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SCREENING OF ITALIAN OFFICIALS
DEC. 1943 – MAY 1945

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IL GUARDASIGILLI
MINISTRO DI GRAZIA E GIUSTIZIA

fol. 1039/1 (148)

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Presidente Tribunale : FERRANTI Ferrante

Procuratore del Regno: FERRARI Luigi di Giuseppe

Consigliere Istruttore: VENDITTI Milziade

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

AAC/4839/1/L

1 August 1944.

MEMORANDUM TO : Secretary General.

1. I suggest that you reply to the letter RG 24 July 1944 as follows:

Reference your L/1123 of 24 Jul 44

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You will appreciate the fact that the above mentioned memoranda as well as Executive Memorandum No. 67 is for ~~the same~~ Military Government Territory and particularly in the Forward areas.

RICHARD M. WILMER,
Colonel, GSC,
Acting Chief Legal Officer.

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ALLIED [redacted] COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Tel. 489081 Ext. 694

SUBJECT: Forwarding of correspondence FILE NO. DFR/3/GII (IT)

TO : Liaison Division. 12th May 1945

1. Transmitted herewith is letter AC/4039/1 dated 12 May 45 from Legal Sub-Commission with 4 inclosures, regarding the repatriation of Chief Secretary DIANI Roberto from Eritrea.

2. Being that Signor DIANI is an official of the Italian Government, this case is forwarded to you as a matter coming under your jurisdiction.

For the Director.

F.F. ELLIMAN
CAPT. C.M.P.
CAPT. C.M.P.

C.A. OLIVER,
Lt. Colonel,
G-I Italian.

16 MAY 1945

Copy to: Legal Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.P.O. 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM)
NUMBER 67 (REVISED))

April 45

SUBJECT OF ITALIAN OFFICIALS TO BE CONTINUED IN ADVANCE FORWARDS.

1 This revised Executive Memorandum No 67 is issued in the light of experience gained in the working of the original Memorandum No 67 of 5 July 1944, which is hereby cancelled. The policy and the principle of operation remain the same.

2 Our object is to remove from territory, immediately on liberation, all leading fascists from important posts, especially those ordinarily eligible to fill the Italian Fascist Government. This memorandum is intended as a guide for such an initial purge.

It will be followed by a more detailed purge under GO 35 and ultimately by the procedure under Dir. 152 now pending decision and therefore this Directive is not concerned with minor posts or lower grade officials; they can be dealt with later. The Allies must be in a sound position by quickly removing the leading fascists from the important posts.

3 Some officials will have been placed in office by the Republican Fascist Government; others will have taken the oath of allegiance to the Fascist Government: on the other hand, there will be career officials who have considered it their duty to stick to their posts in the interests of the civil administration: others, again, (it is understood from available reports) have remained at their posts at great peril and have refused to take the oath of allegiance. Wholesale liens are, therefore, to be avoided as much injustice may be done quite apart from rendering it difficult to carry on the administration.

It is safe to assume that the worst fascists will be removed by Dinis before arrival of the Allies; the knowledge of these in office will be dealt with in accordance with this Directive.

4 Two lists attached to the original memorandum have been brought up-to-date and set out in a more convenient form.

Appendix 'A' to this Memorandum contains a list of important Italian governmental and quasi-governmental offices which should be cleared of fascist personnel as quickly as possible. Other officials or lesser rank who are under arrest and too numerous to be dealt with in this Memorandum should not be considered.

A guide to obtaining a list of locally resident officials who are particularly obnoxious.

5 These two lists will normally be used together. Thus if it is found that [illegible] occupied one of the offices in Appendix 'A' and also has had one of the [illegible] mentioned in Appendix 'B' he should be removed at once.

6 If there is any doubt as to the fascist background of any person holding an office included in Appendix 'A' he may be required to complete a Schedule "Personal [illegible] Questionnaire" and, if he considers it desirable, consult the Prefect or any other [illegible]. No attention will be paid to anonymous communications.

7 Persons suspended under this Memorandum, except those mentioned in paragraphs 8 and 9, will be paid on the same basis as persons suspended under Dir. 152. Temporary

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employees, whether employed on a day-to-day basis or on a fixed term basis, e.g. 6 months, will, however, be dismissed.

8 Lists of persons suspended under this Memorandum, specifying the offices from which they have been removed, will be submitted to HQ AC for attention of the appropriate Sub-Commission or where none is appropriate to the Civil Affairs Section.

9 In addition to the foregoing, all Italian administrative organizations whose continued existence is inconsistent with the servicing rights of the Italian National Government, or which have been established by decrees thereof, are deemed no longer to exist. The officers of bona in such organizations will probably have fled, but if any such are found attempting to hold any office or to exercise any executive functions in connection therewith they will be removed from office.
Such bodies include:
a) All Ministries and Departments of the Republican Fascist Government;
b) National, Federal, Provincial and Communal organizations of the Fascist Party; of the Chamber of Fasci and of Corporations; of Fascist Syndicates and Federations;
c) The Fascist Militia, the National Republican Guard and GNR;
d) Prefetti, Vice Prefetti and Podestà of Provinces; Consuls of Communes;
e) the "Tribunali Speciali, the Tribunali Straordinari Provinciali and the "Corsocio" Court of Cassation.

10 Christians (as well as any other persons) regarded as potentially dangerous will in addition to suspension be taken into custody immediately. They may be interned or (at the request of the Italian Government) be handed over to the custody of that Government. However a person so interned a report will forthwith be made to HQ AC.

11 It is emphasized that in carrying out the important duty of purging the country of Fascists nothing herein is intended to prejudice the right of CCAOs and ROs to discipline/or interrogate individuals at their discretion without reference to their previous official position or past Fascist office.

12 CCAOs and ROs have discretion in such exceptional cases to retain as a purely temporary expedient a Fascist in office where the immediate elimination of any locality renders this essential and no loyal replacement can be found. In all such cases the work of the individual should be closely supervised and application should be made at once for a replacement to the appropriate Sub-Commission. In the North, however, it should seldom, if ever, be necessary to exercise this discretion.

W.E. KEYES, Col
Acting Executive Commissioner
For Chief Commissioner

Distribution:
Groups I & II: List A less serials 29/2B & 30/63
Group III : List B plus No 1 & No 2 Platoon (2 copies)

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ANNEX "A" TO M 1810 TO 47 (REVISED)

Offices from which persons may be removed on evidence of persons in Annex "B"

1 As to Civil Servants, Postal and Port-Street Cleaning
Prefects, Vice-Prefects, Directors, Managers and Secretaries.

2 As to Local Government
Podestà, Vice Podestà and Chiefs of Cabinet of Provinces;
Mayors of cities and communes.

3 As to the Judiciary
First Presidents, Procurators and Avvocati Generali, Presidents of Sections, Consigliori and Giudici Istruttori of the Court of Appeal;
Presidents, Presidents of Session, Procuratore del Regno (Public Prosecutor) and Giudici Istruttori of the Tribunals;
Prime Pretore of towns of over 20,000 inhabitants.

4 As to Education
Rectors and Professors of Universities;
Provveditori agli Studi and Ispettori of Provinces;
Directors Didattici and Presidi and Headmasters of Schools.

5 As to Public Safety
Ispettori Generali, Questori and Vice-Questori of Provinces;
Colonnelli or Vice Prefetti.

6 As to Finance
Intendenti di Finanza and Ragionieri Capo of Provinces;
Senior Provincial Officers of Banks, Finance and Insurance concerns.

7 As to Transportation and Communications
Directors of Transport and Port Commandants;
Provincial Directors and Inspectors of Postal and Telegraph Services;
Divisional Directors and Engineers of Telegraph and Telephone Services.

8 As to Corporations, Food, Agriculture and Labour
Directors and Secretaries of Consigli Provinciali dell'Economia Corporativa;
Direttori dell'Alimentazione, Direttori di Consorzi;
Directors of Social Insurance Agencies, Ispettori del Lavoro.

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APPENDIX "B" TO EMI 1020 to 67 (REVISED)

Evidence to support denial or justify removal from citizens in group "A"

1 Is a "bona fide" employee, received an appointment after 1 Oct 45.

2 Held a Ministerial or senior Executive grade appointment in the Republican Fascist Government or any Ministry or Department thereof.

3 Held an office in any National Federal Provincial or Communal Organisation of:
i the Fascist Party;
ii the Militia or Fascist Corporations;
iii Fascist Syndicates and Federations;
iv the Squadristi (Fascist officers of the Militia Centurions, Centurions or Forestale unless they are within some other provision hereof).

4 Held (except as an honorary distinction for some non-political reason) the title of:
Commendatore, Squadrista, Ardimentoso, Brevet ufficiale, Sciarpa littorio.

5 Was during the Fascist regime, a member of:
the Central Government, the Senate, the Chamber of Deputies, the National Council, the Grand Council, the Tribunali Speciali, the Tribunali Straordinari Provinciali.

6 Constituent public servant of Fascism whether over the radio, in the Press, or publications or whether as author, speaker, editor, director, or organiser.

7 Was decorated or promoted or otherwise rewarded for political services by the Republican Fascist or German Governments.

8 Has taken the oath of allegiance to the Fascist restitution Government.

NOTE :- All expressions referring to any Fascist organisation include the equivalent Republican Fascist organisation.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFO 394
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

Ei/pa.
30 Nov 44.

AC/4039/1/71.

SUBJECT : List of magistrates - Turin District.

TO : Regional Commissioner, PIEDMONT Region.
(Attn: Regional Legal Officer.

Enclosed further lists received from the Ministry together with a memorandum on magistrates appointed by the republican Government.

By command of Commodore STONE :

C. C. HANCOCK,
Lt.Colonel,
Officer i/c Italian Branch,
for Chief Legal Advisor.

3 Enclos.

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MINISTERO DI GRAZIA E GIVSTIZIA

Gabinetto di S.E. il Ministro
Ufficio di Collegamento con l'AC.
Roma, 23 novembre 1944

Prot. N. 2382/332

OGGETTO: Uffici giudiziari della Regione del Piemonte.

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Legale

R O M A

Su richiesta del R.L.O. della Piemonte Region (Allied Military Government) si trasmettono gli acclusi elenchi di notizie relativi agli uffici giudiziari del Piemonte, quali risultano dai dati in possesso di questo Ministero con preghiera di inoltro all'anzidetto R.L.O.

L'UFFICIALE DI COLLEGAMENTO
(Dott. Giorgio Bonelli)

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APPUNTO PER IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

Magistrati appartenenti agli Uffici Giudiziari del Distretto di Torino, destinativi con provvedimenti del governo repubblicano :

1° - GERBORE Giuseppe - Pres.Sez.App.- Ordinanza Commissariale del 30-9-1943, registrata alla Corte Conti il 4-11-943;

2° - DATTA Giuseppe - Cons.App. - decr.repub.del 14-12-1943. confermato con decreto 1-11-1944;

3° - DE LITALA Luigi - Pres.Trib.Torino - rec.repubbl.del 29-12-943, confermato con decreto 1-11-944;

4° - SCALFARO Oscar - Uditore ff.giudice Trib.Novara - Ordinanza Commissariale del 29-9-1943 registrata il 30-10-1943;

5° - REPACI Antonino - Agg.giud.Trib.Torino - Ordinanza Commissariale 14-10-1943, registrata il 9-12-1943;

6° - CACCIA Silvio - Uditore Trib.Torino - decr.repub.16-11-943: si conferma con decreto in corso; (promozione al 9° grado);

7° - GIUSTINIANI Marcello - Sost.Proc.Torino - decr.repubblicano 10-12-943, non ancora confermato;

8° - BORGHESE Sofo - Giudice Trib.Verbania, Ordinanza Commissariale 11-10-943, registrata il 30 ottobre 1943;

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I magistrati di cui ai n.i 4, 5 e 6 non so-

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4° - SCALFARO Oscar - Uditore ff.giudice Trib.Novara - Ordinanza Commissariale del 23-9-1943 registrata il 30-10-1943;

5° - REPACI Antonino - Agg.giud.Trib.Torino - Ordinanza Commissariale 14-10-1943, registrata il 9-12-1943;

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N.B. - Le ordinanze commissariali di cui ai n.1, 4, 5 e 6 non sono state confermate perchè ritenute valide.

I provvedimenti del sedicente governo repubblicano di cui ai n. 7 e 9 non sono stati confermati non per ragioni politiche od attinenti alla illegalità dei provvedimenti stessi, ma unicamente perchè non è sorta, finora la necessità della conferma ai fini dell'Amministrazione e d'altra parte si ignora la reale situazione di fatto.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

/rlp.
12 September 1944.

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ACC/4039/1/L.

SUBJECT : Screening of Italian Officials.

TO : Security Branch, Hq ACC.

1. Reference is made to your SP/231.01 of 9 Sept 44.

2. Receipt is acknowledge with thanks of the copy of the Carabinieri report on several magistrates.

C. C. HANNAFORD,
Lt. Col.,
Officer i/c Italian Branch,
for Chief Legal Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SECURITY BRANCH
A.P.O. 394

ISA

Ref : SB/231.01 11 September 1944

Subject : Screening of Ithlian Officials

To : Chief Legal Officer, HQ, A.C.C.

1. The enclosure omitted from our letter of 9th September 1944, is forwarded herewith.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

A.H. ELLIS,
Captain,
Security Branch

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HEADQUARTERS AHE/mdp
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SECURITY BRANCH

Ref. : SB/231.01 9 September 1944

SUBJECT : Screening of Italian Officials.

TO : Chief Legal Officer, H.Q. A.C.C.

With reference to your letter ACC/4039/I/L dated 14 July 1944, requesting the screening of officials nominated by the Minister of Justice for important judicial offices, I enclose for your information, a copy of a Carabinieri report which has been received giving the result of their enquiries.

FOR THE DIRECTOR :

A.H.ELLIS
Captain
Security Branch

LEGAL SUB COMMISION
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DCLO
Chief Counsel
CIO
Italian Section
CL RKS

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TERRITORIAL LEGION OF THE CARABINIERI REALI - ROME
Special Squad

N. 6/43 di prot. R.F. Rome, the 4th August 1944

subject : Information about magistrates

To the Commander of the Legion - Rome

CALIENDO Leopoldo son of Luigi and of Inschillo Maria, born at Saviano on the I January 1893, living in Rome Via Bormida I, Section President of the Supreme Court. He is a magistrate of great value, and his honesty and loyalty are indisputable. In 1928 he came out first in the comparative examination for the post of Counsellor of the Appeal Court and of the Supreme Court.However, he was not promoted to the Third grade (terzo grado) because he was not married. He is professor of Administrative Right and speaks several foreign languages. In the circles of the magistracy and amongst the lawyers he is very much esteemed for his culture, and is considered one of the best magistrates of the Supreme Court. He always had anti-fascist sentiments and showed them openly. For this reason Caliendo was not treated as he deserved it.

BRASIELLO Tenero son of Enrico and of Iacovelli Attilia, born in Naples on the 14th July 1876, living in Rome Via Michele Bianchi,131, is Section President of the Supreme Court. He is a very well prepared magistrate and is very much esteemed by his colleagues for his honesty and loyalty. He is a very cultivated person who always showed his personal opinion in his professional activity. He had anti-fascist sentiments, and therefore did not get the position he deserved to have.

ARENA Gabriele living in Rome via degli Scipioni,132, is a very serious, tactful and equilibrated magistrate. He has a good judicial culture, and is esteemed for his seriousness and dignity by the magistrates and by the lawyers of Rome. He never had any fascist activity and never approved of the past Regime.

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VENDITTI Milziade son of Federico and of Sivestri Margherita, born at Casoli on the 26th November 1880, living in Rome Via Sebina,II, is a Counsellor of the Court of Appeal. He is not particularly cultivated, but he is serious and very equilibrated. At the present time he is Petruzzi's successor as first President of the Tribunal of Rome, however, though he has much experience in the judiciary field, he is not considered capable of holding such post. As his preparation was not sufficient he could not be promoted Counsellor of the Supreme Court. It is reported that he never had pro-fascist sentiments.

S/ the Commander of the Legion
Lt. Col. Carlo Perinetti

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HEAD UARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Legal Sub-Commission
APO 394

/pa.
2 Aug 44.

ACC/4079/1/L.

MEMORANDUM TO : Secretary General .

1. I suggest that your reply to the letter of 24 July 1944 from RC Region VI as follows :

" Reference your L/1423 of 24 Jul 44.

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RICHARD H. WILMER, 2/
Colonel, CAC,
Acting Chief Legal Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Legal Subcommission
APO 394

AC3/4039/1/L 14 Jul 44

SUBJECT: Screening of Officials.

TO : Security Branch.

Could this Subcommission be informed as to the suitability from the security point of view of the undermentioned officials whom the Minister of Justice is desirous of appointing to important judicial offices.

Primo Presidente Cassazione:		:	CASATI Ettore
Proc. Generale	"	:	CIPOLLA Ettore
Avvocato Generale	"	:	CALISSEO Leopoldo
Primo Presidente C. Appello:			MARCHI Alfredo
Proc. Generale	"	:	BRASIELLO Teucro
Avvocato Generale	"	:	ARENA Gabriele
Presidente Tribunale		:	FERRANTI Ferrante
Procuratore del Regno		:	FERRARI Luigi di Giuseppe
Consigliere Istruttore		:	VERDITTI Milziade

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G. G. HANNAFORD, Lt. Col.
Officer i/c Italian Branch
for Acting Chief Legal Officer.

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NEAR EASTERN AREA
ALLIED COMMISSION (ITALY)
Legal Subcommission
APO 394

AFC/1039/1/L 7 Jul 44

SUBJECT: General Trains.

TO : HQ (Main HQ) Region 2.

1. While the Commando Supremo advises that Gen. Trains is not to remain the head of his section of the Italian army, that would appear to be a matter for the Minister of War to deal with.

2. It would be appreciated if Major Brudlin will speak to the Minister of War and advise this Subcommission whether the foregoing is correct and if so the Gen. Trains's successor will be.

3. As to more personnel for the Military Tribunals we are definitely advised by the Commando Supremo, and apparently on good authority, that there is now no need for Gen. Trains or his successor to go to North Africa at all. Apparently now with our advance, sufficient Italian Army judicial officers have been found to fill all needs.

RICHARD H. WILDEN
Colonel, CAC
Acting Chief Legal Officer.

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TEAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

ACC/AD39/2/L 6 Jul 44

SUBJECT : Definition of the word "FASCIST".

TO : DCO., Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner.

1 Reference your inter office memo A/CC 000.1 dated 2 Jul 44.

2 The Acting Vice President states that he answered the question verbally to Major [illegible] on 10 Jun.

3 The point is that the original CC/G/33 dated 24 May was not entirely clear. It is now to be superseded by an Executive Memorandum which will be issued forthwith, if NOT already done from ACT HQ.

4 The Exec Memo is more explicit in its instructions and should clear the point raised by Brigadier [illegible] when he receives it.

R.H. GRIFFIN, Colonel,
DCO Admin Section.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INTER OFFICE MEMO

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From: Acting Chief Commissioner

SUBJECT: Definition of the Word "Fascist" FILE No. A/CC 000.1

TO: Colonel Upjohn, Acting Head, Administrative Section 2 July 1944

1. Attached letter from Regional Commissioner, Region VI.

2. The Regional Commissioner's letter I/1423 of 6 June was sent to you on 9 June, together with a copy of the Chief Commissioner's memorandum CC/G/331, of 24 May.

3. Would you kindly state how the matter stands at present.

L. D. Densmore

L. D. DENSMORE
Colonel, Sig C
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1 Incl.
Ltr Reg VI, I/1423 of 29 Jun

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See Gen 4-3713 (104)

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION 6

29th June 1944.

To : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission.
(Office of the Chief Commissioner)

Subject : Definition of the Word "Fascist".

Reference : L/1423.

May a reply now be received to this Headquarters letter of even number dated 6th June 1944, please? Your Memo CG/G/331 dated 24th May 1944 refers.

M. Carr Brigadier

M. CARR.
Brigadier.
Regional Commissioner.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Legal Subcommission
APO 394

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30 Jun 44

ACC/4039/1/L

SUBJECT : Treatment of Italian Officials encountered in advance northwards

TO : Executive Commissioner.

1. Pursuant to our recent conversation I am enclosing a suggested form of executive memorandum which consolidates and more fully explains the directive and memorandum of the Chief Commissioner dated 24 May 1944.

G. R. UPJOHN,
Colonel,
Chief Legal Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
RC & MG SECTION
APO 394

June 1944.

EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM }
NUMBER 67 } Board of Rome Tour 5.

Treatment of Italian Officials encountered in advance northwards.

1. Inasmuch as the Directive and the separate Memorandum of the Chief Commissioner both dated 24 May 1944 have given rise to a few questions, the following constitutes a revised and consolidated directive, designed to meet those questions and possibly to forestall others.

2. Many of the Italian officials in the area north of the line marking the beginning of the recent offensive were placed in office by the so called Republican Fascist Government or by the Germans. Others, however, may, despite their hostility to the Fascist Government, have been compelled through coercion to remain in office or through devotion to duty may have chosen to remain and serve their people. Others stayed at their posts for some months and then for alleged fear of persecution deserted. It is impossible at a glance to say in which of these classifications a particular public servant should be placed. Obviously many of the first classification, particularly those highly placed, will have fled before our advancing troops, but on the other hand many will remain and these must be dealt with in accordance with this directive.

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3. The object of ACC is to rid the country as we go through it of the important fascists and of persons put in office by the Republican Government. While many important fascists are not necessarily men who are now holding important administrative posts considerations of expediency make it necessary for SCAOs and ROs to confine themselves to an examination of those holding the more important posts.

For this purpose two lists have been prepared and are attached hereto. List A contains a list of Italian governmental and ministerial offices which should be cleaned of fascist personnel as quickly as possible as the offices are important. The list contains three categories in order of importance.

List B contains a list of purely fascist offices and serves as a guide as to what type of fascist party members are particularly obnoxious.

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4. These two lists will normally be used together. Thus if you find a person who occupied one of the offices in List A and who has had one of the party affiliations contained in List B he is likely to be an official to be removed at once.

However an official holding office in List A who has newly been put into office by the Fascist Republican Government should be dismissed whether or not he belongs to one of the fascist offices mentioned in List B.

5. Officials (as well as any other persons) regarded as potentially dangerous should in addition be locked up immediately. They may be interned or if the Italian Government requests that they be turned over to it suitable arrangements should be made to comply with the request. Whenever a person is interned a report must forthwith be made to HQ ACC, PG & MP Section.

6. It is emphasized that in carrying out the important duty of ridding the country of fascists nothing herein is intended to prejudice the right of SCAOs and RCs to dismiss and /or intern individuals at their discretion in proper cases without reference to their present official position or past fascist office.

7. In Rome officials of the Ministries and members of the Court of Cassation and of special courts of national, as opposed to local, jurisdiction will be dealt with by HQ ACC direct and not by Rome Region. Such offices in List A are marked with an asterisk.

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M. S. IVESH.
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner,
for Chief Commissioner.

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LIST 'A'.

Category 1.

x 1. Ministers.

x 2. Undersecretaries of State.

x 3. Chiefs of Cabinet and Private Secretaries of Ministers.

4. National Councillors of the Chamber of fasci and of Corporations.

5. Chief of the police attached to the Government.

6. Prefects in charge of provinces and assigned to the Ministry.

7. Presidents, Judges, procurators of the republic and Assistant Procurators of the republic at the special tribunals.

8. Secretary General, vice-secretary general, administrative secretary and vice-secretary, members of the National Directory, inspectors general, vice-inspectors general and respective private secretaries of the fascist national party.

9. Federal Secretaries, administrative federal secretaries, federal inspectors members of federal directory, zone inspectors of the fascist national party.

10. Directors and vice-directors of GIL.

11. Directors and vice-directors of the Opera Balilla.

12. Directors and vice-directors of the Opera Nazionale Dopolavoro.

13. Political secretaries of all communes.

x 14. Governor and vice-governor of Rome.

15. President (preside) of the province and vice-presidents (vice-preside).

16. Mayors (podesta) of cities with a population of more than 50,000 inhabitants.

17. Officers of any rank in the militia including those "fuori ruolo" (unassigned) and those who hold a civilian authority only.

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18. Ambassadors and consuls of the republican Government.

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19. Inspectors general of public safety.

20. Presidents and directors of the national council of corporations.

21. All members of the National republican guard composed of volunteers with duties pertaining to public safety.

Category 2.

x 1. President of the Court of Cassation.

x 2. Procurator General of the Court of Cassation

x 3. President of the Court of Accounts.

x 4. President of the Council of the State.

x 5. Advocate general of the treasury (Avvocato generale erariale).

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6. Principals (rettori) of universities.

x 7. Directors general of all ministries.

x 8. Personal heads of all ministries.

9. Mayors (podesta) of all communes with a population of less than 50,000 inhabitants.

10. Members of the fascist directory (direttorio dei fasci) of all communes.

11. Presidents and directors of the Provincial council of corporations.

12. Presidents and provincial and communal directors of the Opera Nazionale Balilla, Dopolavoro and GIL.

Category 3.

1. Vice-Prefects and chiefs of cabinet of prefects.

2. Procurators of the republic.

x 3. Advocates General of Cassation.

4. Presidents and secretaries of provincial sindicates of all professions and callings.

5. University professors who do not hold regular appointment (non di ruolo) but merely are "charged" (incaricati) with instruction.

6. Provincial Superintendents of Studies (Sovreditore agli Studi).

7. Intendents of Finance.

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12. Presidents and provincial and communal directors of the Opera Nazionale Balilla, Dopolavoro and GIL.

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7. Intendants of Finance.

x Officials marked with an asterisk will be dealt with by HQ ACC.

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LIST "B"

a. a person who had the title or qualification of "Sansepolcrista", "squadrista", "antemarcia", "marcia su Roma", or "sciarpa littoria" ;

b. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a member of the Central Government, a member of the Grand Council, a member of the Academy of Italy or a member of the Special Court for the Defense of the State;

c. a person who was a president, vice-president or executive secretary of a corporation, confederation, federation, or syndical union ;

d. a person who was a national secretary or national vice-secretary of the fascist party, or a member of the national directory, or a national inspector ;

e. a person who was a member of the fascist party and who was nominated as a senator on or after 3 January 1925 and who subsequent to such nomination obtained any office ~~or post in any administration or undertaking~~ included in list "A";

f. a person who was nominated as a senator before 3 January 1925 and who, after that date, joined the fascist party and subsequently obtained any office or post included in list "A".

g. a person who was a fascist member of parliament or who was a national Counsellor ;

h. a person who was a secretary federal, a federal vice-secretary or an administrative vice-secretary.

i. a person who was a member of the federal Directory or of the Directory of a fascio di combattimento or a fiduciario rionale of a chief center of a province;

j. a person who was a federal inspector or a zone inspector;

k. a person who was a president or a member of the Corte Centrale of the federal disciplinary commission of the fascist party;

l. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a president or a vice-president or consultore or rector of a provincial administration;

m. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a mayor, vice-mayor or a governmental or prefectural commissioner of a chief center of a province;

n. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a mayor of a comune which had, at the date of the last census, a population of more than 50.000 ;

o. a person who was a political secretary;

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o. a person who was a political secretary;

p. a person who was a provincial fiduciaria of the female fasci ;

q. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a president, a vice-president a director or a manager of a Statal; parastatal or public service organization;

r. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a political radio commentator;

s. a person who was, ~~during the fascist regime,~~ a director or chief editor of a newspaper or a political magazine ;

t. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a professional journalist or publicist and who, after 3 January 1925, exalted the ideas and political aims of fascism;

u. a person who was a member of the Milizia Volontaria Sicurezza Nazionale in permanent active service, and who was not a person referred to

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other paragraph of this article and who, while such a member was:

(1) a member of the Milizia Contraerea or the Milizia Costiera; or
(2) a member of the Milizia Forestale who had been an official or employee of the former forest administration before the creation of the Milizia Forestale; and

v. a person who has been decorated by the German Government for special political services rendered to the Nazi Party.

NOTE: For the purpose of this guide, the terms "fascism", fascist party, and "fascist regime" include their equivalents as set up by Mussolini after the Armistice.

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Subject : Security - Screening.

To : All Aga Sub-Commissions.

____ A copy of 320/36 Gn of 24 Jun is appended for information.

S.H. White Lt Col
for (EA).

ADMIN HQ.
25 Jun 44.

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1 It is notified that the Security Branch has been established in HQ and is now available to deal with enquiries from Sub-Commissions regarding the bona fides of individuals and of business enterprises in NWE.

2 It is most desirable that before committing themselves to unknown personalities in NWE that Sub-Commissions should take advantage of this service particularly to avoid the criticism which will naturally follow if the Commission encourages those who are politically or otherwise undesirable.

3 All such enquiries should be addressed to the Director Security Branch, Advanced HQ AGC.

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M.S. Lees
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION 6

6th June 1944.

To : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission,
(Office of the Chief Commissioner)

Subject : Definition of the word "Fascist"

Reference : L/1423.

Reference your Memorandum CC/G/331 dated 24 May 1944 and list attached thereto paras (e) (f) and (q) of the list refer to Article IV. The list is evidently an appendix to an Order of which a copy is not held at this Headquarters. May a copy of the Order in question or at least of Article 4 thereof be forwarded please?

HEADQUARTERS
8 JUN 1944
A. C. C.

M. Carr Brigadier

M. CARR.
Brigadier.
Regional Commissioner.

RGSA/ajs.

Answered by Col Lefeaux in Naples
10 June 1944
RNP

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NEAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

4/23A/AS

5 June 44

SUBJECT : Treatment of Italian Officials encountered on advance Northwards.

TO Legal Sub-Comaission.
Education "
Public Safety "
Public Health "

1 Attached is a list showing the Chief Commissioner's decision as to disposal of Italian officials who have been functioning in German occupied Italy.

2 This list will enable you to gauge the position which will obtain in recovered territory.

3 If you have any comments on the list or comparisons with the list prepared by you which you think the attention of higher authority should be drawn, please submit them.

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Col Thackrah
Please see me
about this
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for S.H.WAITS,
Lt.Colonel,
C30 ~~I Adjutant~~

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LISTA (6B)

Il nostro parere e'che le tre categorie di funzionari italiani che si incontreranno durante l'avanzata degli Alleati verso il settentrione dovrebbero essere cosi' distinte per quanto riguarda i provvedimenti da prendere da parte delle Autorita' Alleate:

CATEGORIA "A" (funzionari che saranno arrestati e consegnati al Governo Italiano: -

- 1 - Ministri
- 2 - Sottosegretari di Stato
- 3 - Capi Gabinetto e segretari particolari dei Ministri
- 4 - Consiglieri Nazionali della camera dei fasci e delle corporazioni
- 5 - Capo della polizia presso il governo
- 6 - Prefetti a capo delle provincie e assegnati al Ministero
- 7 - Presidenti, Giudici, Procuratori della repubblica e sostituti procuratori della repubblica presso i tribunali speciali
- 8 - Segretario generale, Vice Segretario generale, Segretario e Vice segretario amministrativo, membri del direttorio nazionale, ispettori generali, vice ispettori generali e rispettivi segretari particolari del partito nazionale fascista
- 9 - Segretari federali, segretari federali amministrativi, ispettori federali componenti il direttorio federale, ispettori di zona del partito nazionale fascista
- 10- Direttori e vice direttori della Gil
- 11- Direttori e vice direttori dell'opera balilla
- 12 -Direttori e vice direttori dell'opera nazionale dopolavoro
- 13- Segretari politici di tutti i Comuni
- 14- Governatore e Vice Governatore di Roma
- 15- Preside della provincie e vice presidi
- 16- Podesta' delle citta' con popolazione superiore a 50mila abitanti
- 17- Ufficiali della milizia di qualunque grado ed anche fuori ruolo, compresi quelli che hanno soltanto attribuzioni civili
- 18- Ambasciatori e consoli del governo repubblicano
- 19- Ispettori generali di pubblica sicurezza
- 20- Presidenti e direttori del consiglio nazionale delle corporazioni
- 21- Tutti gli appartenenti alla guardia nazionale repubblicana che e' composta di volontari con funzioni di pubblica sicurezza

CATEGORIA "B" (funzionari che saranno arrestati e internati):-

- 1 - Presidente della Corte di Cassazione (not now applicable)
- 2 - Procuratore generale della corte di Cassazione
- 3 - Presidente della Corte dei Conti
- 4 - Presidente del Consiglio di Stato
- 5 - Avvocato generale erariale
- 6 - Rettori delle Universita'
- 7 - Direttori generali di tutti i ministeri
- 8 - Capi del personale di tutti i ministeri
- 9 - Podestà di tutti i Comuni con popolazione inferiore a 50mila abitanti

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partito nazionale fascista
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6 - Rettori delle Universita'
7 - Direttori generali di tutti i ministeri
8 - Capi del personale di tutti i ministeri
9 - Podesta' di tutti i Comuni con popolazione inferiore a 50mila abitanti
10- Componenti il direttorio dei fasci di tutti i comuni
11- Presidenti e direttorio del consiglio provinciale delle corporazioni
12- Presidenti e direttori povinciali e comunali dell'opera nazionale balilla, del dopolavoro e della Gil

CATEGORIA "C"(funzionari che saranno licenziati ed ai quali sara' concessa la liberta'

1 - Vice prefetti e capi di gabinetto dei prefetti
2 - Procuratori della repubblica
3 - Avvocati generali della cassazione
4 - Presidenti e segretari dei sindacati provinciali di tutte le professioni e mestieri
5 - Professori di universita' che non siano di ruolo, ma soltanto "incaricati" dell'insegnamento
6 - Provveditori agli studi
7 - Intendenti di finanza

nota - ci permettiamo di chiarire che i gerarchi fascista sono stati inclusi in questo elenco perche' l'amministrazione fascista li considera funzionari

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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APO 394

1. Ref Chief Commissioner's Secret Directive dated 24 May 1944 on subject of differentiation between Italian officials encountered during the northward advance and the disposal thereof; the following is the classification of judicial officers and personnel called for under para 4:-

Senior officials

(a) Primo Presidente delle Corte di Cassazione & Corti di Appello
(First President of the Court of Cassation & of Courts of Appeal)

Consiglieri delle Corte di Cassazione and Corti di Appello
(Counsellors of the Court of Cassation and Courts of Appeal)

Procuratori Generali & Avvocato Generali of Court of Cassation & Courts of Appeal.

Other officials

(b) & (c) Sostituto di Procuratore Generale
Presidente di Tribunale
Procuratori del Re
Sostituti Procuratore
Aggiunti Giudiziari
Pretori
Vice-Pretori
Uditori Giudiziari
Capo Cancellieri

2. The categories of officials under (b) & (c) above have been grouped together in order of relative importance as it is assumed that their treatment will depend upon the rules laid down for screening of Italian officials ~~in Executive Memorandum No.~~ 45 of 17 March 1944.

R. H. WILMER
Colonel, CAC
Deputy Chief Legal Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER
APO 394

24th. May. 1944.

EXECUTIVE.

TO: S.C.A.C. 5 Army.
S.C.A.C. 8 Army.
Regional Commissioner, Region IV.
Regional Commissioner, Region V.

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1. We must differentiate between Italian officials encountered during our present Northward advance and those who we found in office during our initial occupation of Southern Italy.

2. North of the line where operations remained static for several months Italian officials have been serving the Republican/Fascist government throughout a period when liberated Italy under a properly constituted Government was co-belligerent with us.

3. It is to be anticipated that many of these officials will flee before our advance but a proportion will doubtless remain and these should all be dismissed from their posts automatically and replaced by anti-Fascist personnel. As we move North the possibility of finding suitable anti-Fascist personnel should become much greater than it has been hitherto.

4. A list is being prepared and will be issued very shortly showing under the following categories the way in which Italian officials encountered during our Northward advance should be disposed of:-
(a) Senior officials who will be arrested and handed over to the Italian Government.
(b) Officials who will be arrested and interned.
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5. A.C.A.O.s. and Regional Commissioners are authorised to make exceptions to the above instructions at their own discretion but only in exceptional cases in which they are convinced either that the individual concerned is entirely free of any Fascist tendencies or that his temporary retention in office is absolutely essential from the war effort angle. It is emphasised that such action should be taken only in the most exceptional cases.

6. Pending the issue of the list referred to in Para 4. and subject to the latitude allowed in Para 5. all officials encountered during our advance will be arrested and held in custody.

NEIL MACON MACFARLANE.
Lieutenant-General.
Chief Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

Ref. CC/C/331.

24th. May, 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Regional Commissioner, Region I
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S.C.A.O. A.M.G. 8 Army (Field)
" " 5 Army (Field)
" " 5 Army (Rome HQ)

In dealing with the always difficult question of deciding whether an individual should be considered "fascist" and, therefore, debarred from employment in a public capacity, unless the circumstances are most exceptional, the attached list which defines categories of persons who should be regarded as fascist is issued as a guide.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

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(3B)

a. a person who had the title or qualification of "Console Generale", "Squadrista", "Sansepolcrista", "Marcia su Roma", or "Sciarpa Littorio";

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c. a person who was a president, vice-president or executive secretary of a Corporation, confederation, federation, or syndical union;

d. a person who was a national secretary or national vice-secretary of the fascist party, or a member of the National Director, or a national inspector;

e. a person who was a member of the fascist party and who was nominated as a Senator on or after 3 January 1925 and who subsequent to such nomination obtained any office or post in any administration or undertaking included in Article IV;

f. a person who was nominated as a Senator before 3 January 1925 and who, after that date, joined the fascist party and subsequently obtained any office or post in any administration or undertaking included in Article IV;

g. a person who was a fascist member of parliament or who was a national Counsellor;

h. a person who was a federal secretary, a federal vice-secretary or an administrative vice-secretary;

i. a person who was a member of the Federal Directory or of the Directory of a fascio di combattimento or a fiduciario rionale of a chief center of a province;

j. a person who was a federal inspector or a zone inspector;

k. a person who was a president or a member of the corte centrale or the federal disciplinary commission of the fascist party;

l. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a president or a vice-president or consultore or rector of a provincial administration;

m. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a mayor, vice-mayor or a governmental or prefectural commissioner of a chief center of a province;

n. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a mayor of a commune which had, at the date of the last census, a population of more than 50,000;

o. a person who was a political secretary;

p. a person who was a provincial fiduciario of the female fasci;

q. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a president, a vice-president, a director or a manager of an administration or undertaking included in Article IV of this order;

r. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a political radio commentator;

s. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a director or chief editor of a newspaper or a political magazine;

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r. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a political radio commentator;

s. a person who was, during the fascist regime, a director or chief editor of a newspaper or a political magazine;

t. a person who was a professional journalist or publicist and who, after 3 January 1925, exalted the ideas and political aims of fascism;

u. a person who was a member of the milizia volontaria Sicurezza Nazionale in permanent active service, and who was not a person referred to in any other paragraph of this Article and who, while such a member, was

(1) a member of the milizia Contraerea or the milizia Costiera; or

(2) a member of the milizia Forestale who had been an official or employee of the former forest administration before the creation of the milizia Forestale; and

v. a person who has been decorated by the German Government for special political services rendered to the Nazi party.

NOTE: For the purpose of this guide, the terms "fascism", "fascist party" and "fascist regime" include their equivalents as set up by Mussolini after the Armistice.

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EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER 45)

TO: Regional Commissioners 3,4,& 5 and S.C.A.O's with Armies.

SCREENING ITALIAN OFFICIALS IN ENEMY AREAS

1. This directive indicates method which will be followed in occupied territory for the "Screening" of Italian officials.

2. This investigation, an explanation of which follows, will be the responsibility of the R.C. and is designed to eliminate officials who from their past record and character appear to be unsuitable to hold public office under the aegis of Allied Military Government. It is intended primarily to expel those individuals who through their own choice and inclination were ardent or prominent members or supporters of the Fascist Party.

3. The principle of this scheme is that each official is considered individually according to his personal merits and not in accordance with arbitrary criteria. Each investigation begins with the personal background of the official in his own locality and opportunity is afforded for the opinion of Allied Security and Military Government Officers who are on the spot and therefore in the best position to judge.

4. Unless such officials have already been investigated to the satisfaction of the R.C., the following measures will be adopted.

5. The R.C. will classify the officials to be investigated into two groups, List "A" indicating the Senior Officials and List "B" indicating those of lesser importance. A guide to this classification is attached, (Appendix I) which should be followed subject to any special Regional requirements.

6. Priority of attention will be given to List "A" on the principle that if the senior officials are bona fide, they themselves will be likely to see that their subordinates are equally trustworthy.

7. The R.C. will distribute through his Provincial Commissioners, questionaire forms or Schede of an approved type (Appendix II) to be completed by the Italian officials concerned and to be returned by them to the issuing Provincial Officer. This Scheda is designed to reveal details of personal history in the Fascist Party and a guide to its use is attached (Appendix III). Supplies of Schede are obtainable on request to HQ ACC or may be printed in Regions provided that no alteration is made to the standard form.

8. The completed forms will be forwarded to the Public Safety Officer who, after reference to the local military security services available, e.g. C.I.C. or F.S.S., will record any such information on the Schede and will consult with the Provincial [illegible] who will endorse his recommendation as to retention or dismissal and forward

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8. The completed forms will be forwarded to the Public Safety Officer who, after reference to the local military security services available, e.g. C.I.C. or F.S/S., will record any such information on the Schede and will consult with the Provincial Officer who will endorse his recommendation as to retention or dismissal and forward it to the Provincial Commissioner who will act as follows:-

(a) In the case of List "B" officials who are not members of a national or centralised agency, such as Questure, Postal or Railway officials, decide whether or not they should remain in office and endorse the Schede with his decision.

(b) In the case of List "B" officials who are members of a national or central agency, he may decide to retain them in office, but, if in his opinion they should be dismissed, the consent of the head of the appropriate specialist at Regional Headquarters must first be obtained; (i,e, if the Provincial Commissioner is of the opinion that a Bank Director should be removed, he must obtain the consent of the Regional Financial Officer before so doing). In the event of disagreement between the Provincial Commissioner and the Regional officer concerned or in the absence of the latter officer, reference will be made to the R.C.

.....(c) In the case

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(c) In the case of List "A" officials, the Provincial Commissioner will add his recommendation to the Schedule and forward it to the R.C. At Regional HQ the Regional Public Safety Officer will refer to whatever military security functions are available and record such further information on the Schedule. The R.C. in consultation with the Regional Officer concerned will then decide whether or not the official should be retained.

(d) In the instance of difficulty arising in the case of List "B" officials, the matter will be referred to the R.C. for decision.

9. Normally List "A" officials should be suspended rather than dismissed from office until such action has been confirmed by HQ ACC.

10. The Schedule of List "A" officials should be retained for filing at Regional HQ and those of List "B" at Provincial level.

11. A limited number of experienced officers who are qualified to advise and assist R.C.'s in these investigations are available from the Security Branch HQ ACC and application for their services on a temporary basis should be made to this Headquarters.

12. R.C.'s will inform HQ ACC

(a) the date on which this "screening" is begun.

(b) the date of conclusion

(c) the result of such measures including the number and categories of officials who have been either confirmed in office or removed.

Monthly progress reports apart (c) will be submitted.

By Command of Lt. General Moore MACFARLANE:

M.S. LUSH
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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By Command of Lt. General Maxem M.CARLANE:

M.S. LUSU
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Appendix:
I Classification of Officials
II Schels
III Guide to the use of the Schels.

Copies to :
Admin Section (10)
Econ. Section (10)
Secy. General (6)
Regions I II IV VI VIII & IX (info)
Additional copies to Regions and Armies addressed for Provincial Commissioners and Regional C.S. Officers.

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APPENDIX I

List "A"

1. Prefect
2. Vice-Prefect
3. Questore
4. Vice-Questore
5. Director of Food Supply
6. Director of Transport
7. Maritime Director (Port Commandante)
8. Chamber of Commerce Director
9. Employment Director
10. Provincial Director Post Office
11. Inspector General Post Office
12. Rector and Heads of University Departments
13. Vice-President of Court of Appeal
14. Procuratore Generale of Court of Appeal
15. Avvocato Generale of Court of Appeal
16. Presidente di Tribunale
17. Procuratore del Re
18. Intendente di Finanza
19. Ragioniere Capo (Chief Accountant)
20. Commandi of Fire Brigade of Categories 1 and 2 (i.e.Lt.Cols)

List "B"

1. Prefecture
   (a) Chief of Cabinet (Capo del Gabinetto)
   (b) Secretary (Segretario)
   (c) Councillors of the Prefecture (Cancellieri di Prefettura)
   (d) Secretaries of the Prefecture (Segretari di Prefettura)

2. Questura
   (a) Commissars of Public Safety (Commissari di Publica Sicurezza)

3. Magistrates (Magistrati)
   (a) 1st Pretori in towns over 40,000 population
   (b) Capo Cancellieri

12. Rector and Heads of University Departments
13. Vice-President of Court of Appeal
14. Procuratore Generale of Court of Appeal
15. Avvocato Generale of Court of Appeal
16. Presidente di Tribunale
17. Procuratore del Re
18. Intendente di Finanza
19. Ragioniere Capo ("Chief Accountant")
20. Commandi of Fire Brigade of Categories 1 and 2 (i.e. Lt.Cols)

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3. Magistrates (Magistrati)
   (a) 1st Pretori in towns over 40.000 population
   (b) Capo Cancelliere

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4. Communes (Comuni)
   (a) Mayor and Vice-Mayor (Sindaco e Vice-Sindaco)
   (b) Communal Secretary (Segretario Comunale)

5. Social Insurance Office (Ufficio di Previdenza Sociale)
   (a) Director and Assistant Directors (Direttori ed Assistenti)

6. Universities (Universita)
   Professors

7. Banks and Credit Institutions
   Directors

8. Transportation and Communications
   Chief Technicians.
   Post: Postmasters, Chief of Telegraph and Telephone Offices
   Railways: Capi Stazione at Principal railway stations.

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GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO

N. B. -- Penalità severissime, di prigione e di ammenda sono previste per chiunque facesse delle dichiarazioni false nella presente scheda.

SCHEDA PERSONALE

1. Nome e cognome di o fu

a) Luogo di nascita b) Data di nascita

2. Indirizzo attuale a) Residenza permanente

3. Professione

4. Eravate iscritto al P. N. F.? a) Da quando

5. Appartenevate ad uno dei seguenti gruppi (Si o No):

a) Sansepolcristi b) Squadristi c) M. V. S. N.?

d) Se eravate nella Milizia, in quale delle seguenti unità avete prestato servizio? (Indicate con un SI od un NO l' unità e la data negli spazi rispettivi):

	PERIODO DI SERVIZIO (Specificare se servizio effettivo o nei quadri)
Milizia ordinaria?	
Milizia Ferroviaria?	
Milizia Postale?	
Milizia Portuale?	
Milizia Forestale?	
Milizia Stradale?	
Milizia Confinaria?	
Milizia Universitaria?	

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Milizia Postale?	
Milizia Portuale?	
Milizia Forestale?	
Milizia Stradale?	
Milizia Confinaria?	
Milizia Universitaria?	
Milizia Antiaerea?	
Milizia Artiglieria Marittima?	
« Moschettieri del Duce »?	
Battaglioni « M »?	

e) Se avete militato solo in tempo di guerra, siete entrato nella Milizia da volontario o in seguito a regolare chiamata?

6. Avete ricoperto una delle seguenti cariche nel Partito Fascista (rispondete SI o NO e indicate i periodi di servizio o di ciascuna carica negli spazi rispondenti):

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PERIODO DI SERVIZIO

a) Segretario nel P. N. F.?

b) Membro del Direttorio Nazionale?

c) Segretario Federale?

d) Membro del Direttorio Federale?

e) Ispettore del Partito?

f) Ispettore Federale?

g) Segretario politico di un Fascio?

h) Fiduciario di un Gruppo Rionale?

i) Membro di un Gruppo Rionale?

j) Capo-settore?

k) Capo-nucleo?

l) Una posizione autorevole nella G. I. L.?

m) Una posizione autorevole nel G. U. F.?

n) Una posizione autorevole nei Fasci Femminili?

o) Qualche altra carica nel Partito

Quale?

7. Siete stato in qualche periodo membro dell' OVRA? Quando?

8. Avete fatto parte dell' ufficio politico dei CC. RR.? Quando?

9. Avete fatto parte di un ufficio politico della P. S.? Quando?

10. Siete stato in qualche periodo funzionario in una delle seguenti organizzazioni:

a) in una Corporazione?

PERIODO DI SERVIZIO

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h) Fiduciario di un Gruppo Rionale?

i) Membro di un Gruppo Rionale?

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a) in una Corporazione?

Quale?

Denominazione della carica

b) in una unione sindacale?

Quale?

Denominazione della carica

c) in un Consorzio Agrario?

Quale?

Denominazione della carica

PERIODO DI SERVIZIO

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	PERIODO DI SERVIZIO
d) in qualche altra organizzazione corporativa o sindacale?	
Quale?	
Denominazione della carica	

11. Indicate le cariche nazionali, provinciali o comunali - governative o parastatali - occupate da voi dal 1921, come segue:

NOME DELL' ISTITUTO	PERIODO DI SERVIZIO	MODO DI ASSUNZIONE

12. Indicate le principali fonti dei vostri introiti durante il regime Fascista:

FONTI	MEDIA ANNUALE	INTROITO DEL 1942

13. Avete prestato servizio militare? a) In quale arma?

b) Quando? c) Quale grado rivestivate ultimamente?

d) Dove avete prestato servizio?

e) Siete stato «volontario» nella guerra civile Spagnola?

f) Siete stato «volontario» nella campagna dell' Africa Orientale? Del Nord Africa?

g) Avete goduto di qualche esonero dal servizio militare?

Per quale motivo?

14. Avete fatto parte dal 1922 in poi di qualche organizzazione politica diversa dal Partito Fascista? Nome dell'organizzazione

Periodo di appartenenza?

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N. B. - *Rileggere prima di consegnare la scheda, e se avete scritto il falso, correggete. Vi ricordiamo che le superiori dichiarazioni sono state fatte sotto giuramento e che pene severe sono stabilite per il falso giuramento.*

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Commissioned officers of Carabinieri and Guardia di Finanza will be screened through their own official channels for which the Chief of Public Safety ACC HQ and Commanding Generals CC.RR. (Carabinieri) and GC.FF. (Guardia di Finanza) will be responsible.

N.B. These lists have been framed as minimum requirements and should be extended to other officials according to Regional requirements and resources available.

Appendix III

GUIDE IN ANALYZING "SCHEDA" RETURNS.

The SCHEDA PERSONALE has been designed to obtain personal information concerning the background of Italian public officials with particular reference to their Fascist History.
In order to arrive at a proper conclusion some points of guidance are set out below. It should, however, be borne in mind that each case must be judged on its individual merits and that the guiding principles set out below are merely of an informative nature and not absolute rules.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR IN A COMPLETED SCHEDA.

1. Party membership (Item No. 4)

Membership in the Fascist Party (PFF) is not in itself of great significance. Public officials, whether ministerial appointees or career civil servants and people otherwise holding jobs of any responsibility were practically forced to belong to the Party. The same is true of prominent business and professional men who were obliged to give at least lip service to the Party in order to exist.

The time of joining the party and the length of membership are, of importance. If, for instance, it is shown that membership began in 1924, or before, and was uninterrupted until Allied occupation, it is one indication of an "Old Fascist".

Membership at later dates is proportionately of less significance depending, of course, on the age of the individual and the other factors shown on the Scheda.

2. Mussolini "Originals" and "March-on-Rome" Fascists (Item 5 (a) and (b).

The founders of the Fascist Party-Mussolini's "Old Guard" were known as "Sansepolcristi". They were relatively few in number. Consequently there will be few "Si" answers to this question. But if one is found the significance is obvious.

The Blackshirts who were in the "March on Rome" October 28, 1922, or were subsequently so considered, were known as "Squadristi". They constituted the strong arm and "muster-all" squads who violently repressed opposition to Fascism and who forced the nucleus of the Fascist government throughout Italy. Unless there be overwhelming evidence to the contrary, any person who was a "Squadrista" may be considered as a leading, active and probably dangerous Fascist.

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3. Fascist Militia (MVSN), Item 5 (c) and (d)

The Fascist Militia (Milizia Volontaria Sicurezza Nazionale) was created by Mussolini first as a volunteer police force and then as a Party army separate from the regular armed forces and police services to maintain the power of the dictatorship.

Membership in the Militia has to be judged from the indication of the type of Militia unit to which the individual belonged and his period of service with each unit. For instance service in the "Milizia Ordinaria" -- the basic, regular type of volunteer Blackshirts--- if performed during peace time is proof that the individual was a militant of the party but if performed only during war time, and a result of being drafted for that service this fact should not be held against the individual.

The same is true for the other types of militia, except for the "Moschettieri del Duce" (The Duce's Musketeers) who were Mussolini's personal bodyguard and Fascist carefully picked for this duty.

The least significant of the Militia units were the Anti-aircraft Militia, and the Naval Artillery Militia which were so close to ordinary military units that it may well be said that membership in those units was not much more than regular military service.

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4. Party Jobs Item 6 (a) to (o)

These are positions of prime importance. The jobs listed are arranged generally in order of their significance but all are important as indicating the degree to which the individual occupied positions of responsibility in the Party itself. The general rule should be that a person who held any one of these jobs is to be regarded as clearly prominent in Fascist rank and as a party leader, at whatever level the position was held. Judgement should be modified, however, by consideration of the period of service in any one or more of these appointments. For instance, the lesser positions if held only for a few months preceding Allied occupation might indicate that a minor official had been left in an invidious position by a more prominent Fascist who fled before Allied arrival. Of major significance are indications that the individual held progressively greater responsibilities in the Party.

5. OVRA & other secret-police activities (Items 7 to 9)

The OVRA (Opera Volontaria Repressione Anti-Fascista) was a volunteer secret police system. Each person who belonged to this system was part of a web of spies and informers who reported on activities or sympathies regarded by the Fascists as subversive. Every unit of the government, of private business, of the professional world, of the police and even of the army had its OVRA. The OVRA itself had an inside OVRA.

Since it was virtually impossible for Italians themselves to know who OVRA members were, it is unlikely that persons will admit their activities of this type on the schede. But some instances have occurred in which the admission has been made. Moreover, intelligence agencies of the Allied forces have been able to get lists of OVRA members which can be checked against the Schede.

Any individual who was a member of the OVRA should be regarded as a dangerous and undesirable person.

Officials who were part of the "political office" of the Public Sicurezza (Metropolitan police) should be similarly regarded.

6. Corporative and syndical Positions (Item 10)

Note the question in this section ask whether the individual was a fiduciary in a Corporazione, Syndicate, or Consorzio agrario. Every employer or employee under the Fascist corporative had to belong to some such organization. Consequently such membership indicates nothing as to the Fascist character of the individual. But positions of official authority in the administration of such organizations were usually given to tried and true Fascist. Again, the period of service and the nature of the duties have a highly important bearing.

7. Governmental and Quasi-Governmental Positions (Item 11)

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The OVRA covered volumes [illegible] secret police system. Each person who belonged to this system was part of a web of spies and informers who reported on activities or sympathies regarded by the Fascists as subversive. Every unit of the government, of private business, of the professional world, of the police and even of the army had its OVRA. The OVRA itself had an inside OVRA.

Since it was virtually impossible for Italians themselves to know who OVRA members were, it is unlikely that persons will admit their activities of this type on the schede. But some instances have occurred in which the admission has been made. Moreover, intelligence agencies of the Allied forces have been able to get lists of OVRA members which can be checked against the Schede.

Any individual who was a member of the OVRA should be regarded as a dangerous and undesirable person.

Official who were part of the "political office" of the Public Sicurezza (Metropolitan police) should be similarly regarded.

6. Corporative and syndical Positions (Item 10)

Note the question in this section ask whether the individual was a functionary in a Corporazione, Syndicate, or Consorzio agrario. Every employer or employee under the Fascist corporative had to belong to some such organization. Consequently such membership indicates nothing as to the Fascist character of the individual. But positions of official authority in the administration of such organizations were usually given to tried and true Fascist. Again, the period of service and the nature of the duties have a highly important bearing.

7. Governmental and Quasi-Governmented Positions (Item 11)

The most important item in the listing of governmental or "Parastatal" positions occupied by the individual is the method by which he was appointed. If by regular civil service examination, the fact that the person held a government job under the Fascist regime is of no significance. But if the appointment was made by Decree Ministerial or Prefectual the probabilities are that the individual attained his position not by merit but as a political reward for being a good Fascist.

8. Sources of Income (Item 12).

The replies in this section are significant if they show (a) that the major source of income was from the Fascist Party or from Corporative or Governmental jobs to which the individual was appointed under the Fascist regime, or (b) that the income was excessive in terms of the functions performed. Even private incomes from business or professional should be thus regarded. The ordinary business man or professional person was not permitted under the Fascist Tax and penalty system to earn excessive amounts unless he was favored by the regime

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9. Military Service (Item 13)

Ordinary military service is not, of course, evidence against an individual. Significant are the items indicating whether the individual was a volunteer in the various wars or interventions of the Fascist regime. Also of considerable significance is the fact that the individual may have been exempted from military service by reason of special discrimination in his favor.

10. Anti-Fascist political activity.

The replies to this question are significant in the following respects: (a) As indicating those who were genuinely opposed to the Fascist regime before Allied occupation, and (b) to obtain some data as to the nature and strength of anti-Fascist parties. Many will now claim affiliations for various reasons, but generally the answers should be accepted, subject to check with well-known members of the parties or groups mentioned.

11. False Statements in the Schede.

The individual filling out a Scheda is warned twice of the penalties for false statement. Any proof of false statement should be followed by prosecution.

12. Witnessing signature.

Since there is the possibility that Schede may subsequently be produced as evidence in legal proceedings, it is strongly recommended that wherever possible, the signature of the official concerned, be witnessed by an Allied Officer who should countersign to that effect.

13 Supplies of Scheda Printed Forms.

As sufficient copies of the Schede are not available in Naples for distribution to all Regions, Regional Commissioners and SCAO's Armies should make their own arrangements for printing of supplies.

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