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Attendance of Members of Italian Armed Forces, Police, etc., before Courts Martial.

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: AFHQ, MOS

- 1. Your Mid 154-1 dated 16th April 1944 is acknowledged.
- 2. Before taking the matter up with the Italian Government inquiries were made which established that in fact witness fees are never paid to members of the Italian Armed Forces or Police when attending before Courts Eartial or ilitary Commissions either in Hq AAI or PBS.
- j. In the circumstances it is not proposed to carry the matter further unless so directed by you.

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

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8 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Attendance of Members of Italian Armed Forces, Police etc before Courts Martial.

TO : Admin Section - For Legal Sub-Com.

Reference your ACC/4130/L of 25 April 1944 this HQ has been informed that it is not the practice to pay fees to witnesses within the 5th and 8th Army Areas, and no difficulty is found in securing attendance of such witnesses.

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785016 REAR HEADQUARTERS ALLED CONTROL CONTESSION LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION APO 394 /rlp. 25 April 1944. ACC/1330/1. SUBJECT : Attendance of Members of Italian Armed Forces, Police, etc.; before Courts-Martial. : Executive Commissioner. 1. The enclosed communication from MCB, AMMQ dated 18 April 1944. with enclosures has been considered by this sub-commission which has not so far learned of any difficulties h ving been experienced. 2. B fore taking up this matter with the Italian Government, it is suggested that the PSS, 5th and 8th Armies be consulted to ascertain what, if any, difficulties they have experienced. Cortainly, if everything is working smoothly, it would not appear to be particularly advisable to stir this matter up with the Italian Government. RICHARD H. WITMER, Lt. Col., 0/0, Deputy Chief Legal Officer.

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. ALLIED FORCE HEAD WARTERS CMS/CF/thh Military Government Section MGS 154-1 18 April 1944 SUBJECT: Attendance of Members of Italian Armed Forces, Police, etc., before Courts-Martial TO : Allied Control Commission (Attention: Chief Legal Officer) 1. Attention is invited to the inclosed correspondence (copied), subject "Expenses of Courts-Martial (U.S.), and particularly to the second recommendation in paragraph 4 of minute "It is further recommended that Allied Control Commission arrange with the Italian Government to permit attendance of members of the armed forces, governmental police, etc., to attend as witnesses before the courts and commissions referred to without pay ent of fees." By minute 6 the Commanding General, MATOUSA, returns the file to the Military Covernment Section in order that appropriate action by the Allied Control Commission vis-a-vis the Italian Covernment may be sought. It is contemplated that the United States Army will be prepared to reciprocate by causing any of its soldiers sought as a witness to appear - subject of course to military exigencies. 2. Attention is further invited to the inclosed memorandum

- 2. Attention is further invited to the inclosed memorandum from G-1(8), requesting that the same arrangement be made for the benefit of British service courts, on the same basis of reciprocity.
- 3. It is accordingly requested that the matter be taken up with the Italian Covernment to the end that the desired arrangement be effected.
- 4. In the event that, by reason of any anticipated difficulty or otherwise, the Allied Control Commission wishes to consult on the matter, it is to be noted that Colonel Tom N. Barratt, JACD, Executive Officer of the Judge Advocate's Section, NATOUSA, expects to be at the office of the U.S. Claims Commission at Naples about April 23. It is suggested that, if it appears desirable, he be reached at that address.

CHARLES N. SPOFFORD, Colonel, G.S.C., Chief of Section.

