission to penitent.

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In reference to the case of the
other I have the honor to announce that the
Holmes government, fully understanding the
difficulties involved in the strategy, has agreed
by R.D.L. of 24th January, 1949, no 19, temporary
arrangements will be made to the conve-
nient advantage to accommodate the prosecution
regarding those granted to government witness
by the R.D.L. of York December 1948, no 18/B,

Yours in faith of the R.D.L. #29636

January 1949 no. 19, cited above.

Regarding the appeal, not covered by
this habeas corpus for an increase of life, being
present, I deem it appropriate to point out
that Long has been given the status of
a member of the holyl order, according to the
constitution of Roman catholic apostolic church
from the time when he was born as

such in life. He consists of
the Catholic church in fact its now so called
confederates, who hold their offices in maintaining
in the cities of the States, and the latter
cannot accomplish them for personal reasons such as
age, health, etc.

There is only one exception for the clergy of
the part of the ecclesiastical hierarchy exclusive come under Italian
jurisdiction, where the members of the clergy according
to the constitution of the ~~state~~ ^{empire}, were
considered state functionaries, and could change
when age or health demanded, obtain a pension.
But since these functionaries for the moment, do
not hold under the jurisdiction of that government,
it is not possible to give at present information
for securing their pensions.

O R.R.D.C. 24th January 1944, no 19. *635*

Temporary measures on the abovementioned
to the financial members of the clergy.

Whereas I have made the
by the grace of God and by the will of the nation
King of Italy

Whereas article 18 of the Law of 19th January 1939, no 129,
whereas article 6 of the R.D.L. of 23rd February 1942, no. 162,
Whereas the R.D.L. of 30th October 1943, no. 3/B; and
Whereas the R.D.L. of 1st November 1943 no. 5/B; and
Considering that ^a stroke of necessity exists as an
immediate;
On the proposal of the Minister of State
for the Interior in accord with the Minister of
Finance;

Having heard the opinion of the Ministers,

the same decided and do decree:

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Article 1

As from the 1st November 1943 and until further
notice, all the grants, rents and the financial fixed
allowances to the financial members of the clergy ~~will~~
be reduced to the established rate.

By the grace of God and by the will of the State
King of Italy
Article 18 of the law of 10th January 1937 no. 179,
which article of the R.D.L. of 23rd February 1942 no. 162,
changes the R.D.L. of 30th October 1943 no. 2/B; and
in view of the R.D.L. of 10th November 1943 no. 5/B; and
considering that there is no security in
most of these;
On the proposal of the State Secretary of State
for the duration in accordance with the Memorandum of
State for Finance;
Planning Board the council of Ministers,
the same decreed and so decree:

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Article 1
do from the 1st November 1943 and until further
notice all the temporary rights on the present fiscal
allowances, the permanent members of the clergy will
be granted equal to those established by article 1
of the R.D.L. of 6th December 1943 no. 18/B.
Article II

The Minister of Finance is authorized to
make the variations in the law above

2) shall recognize in order to obviate the procedure
of Article III

The present decree will be published
in the Legislative Assembly for convenience to lay
and, commencing as established in article IV, will
enter into force on the day following its publication
in the Official Gazette of the Kingdom - Special issue,
the order, do all those concerned, to observe
and see that others observe the present decree as law
of the State.

From the Supreme Command, 24th January, 1944

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Salerno 11 maggio 1944

MILANO SIG. R.G. SPICER

Lt. COLONEL - Direttore della Sottocommissione per l'Interno

SALENTO

Risposta al f.º del 5 corrente

Dir. Se. Acc. N.13/A/Int.

OGGETTO Aumento dei sussidi di Stato e delle pensioni ai preti.

TIPI A. BORGAROVA - SALERNO

Con riferimento alla nota sopra indicata, ho il pregio di comunicare che il Governo Italiano, rendendosi esatto conto delle disagiate condizioni in cui versa il clero ha con R.D.L. 24 gennaio 1944, n. I9 accordato miglioramenti temporanei sulle misure degli assegni a favore del clero congruato a decorrere dal 1º novembre 1943, pari a quelli stabiliti a favore degli impiegati statali con il R.D.L. 6 dicembre 1943, n. I8/B.

Accludo al riguardo copia del R.D.L. 24 gennaio 1944, n. I9, sopra citato.

Circa poi la richiesta avanzata da codesta Sottocommissione per l'aumento delle pensioni a favore del clero, reputo opportuno far presente che l'investitura dell'ordine sacro, giusta la costituzione della Chiesa cattolica apostolica romana, derivando dal sacramento, resta indelebile alla persona ed è a vita. La costituzione della Chiesa cattolica, infatti, prevede i cosiddetti coadiutori, che esplicano il loro ufficio nel partecipare alle funzioni del titolare, quando questi non possa soddisfarle sia per condizioni personali di età, di salute od altro.

Vi è una sola eccezione per il clero degli stati dell'ex impero austro-ungarico, passati sotto la giurisdizione italiana, poiché secondo la costituzione di tale ex impero, i componenti il clero erano considerati funzionari statali, e perciò potevano, per ragioni di età e di salute, chiedere la pensione. Ma poiché tali territori sfuggono, per il momento, alla giurisdizione di questo Governo, non si possono dettare ora norme per migliorare economicamente gli assegni di pensione.

IL MINISTRO

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R.D.L. 24 GENNAIO 1944 n° 19

Miglioramenti temporanei sulle misure degli assegni
a favore del clero congruato.

VITTORIO EMANUELE III^o
per grazia di Dio e per volontà della Nazione
RE D'ITALIA

Visto l'art. 1^o della legge 19 gennaio 1943 n° 129
Visto l'art. 6 del R.D.L. 23 febbraio 1942 n° 162
Visto il R.D.L. 30 ottobre 1943 n. 2/B.
Visto il R.D.L. 10 novembre 1943 n° 5/B.

Pittenuto che si versa in stato di necessità a causa della
guerra;

Sulla proposta del Sottosegretario di Stato per l'Interno di
concordo con il Sottosegretario di Stato per le Finanze;
Sentito il Consiglio dei Ministri

ABBIAMO DECRETATO E DISCIPLINATO:

Art/ 1

A decorrere dal 1^o novembre 1943 e fino a nuova dismissione alle mi-
sure degli assegni fissi attualmente in vigore a favore del clero con-
gruato è applicata una integrazione temporanea pari a quella stabilita
dall'art. 1 del R.D.L. 6 dicembre 1943 n° 1^o/B.

Art/ 2

Il Ministro delle Finanze è autorizzato a proporre le variazioni di
bilancio occorrenti per l'attuazione del presente decreto.-

Art/ 3

Il presente decreto sarà presentato alle assemblee legislative per la
conversione in legge, e ferma la decorrenza di cui all'art. 1^o, esclusa
in vigore nel giorno successivo alla sua pubblicazione nella Gazzetta
Ufficiale del Regno - Serie speciale.
Ordiniamo, a chiunque spetti, di osservare il presente decreto e di far
lo osservare come legge dello Stato.-

Dal Comando Supremo, 24 gennaio 1944

Salvo tempo! Non v'è tempo da perdere!
In dieci giorni affari di buon mercato!
In dieci giorni affari di buon mercato!

per grazia di Dio e per volontà della Nazione

RE D'ITALIA

Visto l'art. 1º della legge 19 gennaio 1939 n° 129
Visto l'art. 6 del R.D.L. 23 febbraio 1942 n° 162
Visto il R.D.L. 30 ottobre 1943 n. 2/B.
Visto il R.D.L. 10 novembre 1943 n° 5/B.

Ritenuto che si versa in stato di necessità a causa della guerra;

Sulla proposta del Sottosegretario di Stato per l'Interno di concerto con il Sottosegretario di Stato per le Finanze;
Sentito il Consiglio dei Ministri

ABITUO DECRETO E DIRETTIVO:

Art / 1

A decorrere dal 10 novembre 1943 e fino a nuova disposizione alle misure degli assegni fissi attualmente in vigore del clero-congruato è applicata una integrazione temporanea pari a quella stabilita dall'art. 1 del R.D.L. 6 dicembre 1943 n° 18/B.

Art / 2

Il Ministro delle Finanze è autorizzato a proporre le variazioni al bilancio occorrenti per l'attuazione del presente decreto.

Art / 3

Il presente decreto sarà presentato alle assemblee legislative per la conversione in legge, e ferma la decorrenza di cui all'art. 1º, entro tre mesi dalla pubblicazione nella Gazzetta Ufficiale del Regno - Serie speciale. Ordiniamo, a chiunque spetti, di osservare il presente decreto e di farlo osservare come legge dello Stato.

Dai Comando Supremo, 24 gennaio 1944

Giulio Cesare, M.R.P., Ministro delle Finanze
Inviato in forma di fax al Consiglio dei Ministri
Con Giacomo Caviglia, Ministro dell'Industria
Inviato in forma di fax al Consiglio dei Ministri

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ACO/13A/Int

16 May 1944

SUBJECT: Increase of State Subsidies and Pensions to Priests

TO : His Excellency, Dott. S. Aldisio, Minister of Interior

Your Excellency:

I shall be glad to know if you are in a position to let *P.41*
me have your views on the suggestion contained in my letter of 5th May.

R. G. B. SPICER

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

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
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AMC/13A/Int

5 May 1944

SUBJECT: Increase of state subsidies and pensions to priests

TO : His Excellency, Dott. S. Aldisio, Minister of Interior

Your Excellency:

1. The Finance sub-Commission has had occasion to consider the above subject.
2. That Sub-commission is of the opinion that the state subsidy paid to the clergy according to Law 227 of 25 January 1931 should be increased by the same percentage as has been applied to wages and salaries.
3. The matter has been raised particularly by the Regional Commissioner of Region III. In order, however, to ensure uniformity in all areas, it has been suggested that the Italian Government should be asked to take the necessary action with a view to their decision also being applied by A.C.C. in occupied territory.
4. I shall be glad to receive your Excellency's views and if the suggestion is approved, will you kindly indicate what action by the government will be necessary to give effect to their decisions.
5. The favour of Your Excellency's early reply will be appreciated.

Reminder sent 16/5 see P. 43

R. G. B. SPICER

1st Colonel

Director

Interior sub-Commission

Copy to:

RC & MG Section - 973
(ref your letter 83/4/CA of 2 May to V.P., Admin Section)

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

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Ref/83/4/CA

✓ 2 May 1944

SUBJECT: Increase of State Subsidies and Pensions to Priests.

TO : V.P. Admin. Section.

1. The Finance Sub-Commission is of the opinion that the State Subsidy paid to the clergy according to Law No. 227 of 25 January 1931 should be increased by the same percentages as have been applied to wages and salaries.

2. This matter has been raised by R.C. Region III but in order to ensure uniformity in all areas, it is suggested that the Italian Government be asked to take the necessary action and that ACC approve and extend such action to the AMG regions.

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

Copy to:

R.C. Region III, ref. your letter of 21 April.
Economic Section (for Finance Sub-Comm.) ref. 13035/F of
28 April 1944.

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