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SUBJECT:- Correspondence with Region IV.

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H.Q., A.M.G.,
15 Army Group,
C.M.F.

AMG/18/38

4th December 1943.

With effect from 4 Dec 43 H.Q. Region IV will be split as follows:-

- (a) H.Q. Region IV Adv at TRANI
Address:- H.Q. AMG Region IV Adv
c/o 151 Sub-Area.
- (b) H.Q. Region IV Main at Naples
Address:- H.Q. AMG Region IV Main
c/o H.Q. AMG Region III
through PBS.

2. The H.C.A.O. has requested that correspondence for Region IV be routed as follows:-

- (a) All correspondence on general policy or which only affects territory on the eastern side of Italy under control of Region IV should be addressed to Adv H.Q. *M.M.*

- (b) All correspondence for Divisions and correspondence not mentioned in (a) above should be addressed to Rqr H.Q. with a copy to Adv. H.Q. when considered necessary. **366**

3. At present there is no telephone communication with Adv H.Q.

P. Perry Smith Lt. Col.
for Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.

TFS/SCM.

Copy (for information) to:-
A.M.G. 8 Army.
A.M.G. Region III

A.M.G. Region IV Adv.
A.M.G. Region IV Main

Public Safety

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Captain [illegible] is according to [illegible] on 27 Jan 1964 to close [illegible] A.M. [illegible] accounts. If there are any bills outstanding to be paid in [illegible] please let Captain [illegible] have them immediately with appropriate approval to pay.

D.H. [illegible] Capt

Colonel,
Chief Finance Officer

26 Jan 1964

Distribution: All Divisions

SUBJECT:-

Reorganization - ACC/MC

SECRET

A.M.G.,
H.Q.,
A.C.M.F.

AM/17/

25th January 1944

The following is a paraphrase of a signal message received this morning from A.F.H.Q.:-

As from 0001 hrs on the 25 Jan 44:

1. The President of the A.C.C. will be represented in Italy by General Alexander who will act for the President and carry out on his behalf the functions of President in respect of all matters that may be delegated to him from time to time. General Alexander will continue as Military Governor of Occupied Territory under Allied Military Government.

2. While serving as Deputy President A.C.C., Lieutenant-General MacFarlane will be Chief Commissioner of A.C.C. and C.C.A.O. of occupied territories under A.M.G. His Headquarters will be A.C.C. Headquarters and will also be the Civil Affairs Branch of A.C.M.F. Headquarters.

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4. The Italian Government, under the direction of A.C.C. will administer Italian territory NOT under A.M.G.

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- All Heads of Divisions
- War Diary

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H.Q., A.M.G.,
15 Army Group,
C.M.F.

AMG/17/92.

S.C.A.O., A.M.G., 5th Army.
S.C.A.O., A.M.G., 8th Army.
R.C.A.O., A.M.G., Region I.
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R.C.A.O., A.M.G., Region IV.

18 December 1943.

Brigadier H. S. Lush, C.B.E., M.G. has taken over command of A.M.G., 15 Army Group with effect from 7th December as Deputy Chief Civil Affairs Officer. Colonel Spofford was appointed Deputy Chief Civil Affairs Officer for Regions I and II on 7th December. While I remain, for what I expect will only be a brief period, Chief Civil Affairs Officer 15 Army Group, effective control of Allied Military Government affairs has been assumed by Brigadier Lush and Colonel Spofford under whose administrative direction will therefore fall the officers under your command and those attached to your formations.

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I warned those of you at Chrea of the difficulties which you would encounter. I laid particular stress on the need for mutual sympathy and understanding and for the necessity of avoiding criticism of each other. I said that the whole was more important than any of the parts and the whole is Anglo-American; not British or American. To the warning about criticism I would add one other: the warning against officers seeking to

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A.M.G. has been the subject of some praise and the object of some attack. I believe that the first principles laid down in the instructions issued for the guidance of A.M.G. officers were and are sound. I quote the opening paragraphs of General Administrative Instruction No. 1:-

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"2. The formation commander to which you, as a British or American officer are attached, may at any time be either an American or British officer. Your superior Civil Affairs Officer may equally be either American or British. You must understand that there are differences in procedure, custom and outlook between the two. Rules of which you form a part. It will be for you to see that these differences do not affect the efficiency of your work and in no circumstances form the subject of complaints or gossiping. A serious view will be taken by your superior officers of any idle chatter or criticism of any member of the other Forces. This administration constitutes the first attempt at a Joint Allied Administration and it is your work, your efficiency, and your attitude of mind which will make the administration a success or a failure and will serve as a model or a warning for the other administrations which will have to be built up in other parts of the world.

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The general line which will be adopted towards Italian institutions, the Italian people and the Italian Government, is not your concern. It is the concern of your superior officers and then only at a high level. Your job is to administer and not to frame policy or talk politics. You are not to discuss political matters with local Italians. You are not to discuss religious matters.

4. You will administer to the best of your ability with a sense of impartiality and justice, without fear or favour. In administration and especially in the administration of justice, all men and women must be equal for you. You must learn to disregard the nationality of the people whom you are administering, if you are going to be a good administrator. The principles of good administration are the same in all countries and for all people. They are the preservation of law, order and justice, the prevention of disease and distress, the removal of fear and the creation of economic well being. To those, for a military government, is added as the first duty, to assist in the prosecution of the war by enabling the High Command to remove garrison troops for use elsewhere and to provide, within the resources of the country whatever materials are available, which will assist in the prosecution of the war. For obvious reasons economic development must take a second place and can only occur within the limits of transport and of military requirements."

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In the senior officers who remain directly in charge of A.M.G. operations I have complete confidence that they will carry on the same traditions as have hitherto obtained. I leave in their hands the care of the officers who began with me in Crete and the many I do not know who have since joined, with the knowledge that they will be cared for and helped. I have known Brigadier Lush and Colonel Spofford long enough to be confident that A.M.G. is in good hands.

I shall be glad if this letter can be brought to the attention of all officers serving under your command.

W. H. H. H.
Major General,
Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 512

23 November 1943

GENERAL ORDER)

NUMBER 8)

RELATIONS WITH REGIONAL H.Q.

1. General Principles. The Regional Civil Affairs Officer (RCAO) shall be responsible to the CCAO 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:

(a) Action taken will be within the framework of policies established by AMG HQ by proclamation, order, directive or otherwise. Interpretations issued by AMG HQ of proclamations and orders will be binding upon each region. Questions of interpretation raising any point likely to affect other regions must be resolved by AMG HQ.

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(c) Matters on which policy has not been established and which do not affect an activity specifically reserved to AMG HQ will nevertheless be referred to AMG HQ when:

- (i) The subject matter is likely to affect occupied territory as a whole, as opposed to the specific region (e.g. price, wage and ration scales.)
- (ii) The subject matter involves some relationship with other regions (e.g. inter-regional shipments, inter-regional supply movement, movement of refugees.)
- (iii) The subject matter raises legal, political or ecclesiastical questions of a character which may require handling by AMG HQ or higher headquarters (e.g. policy as to internees and foreign nationals, matters affecting ecclesiastical personnel, repeal or suspension of Fascist laws.)
- (iv) The subject matter involves a substantial change in Italian law or administrative procedure, other than of local application (e.g. modification of social insurance systems, agricultural control, tax structure, labor laws).
- (v) The subject matter involves policy affecting Institutions organized or operating on a National basis (e.g. banks, insurance companies.)

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2. Personnel. RCAOs will command all personnel assigned to their respective regions. RCAOs, together with the senior regional officer of the opposite nationality, will have the power to discipline personnel under their command and will make recommendations for promotions and transfers to or from the Region.

In the case of many officers and some IM/ORs assigned to regions, the field of activity in which they are to be engaged will be specified. Any assignments of such specialist personnel must be observed except in cases of emergency and then only for the duration of the emergency.

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3. Communications. Orders to personnel in the regions, including specialist personnel, will be issued only by the RAO. Communications on technical matters from a Sub-Commission or Division Chief AMG HQ to the specialist personnel in the regions must be sent through the RAO.

Officers from AMG HQ may and will make frequent inspection trips within the regions. On such occasions they will make their presence and the nature of their mission known to the RAO, or where impracticable, to the nearest SMO. No orders or directives will be communicated by such officers to the specialists in the field; technical observations may, however, be so communicated from HQ personnel to specialists in the Regions or vice versa. If these are in written form, copies will be furnished to the RAO.

4. Procedure. For obvious reasons it will be desirable that procedure adopted by RAOs, particularly in dealing with the Italian administration, shall be uniform as between the regions. In cases where uniform procedure has been or is hereafter prescribed by AMG HQ, such procedure will be binding uniformly on the staffs in each Region.

5. Proclamations and Orders. Proclamations and orders of a public nature which are published by posting up or publication in a newspaper are of three types, Proclamations, General Orders and Regional Orders. (See Appendix C hereto.)

(a) Proclamations. All proclamations are signed by the Military Governor and will only be issued on the authority of AMG HQ.

(b) General Orders. All General Orders are signed by the COAC or his Deputy and will only be issued on the authority of AMG HQ.

(c) Regional Orders. RAOs may publish within their Regions orders signed by the RAO which shall be described as "Regional Order No.".

6. General Uniformity. It is obviously impracticable to establish by specific category all of these matters which are within the authority of the RAO and those which are reserved for AMG HQ. If the subject of any proposed action is not specifically dealt with herein or in memoranda supplemental hereto, it will be referred to AMG HQ when good judgment would indicate that uniformity of action is required or that a major matter of policy is involved.

By Command of Brigadier General McSHERRY:

OFFICIAL:

E. L. Clough

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Acting Chief of Staff

DISTRIBUTION:

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Incl 1 - Appendix A

Incl 2 - Appendix B

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(Appx. A G.O.-S Hq. AMG 23 Nov 43)

APPENDIX A

ACTIVITIES TO BE DEALT WITH BY AIG HQ.

1. The following activities will be dealt with under specific instructions from Headquarters until further notice:

- (a) A.M.F.A.
- (b) The fixing of rates of exchange.
- (c) Accounting.
- (d) Foreign exchange.
- (e) Freezing controls.
- (f) Matters relating to currency problems.
- (g) Matters falling within the jurisdiction of the shipping sub-commission.
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APPENDIX B

SPECIFIC LIMITATIONS ON THE POWERS OF RCOsPublic Safety

1. No public official in this field having jurisdiction over more than one province will be appointed without the prior approval of AMG HQ. No Brigadier General or higher ranking officer of the CGRR may be appointed or removed without the prior approval of AMG HQ. Except as stated above, any public official in this field may be removed by the RCO without prior approval.

Industry and Commerce

2. No plant shall be rendered substantially less effective by cannibalization except upon prior approval of AMG HQ.

3. No goods in transit or in storage in warehouses or at other points pending their removal to their eventual destination shall be consumed unless prior authority is received from AMG HQ.

4. Prices of rationed articles and prices of other basic or generally used articles or commodities which are likely to affect prices in other regions must be approved by AMG HQ.

Communications

5. General. The rates charged for utility services shall not be altered except after prior approval from AMG HQ.

6. Internal Transportation. No action will be taken in any Region with reference to railroads under the control of the Allied Forces except in accordance with AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 76 of 9 Nov. 1943.

7. Postal.

- (a) No change shall be made in any censorship regulations pertaining to civilian mail without prior approval of AMG HQ.
- (b) No change in postal rates or postage stamp requirements will be made without prior approval from AMG HQ.
- (c) No substantial extension of postal services will be made without prior approval from AMG HQ.

8. Telecommunications.

- (a) No new construction of telecommunication facilities will be made without approval of AMG HQ.
- (b) No equipment or supplies in stock will be utilized without approval of AMG HQ except for routine maintenance and repairs and reconstruction of telecommunication facilities necessary to meet Allied Military and essential civilian requirements in the Region, including such telecommunication facilities and services as may be necessary for the initial operation of the Italian Government.
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- (c) No telecommunication supplies, materials or equipment will be shipped from one region to another without AMG HQ approval.
- (d) Release of inter-urban telecommunication facilities for restricted civilian use will be made only after AMG HQ has procured IMC approval.

Property Control

9. The following will be treated as matters of policy, and no action by Regional chiefs will be taken except in accordance with instructions from AMG HQ.
- (a) Classes of property to be taken into custody, (e.g. U.S., British, Greek, French, etc., Italian Government, Fascist Party, "Parastatal," etc.).
 - (b) Methods of disposal, recording and accounting for properties taken into custody, e.g. bank balances, Fascist funds, real estate, etc.

- (c) Industrial concerns (whether Allied or otherwise) whose activities extend beyond a single region (e.g. AGP, IMIC, etc.)

10. The Regional C.P. shall have delegated to him all general powers of the D.P.C. with respect to properties in his Region, except that he shall not without the authority of the D.P.C.,

- (a) In the case of real property raise money on the security of any property for its maintenance beyond the limit of 40,000 lire;
- (b) in the case of commercial enterprises, etc., (i) contract any loans other than temporary advances obtained in the normal way of business, (ii) pledge any of the assets of the company or concern (iii) close down any business in his custody;
- (c) borrow or expend monies for the reparation of damage due to faits de guerre;
- (d) enter into any legal contract or execute a deed necessary for the exercise of any of the powers of the D.P.C., except for the purposes laid down in General Administrative Instructions No.10, para 22 (a) to (c).

Labor.

11. Any announcement of labor policy affecting hours of work or collective bargaining or changing substantially conditions of work will be submitted to AMG HQ before it is published.

12. No change in the Italian law on the subject of wages, regulations and inspection measures and methods; supply, registration and distribution of manpower; industrial and labor relations; employee and employer organizations; hours of work; or absorption of demobilized soldiers in the economy will be made without the prior approval of AMG HQ.

Public Works & Utilities.

13. Materials which may be from time to time declared critical by this Sub-Commission will not be used for ordinary maintenance without prior authority from AMG HQ.

14. All contracts for public works or utility construction or services are subject to prior approval by AMG HQ, except where the contracts do not exceed 100,000 lire and only involve the use of local materials.

15. Engineering, structural or building material or contractors' plants shall not be moved out of the Region in which they are located without the approval of AMG HQ.

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- (a) Compartmental Chiefs of A.A.S.S. (Public Highways).
- (b) Compartmental Chiefs of the Provveditorato alle opere pubbliche.

Education.

- (iii) close down any business in his custody;
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- (b) Compartmental Chiefs of the Provveditorato alle opere pubbliche.

Education.

17. The following subjects are reserved from the scope of authority of the R.C.A.O. and action thereon will be directed from AMG HQ.

- (a) The procedure for the appointment or removal of all school personnel.
- (b) Conditions under which schools and universities will be opened or closed.
- (c) The establishment of school programs, text books and school organization.
- (d) Alterations in the existing types of schools.
- (e) Appointment or removal, in all universities and institutions of similar rank, of
 - (i) Rectors and heads,
 - (ii) Presidi of faculties
 - (iii) Titular professors, all members of the Lenatus Academicus, and personnel of equivalent rank.

(f) The establishment or abolition of chairs in universities or other institutions of similar rank (to be specified later).

18. All inter-Regional allocation of seeds, seed potatoes, artificial fertilizers, insecticides, fungicides, and farm machinery shall be made by AMG HQ.

19. Production goals for agriculture, forestry or fisheries will not be established without prior approval by AMG HQ.

20. No alteration in producer prices or in the quantities retainable by producers for consumption or seed will be made with respect to controlled commodities, except after prior approval by AMG HQ.

21. No Italian governmental agency or quasi-governmental agency in this field will be substantially altered or abolished without the prior approval of AMG HQ.

22. No appointment or removal of the Chiefs of the Ispettorato Agrario Comartimentale or Provinciale will be made without the prior approval of AMG HQ.

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(Approved, G.O.-5, Hq AMB, 20 Nov 43)

APPENDIX C

1. AMG HQ will be responsible for the preparation and printing of all Proclamations and General Orders and for their distribution to Regions who will be responsible for the actual publication thereof.

If any RCAG considers that any matter should be dealt with by Proclamation or General Order he will submit a report in writing to AMG HQ.

2. Regional orders will make it plain in the body of the Order over what territory such Regional Order is applicable. All such Orders will be numbered consecutively and 6 copies thereof sent to AMG HQ on the day of publication.

3. Region No. 1 shall publish from time to time further numbers of the Sicily Gazette which shall contain copies of all Proclamations, General Orders and Regional Orders published in Sicily subsequently to those contained in Sicily Gazettes No. 1, 2 and 3.

4. All Regions (except Region No. 1) shall from time to time publish Gazettes which shall be entitled

"Italy Gazette

Region No. "

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I should be glad to have
your remarks and guidance
on the attached please.

21/11/43.

W.H.

Ref. attached. ②

I think that providing the P/S Div.
does its work satisfactorily it does not
matter how it works. Alternatives at
para. 3 are for the Div. to decide and
no one else.

2. Lack of staff is serious. Mr. Penny
tells me he has worked once and is
going to work again.

P.S. Division I agree with
above remarks. In question of

2. What's staff is now being
dead with. I am afraid that
you will have to carry on with
the can get - but officer still
requires to make up your W.E.

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a up 5 stringing?

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Reference Admin Instr No. 1, dated 17 Nov 43, the following is the Public Safety Div suggestion for operating.

1. P/S A.M.G. 15 Army Group will deal with 4 units -

- 5 Army A.M.G.
- 8 Army A.M.G.
- No. 3. Region A.M.G.
- No. 4. Region A.M.G.

each of these units have a Senior P/S Officer (or S.O.A.P.O.) with whom direct dealing will be conducted. The Commissioner P/S does not exist, each unit has its own chief under own Unit Comdr.

The P/S Staff at A.M.G. 15 Army Group will pass on, collect and advise on all P/S matters in accordance with C.O.A.O.s orders. The Senior P/S Staff Officer is a Lieut. Colonel.

2. The General List of Subjects and matter are :-

- (a) Control of Movement - Civil Personnel.
- (b) Control of Civil Organizations for Public Safety.
- (c) Control of Prisons and their supervision.

Prisoners are - Civil convicted by Italian Courts.
" " Allied Military Courts.
" prisoners awaiting trial.

Political prisoners are treated as P.O.W. and A.M.G. will ~~cease to be~~ ^{is not.} responsible.

Refugees and Displaced Persons are dealt with by Public Health (Welfare), but P/S will assist by control of movement.

(d) Supervision of Fire Services and Civil Defence.

3. To direct P/S the staff at HQ 15 Army Group will be organized :-

- 1 Lieut. Colonel - General Control.
- 1 Major - Administrative.
- 1 Captain - Prison) Supervising.
- 1 Captain - Police } Fire

or alternative -

- 1 Lieut. Colonel - General Control and Inspections.
- 1 Major - Police Org. General and Fire Services.
- 1 Captain - Prisons and General Security.

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The actual functions of the officers will be defined at some later date when known.

4. C.A.P.O.s. These officers are directly under S.O.A.O.s and R.C.A.O.s. and operate and direct or may be instructed by Senior P/S Officer in accordance with S.O.A.O.'s and R.C.A.O.'s wishes.

5. There are so many P/S matters requiring immediate attention the need for establishment of Officers is urgent. Once the senior P/S Officer at each Army has reviewed the situation in front of him it is hoped to get a clear picture of the wishes of S.O.A.O.s from P/S Officers and a more complete understanding arrived at. 350

This will be done at a Conference to be held at A.M.G. HQ. when it is hoped all 4 Senior P/S Officers will meet together.

6. The following are some actual matters requiring supervision.

.....(a) OC, ER.

- (a) OC.HR and other Public Forces to make full use of their services.
- (b) Correct issue of Passes and Permits for trading and control over buildings.
- (c) Price Control and Black Market.
- (d) Enforcement of Proclamations.
- (e) Controlling refugees and evacuees.
- (f) Prison supervision with check on untried prisoners.
- (g) Fire Fighting organization and re-building *the same*.
- (h) U.X.B. Detection and reporting.
- (i) Reporting on state of the above points from time to time.

20 Nov 43.

W. Latham
P. LOTHIAN, Major.
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A.M.C. 15 ARMY G2.

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AMG ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 1.

Administration of areas under AMG. H.Q. 15 Army Group.

1. Under the original arrangements AMGOT 15 Army Group (Forward AMGOT) was to have consisted of only the two AMGOT detachments with Fifth and Eighth Armies and the Headquarters detachment at H.Q. 15 Army Group. The area to be administered by AMGOT 15 Army Group was to have consisted of the occupied territory in the two army areas. The southern boundaries of the two army areas were then the same as the northern boundaries of No. 2 Military District, namely, the northern boundaries of the Italian provinces of Salerno, Potenza and Bari.
2. Recently in order to provide for the occupation of further territory personnel AMG Region IV has been called forward and has in fact taken over the administration of Puglia province under the command of S.C.A.O. Eighth Army. On the west side of the AMG personnel with additional staff called forward has been divided into AMG Fifth Army and Region III. Moreover, the southern boundary of Fifth Army area has been moved north of Naples and AMG Region III is installed and operating in the provinces of Campania (Naples) Benevento and Avellino.
3. It is anticipated that in the near future the southern boundary of Eighth Army will be moved north. When that occurs Puglia province will be excluded from the jurisdiction of S.C.A.O. Eighth Army and it is my intention to add this province to Region IV.
4. In view of the decision to hand over AMG Regions I and II to the Italian Government under the Allied Control Commission, the question arises of the transfer of those occupied areas which are neither in Fifth and Eighth Army areas nor in the area to be handed over to the Italian authorities. It may have to be decided that it is not the intention to hand over any more territory than that which is south of the line described (namely, the southern boundaries of the provinces of Salerno, Potenza, and Bari) at this time to come.
5. After discussion with Brigadier General J. Holmes (U.S. A.F.H.Q.) and C.G.S. 15 Army Group, and with the concurrence of GOC-in-C 15 Army Group, AMG 15 Army Group will take charge of all occupied territories north of the Bari - Salerno line, whether these territories are within or behind Fifth and Eighth Army areas. In effect therefore C.G.S. 15 Army Group will have control under the Military Governor of S.C.A.O. Fifth and Eighth Armies (subject to the standing arrangements whereby C.O.C. Fifth and Eighth Armies have full jurisdictional control of C.A. personnel and current affairs in the two Army areas) and R.C.A.O.s Regions III and IV.

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6. The two S.C.A.Os and the two R.C.A.Os will deal with personnel and administrative matters affecting their detachments as follows:

S.C.A.Os Fifth and Eighth Armies will send their casualty returns etc. direct to AMC 15 Army Group where they will be consolidated and submitted as a whole to the appropriate authorities together with returns for AMC 15 Army Group divided into American and British administrative matters. The British returns etc. will then be submitted to A.F.H.Q. (M.C.S. or H.Q.) or to C.H.Q. 2nd Echelon as appropriate directly. The American returns will be forwarded to AMC H.Q. Palermo until such time as these returns are sent to (M.C.S.) A.F.H.Q. direct.

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R.C.A.Os Regions III and IV will compile and consolidate their own personnel and administrative returns as separate units and forward them to HQ AMG 15 Army Group for onward transmission as has been laid down in the preceding paragraph.

7. On matters of administrative policy relating to the territories under administration S.C.A.Os Fifth and Eighth Armies will receive general directions from C.C.A.O. 15 Army Group but remain as heretofore directly under G.O.C. Fifth and Eighth Armies. R.C.A.Os Regions III and IV will refer directly to and come under C.C.A.O. 15 Army Group for all purposes until their territories, or parts of their territories, have been handed over to the Italian Authorities under the direction of the Allied Control Commission.

8. All accounts in the areas under AMG 15th Army Group will be maintained in the name of the appropriate region; and will be submitted monthly through normal channels to the C.F.O. 15 Army Group. The accounts will be examined and forwarded to the Chief Accountant of the Region concerned. Care must be taken to ensure that Finance Officers of 5th and 8th Armies operating in forward areas maintain a different set of books for each region.

9. A further order will be issued defining the boundaries.

H.Q. A.M.G.,
15 Army Group,
C.M.F. 17 NOV 1943

Major-General,
Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

DISTRIBUTION:

S.C.A.O. 5th Army.
S.C.A.O. 8th Army.
R.C.A.O. Region III.
R.C.A.O. Region IV.
H.Q. AMGOT Palermo.
M.G.S. A.F.H.Q.
A.C.G.
P.A. to C.G.S. 15 Army Group.
G.S.I.(b) 15 Army Group.
Finance Division.
Public Health Div.
Economics & Supply Div.
Public Safety Division.
Legal.
Property Controller.
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