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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

C o n f i d e n t i a l

28 February 1946

AC/45/38/LG

SUBJECT : Observation of Elections of Communal Councils

DISTRIBUTION: see below

1. Over fifty per cent of the Communes in Italy will go to the polls to elect the members of their new Communal Councils on five successive Sundays: 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st March and 7th April. It is part of the functions of AC Liaison Officers to observe these elections in the same way as they do any other public activity in their area. This directive contains instructions as to how LOs are to proceed in observing such elections.

2. Appendix "A" contains a list of the Communes in your area which will vote on the four Sundays in March above mentioned. The lists for 10th and 17th March are final, but those for 24th and 31st March are not yet complete and no information has yet been received as to the Communes voting on 7th April. Supplementary lists will be supplied as information is received in this HQ.

3. Appendix "B" is a very brief statement of the procedure at the polling stations restricted to the main points likely to be of interest to LOs.

4. The policy of this HQ is that the conduct of elections is strictly a matter for the Italians to settle. Great care must therefore be taken to avoid any possible impression, which would be erroneous, that Allied representatives are interfering in or supervising the elections. The conduct of LOs in observing the elections will be as inconspicuous as possible. In particular an LO will on no account enter a polling station or any place where votes are being counted.

5. Within the general principles enunciated in the preceding paragraphs it is left to the discretion of LOs to determine how they should inform themselves upon this subject. They will of course make use of their usual sources of information such as the local Press and their normal contacts with Italian functionaries. LOs should visit a typical Commune or Communes on election day and observe the behaviour of the population in the streets and public places.

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6. The Italian Government itself has appointed a number of officials from the Ministry of the Interior of the rank of Prefect or Vice-Prefect to be Inspectors General for the purpose of observing the conduct of elections in various parts of Italy. A list of these Inspectors General and their areas is given in Appendix "C". LOs should make contact with these Inspectors General who can obviously be a useful source of information.
7. Reports are required after each election day from LOs on this subject and should be addressed to the Local Government Sub Commission at this HQ. They should mention very briefly what they have observed and draw attention to any special or unusual feature. In this connection Appendix "B" should be studied carefully. Among points which might be noted are the following: state of public order; any electioneering within 200 metres of polls; any election meetings in public places; any other type of political activity; any form of intimidation or bribery to influence voting; any unusual use of transport to bring people to the polls; etc.
8. As regards UDINE Province the attention of the Provincial Commissioner is drawn to the fact that although the Province is under AMG the elections are entirely an Italian matter and that they are being carried out by the Italians themselves pursuant to Italian law. The instructions contained in this directive apply equally as well to AMG Officers in UDINE.

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9. The Officers of Local Government Sub Commission will visit selected Communes to make a closer technical study of the elections. They will, when it is possible, contact the appropriate CLOs in the course of their visits. Such visits however are not in substitution for the observation of the elections by LOs in accordance with this directive.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

M. CARR
Brigadier
VP CA Section

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APPENDIX "B"

Election of Communal Council - Procedure at polling station

1. Communes are divided into sections containing 100-1000 electors. Each section has its own polling station.
2. Only the officials and electors holding certificates of registration in the electoral lists may enter the polling stations. The police may not enter unless requested by the presiding official or in the case of disorder.
3. The polling stations are divided across the middle by a barrier. On one side are the officials' table and the voting booths, on the other side stand the electors waiting to vote.
4. The elector must first produce his identity card or otherwise identify himself as the person registered. He must also present his certificate of registration in the electoral lists. The Sindaco issues the certificate to all registered electors 5 days or more before the election. The presiding official then tears off and conserves a detachable strip from the certificate of registration and hands the voter a ballot paper and a pencil.
5. The ballot paper contains lists in parallel columns of the candidates nominated by the various parties. Candidates have to be formally nominated 30 days before the election. The names of those duly nominated have to be publicly posted in the Communes 15 days before the elections and also in the polling station. (Note: Nominations for the elections on 10 and 17 March should therefore have been published by now or within a day or two).
6. The elector goes into one of the curtained polling booths, marks his paper, folds it and hands it (and the pencil) to the presiding official who places it in the ballot box.
7. In Communes of less than 30,000 inhabitants the candidates receiving the highest number of votes are elected, but the elector can only vote for four-fifths of the seats to be filled. The elector votes by putting a cross against the names of the candidates of his choice. He can also vote for a whole list by putting a cross on top of the column. In that case he may cancel names by striking them out and add names from other lists by putting a cross against them.
8. In Communes of 30,000 inhabitants or more or which (whatever their population) are provincial capitals, the voting is by proportional representation. In this case the voter must vote for the list by putting a cross at the head of the column of candidates chosen by him. He may however cancel names from the list. He may also put a cross against the names of particular candidates in the list voted by him to indicate that he prefers them to the others. He may give from 1 to 5 preference votes according to the size of the Council to be elected.

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9. Polling hours are from 0800 to 1900 hours - in large sections until 2000 hours. Electors actually within the polling station at the close of the poll may vote until 2100 hours.
10. The ballot papers are checked and votes are counted at the polling station immediately after the closing of the poll. The following day the presiding officials of all sections meet in one of the polling stations, add up the results of all the sections and declare the result.
11. All kinds of electioneering are forbidden within a radius of 200 metres of a polling station. No election meetings may be held in public places on the election day.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

24 Oct 45

Ref : AC/9/A/LG

SUBJECT : Communications to Prefects

TO : RC LIGURIA Region
RC LOMBARDIA Region
RC PIEMONTE Region
RC VENETIA Region
(Scale RMQ 4; RMQ 2)

- 1 Attention has been drawn to the fact that, although strictly speaking the Italian Government is not entitled to issue orders directly to officials in AMG territory but may only do so through AMG channels, in some cases Italian Ministries have relatively recently commenced to communicate by telegram directly with Italian Officials in AMG Territory.
- 2 This relaxation has a certain practical convenience and in very few cases has it created any real difficulty. To interfere with the practice which has arisen will throw a greater burden of work upon reduced AC and AMG staffs and will reduce the speed of communication. In view of these facts and of the probable short time remaining before the handover, it is not proposed to upset the present practice.
- 3 PCs however should inform their Prefects that in the event of any instruction being received which is inconsistent with AMG practice, the matter will be reported to the PC.
- 4 If the PC is not able to resolve the difficulty himself, particulars will be forwarded to this HQ so that the matter can be taken up with the Ministry, so that, if desirable, a cancellation or modification of the instruction may be issued.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER



M. CARR, Brig,
VP CA Section

2. It is requested that PCs cause reports to be accompanied by a good English translation which they no doubt invariably make for their own use. Some PCs have made this a practice but not others. If the practice is always followed, it will result in a great saving of time in the handling at this HQ of reports from 30 provinces.

3. It has been noticed that in certain reports, Prefects refer to matters which are within the competence of AKG. For instance, one Prefect alleged as one of his difficulties in supervising preparation of the electoral lists the fact that the Vice Prefect Inspector could not get petrol, which of course is a matter which only the PC could handle. The comments of PCs on any such matters and indeed on the reports in general will be appreciated.

4. In some cases, reports are being received in this HQ at a date considerably later than the period to which they refer -- sometimes as much as 5 or 6 weeks late. Would PCs please make a special point of having their Prefects submit reports to them the day after the end of the period to which they relate and of transmitting them with translation as soon as they can to Regional HQ.

5. Some Regional HQs invariably send in the reports from all their Provinces together, whereas others send them in one by one as they arrive. It would be appreciated if all Regions would take the responsibility of getting in the reports from all their provinces and sending them together to this HQ.

6. The additional information required by the Ministry's circular sent herewith is extensive and will add considerably to the length of the Prefects' reports, but it is considered to be essential information required by the Italian Government and necessary for a factual picture of the progress being made in Military Government Territory. This Sub Commission agrees with the Minister's criticisms of the vagueness of and in some cases contradictions in some Prefects' reports **4918** copies submitted.

7. It will also be appreciated that these reports are practically the only means of keeping the Chief Commissioner (and through him higher authority) advised from time to time of the progress being made, a matter in which he takes great interest.

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RALPH R. TETLOW,
Major,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

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THE MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
 Direction General of Civil Administration
 Electoral Service

File : 1550 Z

Rome, 5th October 1945

SUBJECT: Fortnightly Reports - State of electoral operations.

TO : ALL PROVINCES OF PROVINCES ADMINISTERED BY THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT
 ALL PREFECTS OF PROVINCES UNDER ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
 for information: HIGH COMMISSIONERS FOR SICILY AND SARDINIA

This Ministry wishes to have accurate information about the state of electoral proceedings, while the fortnightly reports from the Prefectures are often very vague and sometimes details given in one report are in contrast with those given in the next one. Therefore, will you please, with your first report after receiving this circular, send this office a full list of the communes of your Province with the answer to the following questions for every different commune.

- 1) - Has the male general list been approved?
 (the communes who have applied circular n. 18705/15500 L. of the 11th July are not to be considered);
- 2) - Has the compilation of the female general list been finished?
 (including the communes who applied article 3 of D.L.L. 12 April 1945, n. 204)
- 3) - Has the male general list been approved?
- 4) - Has the female general list been approved?
- 5) - Have the sectional lists been compiled?
- 6) - Have the sectional lists been approved?
- 7) - Has the male additional list been compiled?
 (electors born in 1924)
- 8) - Has the female additional list been compiled?
 (women born in 1924)
- 9) - Has the male additional list been approved?
- 10) - Has the female additional list been approved?
- 11) - Have the sectional additional lists been compiled?
- 12) - Have the sectional additional lists been approved?

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- 11) - Have the sectional additional lists been compiled?
- 12) - Have the sectional additional lists been approved?
- 13) - Give the definite number of sections formed.
- 14) - Has the Commune provided for the furniture for the "electoral seats"?

This report must be brought up to date with all the subsequent fortnightly reports.

In addition to this cumulative information and with the fortnightly reports (unless you deem necessary to do it by ordinary letter), all you please inform the Ministry also about the general situation of the Province, the work of the Council, of the electoral commissions and of the provincial commission for sanctions against Fascism, about the supply of urns (the number of urns required as ascertained through inventory, the orders given for the supply, the price per urn and the total price must be specified), about any irregularity noticed during inspections and any action taken in this connection.

We also beg to draw your attention to the necessity that this report be made as soon as possible and that instructions of this circular be fully complied with in making the usual fortnightly reports.

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FOR THE DIRECTOR
Vicente

MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO
Direzione Generale dell'Amministrazione Civile
Servizio Elettorale

Prot. No. 1530.2

Roma 5 ottobre 1945

OGGETTO: Relazioni quindicinali - Stato delle operazioni elettorali.

CIRCOLARE

AI PREFETTI DELLE PROVINCE AMMINISTRATE DAL
GOVERNO ITALIANO
AI PREFETTI DELLE PROVINCE DELL'ITALIA SETTENTRIONALE
e, per conoscenza;
AGLI ALTI COMMISSARI PER LA SICILIA E LA SARDEGNA

Poiche' questo Ministero ha bisogno di conoscere con la massima esattezza lo stato dei lavori di compilazione delle liste elettorali nei singoli comuni, e poiche' le notizie fornite al riguardo con le relazioni quindicinali risultano spesso incomplete e, a volta, anche in contrasto con precedenti segnalazioni, si pregano le SS. LL. di voler far rimettere all'Ufficio scrivente con la prima relazione quindicinale da inviare dopo la ricezione della presente circolare, un prospetto generale dei comuni delle rispettive provincie contenente, per ciascuno di essi, le seguenti notizie:

- 1) se sia stata ultimata la compilazione della lista generale maschile (esclusi quindi i comuni che si siano avvalsi della facolta' concessa con la circolare 11 luglio, n. 18706/15600.L);
- 2) se sia stata ultimata la compilazione della lista generale femminile (compresi i comuni che si siano avvalsi della facolta' concessa dall'art. 3 del D.L.L. 12 aprile 1945, n. 201);
- 3) se sia stata approvata la lista generale maschile;
- 4) se sia stata approvata la lista generale femminile;
- 5) se siano state compilate le liste di sezione;
- 6) se siano state approvate le liste di sezione;
- 7) se sia stata compilata la lista suppletiva maschile (elettori classe 1924;
- 8) se sia stata compilata la lista suppletiva femminile (elettrici classe 1924);
- 9) se sia stata approvata la lista suppletiva maschile;
- 10) se sia stata approvata la lista suppletiva femminile;
- 11) se siano state compilate le liste suppletive sezionali;
- 12) se siano state approvate le liste suppletive sezionali;
- 13) il numero definitivo delle sezioni elettorali (o, per le Prefetture che avessero gia' inviato il relativo prospetto, le eventuali modificazioni alla situazione gia' segnalata;
- 14) se il comune abbia provveduto a predisporre l'arredamento per i seggi elettorali.

Il prospetto di cui trattasi dovra' poi essere aggiornato di volta in volta con le successive relazioni quindicinali con tutti i dati relativi al periodo cui si riferiscono.

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A complemento del predetto aggiornamento nelle relazioni quindicinali dovra' riferirsi sulla situazione in genere per tutta la provincia, sullo stato dei lavori dei casellari, delle commissioni elettorali nonche' della commissione provinciale per le sanzioni contro il fascismo, sulla fornitura delle urne ai comuni (specificando, qualora non sia stato gia' fatto, il fabbisogno accertato a seguito delle indagini disposte con la circolare 26 gennaio u.s., n.1613/15600.3; le ordinazioni commesse per la fornitura delle urne risultate occorrenti e la spesa unitaria e globale impegnata), sulle eventuali situazioni anormali emerse a seguito di ispezioni o di altri accertamenti nonche' sui provvedimenti adottati al riguardo, infine su quanto altro le SS.LL. ritenessero di dover segnalare, sempreche' non sia stata ravvisata l'opportunita' di darne comunicazione al Ministero con corrispondenza normale.

Si richiama l'attenzione delle SS.LL. sulla necessita' che il prospetto di cui trattasi venga inviato con ogni possibile sollecitudine e che per le successive relazioni quindicinali vengano scrupolosamente seguite le istruzioni impartite con la presente circolare.

Pel MINISTRO
Vicedomini

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSIONS

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

Tel : 478706

15 October 1945

AC/45/15/A/LG

SUBJECT : Preparation of electoral lists--Electoral Commissions.

TO : Distribution as below

The enclosed Ministry of the Interior circular No. 1300-G is forwarded for delivery to the Prefect. For the information of PCs and PCs an English translation of the circular is annexed together with a translation of the Ministry's covering letter to this Sub Commission No. 1300-G of 24 September, which sets out the reasons why this circular is necessary.

Recent indications received in this Headquarters show that in Southern and Central Italy the approval of lists by Electoral Commissions is proceeding far too slowly; and there is danger of a bottle-neck arising at this stage of the work similar to that which already exists in the Judicial Record Offices ("Casellari Giudiziali").

PCs should accordingly make immediate inquiry as to the position with regard to Electoral Commissions and Sub-Commissions in their provinces. They should ascertain whether all such bodies have been duly constituted, and, if not, insist that the Prefect, in conjunction with the Provincial Deputation, complete the necessary appointments at once. They should also satisfy themselves that the Electoral Commissions and Sub-Commissions have an adequate staff and that they are either proceeding expeditiously with the examination and approval of such lists as they have received or that they are in a position to do so as soon as they do receive any.

PCs will please also instruct their Prefects to include in their next and all subsequent fortnightly reports a statement of : --

- (a) - the total number of Electoral Commissions and Sub-Commissions required by law to be appointed in the province : and
- (b) - the number actually appointed at the date of each report.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER :

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Reginald R. Temple

RAIMON R. TEMPLE,
Major,
Director,
Local Government Sub-Commission

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Ref : 15600 G Rome, 24.9.45

From : Ministry of Interior
Dir. Gen. Amm. Civile
Electoral Service

To : A.C. Local Govt S/C

Subject : Appointment members electoral commissions
and sub-commissions.

1. From queries which have reached this Ministry it has been noted that often in the provinces of the Northern Italy, the electoral commissions and subcommissions have been constituted, as regards the appointment of the members by the Deputazioni Provinciali, from citizens residing in Communes other than those where the said Commissions meet.

2. Since such a procedure, which after all is not in contrast with the provisions so far issued, is causing not only a substantial burden of expenses on the State budget owing to the necessity of paying out to the interested parties besides the allowance for attendance also the reimbursement of travel expenses and billeting expenses, but above all in interfering with the normal functioning of said Commissions which on account of the volume of their tasks will have to meet daily until their mission has been fulfilled, it was deemed opportune to ask Prefects to constitute, if possible, the said Commissions and Sub Commissions from citizens residing in the same commune.

3. For this purpose we have prepared the enclosed circular which barring any objections on the part of your Commission, we are kindly requesting you to have it distributed with all dispatch to the Prefects of the provinces still under AMG jurisdiction.

4. Kindly acknowledge.

FOR THE MINISTER
Vicedomini

MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
DIREZIONE GENERALE AMMINISTRAZ. CIVILE
ELETTORAL SERVICE

TELEGRAPHIC CIRCULAR

To : Prefects of Provinces of
Northern Italy.

1300-G Electoral Service Stop. Following inquiries received wish to make clear desirability that member electoral commissions and sub-commissions to be appointed by Deputazione Provinciale be chosen among citizens residing in communes heads of mandamenti not only in order to limit expenses charged to the State Treasury but above all in order to permit the regular functioning of said commissions which shall meet even daily until their tasks have been completed stop. Whereas commissions and subcommissions have already been set up contrary to present directives you are kindly requested to examine the possibility of proceeding to substitute members residing in different Comune stop. Kindly acknowledge stop.

FOR THE MINISTER
Vicedomini

MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO
DIREZIONE GENERALE AMMINISTR. CIVILE
Servizio Elettorale

CIRCOLARE TELEGRAFICA

Prefetti Province Italia Settentr.

1300-G Servizio elettorale alt. Seguito quesiti rivolti chiariscasi opportunità che componenti Commissioni et sottocommissioni elettorali da nominarsi da Deputazione Provinciale siano scelti tra cittadini residenti comuni capoluogo mandamento non solo scopo limitare spese carico erario ma soprattutto consentire regolare funzionamento predetti comessi che dovranno riunirsi anche quotidianamente fino al completo adempimento compiti loro affidati alt. Ove commissioni et sottocommissioni siano state già costituite contrasto presenti direttive pregarsi esaminare possibilità procedere sostituzione componenti residenti Comuni diversi alt. Pregasi segnare ricevuta alt.

PER IL MINISTRO
Vicedomini

REPUBLICAN ALLIED COMMISSION
 APC 394
 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AS/45/4/10

Tel: 476190

SUBJECT: Preparation of Electoral Lists.

4 October 1945

TO : Distributive as below.

1. Reference is made to Directive AS/45/4/10 dated 3 September 1945 on the subject of Provincial Commissions under Art. 8 of D.L. 159.

2. Some doubt has arisen to the precise meaning of the reference to the "Presidents of the Courts of Appeals of each Province" in part 5 of the above-mentioned Directive.

3. This is not meant to imply that a Court of Appeals exists in each Province, but that Presidents of the Courts of Appeals serving each Province (one Court may serve many Provinces, are to be instructed to nominate 2 popular judges in each province under their jurisdiction.

[Signature]
 RALPH R. HARRIS

Major

Director

Local Government Sub Commission

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" L'Aspettativa

HEADQUARTERS ARMED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/45/24/13

Tel : 478706

1 October 1945

SUBJECT : Provincial Commissions
under D.L. No. 159 Art. 8

TO : PG _____ Province (through RC)

1. Reference CA Section circular AC/45/4/LG of 3 September, the President of the Council of Ministers has now appointed the President of the Provincial Commission for your province.

2. The appointee is : _____

This HQ. approves the appointment.

3. It has been decided not to publish the appointment in the Official Gazette, as was suggested in para 2 of the circular quoted above, as time will thus be saved and publication is not strictly requisite. The approval of this HQ. hereby conveyed, is a full and sufficient authority.

4. An Italian translation of this letter is accordingly enclosed for delivery to the Prefect. He should be instructed to inform the President of the Provincial Commission of his appointment and to arrange for the Commission to get to work at once.

5. A copy of this letter is also enclosed for retention at Regional HQ.

RAIMON R. TWITTE,
Major,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APC 284
LOCAL GOVERNING AFB COMMISSION

AC/45/24/LG

Tel. 476190

1 October 1945

OGGETTO : Commissioni Provinciali ai sensi del
D.L.L. No. 159 Art. 8

AL : Commissario Provinciale _____ (tramite Commissario
Regionale)

1. Con riferimento alla Circolare della Sezione Affari Civili AC/45/24/LG del 3 Settembre, il Presidente del Consiglio dei Ministri ha ora nominato il Presidente della Commissione Provinciale per la vostra Provincia.

2. La persona nominata e' : _____

Questo Quartiere Generale approva la sua nomina.

3. Si e' deciso di non più usare detta nomina nella Gazzetta Ufficiale, come era stato suggerito nel paragrafo 2 della sopracitata circolare, poiche' in tal modo si risparmierebbe tempo e poiche' la sua pubblicazione non e' strettamente richiesta. L'approvazione di questo Quartiere Generale, trasmessa mediante questa lettera, costituisce piena e sufficiente autorita'.

4. Si esclude pertanto traduzione italiana di questa lettera affinche' venga consegnata al Prefetto. Il Prefetto ovvia ricevendo istruzioni di informare il Presidente della Commissione Provinciale della sua nomina e di provvedere affinche' la Commissione inizi immediatamente i suoi lavori.

5. Copia di questa lettera viene pure esclusa per uso del Quartiere Generale Regionale.

R. R. TEMPLE,
Major,
Director,
Local Government S/C

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMISSION

AFO 194

LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND COLLECTIONS

40/45/24/13

Ref: 478150

SUBJECT: Preparation of electoral lists - extension of time-limits. 20 September 1945

TO : Distribution as below.

1. Some Prefects have in recent fortnightly reports referred to the fact that certain communes have compiled their electoral lists as far as they can and are now waiting for the return of postal certificates from the various Judicial Record Offices before they can forward the lists to the Electoral Commission for approval. The Prefects have suggested that these communes might be authorized to send their lists to the Electoral Commission at once (without waiting for all the postal certificates) and to send the certificates to the Electoral Commission afterwards, as and when they come in.
2. As regards the male electoral lists, this procedure is NOT permissible. The estimated percentage of disqualifying criminality among men is such that the course suggested carries too grave a risk of unqualified persons obtaining the right to vote. The point has been dealt with in Ministry of Interior circular 15600 L. of 18 July, information for this purpose contained in Decree of 15 October 1945.

3. As regards the female electoral lists, it is permissible to forward them to the Electoral Commission without waiting for all the postal certificates to come in, since the estimated percentage of disqualifying criminality among women is much lower than among men. This was authorized by DML 14 April 1945 No. 201, art. 3, published in Official Gazette No. 29 of 17 May 1945.

The extension of Prefects should be made to the Decree and the particular above-mentioned. If for any reason they are not in possession of them, they should apply to the Ministry of the Interior for copies.

As regards extensions of time-limits generally, the cases when such are to be granted are strictly limited by two considerations:--

- (a) Extensions are only applicable to the initial stage, i.e. the preparation of the "elenco", as to which see II. Memo. No. 5, para 9 and 10 of the Schedule: extensions must not be granted in respect of any subsequent stage.

- (b) Extensions of time for preparing the "elenco" must only be granted

to the Electoral Commission afterwards, and when they come in.

2. As regards the male electoral lists, this procedure is not permissible. The estimated percentage of disqualifying criminality among men is such that the course suggested cannot be given a rise of unqualified persons obtaining the right to vote. The point has been dealt with in Ministry of Interior circular 15600 L. of 18 July, published in this Bulletin, and for distribution to Prefects on 20 September 1945.

3. As regards the female electoral lists, it is permissible to forward them to the Electoral Commission with the usual declaration for the formal declaration to come in, and the estimated percentage of disqualifying criminality among women is much lower than among men. This was authorized by D.L. 12 April 1945 No. 401, art. 3, published in Circular 15600 L. of 17 May 1945.

The extension of Prefects should be given to the Decree and the particular recommendations. If for any reason they are not in possession of them, they should apply to the Ministry of the Interior for copies.

As regards extensions of time-limits generally, the cases when such are to be granted are strictly limited by two considerations:--

(a) Extensions are only applicable to the initial stage, i.e. the preparation of the "elenco", as to which see II. Memo. No. 5, para 2 of 10 or the Schedule: extensions must not be granted in respect of any subsequent stage.

(b) Extensions of time for preparing the "elenco" must only be granted for reasons arising from the war: in no case this means only when communal records have suffered serious war damage.

Distribution:

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R. N. GRIPS

Colonel

Director

Local Government Sub-Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

Tel: 478190

AG/15/1/LG

14 September 1945

SUBJECT: Electoral lists--registration of refugees and displaced persons.

TO : RI Liguria }
Lombardia } with copies for PCs
Piemonte }
Venetia }

1. The annexed telegraphic circular No. 1240/L dated 6 September is forwarded for transmission to the Prefects. Copies of the circular and of an English translation of it are attached for the use of PCs and PCs.

2. In their covering letter, the Ministry point out that this is an urgent matter, as with the cessation of hostilities and the liberation of the whole of Italy, more and more refugees and displaced persons are returning to their Communes of permanent residence.

3. The Ministry also point out that the procedure directed in the circular differs slightly from that laid down in the current Decrees on the subject. PCs may therefore find some slight variation between the circular and Executive Memorandum No. 5. This is immaterial and this HQ agrees that the procedure laid down in the annexed circular is to be followed. The Ministry have preferred to proceed by circular rather than by making a new amending Decree because:--

(a) this is much quicker, and

(b) they want to keep the number of Decrees dealing with the law on elections down to the minimum.

This HQ entirely agrees with the procedure adopted by the Ministry and their reasons for it.

4. May the attention of the Prefects please be especially drawn to the annexed circular.

~~Italian Government.~~ _____

R. R. CRIPPS
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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Encls. as in (1) above.

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Ministry of the Interior

TELEGRAM

To: Prefects of Provinces under the administration of the Italian Government,
and for information High Commissioners of Sicily and Sardinia

1240 Electoral Service. Following the liberation of the entire national territory a considerable number of displaced persons and refugees, already registered in the electoral lists of the communes of their temporary residence in accordance with article 25 of Ministerial decree of 24 October 1944, are returning to the communes of their permanent residence. With the object of avoiding an unjust exclusion from the right to vote, and following inquiries received, it is hereby ordered that refugees and displaced persons registered in the lists of the communes of their temporary residence, as soon as they return to their permanent communes, must file an application for their registration in the list of their permanent commune. The Mayor of said commune will give notice of the receipt of the application to the Mayor of the commune of temporary residence so that the persons concerned can be cancelled from the list of the temporary commune and he will ask for the penal status of the persons concerned. The commune of temporary residence will notify the electoral commission for its approval of the names cancelled from its list and will send to the commune making the request the penal certificates or a copy of the annotated extract of the list concerning the above mentioned persons. The Mayor of the commune of permanent residence will register these names in the list of the commune after having received assurance that the names of the refugees and displaced persons have been cancelled from the list of the commune of temporary residence. If the list has already been compiled, the procedure set out in the last para. of art. 1 of D.L. 201 12 April 1945 must be followed for the new registrations. Kindly draw the attention of the Sindaco on the necessity of persuading the refugees and the displaced persons to perform the necessary operations promptly so that these directives will be executed without delay and the persons in question will be enabled to vote. The above mentioned directives must be applied also if the communes of permanent residence register on their own initiative the refugees and displaced persons in the electoral lists, or if they had already registered the said persons expecting them to return to their communes. Acknowledge receipt by letter.

For the Minister

Vicedomini

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DIREZIONE GENERALE AMMINISTRAZIONE CIVILE
SERVIZIO ELETTORALE

Roma 6 settembre 1945

T E L E G R A M M A

PREFETTI PROVINCE AMMINISTRATE DA GOVERNO ITALIANO
et per conoscenza
ALTI COMMISSARI SICILIA ET SARDEGNA

1240 - Il Servizio elettorale punto Seguito liberazione intero territorio nazionale verificasi rientro Comuni residenza notevole massa sfollati et profughi già iscritti liste elettorali Comuni temporanea dimora sensi articolo 25 decreto ministeriale 24 ottobre 1944 punto Scopo evitare ingiustificate preclusioni esercizio diritto voto et seguito quesiti pervenuti disponesi che profughi et sfollati inclusi liste Comuni temporanea dimora dovranno presentare appena rientrati sede domanda per iscrizione lista comune residenza punto Sindaco comune residenza segnalerà avvenuta presentazione domanda at sindaco temporanea dimora per conseguente cancellazione da quelle liste et richiederà posizione penale singoli nominativi delle cancellazioni effettuate comune temporanea dimora darà immediata notizia at commissione elettorale per determinazioni competenza et invierà at comune richiedente certificati penali aut copia estratto elenco elettorale concernente nominativi predetti punto Sindaco comune residenza procederà iscrizione lista dopo ricevuta assicurazione eseguita cancellazione profughi et sfollati da liste comune temporanea dimora alt Qualora lista sia stata già compilata dovrà seguirsi per nuove iscrizioni procedura prevista ultimo comma articolo primo decreto legislativo dodici aprile 1945 numero duecentuno punto Pregasi richiamare subito particolare attenzione sindac necessità svolgere efficace opera persuasione verso profughi et sfollati onde presenti direttive abbiano pronta et esatta esecuzione attesa esigenza agevolare massimo grado esercizio diritto elettorale predette categorie cittadini punto Direttive suindicate dovranno comunque applicarsi anche ipotesi che comuni residenza provvedano di ufficio at iscrizione profughi et sfollati liste elettorali aut abbiano già provveduto iscrizione stessa et sfollati liste elettorali punto Sede propri amministrati punto As-

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PEL MINISTRO
(Vicedomin)

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION:

APO 534

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AM/45/450

Tel: 473706

3 September 1945

SUBJECT: Preparation of electoral lists.

TO : Distribution as below.

1. Para 19 of the Schedule attached to Executive Memorandum No. 5 of 1 July 1945 refers to the work of Provincial Commissions established under Article 8 of DML 159 of 27 July 1944. The administrative Decree of 24 October 1944, in setting forth the rules concerning the compilation of electoral lists, provides in Article 2, para 11, for the exclusion from the electoral lists of those found guilty of Fascist activity under the law.

2. By virtue of Article 8 of DML 159 of 27 July 1944, as modified by Article 2 of DML 2 of 4 January 1945, both of which have been duly implemented and are in effect in AMG Territory, the presiding officer of the Commission is a magistrate appointed by the President of the Council of Ministers after consultation with the Minister of Justice and the High Commissioner for Sanctions Against Fascism. The Italian Government is at present selecting the Presidents of the said Commissions for each province, whose names will be published in the Gazzetta Ufficiale and duly implemented so that they are to be effective in AMG Territory. You will be notified of these names as soon as they are appointed.

3. Inasmuch as said DML 159 and DML 2 do not specifically indicate who should actually appoint the other 2 members of the Provincial Commissions, but merely indicate that they shall be selected by lot from popular judges referred to in Article 4 of said Decree, it has been agreed with the Italian Government that the following procedure for the appointment of the remaining 2 judges shall prevail:

(a) the Provincial Commissioner should request the First President of the Court of appeal to nominate the members;

(b) the Provincial Commissioner should then by formal order appoint those persons as members of the said Commission from the data of the order.

4. This order referred to in the foregoing paragraph need not be printed. It can be mimeographed and handed to the necessary officials and authorities. A copy of this order in both English and Italian is appended hereto for use of Provincial Commissioners.

Article 2 of D.L. 2 of 4 January 1949, concerning the organization of the Commission is and are in effect in the Territory, the President of the Council of Ministers after consultation with the Minister of Justice and the High Commission for the Italian Government in its present collective and President of the Italian Government, whose names will be published in the Gazzetta Ufficiale and duly supplemented so that they are to be effective in the Territory. You will be notified of these names as soon as they are appointed.

3. In accordance with D.L. 15, and D.L. 2 do not specifically indicate who should actually appoint the other 2 members of the Provincial Commissions, but merely indicate that they shall be selected by lot from popular judges referred to in Article 4 of said Decree, it has been agreed with the Italian Government that the following procedure for the appointment of the remaining 2 judges shall prevail:

(a) The Provincial Commissioner should request the First President of the Court of Appeals to nominate the members:

(b) The Provincial Commissioner should then by formal order appoint those persons as members of the said Commission from the date of the order.

4. This order referred to in the foregoing paragraph need not be printed. It can be mimeographed and handed to the necessary officials and authorities. A copy of this order in both Italian and English is appended hereto for use of Provincial Commissioners.

5. Pending receipt of the names of the President of each Provincial Commission, please instruct the Presidents of the Courts of Appeals of each province to nominate 2 popular judges, who should then be formally appointed by Provincial Commissions. Names of those appointed for each province should be sent to this Bureau in mission to the Italian Government.

BY ORDER OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

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Lombardy }
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" " - Lampedusa

[Signature]
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Brigadier
P CA Section

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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SOUTH ISLAND 1945

WHEREAS by virtue of Art. 3 of the No. 159 of 27 July 1944, as modified by Art. 2 of the No. 2 of 4 January 1945, it has been provided that the two members of the Provincial Commission mentioned herein shall be selected by lot from the lay judges described in Art. 4 of the said No. 159 of 27 July 1944

AND WHEREAS the said No. 159 of 27 July 1944 and the No. 2 of 4 January 1945 have been rendered operative in all provinces

AND WHEREAS the President of the Court of Appeals of _____ being one of the lay judges described as aforesaid is to be one of the members of the said Commission

NOW, THEREFORE, I, _____ Provincial Commissioner of _____ in exercise of authority granted to me by the Chief Civil Judge Officer, United Military Government, for and on behalf of the Military Government hereby order:

1. In view of the said Art. 3 of the No. 159 of 27 July 1944 provide that the two members of the Provincial Commission shall be selected by lot, the same is hereby ordered. The said two members of the Provincial Commission for the Province of _____ shall be appointed by me as Provincial Commissioner of the said province.

2. I hereby appoint _____ and _____ to be members of the said Commission from the date of this order.

Provincial Commissioner of _____

GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO

REGIONE _____

PROVINCIA DI _____

Settembre 1945

PRESISSO che in virtù dell'articolo 8 del DML No.159 del 27 Luglio 1944 come modificato dall'articolo 2 del DML No.2 del 4 Gennaio 1945 ora sono disposti che i due membri della Commissione Provinciale di cui ai detti articoli siano conteggiati tra i giudici popolari di cui all'art. 4 del detto DML No.159 del 27 Luglio 1944;

2 PRESISSO che detto DML no.159 del 27 Luglio 1944 ed il DML no.2 del 4 Gennaio 1945 sono entrati in vigore nel territorio del Governo Militare Alleato;

3 PRESISSO che il Presidente della Corte di Appello di _____

ha designato _____

essendo essi due dei giudici popolari summenzionati, per essere nominati membri componenti della detta Commissione;

IO _____

Commissario Provinciale di _____

in virtù dell' autorità a me conferita dal Capo dell'Ufficio Affari Civili del Governo Militare Alleato in nome e per conto del Governatore Militare

ordino :

1. Poiché il detto articolo 8 del DML No.159 del 27 Luglio 1944 dispone che i due membri della Commissione Provinciale siano tratti a sorte, detto articolo subita la seguente modifica. I due membri della Commissione Provinciale della provincia di _____ saranno nominati da me, nella mia qualità di Commissario Provinciale del Governo Militare Alleato

la designato _____

 oncoro pari due dei giudici popolari soprammentati, per essere nominati membri
 componenti della detta Commissione;

IO _____ Commissario Provinciale di _____
 _____ in virtù dell' autorità a me conferita dal Capo dell'Ufficio Affari
 Civili del Governo Militare Alleato in nome e per conto del Governatore Militare
 ordinio :

1. Poiché il testo articolo 3 del D.L. No. 159 del 27 Luglio 1944 dispone
 che i due membri della Commissione Provinciale siano tratti a sorte, detto
 articolo subiva la seguente modifica. I due membri della Commissione
 Provinciale della provincia di _____ saranno nominati da me,
 nella mia qualità di Commissario Provinciale del Governo Militare Alleato
 di detta provincia.

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2. Io nomino quindi _____
 _____ membri della detta Commissione a partire dalla
 data del presente ordine.

_____ Commissario Provinciale di _____

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 594
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/45/A/LG

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Preparation of Electoral Lists.

28 August 1945

TO : Distribution as below.

1. Reference is made to CA Section circular AC/45/A/LG of 16th July dealing with the extension of the Italian franchise to those who became 21 years of age during 1945.
2. The Decree referred to in para. 2 of that circular has now been published. It is D.L. 24 July 1945 No. 436 and it appears in a "Supplemento Ordinario" to the Official Gazette No. 96 of 11 August, 1945. The "Supplemento Ordinario" also contains the Order of this HQ putting the Decree into force in Military Government Territory.
3. The Decree will actually come into force in each province by delivery to the Prefect in accordance with the usual procedure. The purpose of this circular is to draw the attention of the PC to the necessity of immediate delivery of the Gazette and Supplement to the Prefect in view of the fact that action under the Decree is already being taken.

R. R. Cripps
R.R. CRIPPS, Colonel,
Director,
Local Government Sub-Commission.

CCRW/PSW.

Distribution:

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Chief Commissioner

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Legal Sub Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFC 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/45/4/LG

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Preparation of electoral lists.

10 August 1945

TO : RC Liguria }
Lombardia } with copies for PCs
Piemonte }
Venezia }

1. Reference is made to this Sub Commission's circular AG/45/4/LG of 25 May 1945, enclosing a copy of an AFHQ letter as to the conditions under which premises in Military occupation may be made available to the Italian authorities for the purpose of holding elections.

2. This letter is, of course, an instruction from the Allied Commission to its Regional and Provincial Commissioners: and while PCs may have informed their Prefects of its contents, the circular is not in terms addressed to them. The Italian Minister of the Interior has, however, thought it desirable to issue a circular to Prefects explaining the situation to them.

3. A copy of the Ministry's circular--reference 15600V, dated 2 August--is accordingly enclosed herewith. PCs are requested to hand this to their Prefects. A translation of the circular is enclosed for the use of the RL, from which it will be observed that its contents are virtually the same as those of the AFHQ letter above-mentioned. Copies of 4 telegraphic circulars recently sent by the Ministry of the Interior to the Prefects of provinces in Italian Government Territory are also enclosed for transmission by PCs to their Prefects for the information of the latter. As these circulars merely answer minor points of detail raised by some Prefectures, it has not been thought necessary to trouble PCs with an English translation.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

RALEIGH R. TEEPLE
Major

Deputy Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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Encls. as in (3) above.

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MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
DIRECTION GENERAL OF THE CIVIL ADMINISTRATION
Electoral Service

Rome -- 2 August 1945

Ref. N. 15000 V

SUBJECT: Securing of Premises for the Electoral
Sections.

TO : All Prefects of the Kingdom and for information to the
High Commissioner for Sicily and Sardinia.

Pointing out the difficulties met by certain Communes in securing premises for the constitution of the electors, owing to war destructions and the requisitions imposed by exigencies of civil and military nature, this Ministry has hastened to take the matter up with the Allied Commission and the Military Authorities asking them to allow the setting up of electoral seats in public buildings and in other premises which may still be occupied at the time when the elections will be held.

Both the Allied Commission and the aforesaid Military Authorities have accepted the request, implementing their compliance with opportune instructions to the depending offices and headquarters.

For the selection of the premises, which preferably will have to be located on the ground floor, have free access to the street and bring the least possible interference to the services of the occupying authority, the Sindaco shall, right from this moment, get in touch with the offices and headquarters concerned, while, needless to say, the single communal administrations will have to provide the fixtures and meet the relative expenses.

In the premises requisitioned by the Allied Authorities the use of the existing electric lights, provided the necessary energy is available, will be free.

In bringing the above to the knowledge of the Sindaco, your Excellencies should not omit to point out that the requests must be limited to a strict indispensable minimum, and that the premises given to be used must be promptly and free again not over 24 hours from the end of the scrutiny operations and returned to the Mayor's Authority, after completion of those re-arrangements which eventually

buildings and in other premises which may still be occupied at the time the elections will be held.

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Lastly it will not be amiss to advise that the requests in question must be submitted upon publication of the manifest ordering the convocation of the meetings, and this for the purpose of securing the availability of the necessary premises on the day when the elections take place.

Waiting for your acknowledgment,

FOR THE MINISTER

(Signed) Vicedomini

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Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE DELL'AMMINISTRAZIONE CIVILE
Servizio elettorale

Mod. 624

2 agosto 1942

Prot. N. 15000 V.

Roma

OGGETTO:-- Reperimento dei locali per le sezioni elettorali.

AI PREFETTI DEL REGNO
e, per conoscenza:
AGLI ALTI COMMISSARI PER LA SICILIA E SA DEENA

In seguito alle difficoltà incontrate da taluni Comuni nel reperimento dei locali per la convocazione degli elettori a causa delle distruzioni operate dalla guerra e delle requisizioni imposte da esigenze di carattere civile e militare, questo Ministero ha avuto premura di interessare la Commissione Alleata e i Dicasteri Militari perché consentano la costituzione di seggi negli edifici pubblici ed in altri immobili che fossero tuttora occupati all'epoca in cui saranno indette le elezioni.

Tanto la Commissione Alleata quanto i Dicasteri predetti hanno cortesemente corrisposto alla richiesta, concretando la loro adesione in opportune istruzioni agli uffici e comandi dipendenti.

Per la scelta dei locali, che dovranno essere preferibilmente a piano terreno, avere accesso diretto dalla strada e recare il minimo intralcio possibile ai servizi dell'autorità occupante, i sindaci prenderanno, fin da questo momento, i necessari contatti con gli uffici e comandi interessati, restando bene inteso - a carico delle singole amministrazioni comunali la cura e l'onere dell'arredamento.

Negli immobili requisiti dall'autorità Alleata potrà rinvenirsi dell'illuminazione esistente, sempreché vi sia la necessaria disponibilità di energia.

Nel portare quanto sopra a conoscenza dei sindaci, le SS/LL. non tralasceranno di far presente che le richieste vanno formulate allo stretto indispensabile, e che i locali concessi in uso dovranno essere sollecitamente sgomberati non oltre 24 ore dalla chiusura delle operazioni di scrutinio, all'autorità competente, ovvero nelle istituzioni e

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Negli improbi requisiti dall'Autorità Alleata potrà rinvenirsi dell'illuminazione esistente, sempreché vi sia necessità di disponibilità di energia.

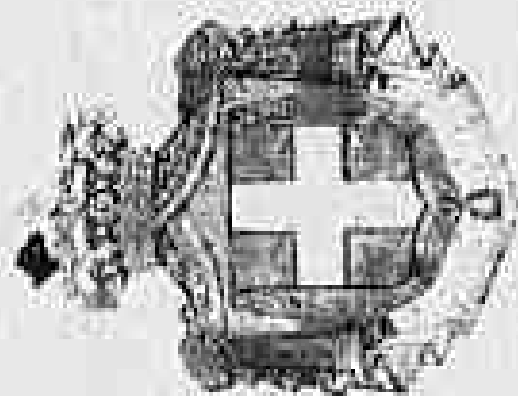
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Si rimane in attesa di un cenno diricevuto.

Per MINISTERO

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Ministero dell'Interno

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AC/1/27/LG

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Formation of the National Consultative Assembly.

23 July 1945

TO : Distribution as below.

1. It is regretted that an error in copying has crept into para 5 of this HQ's circular of 21 July on this subject.

2. Will all concerned please correct their copies of the circular as follows:

Para 5, second line:--

Delete - "Social Democrat"

Insert - "Christian Democrat".

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

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Dott. Manlio BROSIO, Vice-President of the Council
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the National Consultative
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AC/1/27/LG

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: Formation of the National Consultative Assembly. 21 July 1945

TO : Distribution as below.

1. The Italian Government, in conjunction with the political parties and other organisations entitled to nominate representatives, is taking steps to constitute the National Consultative Assembly ("Consulta Nazionale") with all possible speed.

2. The process of constituting this body is not a matter upon which AG or AMG should intervene: but it is, however, the policy of this HQ to furnish such assistance within its power and as may be requested by the Italian Government for the purpose of facilitating the representation in the Assembly of the areas under AMG.

3. ROs and ICs are only concerned, therefore, insofar as specific local representation in the Assembly is given to the Northern Regions. A Decree for this purpose has been passed by the Council of Ministers and will be published and implemented shortly.

4. Briefly, the Decree provides in this respect that parties represented upon the Central Committee of National Liberation may nominate to the Government for membership of the Consulta 10 representatives of each party from the Northern Regions in the following proportions:

Region	No.	Region	No.
Emilia	2	Piemonte	2
Liguria	1	Veneto	2
Lombardia	2	Venezia	
		Tridentina	1

The representation for Venezia Giulia is still under discussion and further instructions will be issued. Before nominating one of these representatives on the Consulta, however, the party concerned must consult the CLN of the province in which the proposed representative lives. The nomination with the CLN's opinion must then be sent to the Government for approval.

5. The six parties so entitled to nominate Northern representatives are:

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Liberal	Social Democrat
Labor-Democrat	Socialist
Party of Action	Communist

If, however, any one of these parties has not a representative upon one of the Regional CLMs of the North, then it cannot nominate representatives from that Region until it is so represented. It is believed that the Labor-Democrat Party is the only one so affected.

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6. The CLMs and the local organizations of the parties in the North have already been circularized by the Italian Government and are consulting upon their respective nominations. AMG will not, of course, intervene in any way in these consultations.

7. It is, however, possible that the use of Allied Military communications might ensure more rapid communication of the requisite nominations to the Italian Government. It has been decided, therefore, that if any local organ of one of the six parties above-mentioned should consider that any communication which it has to send on this subject to the Italian Government could be more quickly transmitted over Allied Military communication than by means at the party's own disposal, it may approach the RC or PC and request him to transmit the communication by the quickest means available to him. It is for the political organization to take the initiative; and RCs and PCs will not act in this way without first receiving a request from the party.

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8. It should not normally be necessary for a CLN, as such, to request the use of allied communications as the opinions which the Provincial CLNs are required to give upon the proposed candidates of the six parties (see para 4 above) should be furnished to the local organization of the party concerned. And it is the function of that organization and not of the CLN to transmit the CLN's opinion along with its nomination to the Italian Government.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

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Assembly

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AC/45/4/LG

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: Preparation of electoral lists.

18 July 1945

TO : Distribution as below.

1. As Regional and Provincial Commissioners are aware, the right to vote (or rather, to be inscribed in the electoral lists) has been granted to those Italian citizens who reached the age of 21 by 31 December 1944. As it now appears unlikely that it will be possible to hold elections until the late autumn, it follows that all those who reach the age of 21 during 1945 would be disfranchised. The Italian Government have therefore decided, in agreement with this HQ, to alter the franchise in this respect.

2. A Decree has therefore been prepared and agreed and will shortly be passed into law whereby those Italian citizens--men and women--who reach the age of 21 by 31 December 1945 will also be entitled to be inscribed in the electoral lists. It is intended to publish this Decree in a supplement to the Official Gazette and to insert in the same supplement the usual ordinance implementing it for Military Government Territory. In this way, the Decree will come into force in Military Government Territory at the earliest possible moment.

3. In Southern and Central Italy, where the electoral lists have been completed or nearly so, it will be necessary to prepare supplementary lists of those who reach 21 during this year. In Northern Italy, however, this can and must be avoided; and in the lists preparation of which commenced on 15 July there will be inserted the names of all those (a) who have already reached the age of 21 this year or (b) who will reach that age before 1 January 1946.

4. HQs will ensure that Prefects and Sindaco are instructed accordingly, and that they include these additional persons in the lists at once, and without waiting for the new Decree to be published and distributed.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AC/45/A/LG

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: Preparation of electoral lists.

12 July 1945

TO : Distribution as below.

1. The Italian Government, by D.L. 247 of 28 September 1944 and Ministerial Decree of 24 October 1944, have provided for the compilation of electoral lists in Italian Government Territory. This work is already well under way in Southern and Central Italy and should be completed in such places by the end of July.

2. Although provision was only recently made for the commencement of this work in AMG Territory by the implementation in the Gazzetta Ufficiale No. 63 of 7 June 1945 of D.L. 201 of 12 April 1945 (contained in Gazzetta Ufficiale No. 59 of 17 May 1945), the Italian Government has informed the Allied Commission that the actual compilation of the election registers was unofficially commenced in the following communes still under AMG control on the dates indicated, with the exception of Partelleria where destruction of the population registers has made it necessary for the Italian Government to suspend the time-limits for the drawing up of lists pending the reconstruction of such records:

Naples	1 Feb.	1945
Ancona	20 May	1945
Lampedusa and		
Liposa	21 May	1945
Pisa	28 June	1945
Colle Salvetti	28 June	1945
Livorno	28 June	1945

3. It has been decided to regularize and ratify these unofficial dates by the publication in the Gazzetta Ufficiale of an order signed on behalf of the Chief Civil Affairs Officer, in order not to undo the work already started.

4. In the case of Partelleria, the date set for the commencement of the compilation has been fixed as of 20 July. As soon as the order is published, copies of the Gazzetta Ufficiale will be sent to you for submission to the Prefects. In the meantime, the work is to go on as heretofore. The Sindaco of Partelleria and the Prefect of Trapani should be notified immediately of the date fixed so that work can be started.

5. For your information, copies of the following documents are sent to you with a reminder, however, that the dates set forth as above in this circular are to govern:

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6. Fortnightly reports and requests for extensions of time-limits as indicated in AC/45/A/LG of 11 July should be made directly to AC HQ (Local Government Sub Commission).

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AC/45/4/AC

Tel: 470706

SUBJECT: Preparation of electoral lists.

11 July 1945

TO : Distribution as below.

Extension of time-limits

1. Article 24 of Ministerial Decree of 24 October 1944 provides that the Ministry of the Interior may, on the recommendation of a Prefect within ten days from the date when the Decree goes into effect, suspend by Decree the time-limits for the formation of the electoral lists in communes which, because of circumstances arising out of war, are absolutely unable to adhere to the limitation so fixed. Any recommendation that the Prefect wishes to make for an extension of the time-limits in a particular commune should be in the PC's hands on or before 25 July. Although some applications may come in a little later, they should not be arbitrarily rejected. PCs will immediately transmit such recommendations to Regional Commissioners with their observations, approving or disapproving these applications. PCs will pass upon the PC's observations and concur or disapprove of the application for extension, and formally notify PCs of their decision. PCs will thereupon transmit the applications with their decisions to AC HQ (Local Government Sub Commission), which in turn will forward the decision of the PCs to the Ministry of the Interior, with an invitation that a Decree be issued by the Ministry formalizing the action taken by Regional Commissioners.

2. The necessary action will be taken by PCs upon receipt of AC's decision without waiting for publication of the Ministerial Decree.

Progress Reports

3. Article 19 of the aforementioned Decree requires Sindaci to report to the Prefect every fifteen days on the course of electoral operations in their communes. PCs will require their Prefects to give them fortnightly progress reports regarding the electoral proceedings in their respective provinces. These, in turn, will be forwarded through PCs to AC HQ (Local Government Sub Commission) for onward transmission to the Ministry of the Interior.

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2. The necessary action will be taken by RCs upon receipt of RC's decision without waiting for publication of the Ministerial Decree.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/45/4/16

Tel: 476706

SUBJECT: Preparation of electoral lists.

10 July 1945

TO : Distribution as below.

1. Enclosed is a copy of a circular signed by Professor Ferruccio PARMI, President of the Council of Ministers, to the Prefects, beseeching their close cooperation to the end that the electoral lists be completed as quickly as possible. English translation is attached for your information and that of your ROs.

2. Please instruct ROs to transmit the copies of the Italian circular to their respective Prefects.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

R. R. Temple
major

RAUL H. TEMPLE
Major
Deputy Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
 Direction General of Civil Administration
 Electoral Service

File No. 15606 L.

Rome, 2nd July 1945

TO THE PREFECTS OF THE PROVINCES OF
NORTHERN ITALY

SUBJECT : Compilation of electoral lists.

As it is known, the Allied Authorities, who have shown an eager interest in the matter, have established that the time limits for the first compilation of the electoral lists in the Communes which have not yet been restored to the Italian Administration, shall begin on the 15th of this month.

Although the Ministry is quite aware of the short time available and of the many contingent difficulties, it is nevertheless confident that the prefects, the sindaci, the communal secretaries, the electoral commissions and all the others who are called to cooperate, will execute their respective tasks with the utmost effort, so that the necessary preliminary operations connected with the elections will be completed within the period set out by the ministerial decree of 24 October 1944.

It is particularly necessary to bear in mind that the work connected with the compilation of the lists has already reached an advanced stage in the Communes of Central and Southern Italy, and, owing to the absolute necessity of assembling the "cassini" without delay, the election machinery must be set up immediately throughout the national territory.

While bringing this directive to the attention of the agencies and bodies concerned, the Prefects will not fail to point out that the quick completion of the administrative work connected with the compilation of the electoral lists constitutes a great benefit to democracy, because it contributes to restoration of free representative institutions which are greatly desired by the entire country.

IL MINISTRO/
 Ferruccio Parri

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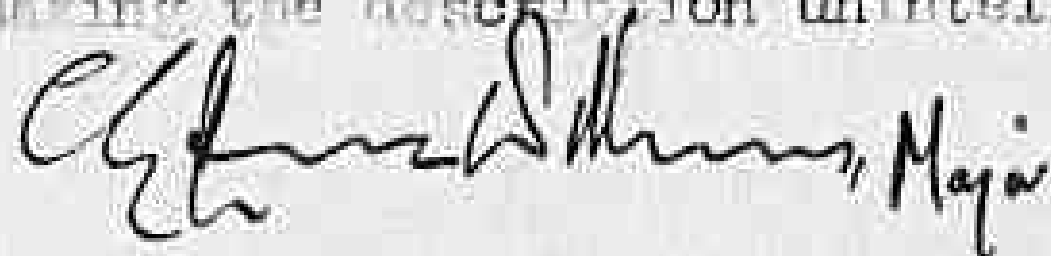
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24 June

Director:

1. Please see the papers at folio 29 et seq - a Brief Description of the Electoral List Procedure, with 2 Appendices.
2. These have been prepared with a view to :-
 - (a) circulation at RCs Conference on 27 July;
 - (b) to serve as a basis for any address to the conference by you or by VP;
 - (c) for subsequent issue as part of an Ex-Memo.
3. The papers may appear long at first sight. May it please be borne in mind that this is a digest of :-
 - 4 D.L.s and 2 Ministerial Decrees;
 - 39 Articles of the T.U. of 1919 (Parliamentary Elections);
 - 22 Italian Government circulars;
 - 3 sets of instructions, averaging 38 pages each;
 and has involved many cross-references to :-
 - the T.U. of 1915 (Local Elections);
 - the T.U. of Pubblica Sicurezza, 1931;
 - the Regolamento under the T.U. of 1931;
 - DLL 159, its amendments and instructions issued under it;
 - the Codice Penale.
4. I have cut and cut and cut; and I can NOT cut any more without omitting essential material and making the description unintelligible and unreadable.

CGRN/pcw.



C.C.R. WILLIAMS, Major.
Local Government Sub-Commission.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMISSIONER

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER

EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM

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1 July 1945

PREPARATION OF ELECTORAL LISTS

1. The Schedule to this Executive Memorandum is a brief description of the procedure for preparing the electoral lists, with 2 Appendices.
2. The Chief Civil Affairs Officer has fixed 15 July as the date upon which the preparation of the electoral lists in Military Government Territory will commence. This excludes Venezia-Giulia Region, but includes the provinces of Bolzano and Udine for which supplemental instructions will be issued.
3. The Chief Civil Affairs Officer directs that the preparation of the electoral lists be completed as a first priority, and so as to conform to the utmost extent possible to the prescribed time-limits.
4. The actual work of compiling the lists is a matter for the Italian agencies concerned. It is the function of officers of Allied Military Government to ensure that the requisite Italian agencies are properly constituted and that they set to work promptly and proceed expeditiously.
5. At the same time, the lists must be prepared with impartiality and accuracy so that the Italian people can and shall have confidence in them. These considerations are emphasized by the number of political appointees to public office which the circumstances of the North have required. In this connection, special attention is drawn to para 4 of the Schedule as to disqualifications for Fascism.
6. R3a and R3b will give their immediate attention to the proper constitution of the local government agencies prescribed by Executive Memorandum No. 39, with particular reference to:--
 - (a) the Prefect. In those cases where the formal confirmation by Allied Military Government of the appointment of a prefect has not yet been given, this must be forthcoming before 15 July;
 - (b) The Vice Prefect Inspector. The Prefect should make available adequate transportation facilities for this official.
 - (c) the Electoral Office in the Prefecture. A suitable and competent official must be available to be designated to take charge of it;
 - (d) Sindaci. In those cases where confirmation of any CMV appointment has been withheld in order to see if the appointee is really suitable, the formal appointment must no longer be delayed;
 - (e) Communal Secretaries. Where qualified officials are not available, the fullest use must be made of local candidates capable of discharging the office as "reggenti" and of the device of combining small communes under one Secretary;
 - (f) Provincial Deputation. The immediate appointment of this body is

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6. PCs and PCs will give their immediate attention to the proper constitution of the local government agencies prescribed by Executive Memorandum No. 39, with particular reference to:-

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- (c) the Electoral Office in the Prefecture. A suitable and competent official must be available to be designated to take charge of it;
- (d) Sindaco. In those cases where confirmation of any CML appointment has been withheld in order to see if the appointee is really suitable, the formal appointment must no longer be delayed;
- (e) Criminal Secretaries. Where qualified officials are not available, the fullest use must be made of local candidates capable of discharging the office as "reggenti" and of the device of combining small communes under one Secretary;
- (f) Provincial Deputation. The immediate appointment of this body is urgent.

7. PCs will require their Prefects to keep them closely informed of all action taken and to report progress to them at regular intervals. It will be noted from para 27 (a) (iii) of the Schedule that Sindaco must report progress to the Prefect every 15 days.

8. Any recommendations that the Prefect wishes to make for an extension of the time-limits in a particular commune (see para 27 (e) of the Schedule) must be in the PCs hands on or before 25 July. PCs will immediately transmit such recommendations to Regional HQ with their observations. Further instructions will be issued to PCs as to how these recommendations will be determined. Applications for extensions must only be recommended in cases of absolute proved necessity on account of war conditions.

9. Officers of Local Government Sub-Commission will visit every province during July (where they have not already done so) to advise further.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER:

(Signed) M. S. Lush

M. S. LUSH, Brigadier
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

Ref: AC/45/4/IG

25 July 1945

Preparation of Electoral Lists - Brief Description of the Procedure.

1. Annexed are :-

- a) Appendix "A" indicating the action to be taken by the Italian Agencies involved and the time limits fixed for each step.
- b) Appendix "B" giving a list of the local government and judicial agencies on whom duties are imposed, with notes on the more specialised ones.

The Appendices are intended as a convenient means of reference: the description set out below gives, it is thought, the information mostly required by RCs and PCs.

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2. Before one can describe how voters will be registered, it is necessary to ascertain who are to be registered and how they are defined, i.e. the franchise. All Italian citizens, men and women, who have reached the age of 21 by 31st December 1944 are qualified to be registered. The phrase "qualified to be registered" is to be noted. The franchise is a qualification to be registered and NOT a qualification actually to vote. The right of an individual to vote is determined solely by reference to the Electoral Lists which are final and conclusive on this point.
3. To the broad and simple qualification described above there are a number of exceptions - lunatics, habitual drunkards, bankrupts, brothel-keepers, registered prostitutes, persons in receipt of public assistance, persons subject to police "ammonizione" or "confinio" or to preventive detention, and those sentenced for quite a number of specified crimes and certain fascists.

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The Appendices are intended as a convenient means of reference: the description set out below gives, it is thought, the information mostly required by PCs and PCCs.

THE FRANCHISE

2. Before one can describe how voters will be registered, it is necessary to ascertain who are to be registered and how they are defined, i.e. the franchise. All Italian citizens, men and women, who have reached the age of 21 by 31st December 1944 are qualified to be registered. The phrase "qualified to be registered" is to be noted. The franchise is a qualification to be registered and NOT a qualification actually to vote. The right of an individual to vote is determined solely by reference to the Electoral Lists which are final and conclusive on this point.

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4. The extent to which fascism is a disqualification deserves special attention. There are three classes :-

- a) Certain high ranking officials of the former NPF have been declared incapable of voting from the Secretary of the Party down to the "Federale" and to the "Segretari Politici" of Communes of 20,000 inhabitants or more. Officers of the MVSN in effective permanent service above the rank of Centurione are likewise disqualified.
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D. Steps must now be taken for registered electors to opt for another Commune under para. 6(b) and (c) above. Refugees and evacuees who wish to do so under para. 6(a) must do it at Stage A.

E. Finally, the Commune has to be divided into Polling Districts (Sezioni Elettorali) and a Polling Place specified for each district. This will not be necessary in village Communes, of course. It is to be noted that Stage E, though the last to be enumerated here, is actually carried out contemporaneously with Stage C.

8. The Elector does not have to apply to be registered, but he may if he wishes. Provision has been made for this and for letting the public know, at the very beginning, of their right to put in such an application. It is wise to apply. It is a help to the authorities - and to the citizen - in ensuring that he will be able to exercise his vote.

/STAGE A

Stage A - Ascertainment of Qualifications :

9. The immediate tasks of the Sindaco are two:

- a) he must publish a notice in the prescribed form at the Municipio and other public places stating that the preparation of the Lists has been started and that citizens can apply to be registered.
- b) he must proceed to compile the "Elenco". (It is convenient to keep to the Italian word for this document, as the only adequate English translation is "list" and that word is required in another connection.

10. The "Elenco" is made up by copying from the register of permanent population particulars of all Italian citizens of the right age. It is evident that this automatically gives the names of those who are "prima facie" qualified, subject to (a) any defects in the register of population, and (b) the addition of refugees and evacuees. It will now be seen how the register of permanent population is the absolute root and basis for all subsequent operations and how important it is that it should be in order and brought up-to-date. If it is not, however, the Sindaco is allowed to refer to any type of official record, such as registers of birth, marriages and deaths, conscription lists, etc.

Stage B - Ascertainment of Disqualifications :

11. Here the undermentioned bodies have to take the initiative :

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Stage C - Compilation and Approval of the Lists:

13. From his "Elenco", as amended by the various returns from the authorities just referred to - and after deciding upon any application to register he may have received - the Sindaco now constructs the Electoral List and sends it in duplicate to the Electoral Commission for examination and approval.
14. The Electoral Commission is very important. There must be one for every judicial district or "Mandamento" in the Province.

/Its President is...

Its President is ex-officio the President of the Tribunale, or if there is none, the Pretore. There are four other commissioners. One is appointed by the Prefect. The others are three citizens of the "Mandamento" to be appointed by the Deputazione Provinciale.

15. Sub-Commissions will also be appointed in the ratio of one for every 50,000 (or fractions of 50,000) inhabitants of the "Mandamento".

16. Before sending the Electoral List to the Commission, the Sindaco must deposit it at the Municipio and give public notice to that effect. During this time, objections to the entry or omission of a name may be made. The list is then sent up, with all applications to be registered, all objections, and a complete record of the Sindaco's proceedings.

17. The Electoral Commission examines all these documents and decides on the validity of the lists. They can add names as well as strike them out. Its decisions are notified to the commune and the Sindaco makes the necessary alterations in the list deposited at the Municipio. It is now deposited for public inspection at the Communal Secretary's office and public notice of this is given.

18. The lists are now definitive, i.e. they cannot now be altered except by reason of (a) the death of an elector, (b) the loss of Italian citizenship, (c) conviction for a disqualifying crime, and (d) by decision of the Courts of an appeal.

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All he has to do is:-

- a) apply to the Commune where he is now registered for that entry to be cancelled and for the Sindaco to send him the proper Declaration of Cancellation;
- b) apply to the Commune where he wants to be registered, sending the Declaration of Cancellation with his application.

/Stage E.....

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Stage E - Polling Districts and Polling Places :

22. As soon as the Sindaco has completed his Electoral Lists for submission to the Electoral Commission, he can - and must - take action on this subject. He is required to make and publish a "deliberazione" - or, as we might say in English, an ordinance - defining the boundaries of the polling districts and the polling place for each district. The ordinance is placed on deposit for 10 days so that any citizen who desires may file an objection. Then the ordinance and the objections are sent up to the Electoral Commission for approval or amendment.

23. Each polling district should include from 100 (in exceptional cases 50) to 1,000 electors. Up to 4 polling places (i.e. for 4 districts) can be had in one building; but not more than 2 may be accessible from the same street. The Prefect can dispense with this restriction as to access, where necessary; and he can also authorize up to 3 polling places in one building.

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27. The Prefect's main functions are:

- a) to supervise generally the preparation of the Lists. This he does:
 - i) through the Vice-Prefect Inspector;
 - ii) through the Electoral Office, which must be constituted in each Prefecture under a Consigliere or 1st Segretario;
 - iii) from the progress reports which the Sindaci must submit to him every 15 days.
- b) to determine alterations in the areas of the Electoral Commission.
- c) to recommend extensions of the time limits for particular Communes.
- d) to secure the proper and timely appointment of Electoral Commissions and Sub-Commissions.
- e) to appoint a Commissario to take over from any Comune which falls behind the time-table.

APPENDIX A

TABLE showing action to be taken by Italian agencies, with time-limits

- Notes: (i) The figures in col. 4 are obtained by adding together, step by step, the from the "fixed day".
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ACTION BY	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ACTION TO BE TAKEN
	<u>A - Ascertainment of qualifications</u>
1. Sindaco & Segretario Comunale	1. Publish Notice that application to be entered on Electoral List may
2. Prefect	2. Recommend extension of time-table for Communes where, by reason of adherence to time limits is absolutely impossible.
3. "	3. Decree variations in areas of jurisdiction of Electoral Commission situation of places and difficulties of communication make changes
4. Sindaco & Segretario Comunale	4. Compile (from register of permanent population or other official
	<u>B - Ascertainment of Disqualifications</u>
5. Public Assistance, Institutions & ECA	5. Notify Segretario Comunale of paupers belonging to Commune.
6. Provincial Commission under DLL 159 Art. 8	6. Notify Sindaco of those Fascists disqualified from public office of political rights.
7. Questore	7. Notify Sindaco of residents in Commune who are brothel-keepers - prostitutes - subject to "ammonizione" or "confino"
8. Any qualified citizen	8. May make application to Town Hall to be entered on Electoral List
9. Sindaco & Segretario Comunale	9. Publish notice of applications received.

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<u>ment of qualifications</u>		
Notice that application to be entered on Electoral List may be made.	Immediately	0
and extension of time-table for Communes where, by reason of the war, ce to time limits is absolutely impossible.	10 from "fixed date"	10
variations in areas of jurisdiction of Electoral Commissions, where on of places and difficulties of communication make changes advisable (from register of permanent population or other official records)	"	"
<u>ment of Disqualifications</u>		
Segretario Comunale of paupers belonging to Comune.	20 from "fixed date"	20
Sindaco of those Fascists disqualified from public office or exercise tical rights.	"	"
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ake application to Town Hall to be entered on Electoral List.	"	"
sh notice of applications received.	"	"

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| 10. Refugees & Evacuees | 10. May apply to Commune of temporary residence, if they desire to be in Commune of permanent residence |
| 11. Sindaco & Segretario Comunale | 11. Transmit applications of refugees and evacuees to Communes of permanent residence--note names for exclusion from Electoral Lists of Commune of temporary residence. |
| 12. Sindaco & Segretario Comunale | 12. Send extracts from "Elenco" to the Judicial Records Offices ("Cass. Giudiziale") of the Tribunali containing particulars of those born in the jurisdiction of each Tribunale--or, in case of difficulty, to the Judicial Records Office of the Ministry of Pardon and Justice. |
| 13. Judicial Records Offices of Tribunali and of Ministry of Pardon and Justice. | 13. Return extracts to Commune, with certificates of disqualifying conditions. |
| 14. Sindaco & Segretario Comunale | <u>C - Completion and Approval of Lists</u>
14. Completion of Electoral Lists in duplicate. |
| 15. " | 15. Notify applicants for registration whom Sindaco has rejected. |
| 16. " | 16. 1 copy Electoral List to be deposited with Segretario Comunale--to be published and Prefect to be notified. |
| 17. Any citizen | 17. May lodge with Commune objections against Deposited Electoral Lists (decided by Electoral Commission or Sub-Commission). |
| 18. Sindaco & Segretario Comunale | 18. Forward to Electoral Commission (a) "Elenco", (b) 2nd copy Electoral List, (c) Applications to be registered, (d) Objections received and (e) of Commune's proceedings. |
| 19. Prefect, President of Tribunale, and Deputazione Provinciale | 19. Constitute Electoral Commissions and Sub Commissions |

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to Commune of temporary residence, if they desire to be registered
of permanent residence

20 from
"fixed date" 20

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5 from
completion
of "Elenco" 25

tracts to Commune, with certificates of disqualifying convictions, etc.

15 from
receipt of
extract 40

on and Approval of Lists

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60 from
"fixed date" 60

applicants for registration whom Sindaco has rejected.

" "

Electoral List to be deposited with Segretario Comunale--notice thereof
ublished and Prefect to be notified.

3 from
completion of List;
but within 60 days
of "fixed date" "

ge with Commune objections against Deposited Electoral Lists (to be
by Electoral Commission or Sub-Commission).

10 from
publication of notice
of deposit of lists 70

to Electoral Commission (a) "Elenco", (b) 2nd copy Electoral List,
lications to be registered, (d) Objections received and (e) Record
une's proceedings.

5 from
last day for lodging
appeals 75

ute Electoral Commissions and Sub Commissions

within 75 days of
"fixed date" 60

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2 meeting of Alcohol Commission or Sub Commission

I approve the Electoral List--notify Commune of decisions in

All cases and return the List.

essential amendments to Deposited Electoral Lists--notify electors by decisions of Electoral Commission or Sub-Commission.

Notice of deposit of Definitive Electoral Lists.

Definitive Electoral Lists with Segregated Columns for public

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al to Court of appeal and thence to Court of Cassation.
the time limits for appeals are not stated here, because
appeals do NOT affect the Definitive Electoral Lists, until
decided)

OF REGISTRATION

For cancellation of registration in Commerce from which it is to transfer

Registration and send applicant a Declaration of Cancellation

Electoral Commission or Sub Commission a list of cancellations

be registered in Commune to which it is desired to transfer, and the Declaration of Cancellation above-mentioned

NOTIFICATION FOR CANCELLATION

last day for April -

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Options for cancellations

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Deposited Lists.

Immediately on completion of amendments in

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| 20. Hold first meeting of Electoral Commission or Sub Commission | " | 20. Electoral Commission |
| 21. Amend and approve the Electoral List--notify Commune of decision and return the List. | " | 21. " |
| 22. Make necessary amendments to Deposited Electoral Lists--notified by decisions of Electoral Commission or Sub-Communes | Commune | 22. Sindaco & Segretario |
| 23. Publish notice of deposit of Definitive Electoral Lists. | Commune | 23. Sindaco & Segretario |
| 24. Deposit Definitive Electoral Lists with Segretario Commune inspection. | " | 24. " |
| 25. May appeal to Court of Appeal and thence to Court of Cassation (N.B.--the time limits for appeals are not stated here, because pending appeals do NOT affect the Definitive Electoral Lists finally decided) | Procuratore del Regno at the Provincial Capital | 25. Any citizen, and the |
| <u>D - Transfers of Registration</u> | | |
| 26. May apply for cancellation of registration in Commune from desired to transfer | | 26. Any registered elector |
| 27. Cancel registration and send applicant a Declaration of Cancellation | Commune | 27. Sindaco & Segretario |
| 28. Send to Electoral Commission or Sub Commission a List of cancellations to be made. | " | 28. " |
| 29. Apply to be registered in Commune to which it is desired to forward the Declaration of Cancellation above-mentioned | 881 | 29. The elector concerned |

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30. Sindaco & Segretario

30. In the Comune to which it is desired to transfer:--
 (a) if the Electoral Lists have NOT yet been completed (see para 14 above) register the elector in the ordinary way;
 (b) if the Electoral Lists HAVE been completed (see para 14 above) register the elector by publishing a Supplemental List.

E - Division of Comune into Polling-Districts ("Sezioni Elettorali")
 (N.B.--This process is contemporaneous with Stage C, paras. 14-23)

31. Sindaco & Segretario
Comunale

31. Publish Decision as to division of Comune into polling-districts, series of polling districts, and polling-places for each district.--
 Prefect--complete Electoral Lists for each District.

32.

32. Decision of Sindaco to be deposited for public inspection.

33. Any citizen

33. May lodge objections to Sindaco's Decision at Town Hall, for transmission to Electoral Commission.

34. Sindaco & Segretario

34. Forward Decision, Polling District Lists and objections to Electoral Commission

35. Electoral Commission

35. Decide objections and approve Polling-District Lists.

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to which it is desired to transfer:--
 Electoral Lists have NOT yet been completed (see para 14 above)
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 Electoral Lists HAVE been completed (see para 14 above)
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Supplemental Lists
 to be published at
 weekly intervals

Change into Polling-Districts ("Sezioni Elettorali")
 Process is contemporaneous with Stage C, paras. 14-23 above)

Decision as to division of Comune into polling-districts, bound-
 ing districts, and polling-places for each district--notify
 complete Electoral Lists for each District.

15 from
 completion of Lists 75

Sindaco to be deposited for public inspection.

for 10 days 85

Objections to Sindaco's Decision at Town Hall, for
 to Electoral Commission.

10 from
 publication of decision

Decision, Polling District Lists and objections to Electoral

5 from 30
 last day for lodging
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tions and approve Polling-District Lists.

15 from 105
 receipt of Decision
 etc.

APPENDIX B

ITALIAN AGENCIES involved in presentation of electoral lists

Generally at all Stages

Sindaco
Segretario Comunale
Prefect

Vice Prefect Inspector
Electoral Office

-- to be organized in each Prefecture in charge
of a specially designated official.

Stage A - Ascertainment of Publications

Public Assistance Institutions (e.g. hospitals, workhouses, orphanages, etc.)
Ente Comunale D'Assistenza (ECA)

Provincial Commissions appointed under RLL 159 of Oct 8 - consisting of a
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AC/27/A/LG

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: Reports on local government administration.

30th June 1945

TO : Distribution as below.

1. In the next few weeks, officers of Local Government Sub-Commission will visit the remaining Provincial Rqs in the five Northern Regions to consult and advise on local government organization and electoral list procedure.
2. Officers of the Local Government Sub-Commission, in making their provincial surveys in the past, have invariably had the Prefect's office complete the enclosed forms setting forth the personnel situation in the Prefecture as well as general progress in local government in the Provinces and Communes. It has usually taken a day or two for these forms to be prepared, thereby causing unnecessary waiting by the officer.
3. Since there are many provinces to be surveyed by the Sub-Commission within the next few weeks, particularly in connection with the compilation of the electoral lists, it is felt that a good deal of time could be saved and unnecessary detail avoided were these forms completed by the time of the arrival of the officer in the province.
4. Most of the Regional Commissioners or their Executive Officers have agreed on the desirability of having this information ready so that the officer could devote his time principally to a discussion of the staffing of the provincial administration and the numerous problems arising out of the compilation of the electoral lists and local government matters in general.
5. The information on the form "A" provides this Rq with a comprehensive picture of the subject matter and is of the utmost importance to the Sub-Commission in its dealings with the appropriate departments of the Italian Ministry of the Interior.
6. The biographical forms "B" enclosed are to be completed for the Prefects and Vice-Prefects. In cases where any officials are non-career, that fact should be noted in the column labelled "career". The observations under the heading "Osservazioni" are of much value and it is requested that they shall be made personally.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 594
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AC/4/21/AC.

Tel: 473706.

SUBJECT: Promotion of employees in Northern Italian Provinces.

29th June, 1945

TO : Distribution as below:

1. The Italian Government has brought to the attention of this Commission that many officials and employees who went North with the Fascist Republican Government received promotions in grade and that similar promotions in grade were conferred on personnel already residing in Northern Italian provinces which, after the 8th of September 1943, remained under the jurisdiction of the said illegitimate Government.
2. These promotions are considered null and void by the legal Italian Government, according to Art. 2 of D.L. No. 249 of 5 October 1944. Accordingly, all such officials still in office are entitled to receive only the salary due to them according to the rank they held on 6 September 1943, without any recognition of the promotions in grade given by the Fascist Republican Government.
3. This does not affect the right of Allied Military Government to appoint and dismiss officials according to Executive Memorandum No. 62. Such appointments, however, are temporary and have no effect on the permanent rank or status of the appointees in the Italian civil service. During the tenure of the office-holder in such temporary appointment, he receives a salary commensurate with the position held.
4. Reference should be made to Civil Affairs Section circular AC/4/21/AC of 28 February 1945, as to the subject of promotions of Italian officials in general.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/45/4/LG.

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Preparation of Electoral Lists.

19th June, 1945.

TO : Distribution as below.

1. Reference is made to CA Section circular AC/45/A/LG of 13 June.
2. The Minister of the Interior has prepared circular 5283Z dated 15 June, advising Prefects of the preliminary steps they must now take in this connection. Copies of this circular and an English translation are enclosed for distribution to FCs: an extra copy of the Italian and the English is also sent for your retention.
3. FCs should please hand the Italian copy immediately to their Prefects, retaining the English copy for their own use.



R. R. ORIPPE, (A)
Colonel,
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Local Government Sub Commission.

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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR

General Direction of the Civil Administration
Electoral Service.

ROME, 15 June 1945

File No. 5283 Z.

SUBJECT: Compilation of electoral lists - Preliminary Tasks.

TO : ALL PREFECTS OF THE PROVINCES OF NORTHERN ITALY

Owing to the imminence of the distribution to all communes of northern Italy of the material for the compilation of the electoral lists - which, in full compliance with the democratic exigencies of the Italian people, is directly attended to by the Allied Authorities - the Ministry believes it useful to anticipate certain instructions, in order that the Communes may arrange at once for the organization for the preliminary work and thus achieve a certain advantage in the consequential operations, in view of the restricted time limit.

The Prefectures should first of all organize, in their own body and in proportion with the personnel at disposal, a special Electoral Office. This Office will be directed by a skilful official, active and reliable, and capable of coordinating and attentively following the activity of the Communal administrations and of the other offices and bodies in such a delicate task.

As regards the Communes directly, it is known that the compilation of the lists presupposes the bringing up to date of the register of population the figures of which cannot today give an exact idea of the situation, owing to the considerable number of changes of residence which have taken place as a consequence of the war events. For this purpose, detailed instructions have already been issued through the Allied Commission. There is therefore reason to think that the revision of the population records is by now completed.

However, even if this revision be not yet finished it is necessary that each Commune start immediately collecting the indispensable elements for the compilation of the schedule (elenco) of those who

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- (b) are included in the register of the permanent population of the Commune and have their residence there.

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Of the list the Commune will make a number of extracts equal to the number of people born within the district of each Tribunal and will send them to the competent Judicial Records Offices or, where this is not possible because of the destruction of the offices or other cause, to the Central Records Office (cassella centrale) of the Ministry of Pardon and Justice. As a guide for the communal administrations, we beg to point out that according to results of inquiries carried out so far by this Department, the Records Offices (cassellario) of Cassino, Velletri, Avezzano, Catania, Cagliari, Poggia, Livorno, Pesaro, Pisa and Pistoia are not in condition to function; it is not however, excluded that offices of other recently liberated zones may be in the same condition.

It will be useful to state that the Central Records Office (cassellario centrale) owing to the difficulties of communications has not received from the local Records Offices all the duplicates of the schedules referring to years 1943-1944 and to the present year.

The most important Communes will adopt a special "schedario".

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The expert is for the compilation of the above mentioned schedule (elenco) and of the schedario are taken over by the State and so is the cost of the organization of the additional personnel that may be necessary, provided all these expenses are kept within the limits of the strictest economy.

We beg you to keep in mind that refugees are to be included in the electoral lists of the Comune where they have their temporary residence; however they have the right to ask to keep their registration on the list of the Comune of usual residence, through an application to be forwarded within 20 days from the publication of the notice that the Mayors have to affix according to art. 6 of Ministerial Decree 24 October 1944, and which will be included in the material which will be shortly sent. This notice will also contain instructions for those who, though having their residence in the Comune, would like to be registered in the list of another Comune in which they have their principal business or interests.

Recapitulating, the compilation of the above list (elenco) or the "schedario" both for men and women (the latter recently admitted in the electoral competition), has a fundamental importance since it is the basis of the formation of the lists. This procedure must be immediately attended to, even if the revision of the register of the population is not yet over, inasmuch as the printed material we are sending you does not include neither schedules nor special models, since as it has already been pointed out the Communes must provide for this task with their own means.

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In order that the delivery of the material to the Communes will not suffer any delay, the Prefects will arrange to organize in advance the distribution of it, taking into account the proportion of male and female population above the 21st year of age for every Comune. This device will enable a quick distribution of the material to be made without loss of time immediately after its reception by the different Prefectures.

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FOR THE MINISTER
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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
Direction General of Civil Administration
Electoral Service
File n. 5283.Z.
Enclosures 50

Rome, 15 June 1945

TO : Local Government Sub Commission - Rome

SUBJECT : Compilation of electoral lists. Preliminary achievements.

- 1) - We hereby refer to verbal agreements of the 13th June with your Hon. Sub-Commission.
- 2) - We hereby enclose for subsequent forwarding fifty copies of today's circular same number as above, with which detailed instructions are given to the Prefects of Northern Italy concerning the preliminary achievements which must be cared for by the Communes, while awaiting for the receipt of the electoral material, in order that the following operations for the compilation of the lists will proceed with the greatest possible rapidity.

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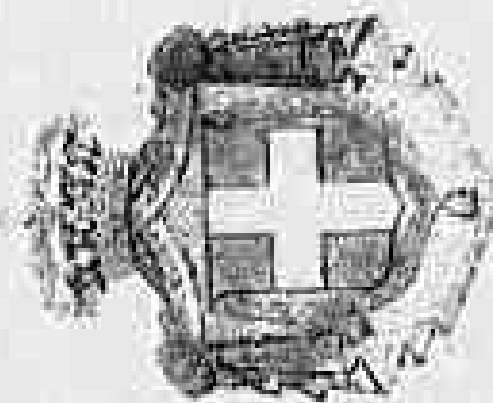
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DIREZIONE GENERALE DELL'AMMINISTRAZIONE CIVILE
Servizio Elettorale

15 Giugno 1945

Prot. N° 5283 Z.

OGGETTO : Compilazione delle liste elettorali - Adempimenti preliminari.

AI PREFETTI DELLE PROVINCE
DELL'ITALIA SETTEMERIONALE

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Detto elenco va compilato distintamente per uomini e donne e deve contenere i seguenti dati: nome cognome e paternità (in caso di omonimia, anche la maternità); comune e data (anno, mese e giorno) di nascita; abitazione. Qualora il registro di popolazione sia andato distrutto o presententi deficienze nella sua tenuta, suppliranno le indicazioni fornite da questo Ministero con la circolare relativa alla revisione del materiale anagrafico e già pervenuta a codesta Prefettura.

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Dell'elenco il comune farà tanti estratti per quanti sono i nati nella circoscrizione dei singoli tribunali e li trasmetterà agli uffici del casellario giudiziale competenti e, ove ciò non sia possibile per l'avvenuta distruzione dei casellari o per altra causa, all'Ufficio del casellario centrale presso il Ministero di Grazia e Giustizia. Per norma delle amministrazioni comunali si comunica che, giusta le risultanze degli accertamenti finora compiuti dal citato Dicastero, non sono attualmente in grado di funzionare i casellari di Cassino, Velletri, Avezzano, Catania, Cagliari, Foggia, Livorno, Pesaro, Pisa e Pistoia; ma non è escluso che casellari di altre zone recentemente liberate potranno trovarsi nelle identiche condizioni.

Gioverà avvertire in proposito che il casellario centrale, per l'impossibilità e difficoltà delle comunicazioni, non ha ricevuto dai casellari locali tutti i duplicati dei cartellini riferentisi agli anni 1943 e 1944 ed a quello in corso.

Per la compilazione dell'elenco non è prescritto alcun modello speciale, e pertanto i comuni dovranno provvedere con mezzi propri e secondo criteri più idonei allo scopo.

I comuni più importanti adatteranno invece apposito schedario.

La spesa per la compilazione dell'elenco o dello schedario è a carico dello Stato, e così pure quella per l'eventuale assunzione di personale straordinario, purché l'una e l'altra siano contenute nella più stretta misura.

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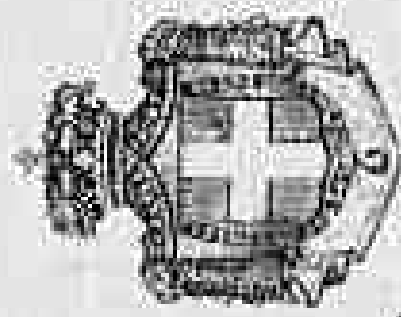
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Affinchè la consegna degli stampati ai comuni non abbia da incontrare ritardo, i prefetti cureranno che sia subito predisposto il piano di distribuzione, tenendo presente per ciascun comune l'entità della popolazione maschile e femminile, di età superiore agli anni 21. Tale accorgimento consentirà di provvedere, senza perdita di tempo, allo smaltimento del materiale non appena esso sarà recapitato a ciascuna prefettura.

Ciò premesso, si prega di portare subito il contenuto della presente a conoscenza dei sindaci, perchè vi diano immediata esecuzione e di spiegare assidua opera di vigilanza e di controllo, disponendo, se del caso, l'assunzione di sopralluoghi.

Tornerà gradito un cenno di ricevuta.

PEL MINISTRO



Ugo La Malfa

Ministero dell'Interno

Direz. Gen. Amm. ne Civile

Servizio Elettorale

Divisione *Leg.*

Prot. N. 5233 Z. Allegate 50

Roma 15 giugno 1945

19 JUN 1945

All. On.

SOTTOCOMMISSIONI GOVERNO LOCALE

ROMA

Risposta al Foglio del
Dir. Leg.

OGGETTO : Compilazione delle liste elettorali -
Adempimenti preliminari -

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- 2) S'inviano, per l'ulteriore inoltro, cinquanta esemplari della circolare odierna, pari numero, con la quale si danno ai Prefetti dell'Italia Settentrionale particolareggiate istruzioni sugli adempimenti preliminari che dovranno essere curati dai comuni, nell'attesa della ricezione del materiale elettorale, affinché le operazioni successive per la compilazione delle liste possano procedere con la maggiore speditezza.

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APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/45/1G

Tel: 478190

18 June 1945

SUBJECT: Distribution of material for preparation of electoral lists.

TO : Distribution as below.

1. Over-leaf is set forth a statement of the number and weight of the parcels of the forms, instructions and other material required for preparation of the electoral lists in each of the provinces under your command. The statement also gives the date when the Italian Government have promised that this material will be packed and ready for dispatch from the State Printing Works in Rome.

2. The material will be dispatched to you as soon after that date as arrangements for transport can be made. In the last resort, air transport may have to be used for Lombardia, Piemonte and Venetie Regions. You will be advised by signal as soon as possible of the means of transport that are being employed and of the ETA of the material.

3. Will PCs please provide for the distribution of the material to Provincial, Regional, and PCs (in consultation with their Prefects) for its distribution to Communes. No doubt PCs and PCs have already put in hand arrangements for this. It is urged that every available means of transport--civil or military--be pressed into service.

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4. For distribution from PCs to Communes, however, the position is different. The Italian Government state that it is not possible to sort and pack the material by communes here in Rome because (a) sufficiently accurate information as to the needs of each commune is not available in Rome but only at the respective Prefectures and (b) to pack in this way would greatly delay the process. Each parcel, therefore, contains a given quantity of one type of document only: a statement is enclosed within each parcel giving the description and quantity of the material it contains.

5. On arrival of the material at Provincial HQ, it will therefore be necessary for the staff of the Prefecture to open the parcels, to re-sort their contents according to the requirements of each commune and to re-pack and address them for dispatch. The Italian Government estimate it should take the Prefectures from two to three days to do this.

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It is requested that this HQ be informed by signal as soon as the dispatch of the material has been completed (a) to all Provincial HQs and (b) to all communes in a province.

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DISTRIBUTION OF MATERIAL FOR PREPARATION
OF REGIONAL LISTS

REGION and estimated date of readiness	PROVINCE	No. of Parcels	Total parcels for Region	Weight in Kgs.	Total weight for Regions in tons (Approx.)
LIGURIA 18 June	Genova	72		2160	
	Imperia	22		660	
	La Spezia	26		780	
	Savona	27	147	810	4.5 tons
VENETIE 20 June	Belluno	27		720	
	Bolzano	30		900	
	Padova	43		1440	
	Rovigo	29		870	
	Trento	30		1140	
	Treviso	42		1260	
	Udine	57		1710	
	Venezia	47		1410	
	Verona	46		1380	
	Vicenza	43	407	1290	12.25 tons
PIEMONTE 23 June	Alessandria	44		1320	
	Aosta	27		810	
	Asti	27		810	
	Cuneo	43		1440	
	Novara	39		1170	
	Torino	99		2970	
	Vercelli	38		1140	
			322		9.75 tons
LOMBARDIA 27 June	Bergamo	45		1350	
	Brescia	54		1620	
	Como	42		1260	
	Cronona	34		1020	
	Mantova	36		1080	
	Milano	167		5010	
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	Milano	167	5010		
	Pavia	44	1320		
	Sondrio	21	630		
	Varese	57	1110		
				480	14.5 tons

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 594
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/45/4/LG

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Italian Local Government Elections.

15 June 1945

TO : Distribution as below.

1. Reference is made to this Sub Commission's circular letter of 25 May, subject and reference as above.
2. No doubt PCs will see to it that their Prefects are informed of the contents of the AFHQ instruction enclosed with the previous circular and it was sent in duplicate to PCs with that intention.
3. The Italian Government have, however, now specifically represented the desirability of the Prefects being so informed so that they may in turn impart the necessary directions to the Sindaci.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AC/45/A/LG

Ref: 478130

13 June 1945

SUBJECT: Preparation of Electoral Lists.

TO : Distribution as below.

1. Attention is drawn to Article 5 of MIL 12 April 1944, No. 201, published in the "Gazzetta Ufficiale" No. 59 of 17 May. The effect of this article is stated in the next paragraph. The Decree has now been implemented for Military Government Territory by the order (No. 829) of Allied Military Government published in the "Gazzetta Ufficiale" No. 63 of 7 June 1945.
2. Although all the Italian legislation upon the preparation of the electoral lists has been given a formal implementation in Military Government Territory, its practical effect has hitherto been confined to Italian Government Territory. With respect to provinces under Allied Military Government, the Italian legislation provided that the procedure for preparing the lists was to be announced in any such province 10 days after its return to the Italian Government; no provision was made for any steps to be taken during the period of Military Government. On the representation of this HQ, the Italian Government have altered this by the amendment of Article 5 of the Decree quoted in para 1, which provides for Allied Military Government to fix the date or dates for commencing preparation of the lists.

3. Authority to fix a date or dates accordingly for the provinces under AG will be exercised by the Chief Civil Affairs Officer at HQ AC. The HQs through the SIAOs will advise the CCAC as to the earliest date that can be set. The purpose of this directive is to give an indication of the considerations to be borne in mind in this connection.

4. The existence of electoral lists is a condition precedent to any sort of election--national or local. The preparation of the lists is the first practical step in the return of Italy to the basis of democratic government, namely, the election of representative institutions, and it is thus an implementation of one of the fundamental policies of the Allies towards Italy.

5. The liberation of the whole of the country has brought the matter into even higher relief. Before that event, the lists could only be considered, for official purposes, in connection with the holding of local elections in those parts of Italy that lay to the rear of our lines. Now, however, the holding of local elections throughout the whole of Italy more or less simultaneously is a possibility. The essential preliminary to local elections, the formation of the electoral lists, is already well under way in Southern and Central Italy; and the important step of allowing the North to lag behind is obvious.

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9. The work of preparing the lists is intricate and complicated. It is a series of formal steps--such as the publication of notices, the deposit of provisional lists, the receipt of and adjudication upon claims by citizens to be entered on the lists, and so on--for each of which a precise time-table is laid down. Accuracy, rigid impartiality, and the strictest possible adherence to the time-table are essential. The responsibility for these tasks rests almost entirely upon the Prefects and their administrative officials, upon the Sindaco of each comune with the Communal Secretary, as well as Electoral Commissioners. It is obvious that an adequate number of personnel trained in Italian administrative procedure will be necessary to assist.

10. In the first place, therefore, the imminent preparation of the electoral lists requires that the organization of the Prefectures should be completed and that there should be employed at each of them a sufficient number of trained staff. The establishment of the organs of local government prescribed by Executive Memorandum No. 59 is essential for this purpose. For instance, an Electoral Commission must be established in every comune which is the center of a judicial district.

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This Electoral Commission is provided over by the President of the Tribunal, or if none, by the Prefect, and is composed of four commissioners of whom one is appointed by the Prefect and three by the Deputazione Provinciale. The necessity for the institution of the underlined local body is apparent. The re-organization of the Prefectures and of local government should, therefore, be completed with all possible speed. Any delay will postpone the work of compilation of the election registers.

9. As this re-organization proceeds, the newly appointed local authorities of the Communes should turn their attention at once to the revision of their registers of population. As is generally known, a register ("anagrafe") of the population is and always has been required to be kept at the knowledge of each commune, and this register is the basis from which the first draft electoral list will be prepared. The bringing up to date of these registers must, therefore, be put in hand as soon as possible. A circular from the Ministry of the Interior to the Prefects, No. 31521 of 22 May 1945, has recently been distributed through the 16 channels, whereby the Italian provincial and communal authorities are advised how to proceed with the bringing up to date of the registers of Italian population.

10. Finally, a revision of the lists cannot be commenced until each commune has been provided with the forms and other stationery necessary for the purpose. The Italian Government is responsible for the printing of these and for supplying them to the RC. It is expected that this printed material will be available within the next two weeks. This RC will then arrange for the transport of the material (all packaged and labeled) to the HQ of the Regional Commissioners of the five northern regions. RCs in their turn will immediately distribute to provincial Commissioners from which point the latter will be responsible for further distribution to every commune. The commencing date for the preparation of the lists cannot be earlier than a week after distribution of the forms to the last commune. Local Italian officials must have at least two days to study the forms, the law and the procedure and to make their preparations accordingly. In advising all to the date which should be fixed, RCs must make full allowance for this.

11. In the actual fixing of the date, each Region must be dealt with as a whole. It would be possible to fix separate dates, province by province, according as each one becomes ready to begin. It is much to be preferred, however, that one single date be fixed for the whole of a Region. If possible, the same date will be set for all the northern regions, but in any event if there are different dates they will be out a few days apart.

12. Please give this letter your immediate consideration and inform him in how soon after receipt of the electoral material the compilation of electoral lists can commence in your Region.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

G. L. UPTON, RMC.
VP CA Section

The Italian Government is responsible for the printing of these and for supplying them to this HQ. It is expected that this printed material will be available within 15 to 20 days. This HQ will then arrange for the transport of the printed material (all packaged and labeled) to the HQ of the Regional Commissioners of the five northern regions. HQs in their turn will immediately distribute to provincial Commissioners from which point the latter will be responsible for further distribution to every comune. The commencing date for the preparation of the lists cannot be earlier than a week after distribution of the forms to the local Italian officials must have at least 10 days to study the forms, the law and the procedure and to make their preparations accordingly. In advising a to the HQ to which should be fixed, HQs must make full allowance for this.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/45/41G

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Italian Local Government Elections.

25 May 1945

TO : Distribution as below.

1. The attached copy of letter AG OLL.35/185 GEC-O dated 20 May 1945 is forwarded for information and action if and when necessary.
2. Sufficient copies are attached for distribution to Provincial Commissioners in duplicate.
3. Please note that the letter in question relates only to territory which has been returned to the control of the Italian Government.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

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R E S T R I C T E DALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

20 May 1945

AG 014.35/185 GEG-O

SUBJECT: Italian Local Government Elections

TO : All Concerned

1. The Italian Government intends to hold, as soon as practicable, local government elections in all communes in territory handed back to their administration. For this purpose it will be necessary for them to establish a very large number of polling stations. The question has been raised as to the attitude to be adopted should the Italian authorities desire the temporary use for polling stations of rooms in buildings of a public nature requisitioned by the Allied authorities.

2. The following principles will apply:

a. Where the Italian authorities represent, and local Allied commanders agree that sufficient suitable accommodation for polling stations is not available to them in non-requisitioned buildings they may apply to the local military commander for facilities to be made available for that purpose in public buildings, schools, etc. which have been requisitioned by the Allied authorities.

b. In the circumstances set out in a. above, local military commanders will, wherever possible, providing military operations or security are not hampered, make available to the Italian authorities rooms in the buildings referred to above for use as polling stations subject to the following conditions:

- (1) The rooms should be ground floor rooms only with direct access to a street (one large room will usually suffice in any one building).
- (2) The use of the rooms for any one election should in general be limited to one day per election but may in exceptional cases be extended to two days.
- (3) The Italian authorities must provide all necessary furniture for use in the polling stations and will not be entitled to use of any Allied equipment. They should, however, be provided with lighting as necessary, if it is available.

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d. United States or British personnel on duty in the vicinity of the polling places will be instructed to the effect that no Allied interference will be permitted in the actual electoral activities.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

(Signed) C. W. Christenberry
C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGC
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Chief Commissioner

27 April 45

9/20.1/CA

SUBJECT : Committees of National Liberation.

TO : All Officers, Emilia, Liguria, Lombardia,
Piemonte and Venetie Regions.
SSAO's 5 and 8 Army.
HQ IV Corps

1 This directive lays down the policy which will govern the actions of all Officers of Allied Military Government in their relations with the Committees of National Liberation (CLN - "Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale") in Northern Italy.

2 CLNs have been organized on a communal, provincial and regional basis throughout German Occupied Territory. Their activities are co-ordinated by an over-all CLN for the whole of the area, known as the CLNAI - ("Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale dell'Alta Italia"). Intelligence reports from the North show that the various Committees of National Liberation have learned a good deal about the art of government in the year-long struggle against the Fascist, and the Germans. In many districts, "shadow" Governments have been set up, and the various portfolios have been distributed amongst the leaders of the different parties. On the whole it seems that for the time being there is a remarkable degree of unity of purpose in the Committees, and party differences have been sunk in the common desire to chase the Germans from Italy and to punish their Fascist collaborators. These Committees have been assisted in their Military operations by the Allied authorities and the giving of such assistance necessarily implies a degree of recognition of their position.

3 Relations with AMG. - The Supreme Allied Commander has made his own military arrangements with the CLNAI. He has not given political recognition to the CLNs, but under these military arrangements, the CLNs will endeavour to maintain law and order and continue to safeguard economic resources until AMG is established. Thereupon CLNAI has agreed that the CLNs will recognise AMG and hand over to it all authority previously assumed.

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4 But there are other considerations which should be borne in mind in implementing the policy indicated in the above arrangements. It is in the interest of the Allies that there should be a stable Government in Italy and the Allied policy is to strengthen the legitimate Italian Government in every way possible. The Italian Government in Rome may not have the entire confidence of the CLNs in the North and, at best, their influence there may be subject to fluctuation. This may be based on several factors. There is the feeling that the North has contributed more generously to the defeat of the Germans than that South, and has suffered far more heavily for Italy. There is criticism of the slow progress made by the Benoni Government in the reconstruction of the country, in the solution of the pressing economic problems of food supply and inflation, and above all in the punishment of former fascists. The Italian Government is well aware of this antipathy and has an agreement which goes further than that of the Supreme Allied Commander in recognising the CNIAI as its representative in the struggle in the North. The Government has succeeded in exacting a certain measure of recognition from the CLNs in the North, but the possibility cannot be overlooked that they, or their component political parties, may not abide by this agreement if circumstances seem favourable for a political upheaval. It is hoped that after liberation the Rome Government will be able to absorb additional members from the North and thereby become more representative.

5 Relations with the Italian Government. The recognition of the CLNs as the representatives of the Government in the struggle against the enemy does not affect the Allies, who are not parties to the arrangement. Moreover, the Italian Government has no authority of any kind in Military Government Territory. Its arrangements with the CIMA are not operative in Military Government Territory and do not affect the relations between AMG and the CLN.

6 The problem facing AMG, therefore, is to reconcile the military arrangements of the Supreme Allied Command with the aspirations of the political leaders of the CLNs to self-government, at the same time supporting the authority of the Italian Government in Rome in order that it may be able to administer the Northern Territory once AMG is withdrawn. The solution of this problem may well be found to lie in the assumption at a very early date of CLN nominees into the civil administration. If Allied Officers arrive in the North and bluntly inform the CLN that their task is accomplished and that they may now disperse and if, after that, Sindaco and other administrative officers are appointed without the views of CLN being considered, the antagonism will be great and may well be disastrous. The danger of setting up local administrations composed of Italians who are not acceptable to the Patriot organizations cannot be over emphasized. AMG officers are not bound to accept the first suggestions of the CLN, who can always be instructed to submit alternative names. If, however, this principle is followed out, many of the problems of maintaining law and order will never arise. It will be easier to exploit the local resources of the country in the work of reconstruction and in the work of feeding the population. It will be easier to bring together the former Patriot organizations and the Italian Government, and it will be easier to prepare the ground against the time when the Government in Rome can take over the administration.

7 While the foregoing paragraph lays down a principle which is calculated to reconcile the Military arrangements of the Supreme Allied Commander with the aspirations of the CLNs, there are special considerations in regard to the office of Prefect and Questore.

Prefects, as the official representatives of the Government, are normally appointed by the Government from career civil servants. Even in the present situation this practice has generally been followed. Occasionally the Questori have normally been appointed from Public Safety personnel by the Central Government. Other appointments, such as the Sindaco, etc., are normally local choice.

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accountable to the Patriot organizations cannot be over emphasized. All officers are not bound to accept the first suggestion of the CIL, who can always be instructed to submit alternative names. If, however, this principle is followed out, many of the problems of maintaining law and order will never arise. It will be easier to exploit the local resources of the country in the work of reconstruction and in the work of feeding the population. It will be easier to bring together the former Patriot organizations and the Italian Government, and it will be easier to prepare the ground against the time when the Government in Rome can take over the administration.

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The action is, therefore, as follows. On arrival in a province it seems almost certain that a Prefect and Questore appointed by CIL will be found in office. This will be fully in accord with the agreement between the Supreme Allied Commander and CIL. These appointments should not be continued forthwith but the individuals should be normally allowed to remain in office, as acting Prefect and acting Questore, respectively solely for the purpose of carrying on routine business pending the final appointment by AG. Nominations should then be invited from the CIL, to whom it will be explained that AGs alone have the right to make the appointment from among nominees of the Italian Government, CIL and other sources. Nominations may also be sought from other sources, e.g. the local authorities. The names of Government nominees, e.g. those who posts will be furnished by this Headquarters as soon as they are available, and local opinion should then be sought as to the nominated nominees of the Government's nominees. The appointment should not be hurried and it is much better to allow a reasonable period, say 10-14 days, to elapse so that full consideration can be given to the matter before final nomination is made. In appointing a Questore great importance is to be attached to the high level qualifications of the

nominees. Purely political appointments to this important office should be avoided. The responsible SMO or PC will inform this HQ of the following details.

- a) Name of Prefect and Quarters found in office
 - b) Name of Prefect and Quarters finally appointed.
- Once more it is stressed that these special circumstances apply only to the two offices of Prefect and Quarters. The Italian Government fully appreciates that other officials are naturally local choices and AMG officers will appoint them with due regard to CIM advice.

9 The CIMs must be treated with the courtesy due to their political position and their past labours. They should be received regularly by the PC and given the opportunity of expressing their views. They are at liberty to make representations to the PC or the Prefect, both of whom should seek the advice and views of the CIM whenever they think it opportune. It is however entirely a matter for the PC to consider whether, in any particular case, the advice of the CIM is to be followed or rejected. It would of course be in keeping with this directive to accept such advice except where it is in conflict with the policy of AMG.

10 It should be added that, when a member of a CIM is appointed to an administrative position, it is better that he should resign from the CIM. There may be objections to this in individual cases and it is left to the discretion of the PC concerned. It is most desirable, however, that holders of administrative positions should be entirely divorced from the politics of the CIM.

11 It must be made plain to the Prefect and to other officials that they are the servants of AMG and can take no orders from the CIM. On the other hand, the PC must give his full support to the Prefect and the official administrators. If he no longer has confidence in his officials, the PC should take steps to remove them. The CIM must not exercise executive functions or usurp the authority of the Prefect, e.g. by making official appointments or setting up commissions of enquiry. If, after they have been duly warned and ordered to desist, the CIMs persist in attempting to be executive or otherwise violate the orders of the Supreme Allied Commander as Military Governor, then, and as a last resort, the PC may ignore them completely. Such an attitude is to be adopted only in case of absolute necessity, when all efforts at conciliation have failed and administration is at a deadlock.

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It must be made plain to the Prefect and to other officials that they are the servants of AMO and can take no orders from the CLN. On the other hand, the PO must give his full support to the Prefect and the official administrators. If he no longer has confidence in his officials, the PO should take steps to remove them. The CLN must not exercise executive functions or usurp the authority of the Prefect, e.g., by making official appointments or setting up commissions of inquiry. If, after they have been duly warned and ordered to desist, the CLN persists in attempting to be executive or otherwise violate the orders of the Supreme Allied Commander as Military Governor, then, and as a last resort, the PO may ignore them completely. Such an attitude is to be adopted only in case of absolute necessity, when all efforts at conciliation have failed and administration is at a deadlock.

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Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Civil Affairs Officer

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 G-5 15 Army Group

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AG/27/A/LG

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Local government and administration.

24 April 1945

TO : RCs Toscana and Umbria-Marche

1. Enclosed are blank copies of a short questionnaire form with reference to the state and condition of certain aspects of the Italian administration.
2. These forms are in substitution for the detailed reports which it was the practice of Provincial Commissioners to make in the past.
3. It is requested that one copy in respect of each of your provinces be returned through you duly completed for the period ending 30 April.
4. There is no necessity for the RC's staff to attend to the preparation of the information required on p. 1, as this can be done by the Prefect and the form has been drawn in Italian for the purpose (a translation for information is attached).
5. The brief remarks required on p. 2 are of much value and it is desired that these shall be made personally by the RC.
6. The information enclosed provides this HQ with a comprehensive picture of the subject matter, and is of the utmost assistance to the Local Government Sub Commission in its dealings with the appropriate departments of the Italian Ministry of the Interior.
7. Similar forms will be sent from this HQ at monthly intervals as may be required.

BY COMMAND OF CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

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G. R. UPJOHN, Brig.
VP CA Section

LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORT

FOR THE MONTH OF 1945

REGION

PROVINCE

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

1. Has a President of the Province been appointed?
2. Has a Deputazione Provinciale been established?
3. Have the 4 elective (citizen) members of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa been appointed?

4.	Date of Appointment	Surname	First Name & Title	Description & Number of Substantive Grades
(i) Prefect				
(ii) Vice Prefect Vicario				
(iii) Vice Prefect Inspector				

COMMUNAL GOVERNMENT

1. Total Number of Communes
2. Number of Communes with a Giunta Comunale
3. " " " " " Sindaco
4. " " " " " Commissario Prefettizio
5. (i) " " " " " Career Segretario Comunale
- (ii) " " " " " Non-Career " "

* NOTE: In para 4(i), (ii), (iii) particulars of the grade held on last appointment by the Italian Government are required. This is not necessarily the grade of the office now held, eg. a Consigliere of Grade VIII may be acting Vice Prefect Inspector (Grade VI).

RAPPORTO SULLA SITUAZIONE AMMINISTRATIVAPER IL MESE DI 1945REGIONEPROVINCIAPROVINCIA

1. E' stato nominato un Presidente della Provincia?				
2. E' stata costituita una Deputazione Provinciale?				
3. Sono stati nominati i 4 membri elettivi (cittadini) della Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa?				
4.	Data della nomina	Cognome	Nome e titolo	Qualifica e grado ricoperto attualmente
(i) Prefetto				
(ii) Vice Prefetto Vicario				
(iii) Vice Prefetto Ispettore				

COMUNI

1. Numero totale dei Comuni				
2. Numero dei Comuni con una Giunta Comunale				
3.	"	"	"	un Sindaco
4.	"	"	"	Commissario Prefettizio
5. (i)	"	"	"	Segretario Comunale di Carriera
(ii)	"	"	"	" " non di carriera

Nota.

Nei paragrafi 4 (i), (ii), (iii) si richiedono i particolari del grado tenuto all'epoca dell'ultima nomina da parte del Governo italiano. Questo non necessariamente il grado relativo all'ufficio tenuto attualmente, vale a dire un Consigliere di grado VIII potrebbe agire come Vice Prefetto Ispettore (Grado VI).

SHORT APPRAISAL BY PC OF UNDERMENTIONED OFFICIALS. IF THE PC'S VIEWS HAVE NOT
ALTERED SINCE LAST REPORT, WRITE "NO CHANGE".

1. PREFECT

2. VICE PREFECT VICARIO

3. VICE PREFECT INSPECTOR

SHORT STATEMENT BY THE PC AS TO THE GENERAL STATE AND CONDITION OF THE LOCAL
GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS MENTIONED ON P. 1 AND ANY VIEWS HE MAY WISH TO
EXPRESS THEREON

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AM/4/30/IG.

1st April, 1945.

SUBJECT: Supply of Italian Prefectural Officials.

TO : ALL ROs and SOAOs.

1. This directive is intended to deal only with prefectural appointments below those of Prefect and Vice Prefect. It does not in any way affect the present practice with regard to the appointment of Prefects and Vice Prefects which will be dealt with in accordance with existing directives.

2. Owing to the shortage of Italian trained personnel, only key positions of a Prefecture can in future be supplied by officials sent from ROME. Such key positions are:

Councillors ("Consiglieri")
Chief Accountants ("Ragionieri Cap")

For the same reason, the normal complement of Councillors at a Prefecture will be limited to two, save in a few of the most important provinces.

3. For other administrative positions, the Prefect must use every endeavour to recruit temporary employees ("avventizi") in the locality. The rules governing the engagement and conditions of service of such temporary employees are well known to career Prefects and Vice-Prefects. Only if it is impossible to recruit a temporary employee should application be made for an official to be sent from ROME.

4. The remainder of this circular deals with the procedure to be adopted in future when it is desired to have an administrative official below the rank of Prefect and Vice Prefect sent from ROME to fill a vacancy at the Prefecture.

5. The Prefect will in future report direct to the Minister of the Interior, giving particulars of the officials already in service and stating his requirements.

6. All such communications from the Prefect to the Ministry must, however, be sent through AC channels. The necessity for strictly observing these channels must be firmly impressed on the ROs and measures taken to see that he adheres to them.

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7. IC/SOAOs and PO will place on all such communications a stamp or other indication containing the words "forwarded" or "seen" to indicate that the proper channels have been observed. IC/SOAOs and POs are not required to examine in detail the Prefect's proposals or to express any opinion on them, unless they have some special reason for doing so.

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8. An official designated by the Ministry of the Interior for service at a Prefecture will report to Local Government Sub-Commission for travel orders. The Sub-Commission will dispatch him to Regional/Army HQ, as at present. Every such official will bring with him a letter of introduction in the form given in the Appendix, a copy of which will also be sent by post.

9. Facilities no longer exist for screening every such official before dispatch, as in the past. Instead, use will be made of the operation procedure for which the Italian Government is responsible (see the statement as to operation in para. 3 of the form in the Appendix). No official will be sent for duty in Military Government Territory without either this operation certificate or having been screened.

10. If a reasonably adequate staff is not obtainable by these methods or if there is unreasonable delay in obtaining it, the PO should report specifically

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on the facts, and this HQ will take the matter up with the Italian Government. For a variety of reasons, however, considerable delay is to be expected. Correspondence between AO officers in the field and this HQ as to officials below the grade of Vice-Prefect Inspector should be kept to the minimum.

C. R. URJOE, Brig.
VP CA SECTION.

Appendix attached.

Distribution:-

RC Toscana Region	(10)	(For POs)
RC Umbria-Marche Region	(10)	"
SCAO AMG 5 Army	(10)	"
SCAO AMG 8 Army	(10)	
G-5. 15 Army Group	(2)	
HQ 4 Corps	(2)	
Office of X. Comm.	(2)	
Economic Section	(6)	
Civil Affairs Section	(2)	
Public Safety S/C	(1)	
Public Health S/C	(1)	
Legal S/C	(1)	
Patriots Branch	(1)	
Disper S/C	(1)	
Education S/C	(1)	
MEA & + S/C	(1)	
RC EMILIA REGION	(10)	
RC LIGURIA REGION	(10)	
RC PIEMONTE REGION	(10)	
RC LOMBARDIA REGION	(15)	
RC VENEZIA REGION	(20)	

APPENDIX

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
 Direction General of General
 Affairs and Personnel

Rome 1945

Section Division

File No. Enclosures

To the
 ALLIED COMMISSION
 Local Government Sub Commission

SUBJECT: Official for the Prefecture of

1. The bearer of this letter is:

Surname

Title and rank

Grade

2. After correspondence between this Ministry and the Prefect through the medium of the Allied Commission, it is considered necessary to send this official to the said Prefecture to undertake the functions of

3. This official has been submitted to epuration and adjudged

(no case for sanctions) + The time limit for appeals has expired.
 (censure .)

OR

3. This official is not liable to epuration as he does not come within any of the conditions envisaged by the law as to sanctions against Fascism.

4. May arrangements please be made for him to travel to the said

Prefecture.

FOR THE MINISTER

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 (2) For Italian translation, see back.

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1st Indorsement

Ref
TO HC/SCAO
1. Arrangements have been made for the above-mentioned official to travel to your HQ by on
2. This } copy is sent with the official concerned as an introduction.
Another }
This } copy is being sent to you by post.
Another }

Director
Local Government Sub Commission

MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO
Direzione Generale degli Affari
Generali e del Personale.

Roma 1945

Sezione Divisione

Prot. No.

ALLA: COMMISSIONE ALLIATA
Sottocommissione Governo Locale

OCCETTO: Funzionario per la Prefettura di

- | | <u>Cognome</u> | <u>Titolo e Nome</u> | <u>Grado</u> |
|----|--|----------------------|--------------|
| 1. | Il latore di questa lettera e' | | |
| 2. | In seguito alla corrispondenza intercorra tra questo Ministero ed il Prefetto per il tramite della Commissione Allata, si considera necessario inviare questo funzionario alla predetta Prefettura per assumere le funzioni di | | |
| 3. | Il funzionario e' stato sottoposto a giudizio di epurazione e giudicato con : (non luogo a sanzioni.) + I termini utili per i ricorsi sono scaduti. | | |

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- +3. Il funzionario non risulta suscettibile di giudizio di epurazione in quanto non rientra in alcuno delle ipotesi previste dalla legge per le sanzioni contro il fascismo.
4. Si prega di provvedere al trasporto del funzionario alla sopradetta Prefettura.

PEL MINISTRO

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PEL MINISTRO

+NOTA: (1) Cancellare ove non necessario
(2) Per trasmissione **Inglase** vedere allegato.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

23 February 1945

Executive Memorandum
No. 30.

Appendix No. 1

APPOINTMENT OF PREFECTS IN NORTHERN ITALY

1. Under the provisions of Executive Memorandum No. 30, para 1(d) PREFECTS of Provinces in Military Government Territory are appointed or removed by order of HQ, but only with prior approval of Hq AG.
2. Prior consent of AG is not required for VICE PREFECTS and officials of junior rank in Prefectures. These are appointed by the Prefect with the approval of the HQ, who places his "visto" on the Prefect's order of appointment.
3. Para 1(d) of Executive Memorandum No. 30 is hereby amended to authorize HQ's EMILIA, LIGURIA, LOMBARDIA, PIEMONTE and VENETIA Regions to appoint and remove Prefects Regent without first obtaining the approval of Hq AG.
4. Any such appointment or removal is, however, to be reported as soon as possible to Hq AG with full particulars of the person appointed or the reasons for the removal.

M. S. LUCHI.
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of Executive Commissioner

1st March, 1944

EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM NUMBER 50.

RELATION BETWEEN ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION HEADQUARTERS
AND REGIONS

1. General Principles. The Regional Commissioner (RC) shall be responsible to the Chief Commissioner for the administration of military government in his region. Generally speaking he will have full power of command and decision on all matters relating to government, subject to the following limitations:

(d) Appointments or removals of Prefects and other administrative officers of like rank will be subject to prior approval by ACC HQ. Appointments or removals of certain judicial, educational and other officials, some of which are mentioned in Schedule B hereto and others to be separately notified, will also be subject to such prior approval. Appointments and removals of all officials will be reported to ACC HQ.

By command of Lieut. General Roger MacFarlane.

NORMAN E. FINCH
Colonel, Cavalry
Deputy Executive Commissioner.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 594
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

28 February 1945

AC/4/21/LG

SUBJECT: Promotion of Italian Officials.

TO : Distribution as below.

1. At the request of the Minister of the Interior, the annexed copies of a circular of 15 February 1945 are enclosed for transmission to the Prefects to whom they are addressed. Copies of an English translation of this circular are enclosed also for the use of yourself and the HQ's concerned.

2. In this connection, it will be useful to clarify the position in Military Government Territory with respect to questions as to the permanent rank or grade of Italian administrative officials serving therein.

3. The right of Allied Military Government to appoint and dismise officials is dealt with in Executive Memorandum No. 62, to which reference should be made. As appears from that Memorandum, all such appointments are temporary and have no effect upon the permanent rank or status of the appointees in the Italian civil service. Similarly, when an official is dismissed by Allied Military Government, the effect is that of a temporary suspension from office for an indefinite period; and the official's substantive rank in the hierarchy is not affected.

4. Questions as to permanent promotions in grade are, therefore, entirely matters for the Italian Government, with which officials of Allied Military Government should not normally concern themselves. It is the policy of this HQ not to make recommendations to the Italian Government for promotions save in the most exceptional and individual circumstances.

5. Accordingly, all questions of this kind should be left for the Italian Government to review as from the date on which they require responsibility for the province. The enclosed circular (which has been issued at the instance of this HQ) will reassure the officials affected that the promotion which they might otherwise expect will not be compromised by this postponement.

By command of Major General STONE:

G. I. UPJOHN, Brig.

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By command of Rear Admiral STONE:

C. R. UPFORD, Brig.
VP C.A. Section

Distribution:

RC	Lazio-Umbria	(and for RC's Perugia and Terni)	61
RC	Abruzzi-Marche	(and for RC's Ancona, Ascoli, Macerata and Pesaro)	
RC	Toscana	(and for RC's Arezzo, Grosseto, Livorno, Pisa and Siena)	
SCAO 5 Army		(and for RC's Florence, Lucca and Pistoia)	
SCAO 8 Army		(and for RC's Forlì and Ravenna)	
	RC's Emilia, Liguria, Lombardia, Piemonte and Venezia (for information)		

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
General Direction of General Affairs and Personnel

File 5000

SUBJECT: Promotion.

TO : The Prefect of

CIRCULAR LETTER

So as to meet the urgent needs of the service, it became necessary last November to make promotions in grade 7 and 6 of Group II.

On the occasion of these promotions the Central Commission for Personnel considered that it should limit its inquiries to personnel in office in territory already under the administration of the Italian Government, inasmuch as the urgency of the measure did not permit previous verification of the positions of individual officials in service in liberated territory not yet under the administration of the Italian Government.

With the object however of safeguarding the position of this category of officials, the before mentioned Commission has established the following principle:

- 1) - That promotions to grade 6 would be granted only in a limited number restricted to the places vacant, leaving available a considerable number of places for those officials who, for the reasons explained above, could not be examined;
- 2) - That the promotions would be granted on a basis of seniority to those officials who, after they have been examined, will be graded uniformly with the others already promoted; and their promotions will be effective as from the date of the other promotions given so that the officials receiving them will be placed on a basis of absolute parity with the colleagues promoted previously.

As however, the connections of this Ministry with the Prefectures beyond its jurisdiction are, through the courteous assistance of the AG always becoming more and more normal and allow the Ministry to be informed of the position of the officials in service at the Prefectures in the provinces not subject to the administration of the Italian Government, in future the position of all officials in service in the liberated territory, and having the prescribed qualifications to be scrutinised will also be taken into consideration.

At a later date Forms A and B for the information early relative to the personnel working at the above-mentioned Prefectures for the year 1944 will be sent for completion; but in the meantime we ask Your Excellency to be good enough to transmit to the Ministry a detailed informative report regarding the under-mentioned officials, indicating for each one (apart from the qualifications marks) if any of the provisions of Art. 12 et seq. of the Italian Government.

15th February 1945.

Officials in Service in
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So that the personnel of this Prefecture can continue to perform these duties with an easy mind and with the assurance that their legitimate expectations are guaranteed in any case, we ask Your Excellency, to inform them of contents of the present circular.

FOR THE MINISTER
(Signed) MOLL

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AC/45/LG

Tel: 478190

16 February 1945

SUBJECT: Preparation of Electoral Lists.

TO : Regional Commissioners

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2. The Decrees are already in force in Italian Government Territory and the first steps for the preparation of the lists are being taken by the proper authorities of the provinces and the communes. As to Military Government Territory, the periods for the compilation of the electoral lists in any commune begin on the 10th day after such territory passes to the control of the Italian Government.

3. This legislation has been made applicable in Military Government Territory by endorsement appearing in the Gazzetta Ufficiale No. 91 of 7 December 1944, and No. 16 of 6 February 1945. It is necessary that certain preliminaries to the actual preparation of the lists should be undertaken now. One such essential preliminary is the careful revision and bringing up to date of the registers of population in each commune. The Minister of the Interior has accordingly issued to Prefects in provinces in Italian Government Territory a circular--Prot. No. 15600-1, dated 26 January 1945, emphasizing the importance of this revision of the registers of population. He has requested this HQ that the circular be also distributed to Prefects of provinces under Allied Military Government.

4. Copies of the Minister's circular are accordingly enclosed herewith, together with copies of an English translation for the use of yourself and your PO's. It is requested that these, together with the copies of this letter, be distributed to PO's who should be instructed to hand the Italian circular to their Prefects.

5. The revision of the registers of population and the subsequent preparation of the electoral lists are vitally important functions of the Italian local administration. PO's should impress upon their Prefects the necessity of proceeding with the revision of the registers of population promptly and accurately. Prefects should give immediate instructions accordingly to the communes and see that these are carried out. PO's should keep themselves informed by the Prefect from time to time of the progress being made in this regard; and if they have reason to consider that the work is not going as it should, they should report the situation through you to this HQ.

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G. R. URJOHN, Brig.
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Distribution:

Lazio Umbria Region
Toscana Region
Abruzzi Marche Region

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MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
General Direction of Civilian Administration

Electoral Service

26th of January 1945

TO: PREFECTS OF THE REALM (per. ex. Arezzo).

Prot. No. 15600-1

CIRCULAR LETTER

SUBJECT: Drawing up of the electoral lists - Extraordinary revision of the register of the population.

Complying with the request made by the Ministry the Commission agreed to the distribution from now on in the territories which have not passed yet under the administration of the Italian Government of the electoral forms together with the legislation, regulations and instructions concerning the first drawing up of the electoral lists. This for the purpose of ensuring everywhere, and as soon as possible, the inauguration of a real democratic order as soon as the exigencies of the war permit.

These electoral forms will be sent with two circulars to the Prefecture:

one dated the 25th of October 1944, explaining the Ministerial Decree of the 24th October 1944, which following the Lieutenantcy Legislative Decree of the 25th September 1944, n. 247 dictates the rules and formalities for the drawing up of the lists;

the other dated the 29th November 1944, containing the directions for the distribution of the same material which, for the moment, includes only a first group of forms strictly necessary to begin the drawing up of the electoral lists.

The purpose of this circular letter is that of calling Y.E.'s particular attention to an essential premise, that is to say, the fact that the drawing up of the lists presupposes a scrupulous bringing up to date of the register of the population the data of which cannot today, because of the war, be considered as satisfactory enough to reflect the actual situation of the population.

This exigency has been clearly pointed out by the Ministry which, apart from dictating a special provision in the art. 4, para 2, of the Ministerial Decree, has given some indications and information (which have an undoubted clarifying character) so as to render possible the afore-mentioned revision or, in case the population registers or those as to civil status have been destroyed, the formation of a general list of the resident population.

The Ministry does not conceal the difficulties that will have to be overcome, especially in the more ravaged towns. Considering however to what purpose the revision and drawing up of the lists is being done, we do not doubt that Y.E. will take a real interest so that the necessary steps be taken (within the limits imposed by the extraordinary circumstances of the moment) with every possible care

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The purpose of this circular letter is that of calling Y.M.'s particular attention to an essential premise, that is to say, the fact that the drawing up of the lists presupposes a scrupulous bringing up to date of the register of the population the data of which cannot today, because of the war, be considered as satisfactory enough to reflect the actual situation of the population.

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We also point out that the Ministerial Decree is published on the 18th of this month. And as, according to the provisions of art. 26, the time limits for the formation of the lists of these Communes which have not been handed over to the Italian Administration begin on the 10th day after the resumption of powers by the Italian Government, we ask Y. M. to see that the Sindaco receive, at the same time as the distribution of electoral material, instructions intended to ensure that, as soon as the revision of the population registers or the drawing up of the general lists of the population is completed, the Communes will also take the necessary arrangements for the labour and whatever else is needed for the formation of the lists. The shortness of the time limits for each separate operation, the numerous steps which have to be taken, and the exceptional situation of many municipalities indicate the necessity of not interdicting delays which would become, in fact, an unjustified procrastination of the reinstatement of the representative institutions.

Would you kindly give us an answer on the subject.

TC/Tr--revd. CCR/

FOR THE MINISTER

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AC/45/LG

Tel: 472190

14 February 1945

SUBJECT: Preparation of Electoral Lists.

TO : Regional Commissioners, Toscana
Lazio-Umbria
Abruzzi-Marche

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2. The Decrees are already in force in Italian Government Territory and the first steps for the preparation of the lists are being taken by the proper authorities of the provinces and the communes. As to Military Government Territory, the periods for the compilation of the electoral lists in any commune begin on the 10th day after such territory passes to the control of the Italian Government.

3. This legislation has been made applicable in Military Government Territory by endorsement appearing in the Gazzetta Ufficiale No. 91 of 7 December 1944, and No. 16 of 6 February 1945. It is necessary that certain preliminaries to the actual preparation of the lists should be undertaken now. One such essential preliminary is the careful revision and bringing up to date of the registers of population in each commune. The Minister of the Interior has

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4. Copies of the Minister's circular are accordingly enclosed herewith, together with copies of an English translation for the use of yourself and your PC's. It is requested that these, together with the copies of this letter, be distributed to PC's who should be instructed to hand the Italian circular to their Prefects.

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MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

General Direction of Civilian Administration

Electoral Service

26th of January 1945

TO: PREFECTS OF THE REALM (per. ex. Arezzo)

CIRCULAR LETTER

P. n. 15600-1

SUBJECT: Drawing up of the electoral lists - Extraordinary revision of the register of the population.

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We also point out that the Ministerial Decree is published on the Gazzetta Ufficiale of the 20th of this month and therefore comes in force the 30th of this month. And as, according to the provisions of art. 26, the time limits for the formation of the lists of those Communes which have not been handed over to the Italian Administration begin on the 10th day after the resumption of powers by the Italian Government, we ask Y.E. to see that the Sindaci receive, at the same time as the distribution of electoral material, instructions intended to ensure that, as soon as there is revision of the population registers or the drawing up of the general lists of the population is completed, the Communes will make the necessary arrangements for the labour and whatever else is needed for the formation of the lists. The shortness of the time limits for each separate operation, the numerous steps which have to be taken, and the exceptional situation of many communities indicate the necessity of not intermitting delays which would become, in fact, an unjustified procrastination of the reinstatement of the representative institutions.

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FOR THE MINISTER

MINISTERO DELL'INTERNODirezione Generale dell'Amministrazione Civile
SERVIZIO ELETTORALE

ROMA, 24 Gennaio 1945

Prot. No. 15600-1

CIRCOLARE

A S. E. IL PREFETTO di

MACERATA

OGGETTO : Compilazione delle liste elettorali - Revisione straordinaria del registro di popolazione. -

In adesione alle premure rivolte dal Ministero scrivente l'On. Commissione Alleata ha consentito che ai territori non ancora restituiti all'amministrazione civile italiana sia distribuito, fin da questo momento, il materiale elettorale insieme con le disposizioni legislative e regolamentari e le istruzioni concernenti la prima formazione delle liste. Cio' nell'intento di assistere dappertutto, e nella maniera piu' sollecita, l'instaurazione di un vero ordinamento democratico non appena lo permetteranno le esigenze della condotta bellica.

Detto materiale viene inviato a codesta Prefettura con due circolari: l'una in data 25 ottobre 1944, illustrativa del decreto ministeriale 24 ottobre 1944, che, in esecuzione del decreto legislativo Luogotenenziale 28 settembre 1944, n. 247, detta le norme e le modalita' per la compilazione delle liste;

l'altra in data 29 novembre 1944, contenente i criteri di distribuzione del materiale medesimo che, per ora, comprende soltanto un primo gruppo di stampati strettamente necessari per potersi dare inizio alla compilazione delle liste.

Scopo della presente e' quello di richiamare la particolare attenzione dell'E.V. su una premessa essenziale, e cioe' sul fatto che la formazione delle liste presuppone lo scrupoloso aggiornamento del registro di popolazione i cui dati non possono oggi, in dipendenza della guerra, essere ritenuti sufficientemente idonei a rispecchiare l'attuale situazione della popolazione.

Siffatta esigenza e' stata chiaramente avvertita dallo scrivente che, oltre a dettare apposita disposizione nell'art. 4 - comma secondo del decreto ministeriale, ha fornito alcuni elementi ed indicazioni - che hanno senza dubbio carattere semplificativo - allo scopo di rendere possibile l'anzidetta revisione oppure, qualora siano andati distrutti i registri anagrafici e dello

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Il Ministero non si nasconde le difficolta che, specie nei centri urbani piu' devastati, occorrera superare. Atteso pero lo scopo specifico ¹⁸³⁴ cui la revisione o compilazione in parola e preordinata, non dubita che da parte di V.E. sara spiegato un efficace interessamento affinche gli adempimenti relativi siano compiuti, nei limiti consentiti dalle straordinarie circostanze del momento, con ogni impegno e controllate, se del caso, mediante saltuarie, accurate ispezioni.

Terna qui opportuno avvertire che il decreto ministeriale viene pubblicato nella Gazzetta Ufficiale del 20 corrente ed entra perciò in vigore il 30 di questo mese. E poiche, giusta il disposto dell'art. 26, i termini per la formazione delle liste nei comuni non ancora restituiti all'amministrazione italiana decorrono dal decimo giorno successivo alla data di riassunzione dei poteri da parte del Governo italiano, si prega V.E. di voler curare che, contemporaneamente alla distribuzione del materiale elettorale, siano impartite ai Sindaci istruzioni i tese ad assicurare che, una volta terminata la revisione anagrafica e la compilazione dello elenco generale della popolazione residente, i comuni provvedono senz'altro a predisporre il lavoro e quant'altro occorre per la formazione delle liste. La ristrettezza dei termini assegnati alle singole

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Si gradira un cenno di assicurazione.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 594
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

RC/14/A/LG

Tel: 489081 Ext. 620

SUBJECT: Matters relating to Italian official personnel.

28 November 1944

TO : SCAO 5 and 6 Army
RC's AME territory

1. In order to avoid unnecessary, delaying and confusing correspondence with regard to the appointment, removal and movements of Italian officials, will you please direct that the following instructions for the proper channeling of communications be adhered to.

(i) Prefects will not correspond direct with Ministries of the Italian Government on the foregoing subjects, nor address correspondence to Ministries through the Provincial Commissioner.

(ii) Prefects will address correspondence to the Provincial Commissioner who will forward it to the respective Army or Regional Headquarters, as the case may be, with his recommendation. The Army or Regional Headquarters will in turn forward it to the Civil Affairs or Economic Section of Headquarters Allied Commission with further recommendations. From Headquarters Allied Commission, it will be sent to the appropriate Italian Ministry with the observations of the Allied Commission. The same procedure will apply for correspondence in the reverse direction.

BY COMMAND OF COMPOSITE STAFF:

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Brigadier
VP, C.A. Sec.
Dep. C.O.S.

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NOTE: SCAO 5 Army--The foregoing instructions repeat yours issued on 15 November 52 RC's which are in turn based upon letter of VP, C.A. Sec. of 8 November 1944.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

23 September 1944

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SUBJECT: Payment of Sindaci

TO : See Distribution below.

1. It has occasionally been represented to this Sub-Commission that suitable candidates for the office of Sindaco are sometimes not forthcoming because the office is an honorary one. In the present condition of Italy, the office makes much greater demands upon the time of its holder than it used to do, and the best type of man, it is sometimes alleged, cannot afford it.

2. It is a fundamental principle in Italian local government that the Sindaco shall serve the people without reward. Nevertheless, the exceptional circumstances of the times may justify a departure from this principle if there were sufficient evidence to warrant it.

3. Any arrangements for the payment of Sindaci would, of course, have to be made in agreement with the Italian Government. Before going into the matter further and approaching the Government, this Sub-Commission is anxious to ascertain what volume of evidence there is on the point.

4. For this purpose, a short pro-forma has been prepared which I would ask you to forward to your Provincial Commissioners for completion, and return to this office through you. The pro-forma has been kept as short and simple as possible, and has been drafted so as to give Provincial Commissioners as little trouble as possible in completing it. A copy of the pro-forma is accordingly enclosed for each of the provinces in your region or area which are under AMG control. A copy of this letter has been attached to each pro-forma.

5. When returning these pro-formas, any comments you may care to make in a covering letter would be greatly appreciated.

R. G. B. Spicer

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

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

RETURN AS TO PAYMENT OF SINDACI

REGION _____

PROVINCE OF _____

NO. OF COMMUNES _____

1. Has the fact that the office of Sindaco is unpaid caused any difficulty in obtaining suitable candidates?

2. In how many cases has this difficulty arisen?

3. Do you consider that: -

(a) the office of Sindaco should continue to be unpaid?

OR

(b) Sindaci should receive payment in cases where they could not otherwise afford to accept the office?

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(c) All Sindaci should be paid, regardless of their own means?

4. Any other observations: -

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Provincial Commissioner

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

Ref/350/53/CA.

12 Sept. 1944.

EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER

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TO: SCAO AND Fifth Army.
" " Eighth Army.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

I. - Appointments to the Office of Prefect in Military Government Territory.

1. When the Senior Civil Affairs Officer proposes to appoint a local man to be a Prefect, Executive Memorandum No. 70 states that he will first inform Interior Sub-Commission at this HQ, by telegram if necessary, so that the Sub-Commission can advise as to the proper title to be used.
2. It has been represented that this requirement may cause an undesirable delay in making the appointment.
3. Where for urgent administrative reasons it is desired to make an immediate appointment, Senior Civil Affairs Officers need no longer inform the Interior Sub-Commission before appointing a local man to be Prefect.
4. In such cases they will however:
 - (a) invariably give their nominee the title of "Prefetto Reggente";
 - (b) notify Interior Sub-Commission of the appointment as soon as possible after it has been made.
5. The above only applies in Army areas. In Provinces under Regional control the Regional Commissioner will continue to follow the procedure laid down in Executive Memorandum No. 70.
6. II. - Sindaci and Commissari Prefettizi.
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 7. Wherever possible, it is hoped that both the Sindaco and the Giunta Comunale will be appointed at an early stage. In such case the proper title for the head of the Comune is "Sindaco".
 8. Where circumstances do not permit the immediate appointment of a Giunta Comunale it may nevertheless be necessary to appoint at once a new head of the Comune. In such case the head of the Comune may exercise all the municipal powers without the help of a Giunta. The proper title in such case is "Commissario Prefettizio".
 9. When at a later stage a Giunta is formed, the title of "Commissario Prefettizio" should be changed to "Sindaco".
 10. The title "Commissario straordinario" will not be used.
 11. There is/.....

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11. There is no need to use any such title as Acting Sindaco. Even when the newly appointed head of the Commune is intended to hold office only for the shortest temporary period he should be called either "Commissario Prefettizio" (if there is no Giunta) or "Sindaco" (if a Giunta is appointed).

12. Once appointed or confirmed in his Office, should the Sindaco be absent or become ill, the Vice-Sindaco acts in his place. This is automatic and requires no appointment or other authorization. If there is no Vice-Sindaco, one should be appointed.

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M. S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Regions VIII, IX, Liguria, Piemonte, XI, XII.
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REF : 103/8/CA.

29 August, 1944.

SUBJECT: Provincial Commissioners Guide in
Organising Local Government.

TO : AMI. 5th and 6th Areas.

There is forwarded 10 copies of the attached Guide
for the use of Provincial Commissioners in organising Local
Government, which has been prepared by Administrative Section
(Interior Sub-Commission)

NORMAN A. FINE
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Copy to: Southern Region.
Reg. I, IV, V, VI, VIII, IX, X, XI, and XII.
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13 Sept. 1944.

SUBJECT: Provincial Commissioners Guide in Organising Local Government.

TO : All Fifth and Eighth Areas.
Regions VIII, IX, Liguria, Piemonte, XI, and XII.

1. We refer to our letter of 29 August 1944, reference 103/8/0A.
2. Attached you will find 10 copies of the Guide for the use of Provincial Commissioners in organising Local Government.
3. It should be carefully noted that in the copies of the Guide here attached, a change has been made in paragraph 12, to adapt the instructions for Regions as well as Army Areas.
4. Paragraph 12 of all copies of the Guide previously received should therefore be amended to conform with the wording of paragraph 12 of the revised Guide.

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Copy to: Admin Section.
Recn. Section.
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PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER'S GUIDE IVORGANIZING LOCAL GOVERNMENT

1. Read the following Executive Memoranda.
 - (a) Revised Executive Memorandum No. 39 dealing with Italian Local Government Organization, (appendix "A")
 - (b) Revised Executive Memorandum No. 12 and 70 dealing with title of Prefect, (appendix "B" and "C")
 - (c) Executive Memorandum No. 62 dealing with the filling of vacancies in Italian Civil Service positions, (Appendix "D").
2. Read list of offices in an Italian Provincial Administration (Appendix "E").
3. Know what KEY officials must be filled as soon as possible in a Province and Comune. These are starred in Appendix "E".
4. Contact committee of National Liberation and Patriot Committees regarding recommendations for officers. It should be made clear to the Committee of Liberation that it is an advisory body only whose advice, when asked for by the Provincial Commissioner or the Prefect, may be accepted or rejected.
5. Contact Bishops and other prominent people regarding prospective official; and problems of Provinces and Communes.
6. Obtain Scheda Personale forms and have them completed and reviewed by Security Officers for all officials in office or proposed.
7. Interview and form opinion of officials. Get following biographical data in writing: name, title; honours; career (listing, grades, position held, places employed, dates; military service).
8. Report to your commanding officer the names designated

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positions, and information of officials (career and non-career) available after getting Security Reports (Scheda Personale) and interviews.

9. The Giunta Comunale (Municipal Board) in each town should be formed as early as conditions permit by CAO's after having appointed a Sindaco (Mayor) and a Segretario Comunale (Communal Secretary). The Giunta Comunale will vary in numbers from 2 to 10 depending on the size of the population. Consult the Local Committee of Liberation for suggested nominees who should represent varying political and occupational interests. See to it that this first step in the rebirth of democratic institutions is followed by regularly held meetings of the Giunta. (See Executive Memorandum No. 39 for details)
10. Request SCAG (or Regional Commissioner, if so authorized) to appoint formally the Prefect and Vice-Prefect. Then have Prefect appoint other officials with your approval.
11. Obtain from P.C. copies of Royal Decree No. 141.
12. Hand a copy of Royal decree to Prefect as soon as conditions permit. (Note for P.C. only; the procedure laid down in Legal S/O's circulars AGC/4010/2/L of 25&29 July 1944 must also be followed.)
13. In organizing Provincial Administration, the first body to be revived is the Deputazione Provinciale which varies in size from 6 to 10 unpaid citizen members depending on the population in the province. All shades of political opinion and occupational interests should be represented on this body. It is presided over by a separately chosen President, who is also the "Capo dell'Amministrazione Provinciale." Have the Prefect consult the Committee of Liberation and have Scheda Personale forms completed before submitting the names of his nominees to you for ACC approval. (See Revised Executive Memorandum No. 39 for details).
14. Once formed, the first job of the Deputazione Provinciale will be to nominate the 4 regular and the 2 substitute citizen members of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa in order that they be confirmed by the Prefect, subject to approval of ACC.

10. Request SC40 (or Regional Commissioner, if so authorized) to appoint formally the Prefect and Vice-Prefect. Then have Prefect appoint other officials with your approval.
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12. Hand a copy of Royal decree to Prefect as soon as conditions permit. (Note for R.Cs only; the procedure laid down in Legal S/C's circulars ACC/4010/2/L of 25&29 July 1944 must also be followed.)
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Here again great care should be taken to select persons who represent popular opinion. (See Revised Executive Memorandum No. 39 for details).

15. See that Fascist government organs are abolished and officials removed; particularly the "Rettoratto" and the "Preside" (on the Provincial level) and the Podesta' and "consulta" (on the Communal level). (See Executive Memorandum No. 67, RC. & MG. Section Circular on Defascism dated 4 August 44; and English translation of DLI 159 on Sanctions against Fascism distributed by Administrative Section, ADU, on 2 August 44).

APPENDICES:

"A" Executive Memorandum No. 39 dated 27 July 44.
 "B" Executive Memorandum No. 12 Dated 13 February 44.
 "C" Executive Memorandum No. 78 Dated 18 July 44.
 "D" Executive Memorandum No. 62 dated 16th June 1944.
 "E" List of Principal Prefectural, Provincial, and Communal Officials and bodies.

All of above, except appendix "E" which is attached, should be obtained for your files from Regional Headquarters.

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APPENDIX "E"

LIST OF PRINCIPAL PREFECTURAL

PROVINCIAL AND COMMUNAL OFFICIALS

AND BODIES.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIALS OF PREFETTURA

- + A. Prefect (Prefetto)
- + B. Vice-Prefect Vicar (Vice-Prefetto Vicario)
- + C. Vice-Prefect Inspector (Vice-Prefetto Ispettore)
- + D. Councillors (Consiglieri)
- + E. Secretaries (Segretari)
- + F. Questor (Questore)
- + G. Head-Accountant (Ragioniere Capo)
- + H. Intendent of Finance (Intendente di Finanza)
- + I. Provincial Health Officer (Medico Provinciale)
- + J. Provincial Veterinary Veterinarian Provinciale)
- + K. Head Archivist (Primo Archivista)
- + L. Provincial Agricultural Inspector (Ispettore Provinciale dell'Agricoltura)

II. ADMINISTRATIVE BODIES OF PREFETTURA

- A. Provincial Administrative Board (Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa)
- B. Prefectural Council (Consiglio di Prefettura)
- C. Cabinet (Gabinetto)

III. PROVINCIAL ADMINISTRATION

- A. President and Head of Provincial Administration (Presidente e Capo dell'Amministrazione Provinciale)
- B. Provincial General Secretary (Segretario Generale Provinciale)
- C. Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale)

IV. COMMUNAL ADMINISTRATION

- +A. Mayor (Sindaco)
- +B. Communal Secretary (Segretario Comunale)
- +C. Communal Board (Giunta Comunale)

- + F. Quarter (Quartiere)
- + G. Head-Accountant (Ragioniere Capo)
- H. Intendent of Finance (Intendente di Finanza)
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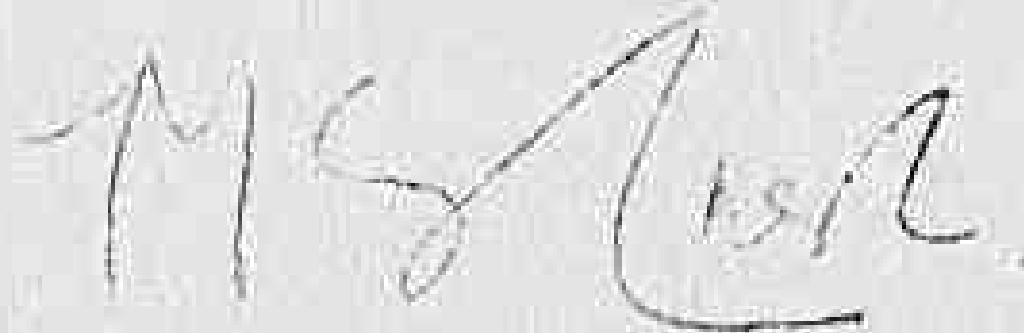
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27 July 1944

SUBJECT: Executive Memorandum No. 39

TO : Distribution below.

Enclosed herewith is Executive Memorandum No. 39 (first revision). This supercedes Executive Memorandum No. 39 (undated), schedule and appendices appearing in pages 75 to 84 of the Instructions for the Guidance of Officers of the Commission.



M.S. LUSH
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM)

(First Revision)

NUMBER : 39)

ITALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

1. The present position with regard to the organization of Italian Provincial and Communal Administration in Italian Government Territory and Military Government Territory (with the exception of 5th and 8th Army AMG area) is as follows:

a. In Italian Government Territory local government is now regulated by Royal Decree No. 111, published in the Gazzetta Ufficiale on 22 April 1944. All Regional Orders dealing with the reorganization of local government ceased automatically to be effective in any territory on the date on which such territory was restored to the jurisdiction of the Italian Government.

b. In Military Government Territory (with the exception of 5th and 8th Army AMG areas) Royal Decree No. 111 was made applicable by virtue of the Executive Commissioner's endorsement published in the Gazzetta Ufficiale of 10 May 1944. The actual operation of the Royal Decree dates from the time a copy of the Gazzetta Ufficiale is actually handed to the Prefect by the Allied Control Commission, or by such other method as may authorize in the future.

2. With a view to uniformity and continuity of the same pattern of local government throughout Italy, those of the provisions of the Royal Decree No. 111 outlined in Schedule "A", as can be applied to 5th and 8th Army AMG areas shall be so applied as soon as possible. It should be noted, however, that Royal Decree No. 111 is a transitory measure, passed as a war emergency gap pending the restoration of elections.

3. a. Schedule "A" is an Administrative Instruction for the guidance of Senior Civil Affairs Officers, Regional Commissioners and the officers under their respective commands. It outlines the pattern of local government to be followed.

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b. Schedule "B" is a chart of Italian local government.

c. Schedule "C" is a list of Administrative Banks of Civil Servants.

d. Schedule "D" is the English translation of Royal Decree No. 111.

M. S. LUSH

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Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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SCHEDULE "A"

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO.

SUBJECT: Reorganization of Provincial and Communal Administration.

TO : All Senior Civil Affairs Officers, Regional Officers and Officers under their respective commands.

1. The various government officers and organs herein mentioned derive their powers and functions from certain fundamental laws embodied in a Unified Text of Municipal and Provincial Laws of 1915 No. 148 with certain modifications made by the Royal Decree of December 30, 1925, No. 2839.

2. Provincial Administration is to be organized as follows:

a. The highest position in provincial administration is that of Prefect. Next in order come the Vice-Prefect (Vice Prefetto Vicario) and Vice Prefect Inspector (Vice Prefetto Ispettore). The Vice Prefect Vicario acts in the absence of the Prefect with the latter's powers. The Vice Prefect Ispettore is charged with the inspection of conditions of local government throughout the provinces.

b. When the post of Prefect is vacant, and a suitable civil service career official of the necessary grade and qualifications is available, he should be appointed with the title "Prefetto". If no such career official is available, a person must be nominated to the position who possesses the requisite executive ability and does not have an objectionable political background. His title should be "Prefetto Reggente". The same principle applies when a vacancy exists for a Vice-Prefect when no suitable career official is available for appointment. Executive Memorandum No 12 sets forth the procedure in detail.

3. In both instances, nominations supported by information as to the qualifications of nominees, are to be submitted to the Senior Civil Affairs Officer or to the Regional Commissioner for transmission through (R.C. & M.G. Section C.A. Branch) channels to the Administrative Section for notification to the Italian Government and for approval by Allied Control Commission.

4. The principal organs of provincial government which are to be revived in consultation with the Prefect are the following:

a. CONSIGLIO DI PREFETTURA - ("Prefectural Council"): It is normally composed of the Prefect or his substitute, who presides, and two senior Councillors ("Consiglieri") of the Prefecture. Its powers and

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- a. CONSIGLIO DI PREFETTURA - ("Prefectural Council"): It is normally composed of the Prefect or his substitute, who presides, and two senior Councillors ("Consiglieri") of the Prefecture. Its powers and functions are principally advisory and are regulated by specific laws, although the Prefect may request the opinion of the Council on any matter. It also has certain functions relating to the approval of accounts of communes and certain institutions, in which capacity its composition is enlarged to include additional officials.
- b. GIUNTA PROVINCIALE AMMINISTRATIVA - ("Provincial Administrative Board"): It is composed of ten members with the Prefect or Vice Prefetto Vicario as Presidente of the Board, and includes the following officials of the Prefecture: A Vice Prefect Inspector, two Councillors, the Chief Accountant ("Ragioniere Capo") or his substitute and the Intendant of Finance, ("Intendente di Finanza") or his substitute. The remaining four regular and two substitute members, are citizen appointees chosen from experts in legal administrative or technical matters, nominated by the Deputazione Provinciale, where it has been possible to constitute such body and confirmed by the Prefect subject to approval of the Allied Control Commission. The Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa has powers of review over communal administration.

The following persons cannot be members of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa:

- I. The President, Vice-President and members of the Deputazione Provinciale.
- II. Mayors and Aldermen of Communes
- III. Paid Provincial and Communal functionaries
- IV. Relatives up to the second degree; and first degree relatives of the Provincial tax-collector and tax-receiver.

c. DEPUTAZIONE PROVINCIALE - ("Provincial Deputation"): This body is revived to replace the fascist-created Rettorato, the latter body being now abolished. In Pro-fascist provincial government, the Deputation was normally appointed by, and from among, the members of a larger elected body known as the Consiglio Provinciale ("Provincial Council"). For present purpose since the elective Consiglio is not possible at this time, the Deputation is to be nominated by the Prefect and approved by the Allied Control Commission. It consists of a President and unpaid regular and substitute citizen members. The numerical composition of the Deputazione Provinciale varies according to the population as follows:

<u>Inhabitants</u>	<u>Regular Deputies</u>	<u>Alternates</u>
Over 600,000	10	4
" 300,000	8	2
Other provinces	6	2

The President is also the Head of Provincial Administration ("Capo dell'Amministrazione Provinciale"). He convokes, presides over, prepares the agenda for, and executes the decisions of the Deputazione Provinciale. The President, subject to the approval of the Prefect, may appoint a Vice-President from among the Provincial Deputies who assists him and substitutes for him in his absence. The President may entrust the deputies with special administrative duties.

5. Municipal Administration is to be organized as follows:

a. SINDACI: In place of "Podesta" the democratic title of "Sindaco" (Mayor) must be adopted where a commune has a Giunta Comunale and "Commissario Prefettizio" where there is no such local body. New appointments or changes in the position of Mayor will be made by the Prefect, if in office, and approved by the Allied Control Commission. Appointments of Vice-Sindaci are to be similarly effected.

b. The Mayor may entrust to the Aldermen (Assessori) special duties in connection with the municipal Administration. The Mayor convokes, presides over, prepares the agenda for, and executes the decisions taken by the Giunta Municipale.

The President is also the Head of Provincial Administration ("Capo dell'Amministrazione Provinciale"). He convokes, presides over, prepares the agenda for, and executes the decisions of the Delegazione Provinciale. The President, subject to the approval of the Prefect, may appoint a Vice-President from among the Provincial Deputies who assists him and substitutes for him in his absence. The President may entrust the duties with special administrative duties.

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- b. The Mayor may entrust to the Aldermen (Assessori) special duties in connection with the municipal Administration. The Mayor convokes, presides over, prepares the agenda for, and executes the decisions taken by the Giunta Municipale.
- c. SEGRETERIO COMUNALE (Town Clerk): This official is a civil servant and cannot be appointed mayor, or be lightly dismissed. The Prefect has full power to effect transfers, retirements, and appointments of Town Clerks, and changes should be effected only through him. ^{18/3} the standing procedure which must be closely followed.

- d. GIUNTA COMUNALE ("Municipal Board of Aldermen"): This body is revived to replace the fascist-created Consulta Comunale. Normally, as in the case of the Provincial Deputation, its members, called "assessori" ("Aldermen") should be selected by, and from among the members of, an elected Consiglio Comunale ("Municipal Council"). Under present emergency conditions the members of the Giunta Comunale are appointed and removed by the Prefect, if in office, with the approval of the Allied Military Government. The Giunta Comunale should be established as early as conditions so permit. The numerical composition of the Giunta varies according to population and is as follows:

<u>Inhabitants</u>	<u>Assessori (Aldermen)</u>	<u>Alternates</u>
Over 250,000	10	4
" 60,000	8	4

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<u>Inhabitants</u>	<u>Assessori (Aldermen)</u>	<u>Alternates</u>
Over 30,000	6	2
" 3,000	4	2
Other communes	2	2

6. Substitute or alternate members of any of the aforementioned agencies do not take part in their meetings except in the absence of the regular members.

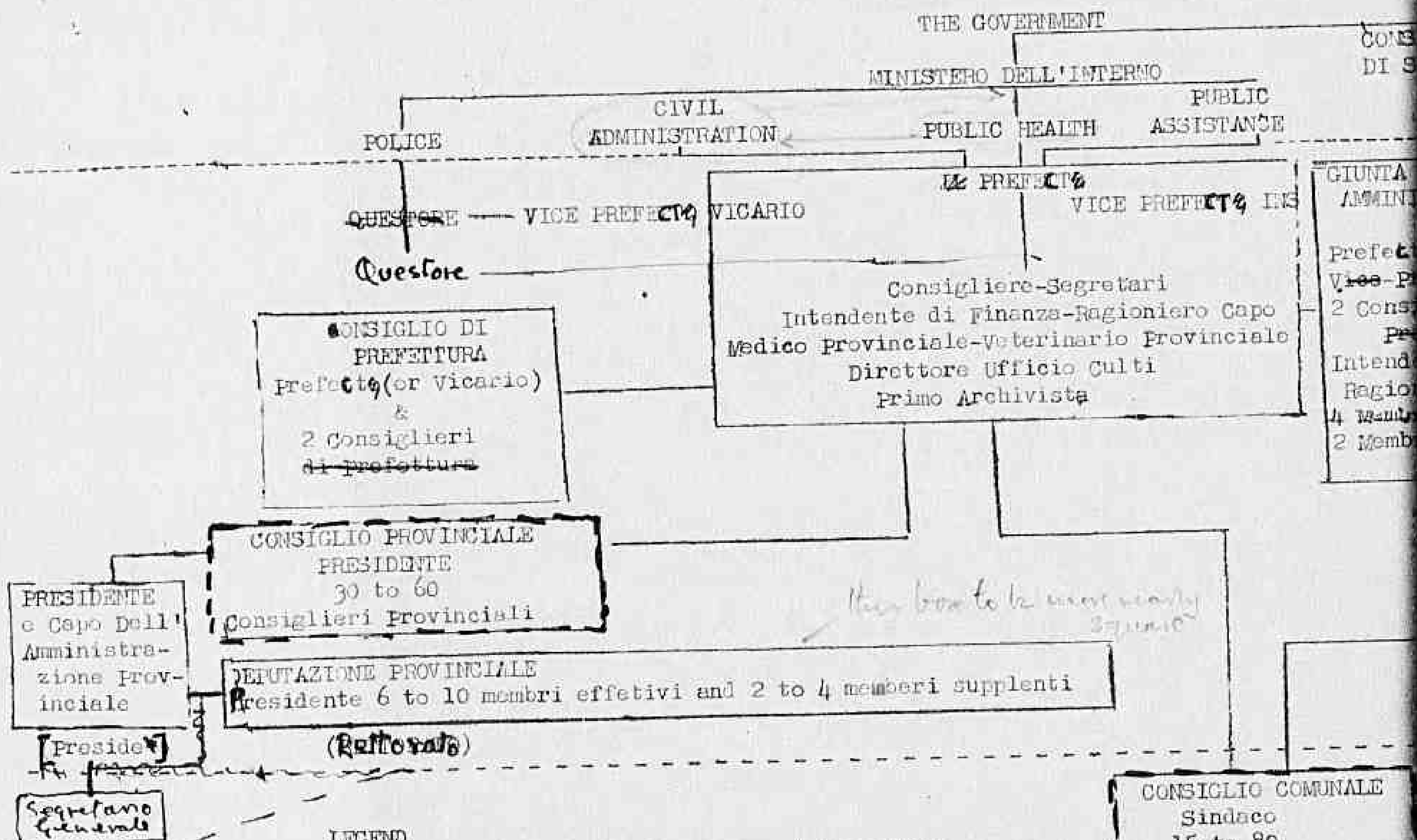
7. In the selection of members of the above agencies, consideration should be given to various shades of political opinion according to their local strength. Labor and agriculture as well as industry and the professions, moreover, must be adequately represented. Persons who held such positions in the Fascist Party as specified in Article I of Royal Decree of December 28, 1943, No. 29/B are barred from office.

8. For the purposes of securing a proper understanding and a uniform application of these instructions, as well as other matters affecting local government, meetings of all Provincial Commissioners will be held at regular intervals. Similar meetings of all Prefects will also be held in order to assure a uniform application of the patterns of local government herein set forth.

9. In conformity with the above, from now onwards, all Provincial and Municipal Decrees and Orders must be issued in the name of the Prefect or local Mayor respectively and bear only the "VISTO" of the Allied Military Government Officer concerned.

APPENDIX
SCHEDULE "B"

CHART OF ITALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT



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1. This chart shows the main structure of local government according to the *Consolidated law* of 1915,

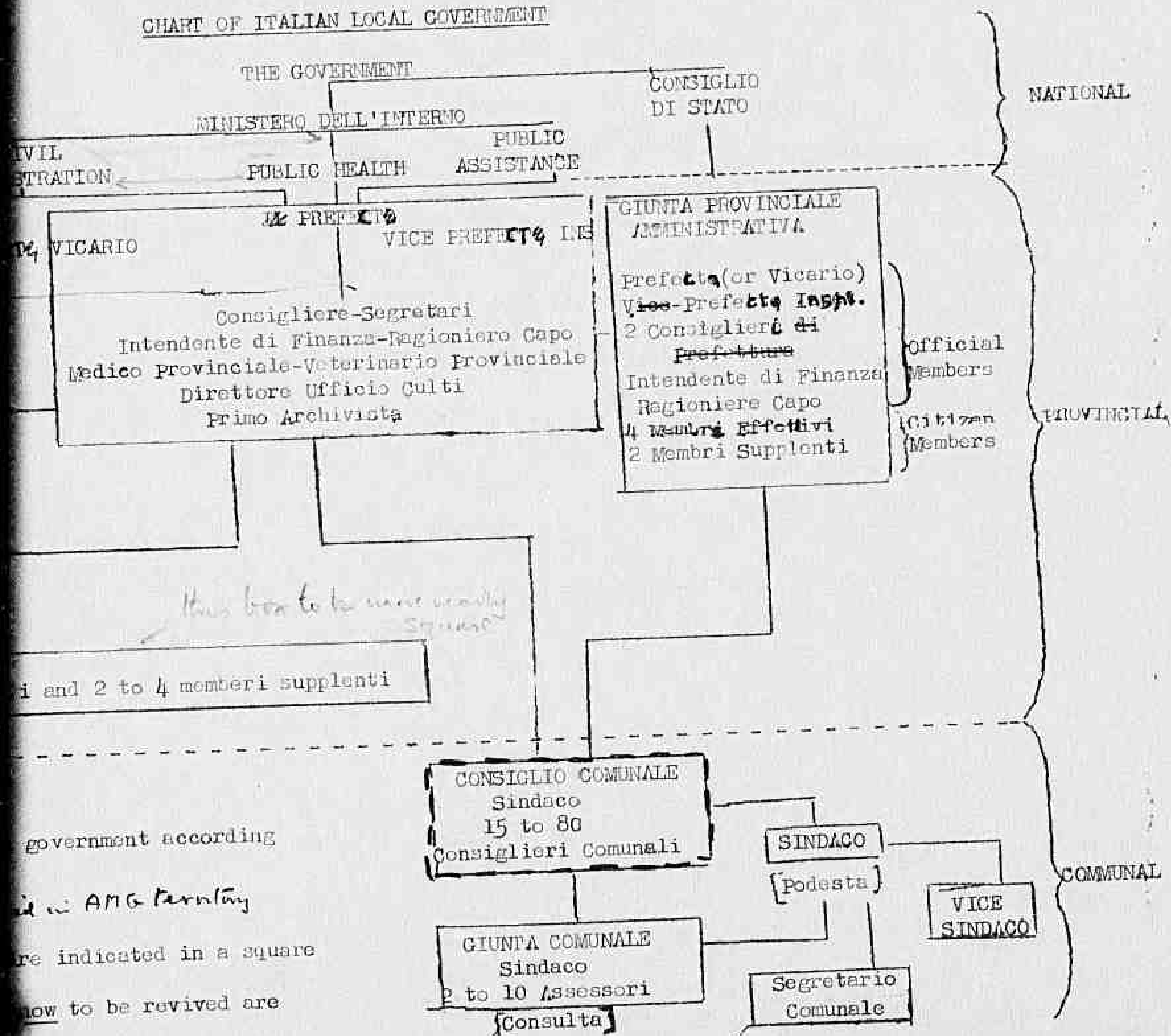
as amended by Royal Decree No. 111 and applied in AMG territory

2. Corresponding Fascist titles-now abolished-are indicated in a square brackets, thus; *Preside*

3. Bodies established by the 1915 law, but not now to be revived are shown within hooked lines thus: *Consiglio Provinciale*

APPENDIX
SCHEDULE "B"

CHART OF ITALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT



SCHEMAS "C"

Civil Servants are divided into three groups, A, B, and C.

The first deals with political and administration affairs; the second handles accountancy and administration; the third takes care of archives, registry, typing, etc.

ADMINISTRATIVE RANKS

Grade	XI	Under Secretary
"	X	Secretary
"	IX	First Secretary
"	VIII	Councillor Second Class
"	VII	" First Class
"	VI	Vice-Prefect - Inspector
"	V	" " - "Vicario"
"	IV	Prefect Second Class
"	III	" First "

In addition to the foregoing, there is another category of personnel appointed by the Ministry of Interior, who have not passed the prescribed civil service examination, consequently without rank, known as "personale avventizio".

SCHEDULE "D"

(Translation by Interior Sub-Commission, A.C.C. - 10 May 1944)

ROYAL DECREE - Law of APRIL 4th, 1944 No. 111Transitory Rules for the Administration of Communes and Provinces.

VITTORIO EMANUELE III

By Grace of God and by the Will of the Nation
King of Italy

Whereas Art. 1d. of the Law of January 19th, 1939, No. 129;
Whereas the Unified Text of the Communal and Provincial Law approved by Royal Decree
of March 3rd, 1934, No. 383;

Whereas the Royal Decree Law of October 30th, 1943, No. 2/B;
Having considered that it is necessary to issue transitory rules for the administration of Communes and Provinces while waiting to establish administrative elections;

Considering the state of emergency in consequence of the war;
After having heard the Council of the Ministers;
On the proposal of the Minister of Interior;

WE HAVE DECREED AND WE DECREE

Art. 1

Each commune has a mayor (Sindaco) and a board of aldermen (Giunta Municipale).
The mayor (Sindaco) and the aldermen (Assessori Municipale) are appointed by the Prefect.

They may be removed by the Prefect for not having complied with the duties of their office or for reasons of public order.

Against any measures of removal no appeal is allowed juridically or administratively.

Art. 2

The mayor (Sindaco), in the case of absence or inability to appear, is substituted by the alderman, delegated as such (Assessore Delegato), who will be appointed by the decision of the mayor (Sindaco) subject to approval of the Prefect.

The mayor (Sindaco) may, moreover, entrust to the aldermen (Assessori) special duties in connection with the administration of the commune.

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The board of aldermen (Giunta Municipale) is empowered to deliberate on the matters over which the Unified Text of February 4th, 1915, No. 148, as modified by R. D. of December 30th, 1923, No. 2839, established the authority of the board of aldermen (Giunta Municipale) and of the Communal Council (Consiglio Municipale), without prejudice to the provisions of special laws in force.

Art. 4

The administration of each province is composed of a President (Presidente) and a Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale).

The President (Presidente) and the provincial deputies (Deputati Provinciali) are appointed by the Prefect. The provisions of paragraph 3 of Art. 1 apply **1833**

Art. 5

The president (Presidente) may appoint a Vice-President (Vice Presidente) from among the provincial deputies (Deputati Provinciali), and he may entrust them with special duties in connection with the administration of the province.

The vice president (Vice Presidente) assists the president (Presidente) and substitute for him when absent or prevented by a justified reason.

Art. 5 (Cont'd)

The appointment of the Vice President (Vice Presidente) must be approved by the Prefect. The President (Presidente), moreover, convokes and presides over the provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale) arranging the matters to be discussed at each meeting, and executes the decisions taken by the Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale).

Art. 6

The Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale) is empowered to deliberate on all matters over which the Unified Text of February 4th, 1915, No. 148, as modified by Royal Decree of December 30th, 1923, No. 2839, established the authority of the Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale) and of the Provincial Council (Consiglio Provinciale), without prejudice to the provisions of the special laws in force.

Art. 7

Besides the cases provided by the Unified Text of February 4th, 1915, No. 48 those persons cannot be appointed to the office of mayor (Sindaco), president (Presidente), alderman (Assessore Comunale), provincial deputy (Deputato Provinciale), or elective member (Membro Elettivo) of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa (G.P.A.) who come under any of the provisions of Art. 1 of the Royal Decree of December 28th, 1943, No. 29/B.

Art. 8

The composition, convocation, and functioning of the Board of Aldermen (Giunta Comunale) and of the Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale) are governed by the provisions of the Unified Text of February 4th, 1915, No. 148, as modified by Royal Decree of December 30th, 1923, No. 2839.

The decisions of the mayor (Sindaco), Board of Aldermen (Giunta Municipale), President (Presidente) and of the Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale) are subject to the control of legality and of importance conferred on the Organs of the Government by the provisions of the laws in effect.

Art. 9

The Provincial Administrative Board (Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa) is composed of the Prefect or his deputy, who presides, of the Provincial Inspector, (Ispettore Provinciale), of the Finance superintendent (Intendente dei Finanze), of two councillors of the Prefecture (Consiglieri di Prefettura) appointed at the beginning of every year by the Prefect, of the Chief Accountant of the Prefecture (Ragioniere Capo della Prefettura), of four regular members (Membri Effettivi) and two substitute members chosen from among persons expert in juridical, administrative and technical matters, appointed by the decision of the provincial deputation (Deputazione Provinciale), subject to approval of the Prefect.

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The Prefect and the finance superintendent (Intendente di Finanze) respectively designate as substitutes, a councillor of the Prefecture (Consigliere di Prefettura), an official of the accountancy office of the Prefecture, and an official of the Provincial Office of Taxes (Intendenza).

The Substitutes do not take part in the meetings of the board unless there is an insufficient number of the regular members in the respective category.

A quorum of five members is sufficient to render valid the decisions of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa in administrative session (in sede amministrativa). For an equality of votes, the President's vote prevails.

Art. 10

The following persons cannot be members of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa:

- a. The President, the Vice President and the members of the Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale).
- b. The Mayors (Sindaci) and the Aldermen (Assessori) of the communes of the province;
- c. Provincial and Communal functionaries and employees as well as accountants and those persons of public institutions of assistance and charity who receive wages or salaries.
- d. Those persons who do not possess the required qualifications for being appointed "Assessore" in conformity to the regulation in force concerning the "Certi D'Assiso" (Grand Jury).

Art. 10 (Cont'd)

- e. Relatives up to the second degree of relationship, and relatives of the Provincial tax-collector and tax-receiver in the first degree while he is fulfilling the office of the "Esattoria" and of the "Ricevitoria".
(Provincial Administration of Taxes).

Art. 11

In the case of the dissolution of the Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale) the elective members of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa go out of office but are empowered to act until the appointment of the new members.

The elective members who without justified motive do not attend three consecutive meetings lose their office. The dismissal is resolved by the Giunta itself on the proposal of the President (Presidente) after having heard the interested persons.

The vacancies resulting among the elective members are filled by the senior substitute elective member.

When there are no substitutes left, new ones are appointed by the Deputation (Deputazione).

Art. 12

To the elective members of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa a fee for each meeting attended by them is paid, the amount of which to be determined by Decree of the Minister of Interior.

The respective expenses are charged to the Provincial Administration.

Art. 13

The regulations of the Unified Text of March 3rd, 1934 No. 383, and subsequent legislation at variance or incompatible with the present decree are abrogated.

The Prefects will provide for the appointment of the aldermen (Assessori Comunale) and of the Provincial Deputies (Deputati Provinciali) within 60 days that this decree becomes effective.

The Provincial Deputations (Deputazione Provinciali) will provide, within a month after their installation in office, for the appointment of the elective members of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa in substitution of the members in office appointed by the Ministry.

Art. 14

The present decree which will become effective on the day following its publication in the "Gazzetta Ufficiale del Regno", Special Series, will be presented to the Legislative Assemblies for conversion into law.

The Minister of Interior, the proposer is authorized to present the respective bill of the Law.

We order, to whomsoever concerned, to observe this present decree and to see that it will be observed as a Law of the State.

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Dated at Salerno, April 4th. 1944.

VITTORIO EMANUELE

Badoglio - Reale.

Approved:

The Lord Privy Seal (Guardasigilli): Casati.

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APPENDIX "A"

UNITED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGIONAL HEADQUARTERSOFFICIAL ORDER }
NUMBER }

(Date) _____

WHEREAS the office of Prefect of the Province of _____
has become vacant; and

WHEREAS it has in consequence become necessary to make provision for the
exercise of the functions of Prefect in the said Province;

BY VIRTUE of the powers conferred upon me, I, _____
Regional Commissioner for _____

ORDER

That Sgt _____ be appointed, as from to-day's date Prefect
Regent of the Province of _____ with the powers inherent in the
office of Prefect.

Regional Commissioner.

(Italian Translation)

GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO
QUARTIERE REGIONALE GENERALE
DELLA _____

ORDINE UFFICIALE }
NUMERO }

(Data) _____

VISTO che il posto di Prefetto della Provincia di _____ e'
divenuto vacante;

PIU' TANTO, pertanto, che si rende necessario provvedere all'esercizio delle

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That Sir _____ be appointed, as from to-day's date Prefect
Regent of the Province of _____ with the powers inherent in the
office of Prefect.

Regional Commissioner.

(Italian Translation)

GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEGATO
QUARTIERE REGIONALE GENERALE
DELLA _____

ORDINE UFFICIALE }
NUMERO }

(Data) _____
VISTO che il posto di Prefetto della Provincia di _____ e'
divenuto vacante;

RITENUTO, pertanto, che si rende necessario provvedere all'esercizio delle
funzioni di Prefetto nella suddetta Provincia;

IN VIRTU' dei poteri conferitimi, Io, _____, Ufficiale
Regionale degli Affari Civili della _____

ORDINO

Il Signor _____ e' nominato, a decorrere da oggi, Prefetto
Reggente della Provincia di _____, con i poteri inerenti alla carica
di prefetto. 1833

Ufficiale Regionale degli
Affari Civili

HEADQUARTERS
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Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 350/L7/CA.

13th July 1944

EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER

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APPOINTMENTS TO THE OFFICE OF PREFETTO
IN MILITARY GOVERNMENT TERRITORY

1. This Memorandum is supplementary to Executive Memorandum No. 12 dated 12th June 1944.

2. Since that date and consequent upon the fall of Rome, a number of fully qualified Prefects have become available for forward provinces. The Italian Government now represents that these officials should retain the title of their rank and not be appointed as Reggenti.

3. Paragraph 3 of Executive Memorandum No. 12 is cancelled and the following substituted :-

" 3. In future Allied Military Government appointments the title "Prefetto" will only be used if the appointee is already of the rank of Prefect. If the candidate selected is of junior rank or is not a career official, the title "Prefetto Reggente" will be used. The Italian Government lay great stress on the use of the word "Reggente" in such cases.

" 3A When a candidate is sent forward from the rear, Interior Sub-Commission will, when moving up the candidate, advise the Regional Commissioner or Senior Civil Affairs Officer as to the proper title. When it is proposed to appoint a local man, the Regional Commissioner or Senior Civil Affairs Officer will first inform the Sub-Commission, by telegram if necessary, and give all requisite particulars, so that the Sub-Commission can advise in such cases also. Care will be taken not to give a candidate who may only be qualified to be appointed "Reggente" the impression that he is going to receive the substantive rank of "Prefetto".

" 3B. When the appointment is that "Prefetto Reggente" that title will invariably be used in formal document and official communications, both by the Reggente and by officers of Allied Military Government; but there is no

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3. Paragraph 5 of Executive Memorandum No. 12 is cancelled and the following substituted :-

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" 3B. When the appointment is that "Prefetto Regente" that title will invariably be used in formal document and official communications, both by the Regente and by officers of Allied Military Government; but there is no objection to the Regente being addressed or referred to in ordinary conversation as the "Prefect."

4. When the appointment is that of "Regente", the words "Regent" and "Regente" in the form shown at Appendix "A" to Executive Memorandum No. 12 will be deleted.

W. J. W. 1832
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

INTERPRETATION:

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
AFC 394

AO:2/A/Int.

5 July, 1944

SUBJECT: Deputazioni Provinciali.

TO : See Distribution below.

1. Questions have been raised in certain regions as to (a) the proper number of members of the Deputazioni Provinciali; and (b) whether any amendments are necessary in Executive Memorandum No. 39.
2. Under the Italian Government's Royal Decree Law 4 April 1944, No. 111, the number of members of the Deputazioni Provinciali is six, with 2 alternates in every province. This statement differs from that is said about the number of members in the Administrative Instruction, Schedule "A" to the Executive Memorandum above-mentioned; and rightly so, because the terms of Decree no. 111 are different from those of the Regional Order, App. A to the Executive Memorandum.
3. The President of the Deputazione Provinciale is in addition to the six ordinary members, making 7 in all.
4. Italian local government is now regulated by Decree no. 111 and not by Executive Memorandum no. 39. No amendments in the latter are therefore required. It is obvious that the Executive Memorandum has ceased to have effect, when it is considered that:-
 - (a) in Italian Government Territory, all Regional Orders made in the form of App. "A" to the Memorandum ceased to have any effect on 11 February 1944;
 - (b) if in any Region no such Regional Order had in fact been made by 11 February, then the local government system envisaged by the Memorandum never became law;
 - (c) in Military Government Territory, Executive Memorandum no. 39 is superseded by the Executive Commissioner's Order applying Decree no. 111.
5. The question of enlarging the Deputazione is under consideration by the Italian Government. Prefects should not use this as an excuse to delay the appointment of the President and six members and two alternates now required but should proceed with those nominations forthwith.

(Signed) R. B. SMITH, Captain.
for R. B. SMITH,
Colonel.

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(Signed) R. R. Knappe, Captain.
for R. R. Knappe,
Colonel,
Director,
Interior Sub-Commission.

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16 June 1944

Ref/348/25/CA

EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER 62)

FILLING OF VACANCIES IN ITALIAN CIVIL SERVICE POSITIONS

1. The Italian Government has called attention of the Allied Control Commission to the fact that in Military Government Territory, A.C.C. officers not only have filled vacancies in the Italian civil service structure but also have attempted to change the civil service grade of the person installed in office by promoting him from one grade to another.

2. Cases have also arisen where A.C.C. officers have extended the appointment of an official for a fixed term of years.

3. As a matter of military necessity an occupying power may dismiss any civil servant from office and may fill any vacancy by temporary appointment for the duration of the occupation. Furthermore the temporary appointee as long as he continues in such office may be paid the salary commensurate with the office he so fills. However, an occupying power may not change the civil service grade of such temporary appointee nor appoint him for a fixed term of years. No reason of military necessity requires it and consequently that is beyond the power of an occupant.

4. Any such purported change in grade or extended appointment for a fixed term of years whether made on the verbal or written order of an A.C.C. office not only is not binding on the Italian Government but is also the source of later embarrassment to the appointee when he learns that such purported promotion in grade or appointment is not later binding on the Italian Government.

5. Where any such promotions in grade or extension of appointment for a fixed term of years have been made, the orders purporting to do so must be so amended as to ensure that their temporary nature is understood by all concerned.

6. In making temporary appointments it must be clear that the appointments are temporary only. This is particularly necessary where an official is being promoted to an office of higher grade than that which he presently holds.

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7. Unless the filling of a vacancy requires an immediate temporary appointment, it is likely that through inquiry of the Italian Government it will be found that there is available for immediate placement a civil servant of appropriate grade and qualification. Any requests for suitable substitutes should be made to the appropriate sub-commission.

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M.S. LUSH

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Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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12 June 1944.

Ref/350/30/CA.

EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM)
: Replacing Executive Memorandum No. 12
12) of 13 Feb. 1944.
NUMBER

APPOINTMENTS TO THE OFFICE OF PREFECT
IN MILITARY GOVERNMENT TERRITORY.

Where the office of Prefect is vacant, the Senior Civil Affairs Officer or Regional Commissioner will endeavour to find a suitable candidate locally.

If such a candidate is available, the appointment will be initiated in accordance with established procedure.

When a suitable candidate is not available locally, resort will be had to a list of suitable candidates which is being prepared in consultation with the Italian Government and will be circulated to Senior Civil Affairs Officers and to the Regional Commissioners concerned. This list will constitute a pool from which candidates may be selected. In the meantime a telegram should be sent to Admin. Section stating requirements.

When an appointment to fill the office of Prefect is to be made by Allied Military Government, such appointment will in future be made under the title of "Prefetto Reggente" and not under the title of "Prefetto". Provided, however, that the title of "Prefetto Reggente" is invariably used in formal documents and official communications, by both the Reggente and officers of Allied Military Government, there is no objection to the Reggente being addressed or referred to in conversation as the Prefect. The Italian Government lay great stress on the title "Reggente".

When necessary to draw on the pool the Senior Civil Affairs Officer or Regional Commissioner will communicate with Interior Sub-Commission, Rear Headquarters, Allied Control Commission. If he has a preference for a particular name on the list, he should state whom he prefers and his reasons. The Sub-Commission will arrange for the person selected to be directed forward. On arrival of the candidate the Senior Civil Affairs Officer or Regional Commissioner will formally appoint him to his office.

The Prefect will be sent to the AMG. Headquarters of the Army concerned, or to the Regional Headquarters. It will be the SCAC's or R.C.'s responsibility to advise him to his post.

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5. The Prefect will be sent to the AMG Headquarters of the Army concerned, or to the Regional Headquarters. It will be the SCAG's or R.C.'s responsibility to send him to his post.

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6. The procedure here laid down in no way impairs the right of the Allied Military Government to appoint and remove such officials as they consider necessary.

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7. Appointments to the office of "Prefetto Reggente" will be made in the form shown at Appendix "A".

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8. In exceptional circumstances in forward areas, an oral appointment may be made, but if so made, a written order drawn so as to operate from the date of the oral appointment will be executed as soon thereafter as is reasonably possible.

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M. S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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APPENDIX "A"ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGIONAL HEADQUARTERSOFFICIAL ORDER }
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NUMBER _____

(Date) _____

WHEREAS the office of Prefect of the Province of _____
has become vacant; and

WHEREAS it has in consequence become necessary to make provision for the
exercise of the functions of Prefect in the said Province;

BY VIRTUE of the powers conferred upon me, I, _____
_____, Regional Commissioner for _____

ORDER

That Sgr _____ be appointed, as from to-day's date Prefect
Regent of the Province of _____ with the powers inherent in the
office of Prefect.

Regional Commissioner.

(Italian Translation)

GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO
QUARTIERE REGIONALE GENERALE
DELLA _____

ORDINE UFFICIALE }
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NUMERO _____

(Data) _____

VISTO che il posto di Prefetto della Provincia di _____ e'
divenuto vacante;

RI TENUTO, pertanto, che si rende necessario provvedere all'esercizio delle
funzioni di Prefetto nella suddetta Provincia;

That Sgr _____ be appointed, as from to-day's date Prefect
Regent of the Province of _____ with the powers inherent in the
office of Prefect.

Regional Commissioner.

(Italian Translation)

GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO
QUARTIERE REGIONALE GENERALE
DELLA _____

ORDINE UFFICIALE

NUMERO

(Data)

VISTO che il posto di Prefetto della Provincia di _____ e'
divenuto vacante;

RITENUTO, pertanto, che si rende necessario provvedere all'esercizio delle
funzioni di Prefetto nella suddetta Provincia; 1828

IN VIRTU' dei poteri conferitimi, Io, _____, Ufficiale
Regionale degli Affari Civili della _____

ORDINO

Il Signor _____ e' nominato, a decorrere da oggi, Prefetto
Reggente della Provincia di _____ con i poteri inerenti alla carica
di prefetto.

Ufficiale Regionale degli
Affari Civili

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INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ADD/LA/INT.

14th May, 1944.

SUBJECT: Administration of Communes and Provinces

TO : RCs, through RC & MG Section.

1. There are sent herewith for your information and that of your Pcs, copies of :

- (a) the English translation of Royal Decree Law No.111 and
- (b) the English translation of the circular sent by the Minister of Interior to Prefects in connection with (a)

(Signed) G.C.R. WILLIAMS, Capt.
for R.G.B. SPICER,
Lt. Colonel.
Director.
Interior Sub-Commission.

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(Translation by Interior Sub-Commission, A.C.C. - 10 May 1944)

ROYAL DECREE - LAW of APRIL 4th, 1944 No. 111

Transitory Rules for the Administration of Communes and Provinces.

VITTORIO EMANUELE III

BY Grace of God and by the Will of the Nation
King of Italy

Whereas Art. 18 of the Law of January 19th, 1939, No. 129;
Whereas the unified Text of the Communal and Provincial Law approved by Royal Decree of March 3rd, 1934, No. 333;
Whereas the Royal Decree Law of October 30th, 1943, No. 2/3;
Having considered that it is necessary to issue transitory rules for the administration of Communes and Provinces while waiting to establish administrative elections;
Considering the state of emergency in consequence of the war;
After having heard the Council of the Ministers;
On the proposal of the Minister of Interior;

WE HAVE DECREED AND WE DECREE:

Art. 1

Each commune has a mayor (Sindaco) and a board of aldermen (Giunta Municipale). The mayor (Sindaco) and the aldermen (Assessori Municipali) are appointed by the Prefect.

They may be removed by the Prefect for not having complied with the duties of their office or for reasons of public order.

Against any measures of removal no appeal is allowed juridically or administratively.

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The mayor (Sindaco), in the absence or inability to appear, is substituted by the alderman, delegated as such (Assessore Delegato), who will be appointed by the decision of the mayor (Sindaco) subject to approval of the Prefect.

The mayor (Sindaco) may, moreover, entrust to the aldermen (Assessori) special duties in connection with the administration of the commune.

The mayor (Sindaco) convokes and presides over the board of aldermen (Giunta Municipale), arranging the matters to be discussed at each meeting, and executes the decisions taken by the board.

Art. 3

The board of aldermen (Giunta Municipale) is empowered to deliberate on the matters over which the unified Text of February 4th, 1915, No. 143, as modified by R.D. of December 30th, 1923, No. 2339, established the authority of the board of aldermen (Giunta Municipale) and of the Communal Council (Consiglio Municipale), without prejudice to the provisions of special laws in force.

Art. 4

The administration of each province is composed of a President (Presidente) and a Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale).

The president (Presidente) and the provincial deputies (Deputati Provinciali)

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are appointed by the prefect. The provisions of paragraph 3 of Art. 1 apply to them.

Art. 5

The president (Presidente) may appoint a Vice-President (Vice Presidente) from among the provincial deputies (Deputati Provinciali), and he may entrust them with special duties in connection with the administration of the province.

The vice president (Vice Presidente) assists the president (Presidente) and substitutes for him when absent or prevented by a justified reason.

The appointment of the vice President (Vice Presidente) must be approved by the Prefect. The president (Presidente), moreover, convokes and presides over the Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale) arranging the matters to be discussed at each meeting, and executes the decisions taken by the Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale).

Art. 6

The Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale) is empowered to deliberate on all matters over which the Unified Text of February 4th, 1915, No. 148, as modified by Royal Decree of December 30th, 1923, No. 2839, established the authority of the provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale) and of the Provincial Council (Consiglio Provinciale), without prejudice to the provisions of the special laws in force.

Art. 7

Besides the cases provided by the Unified Text of February 4th, 1915, No. 148, those persons cannot be appointed to the office of mayor (Sindaco), president (Presidente), alderman (Assessore Comunale), provincial deputy (Deputato Provinciale), or elective member (Membro Elettivo) of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa (G.P.A.) who come under any of the provisions of Art. 1 of the Royal Decree of December 26th, 1943, No. 29/B.

Art. 8

The composition, convocation, and functioning of the Board of Aldermen (Giunta Comunale) and of the Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale) are governed by the provisions of the Unified Text of February 4th, 1915, No. 148, as modified by Royal Decree of December 30th, 1923, No. 2839.

The decisions of the mayor (Sindaco), Board of Aldermen (Giunta Municipale), President (Presidente) and of the Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale) are subject to the control of legality and of importance conferred on the organs of the Government by the provisions of the laws in effect.

Art. 9

The Provincial Administrative Board (Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa) is composed of the prefect or his deputy, who presides, of the provincial Inspector (Ispettore Provinciale), of the finance superintendent (Intendente di Finanza), of two councillors of the Prefecture (Consiglieri di Prefettura) appointed at the beginning of every year by the Prefect, of the Chief Accountant of the Prefecture (Ragioniere Capo della Prefettura), of four regular members (Membri Effettivi) and two substitute members chosen from among persons expert in juridical, administrative and technical matters, appointed by the decision of the provincial deputation (Deputazione Provinciale), subject to approval of the Prefect.

The Prefect and the Finance superintendent (Intendente di Finanza) respectively designate as substitutes, a councillor of the Prefecture (Consigliere di Prefettura), an official of the accountancy office of the Prefecture, and an official of the Provincial Office of Taxes (Intendenza).

The substitutes do not take part in the meetings of the board unless there is an insufficient number of the regular members in the respective category.

A quorum of five members is sufficient to render valid the decisions of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa in administrative session (in sede amministrativa). For an equality of votes, the President's vote prevails.

Art. 10.

The following persons cannot be members of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa:

- (a) The President, the Vice President and the members of the Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale);
- (b) The Mayors (Sindaci) and the Aldermen (Assessori) of the communes of the province;
- (c) Provincial and communal functionaries and employees as well as accountants and those persons of public institutions of assistance and charity who receive wages or salaries;
- (d) Those persons who do not possess the required qualifications for being appointed "Assessore" in conformity to the regulations in force concerning the "Geri d'Assise" (Grand Jury).
- (e) Relatives up to the second degree of relationship, and relatives of the Provincial tax-collector and tax-receiver in the first degree while he is fulfilling the office of the "Elettorale" and of the "Ricevitoria". (Provincial Administration of Taxes).

Art. 11.

In the case of the dissolution of the Provincial Deputation (Deputazione Provinciale) the elective members of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa go out of office but are empowered to act until the appointment of the new members.

The elective members who without justified motive do not attend three consecutive meetings lose their office. The dismissal is resolved by the Giunta itself on the proposal of the President (Presidente) after having heard the interested persons.

The vacancies resulting among the elective members are filled by the senior substitute elective member.

When there are no substitutes left, new ones are appointed by the Deputation (Deputazione).

Art. 12.

To the elective members of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa a fee for each meeting attended by them is paid, the amount of which to be determined by Decree of the Minister of Interior.

The respective expenses are charged to the Provincial Administration.

Art. 13.

The regulations of the Unified Text of March 3rd, 1934 No. 383, and subsequent legislation at variance or incompatible with the present decree are abrogated.

The Prefects will provide for the appointment of the aldermen (Assessori Comunali) and of the Provincial Deputies (Deputati Provinciali) within 60 days that this decree becomes effective.

The Provincial Deputations (Deputazione Provinciali) will provide, within a month after their installation in office, for the appointment of the elective members of the Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa in substitution of the members in office appointed by the Ministry.

Art. 13.

The present Decree which will become effective on the day following its publication in the "Gazzetta Ufficiale del Regno", Special Series, will be presented to the Legislative Assemblies for conversion into law.

The Minister of Interior, the proposer is authorized to present the respective bill of the Law.

We order, to whosoever concerned, to observe this present decree and to see that it will be observed as a Law of the State.

Dated at Salerno, April 4th, 1944.

VITTORIO EMANUELE

Badoglio - Reale.

Approved:

The Lord Privy Seal (Guardasigilli): Casati.

(English translation by Interior Sub-Commission ACC, 12 May 1944).

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
Gabinetto.

SALERNO 27 April 1944.

File No. 2139.

To: The High Commissioner for Sicily
The High Commissioner for Sardinia
The Prefects.

SUBJECT: Administration of Communes and Provinces.

The "Official Gazette" No. 21 of 22 April has published R.D.L. 4 April 1944, No. 111, concerning transitory regulations for the administration of Communes and Provinces.

Because of the impossibility to proceed to administrative elections in the present state of war, the above mentioned R.D.L. charges the Prefect with the appointment of new provincial and communal bodies.

These bodies, although not elected by the people, must represent the will of the people.

Therefore, the Prefects when forming the "Municipal Boards", and the "Provincial Deputations", will not forget the political composition of the present government, and base on it the participation of representatives of the various parties in the two collegiate bodies forming the local administration. They will consequently choose a smaller or bigger number of representatives, according to the local efficiency of the different political organisations.

Article 7 of the mentioned R.D.L. prescribes that such elections must not concern whoever is at present in one of the conditions indicated in article 1 of R.D.L., 28 Dec. 1943, No. 29 B, regulating the "Defascistization" of the State Administration and of Public Organisations. As already known, the list contained in such article, includes only those who, having belonged to the fascist Party, have obtained the qualification of "Squadristi", "Marcia su Roma", "sciarpa Littorio" and also some definite categories of "Gerarchi". The minor offices of the fallen Fascist Party - such as the Political Secretaries of towns with less than 50,000 inhabitants and the Chiefs of "Gruppi Rionali" etc. - are not included in such list.

Although the law has not decreed a condition of incapacity in getting public appointments for whoever has occupied the above mentioned offices, the Prefects will abstain of choosing whoever has occupied mainly political positions or has been involved in intense political activity, or whoever, even without having occupied any official position, has committed acts undermining civil liberties or is in general known by the public opinion as a profiteer.

In any case the choice must fall on elements of proved honesty so that the government of local agencies can function to the best interest of the people.

THE MINISTER.

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IL CAPO DI GABINETTO.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGION 3

REGIONAL ORDER)

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15 March 1944

Whereas the Unified text of Municipal and Provincial laws approved by Royal Decree of March 3, 1934, No. 183, concerning the organization and functions of the Provincial and Municipal Administrations, do not conform to the new political situation, and necessary changes have to be made;

Bearing in mind that the Unified text of Municipal and Provincial laws approved by Royal Decree of February 3, 1935, No. 148, are laws which are more in conformity with liberal and democratic ideas; and

Whereas it is not possible at present to hold administrative elections which would mean applying in full the Unified Text of the law of February 3, 1935, No. 148;

Considering, therefore, the necessity of issuing regulations in order that the Municipal and Provincial Administrations may function, since the provisions contained in the above mentioned Unified Text cannot be fully applied;

Considering that the Unified Text of 1935 contains regulations which allow, under exceptional circumstances, the substitution of the Council of Aldermen for the Town Council and the Provincial Delegation for the Provincial Council, and since, at the present moment, may be applied in general terms;

In virtue of the power conferred on me, I CHARLES POLLENI, Lt. Colonel Regional Commissioner,

ORDER :

Art. 1) Each Commune is governed by a Mayor and a Council of Aldermen.
Art. 2) The Mayor and the Members of the Council of Aldermen, are appointed by the Prefect, subject to the approval of the Allied Military Government.

They may be removed from office, by the Prefect, under authorization of the Allied Military Government, for not having complied with their duties, or for reasons of public order.

The Mayor presides and presides over the Council of Aldermen, arranging for the matters to be discussed at each meeting, and puts into effect the decisions taken by the Council.

Art. 3) The Mayor will appoint a Vice Mayor from among the members of the Council of Aldermen, and he may entrust them with special duties in connection with the municipal Administration.

The Vice Mayor assists the Mayor, and takes his place in the case of

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allow, under exceptional circumstances, the substitution of the Council of Aldermen for the Town Council and the Provincial Delegation for the Provincial Council, and still, at the present moment, may be applied in general terms;

In virtue of the power conferred on me, I CHARLES ROBERT, Lt. Colonel Regional Commissioner,

ORDERS :

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Art. 2) The Mayor and the Members of the Council of Aldermen, are appointed by the Prefect, subject to the approval of the Allied Military Government.

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Art. 3) The Mayor will appoint a Vice Mayor from among the members of the Council of Aldermen, and he may entrust them with special duties in connection with the municipal Administration.

The Vice Mayor assists the Mayor, and takes his place in the case of absence.

The appointment of the Vice Mayor, must be approved by the Prefect.

Art. 4) Each Provincial Administration is governed by a President and a Provincial Deputation.

Art. 5) The President is the head of the Provincial Administration and President of the Provincial Deputation.

Art. 6) The President and the Members of the Provincial Deputation are appointed by the Prefect, subject to the approval of the Allied Military Government.

The ruling cited in second section of Art. 2) applies also to the President and Members of the Provincial Deputation.

The President presides and presides over the Provincial Deputation, arranging for the matters to be discussed at each meeting, and puts into effect the decisions taken by the Deputation.

Art. 7) The President will appoint a Vice-President from among the Members of the Provincial Deputation and he may entrust them with special duties in connection with the Provincial Administration.

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- Art. 6) Until such time as the Town and Provincial Councils are constituted, the Town Council will be substituted by the Council of Aldermen, and the Provincial Council by the Provincial Deputation which will retain all the other normal powers attributed to them by the aforementioned Unified Text of Municipal and Provincial laws of 1915.
- Art. 9) To the grounds for ineligibility established by the Unified Text of 1915 are added the following: No one is eligible to assume the office of Mayor, Alderman, President of the Provincial Administration and Deputation, or Provincial Deputy, if he has held such office, or offices, in the Fascist Party, or those specified in the National Order dealing with ineligibility and removal of Fascists.
- Art. 10) All other regulations of the Unified Text of the Provincial and Communal Laws approved by Royal Decree of February 3, 1915, No. 148, remain in force, provided they are not in variance with the present order or with special rulings issued, or to be issued by the Allied Military Government.
- The regulations of the Unified Text dated March 1st, 1934, No. 305 which are at variance with this Order, are hereby cancelled.
- Art. 11) The Prefect, when making appointments of members of the above mentioned agencies, will bear in mind the various political tendencies of the community. Also, labor and agriculture as well as industry and the professions must be adequately represented.
- Art. 12) The Prefects will appoint the Sindaco, the Members of the Council of Aldermen, and the Members of the Provincial Deputation (by 30 April 1944).
- In the meantime, pending the appointments to be made under this order, the present Municipal and Provincial Administrative Officials will continue to maintain their positions, with the title of "Mayor" and "President".

CHARLES POLETTI
Lt. Colonel
Regional Commissioner

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