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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSIONJKW/rm.
24 August 1946.

AC/4013/3/L.

SUBJECT : Italians involved in Crimes against
U.S. for the month of June 1946.

TO : Hq. MTCUSA APO 512.

1. See your letter of 29 July 1946 No AC 000.5/082
JA-0.
2. Report is made that the request has been complied
with and the conference has been held.

For the Chief Commissioner :

JOHN K. WILDER,
Colonel, Infantry,
Chief Legal Advisor.

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MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512In reply
ref. to AG 005.5/022 JA-0

29 July 1946

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SUBJECT: Report of Italians Involved in Crimes Against the
United States for the Month of June 1946.TO : Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
APO 724

1. It is requested that a conference be arranged between the Minister of Grace and Justice; the Theater Judge Advocate, Colonel Roy H. Barrett; and your legal branch to discuss the possibility of the Italian Judiciary's processing more expeditiously the trial of Italian offenders against the United States who have been turned over to the Italian authorities by U. S. agencies for disposition.

2. Major commands in this theater have reported that of 205 cases turned over by U. S. agencies by the end of June 1946, only 7 had been disposed of; 39 are less than one month old; 13 are less than two months old; 6 are less than three months but more than two months old; and 90 cases are more than three months old. Most of the cases, so far as this headquarters is aware, consist of thefts from U. S. Military sources.

3. It is suggested that the most convenient time for such a conference would be Thursday, 1 August or Saturday, 3 August 1946.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL FEE:

M. Francis Quinn

L. FRANCIS QUINN
Captain, AGO
Asst Adjutant GeneralEC DIST - 1 Aug
ACTION - CA Sec
INFO - E.C.

To the Col. John K. Weber

Dear Sir,

In view of request made by Dr Fiore to fix an appointment with the Minister in regard to the matter discussed at the last meeting, I inform you that the Minister expects to return to Rome by the end of next week.

However, as the question is pressing and as I think that the Minister may intervene personally in the meeting, I will inform you on his return, in order to take an appointment as soon as possible.

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Ministero di Grazia e Giustizia
GABINETTO DEL MINISTRO

Roma, 6.8.1946

Illustre Col. Weber,

in relazione alle premure rivoltesi dal dott. Fiore per fissare la riunione al Ministero, secondo quanto si discusse nell'ultimo incontro, La informo che il Ministro conterà di rientrare a Roma verso la fine della prossima settimana. Comunque data l'urgenza della cosa, e la necessità, come credo che a tale riunione intervenga direttamente il Ministro, La informerò tempestivamente del suo ritorno per prendere un appuntamento preciso prima che sia possibile. Spiacente per il controttempo voglia gradire i miei sentiti auguri.

Vincenzo Tanzi

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFG 394
LEGAL SUB COMMISSION

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21 January 1946

AC/4013/2/L

SUBJECT : Minutes of meeting of 19th inst.

TO : The Minister of Justice.

I beg to confirm the minutes of the meeting which took place at your office at 11.45 Saturday last at which were present besides yourself, Col. Weber, Sig. Bonelli and myself.

Agreement was reached on the following points : -

1) Case of Giovanni Silvagni -

In order to placate the population of Magenta anxious to see Silvagni promptly brought to justice and considering the inevitable delays and complications which Italian procedure would entail, the Minister is of opinion that it would be more expedient to have Silvagni tried by an AMG Court on the condition that this action would not be taken as constituting a precedent. It was therefore agreed that CIA would request AMG to grant the necessary authority to convene an AMG Court in Milan to try Silvagni at the earliest possible date.

2) Situation at Livorno -

The Minister agrees to give instructions for a special session of the Tribunale to be constituted as soon as possible to deal exclusively with offences against Allied interests. The Minister is adverse to the reopening of AMG Courts.

3) Sale of Captured and abandoned vehicles by AMG to private citizens and firms. -

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G.G. HANNAFORD,
Lt. Colonel,
Deputy Chief Legal Advisor.

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