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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 374
Public Safety Sub-Commission

EX/ab

ADD/103/75

14 February, 1944.

Subject : Prison Rations.

To : Public Health Sub-Commission.

1. Attached is a copy of AGO/43-1/Food, dated 9 February, 1944.
2. Capt. Young of Prisons Sub-Division, Public Safety, has spoken informally with Capt. Earnest of the Public Health Sub-Commission, and as a result of the conversation requests that any information received by Public Health bearing on prison rations, relative to variance between localities, differences in varieties and amounts of diets, standard amounts, achievement of standards, or possibilities of the supplementation of rations from outside sources, be made available to the Prisons Sub-Division of the Public Safety Sub-Commission.

Paul G. Kery
PAUL G. KERY
Colonel, Infantry,
Chief,
Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

Enclos. (1)

Copy of AGO/43-1/Food of 9.2.44.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Food Sub-Commission
A.P.C. 394

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AMG/403

9 February 1944

ACC/43-1/Food

SUBJECT: Prison Rations

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission

1. Reference AMG ADMF Letter AMG/403/29 dated 28 January 1944.
2. This matter should be referred to the Public Health Sub-Commission to ~~legislate and~~ recommend diet scale consistent with availability.

By Command of Lt. General MAC FARLANE:

W. J. Legg

W. J. LEGG
Lt. Col., RASC
Chief, Food Sub-Commission

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Capt. Young

*Please take up with P. H. Sub-Commission
as already verbally instructed*

*RMG**13/2*

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Subject:- Requisitioning of Prisons etc.

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AGE,
HQ, A.C.M.F.

AMG/103/32.
31 Jan 44.

R.C.A.F.O.,
Region III.

The subjoined copy of AFHQ Adv ADM Echelon letter 30/7/44 dated 28 Jan 44, is forwarded for your information reference your monthly report for December, 1944.

[Signature]
Lt. Colonel,
Chief, Public Safety.

COPY.

Subject:- Requisitioning of Prisons, etc.

AFHQ ADV ADM ECH.
CMF.

30/7/44.
28 Jan 44.

To:- Fifth Army
Eighth Army
No. 2 District
Peninsular Base Section.

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1. The Italian Prison Administration is labouring under a serious handicap due to the requisitioning of prisons, reformatories and penal institutions for Allied military purposes.
2. Damage done to such buildings during the course of operations has rendered the position more acute.
3. A minimum of proper facilities for housing convicted offenders is essential to the Italian authorities if their administration of justice is not to be unduly hampered.
4. You are therefore requested to ensure that buildings of the

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nature mentioned are not requisitioned without the prior agreement of ACC/AMG, unless their occupation for military purposes is operationally essential, and to vacate any at present occupied, which may be urgently required by the Italian authorities and can be released.

(signed) xxxx Brig fe
Major General,
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer.

VHS/AMN.

Copy to:- No. 3 District,
AMG, HQ AOMF.
Col,
" "

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31 JAN 1944

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SUBJECT:- Requisitioning of Prisons etc.AFHQ Adv Adm Echelon
CMT

30/7/9

28 Jan 44

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Eighth Army
No.2 District
Peninsular Base Section

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VW/AM

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Major General
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer,Copy to:- No.3 District
AMG, HQ ACIF
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27 JAN 1944

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Legal Subcommittee

ES/gmf

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21 January 1944.

In reply
refer to: ACC/I/111/1.

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Documents.

TO : Chief Legal Officer, HQ AMG 15th Army Group.

Enclosed herewith the following documents for further
transmittal:

1. Letter of 12 Jan 1944 re Melis Antonio, request
for information.
2. Letter of 10 Jan 1944 re agente Principe Giuseppe,
monthly allowances.

1 Forwarded to Reg. III
2 " " + Reg. IV

Rec'd
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G. R. Upjohn
for G. R. UPJOHN, Colonel
Chief Legal Officer, AMG.

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SUBJECT: Prison RationsJ.C.
H.Q. A.C.D.F.

MSG/103/29

20 Jan 64

To: ACC

1. It has come to our attention that the ration for prisoners in BAFIA is 1 1/2 grams of bread and a varying amount of degenerated soup daily. In view of the total dependency of prisoners on official sources of food supply this is potentially inadequate. A similar problem is believed to exist in other institutions.

2. Now that DND has been absorbed by ACD B, the problem of determination of ration scales, both from local and imported sources, is clearly your responsibility. The directive from ACD on the subject (AC 400-1 (MOR) MSG-ACD of 3 Jan 64) is helpful but does not cover the situation since it provides only 1000 calories daily.

3. May we be advised of your determination.

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Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to: ACD Region 3
Lt. Col. G. R. Howard, c/o ACD, ACD ACD ACD
File MSG/194

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SUBJECT: Release of Prisoners sentenced to Imprisonment
by Allied Military Courts

To: All Directors of Italian Prisons

In order that prisoners in your custody under sentences of Allied Military Courts may be released promptly at the termination of their sentences you are directed to release all such prisoners in accordance with the following rules:

(a) When the date of commencement of sentence is not explicitly stated it shall be taken to be the date of the Order of

Commitment.

(b) When the date of release is specified in the Commitment

Order the release shall take place on that date.

(c) When no specific date of release is designated and the term of imprisonment alone is described release shall take place on expiration of the term.

(d) In ascertaining on what date a term expires the following

rule shall be followed: The date of commencement of

sentence shall be included and the date of release shall

be excluded from the computation of the term of imprisonment.

(e) When a sentence is put in terms of months ^{the period of} ~~the period of~~ ^{will be computed on the basis of} ~~be considered to be 30 days in length.~~ ^{calendar months.}

2. Under the aforesaid rules a person committed to a term of six months imprisonment on 7 January by an Allied Military Court would have to be released on 7 July. On the other hand, if he were sentenced to 180 days imprisonment on 7 January he would have to be released on 4 July.

3. This rule shall be applicable alike to sentences already imposed

in accordance with the following rules:

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3. This rule shall be applicable alike to sentences already imposed and those which may hereafter be imposed.

Major,
Director of Prisons.

*For Prisoner's Handbook
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SUBJECT: Occupation of Prisons by Troops

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

D.C.A.O.,
H.Q. A.C.M.F.

RG/103/27
26 Jan 44

1. Further to this office RG/103/20 of 22 Jan, the attached report received from the Chief of Public Safety REGIONS III is self-explanatory.
2. I should be grateful if arrangements could be made for the Indian troops of No. 1 Sikh Engineer Bn to be moved from the women's wing of FOGGERSHALL Prison.

M.S.L.

Brigadier,
D.C.A.O.

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24 JAN 1944

HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394, U.S. ARMY
OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY

22 January 1944

SUBJECT: Prison Accomodation.

TO : HQ, AMG 15 Army Group, Public Safety Division.

Great difficulty is being experienced in accomodating prisoners in the Naples area, particularly juveniles. There is a high rate of juvenile crime in Naples - 90 minors are awaiting trial at present - and the courts are handicapped in combating it due to the lack of institutions.

Prior to our occupation there were four institutions for minors. Now, when juvenile delinquency is becoming more apparent, only one remains at our disposal. Of the other three two, Nisida and Portici, have been taken over by the Allied Services to house troops, while the third, Filangieri, we ourselves have had to use to accomodate female prisoners due to the fact that the womens' wing at Poggioreale has been taken over to house No. 1 Sikh Engineer Bn.

At Poggioreale the conditions are most unsatisfactory. There are no proper laundry facilities available. There is quite a good laundry situated in the womens' wing in which it was the practice of the female prisoners to take care of all the prison laundry, but now, due to the presence of the Indian troops, this is not available. This is deplorable in view of the fact that there have been nine cases of typhus reported to date.

If the Indian troops, of whom there are some 420, could be removed from the womens' wing it would serve two purposes - firstly the female prisoners could be returned to Poggioreale which would lave Filangieri free to accomodate juveniles, and secondly the women could then renew their normal functions of taking care of the laundry at Poggioreale.

It is appreciated that the requirements of the Services have to be met, but if this Department is to fulfil its task of maintaining public order, which is of primary importance to these services, we must have the means at our disposal to properly house those persons arrested, detained and sentenced for breach of Proclamations, Orders and Italian law.

L. Francis
C.T. FRANCIS.
Lieut. Colonel, G.L.,
Chief of Public Safety.

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RECORD OF PLACES OF CONFINEMENT.

NAPLES.

Date	Prison	Nature of Establishment	Numbers in Confinement	Capacity	Buildings	Labour	Superior Officer	
1943 Dec.	SESSA AURUNCA.			96	Badly Damaged.			5 a
..	ROCCAMONFIRA.			20	Damaged.			5 a
..	CORINOLA.			—	Completely destroyed.			5 a
..	INISIDA.							occ
..	PERTICI							—
..	FILANGERI.							un
..	POGGIOMARINO.			1420.	damaged.			CC St

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RECORD ON PLACES OF CONFINEMENT.

NAPLES.

Numbers in Confinement	Capacity	Buildings	Labour	Superior Officer	Remarks
	96	Badly Damaged.			5 Army area.
	20	Damaged.			5 Army area.
	—	Completely destroyed.			5 Army area.
					occupied by military. Reg'd
					— " —. "
					used for Female Prison. "
					occupied by Indian troops. "
420.		damaged.			Required for Female Prison. "

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RECORD OF PLACES OF CONFINEMENT.BENEVENTO.

Numbers in Confinement	Capacity	Buildings	Labour	Superior Officer	Remarks
	32.				5. Army Area.
	13.				5. Army Area.

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SUBJECT:- SAN SEVERO PRISON.TO:- P.M.,
A.A.F.A.C, FOGGIA.Copy to:- ANG Region IV Adv (2).
" 15 Army Group.
Procuratore del Ri, LUCERA.
H.M. The Prefect.
C.A.O. S. SEVERO DISTRICT.
" TORREMAGGIORE "

FROM:- ANG, FOGGIA PROVINCE.

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Reference your letter EM/js of 13 Jan 44, to Lt.Col. Briggs.

Under present circumstances it is agreed that the whole of the S. SEVERO Prison may be taken over by you as a Military Prison. The 58 prisoners at present there will be moved to TORREMAGGIORE in the near future.

In the event of there being a heavy call for Prison accommodation for civilian purposes, it is hoped that you will consider making some space available at S. SEVERO in an emergency.

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CET/EGFM.



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Lt. Colonel,
S.C.A.C. FOGGIA PROVINCE.

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SUBJECT: Requisitioning of Prisons, etc., by TroopsD/CAO.
HQ ACDFADJ
HQ ACDF
CAFAS/403/10
22 Jan 44

1. I desire to draw your attention to the serious handicap under which the Italian Prison Administration is labouring, due to the requisitioning or acquisition of Prisons, Reformatories and Penal Institutions for the accommodation of troops.
2. I think you will agree that, except in cases of operational necessity, the administration of justice should be interfered with as little as possible. The destruction of prison buildings in the forward areas necessitates the removal of the prisoners to prisons in L of C areas and it is the occupation of the latter type of which I have received complaints.
3. I should be glad if an early instruction could be issued prohibiting the occupation of prison and reformatory buildings in L of C areas, save in exceptional circumstances and then, after consultation with the Senior Civil Affairs Officer of the Province.

Brigadier,
DCCAF.

Copy to: HQ No. 2 DISTRICT.

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Subject:-

Transfers of Prison Guards.

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JH.,
HQ A.C.R.F.
C.M.F.

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R.C.A.O., Region IV.Ref. AMG/403/19. ✓
21 January 44.

Reference this Headquarters letter AMG/403/17 dated
20 January 44, it is regretted that the enclosures referred
to therein were omitted. Same are enclosed herewith.

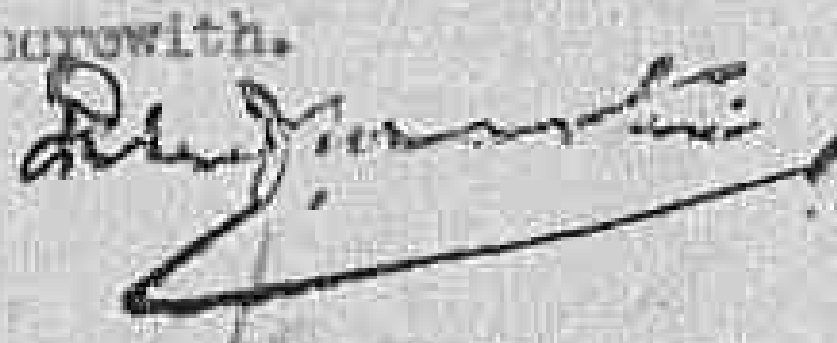
Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.

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Subject:- TRANSFER OF PERSONNEL.AG.,
HQ A.C.M.F.
C.M.F.Ref. AMB/403/18.
21 January 44.R.C.A.O., Region III.

Reference this B. letter AMB/403/18 dated 20 Jan 44.
It is regretted that the enclosures referred to therein were
omitted. Same are enclosed herewith.


Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.

Ministry of Justice

The jailkeeper Spaccatore Antonio will be transferred to S. Maria Capua Vetere where he was designated before.

He must leave on February 1st 1944.

The Institutes in address will care for his movement, giving attention to this Ministry.

H. Signed de Santis

Spaccatore, Antonio.

Ministry of Justice

Will you invite Mrs. Fiore Maria Santa, temporary jailkeeper, to return immediately to the jail of Torant - lady's section - being indispensable there. Give attention.

Signed de Santis

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Subject:- Transfer of Prison Guards.

AMG HQ.,
15 Army Group,
C.M.F.

Ref. AMG/103/18
20 January 1941.

To:- R.C.A.D., Region III.

The following transfers of prison guards are suggested by the Ministry of Justice, as per attached letters.

From.
Turi, Province of Bari,
Prison Guard,
Spaccatore, Antonio.

Taranto,
Prison Guard,
Vissicchio, Giovanni.

To.
S. Maria, C.V. Province of Naples,
Prison Guard,
Spaccatore, Antonio.

Naples,
Prison Guard,
Vissicchio, Giovanni.

2. If the above transfers do not meet with your approval please notify this Headquarters immediately, returning the transfer order, otherwise forwarding them to addressees for action.

MB Lastman Major
for Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.

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Subject:- Transfers of Prison Guards.

AMC HQ.,
15 Army Group,
C.M.F.

Ref. AMC/403/17
20 January 44.

To:- A.C.A.C., Region IV.

The following transfers of Prison Guards are suggested by the Ministry of Justice, as per the attached letters.

<u>From.</u>	<u>To.</u>
Lucera, Province of Foggia, Temporary Prison Guard, Fiore, Maria Sant.	Taranto, Prison Guard, Fiore, Maria Sant.
Lucera, Province of Foggia, Sgt. Prison Guard, Livolsi, Andrea.	Parl, Sgt. Prison Guard, Livolsi, Andrea.

2. If there are no objections to the above transfers please issue the necessary instructions.

W.B. Latham
for Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.

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SUBJECT:

Release

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RELEASING OFFICER

With reference to the attached memorandum concerning the transfer of the Civil Prison at HONOLULU to the Frenchman Brothers, you are authorized not to hand over the building which is required as a Civil Detention Prison.

[Signature]
Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to: Chief Liaison Officer, AGO (with copy of report on the prison).

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LAGUNA PRISON

I personally inspected this prison last November and am satisfied that it is essential as a Civil Prison Establishment.

It is fairly well kept and administration is good.

In the Province of PANGLOSS there is only one other reasonable prison and this is not by itself sufficient. There is now no prison in the town of PANGLOSS as it was demolished by bombs and shellfire.

19. Jan 44



Major,
Public Safety Division.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED MILITARY COMMAND

SUBJECT: Order for evacuation of premises of the Judicial Prisons of Lucera

The Judicial Prisons of Lucera are partly situated in premises which since 1866 have been transferred by the State to the Holy See. The latter, however, a few years ago, asked for re-transfer of the premises on behalf of the Franciscan brothers.

The Minister of Grace and Justice (as far as the Director of Prisons in Lucera was able to find out) postponed any decision on the subject until the end of the war.

In October 1942 the Bishop of Lucera transmitted to the Ministry of Grace and Justice an application for a speedy consideration of the record in this matter.

Now the Franciscan brothers of Lucera using a copy of the above mentioned application, have contacted the English Commander of the city without the knowledge of the Bishop and have obtained from him an order enjoining the Director of the Prisons to evacuate the premises within a very short period of time.

The Bishop having learned about the matter, has disapproved the action taken by the Franciscans, intervened with the said Commander and obtained a temporary suspension of the order of evacuation.

It is requested

that the Allied Command please issue appropriate instruction for the revocation of the above said order, which if executed would prejudice the functioning of the Judicial Prisons due to the fact that the premises in question form a unit with the rest of the Prison Establishment.

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Prisons and Detention Institutions.

Much administrative work has been done and action taken on numerous complaints and projects submitted by Col. Bonomi. The more important are :

- (i) A uniform ration scale for all prison inmates. Prison Staff rations to be brought into line with those issued to similar services. This was discussed with Economics and Supply and a formal request has been forwarded to them. *see Bult.*
- (ii) Problem of segregating minors now that Nicida and Portici have been taken over by the Army. A request has been forwarded to higher authority and pending a reply, temporary measures of segregation have been taken. *?*
- (iii) Requisitioning of Prisons and Prison property. A ruling on this matter has been requested. *D.C.C.O.*

Extract from Region III Weekly Report dated 3 Jan 44.

The prison situation is adversely affected by the occupation of prisons, refectories, etc., by troops as quarters. Details will be included in the monthly report for December. The operation of prisons is rendered difficult by the indiscriminate "requisitioning" by troops of furniture, utensils, etc., which is not recognized by Warage, and is, in effect, looting. Details of cases in point will be included in the monthly report. //

CU, AR and police agencies are receiving a special scale of rations and it is intended to apply this scale to prison staffs also.

Excerpt from report by Lt. Col. Martin.

4 - 8 Jan. 44.

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C. P. S.

Ref attached

We have had experience of legal officers in Sicily inspecting prisons to take particulars of individuals awaiting trial and others, but they did not confine themselves to just this.

I do not agree that legal officers should hear complaints except from persons awaiting trial, ^{regarding their custody.} Examination of records to be confined to checking names of untried prisoners.

All cases of prisoners awaiting trial are reported to S.C.A.P.O.s and I require monthly reports from S.C.A.P.O.s (included in their P.F.S. Report. See File 427 p. 6 para 6(17)). It is a prison responsibility for notifying legal if individuals are held in prison for any length of time. C.A.P.O.s do this I understand, and on my inspection I check up freely.

16/12/43 M.H. says

Mr Lottin
Says to legal
SPK to
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M E M O.

15 Decmbr 43

To: - D.C.C.A.O.

At the meeting yesterday with Colonel Willmer, you stated you wished the Legal Division to undertake the work of inspecting Italian prisons.

2. I think it will be necessary to issue an instruction on the subject and I suggest that Legal Officers be given authority to inspect prisons, hear complaints and examine prison records.

3. Whilst Legal Officers should keep close touch with C.A.P.Os to see that persons are not kept in gaol for long periods awaiting trial, either by Allied Military Courts or Italian Courts, the responsibility that the foregoing does not occur should, I think, remain with the Prisons Department of the Public Safety Division.

4. Will you please let me know your wishes so that I may draft the necessary instructions.

H.E. ROSE,
Lt. Colonel,
Chief Legal Officer.

HEH/ES.

Copy to Police Div.

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SUBJECT:- Attached Correspondence.
Prison Senior Staff.

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

Colonel McCaffrey,
A.M.G., Region 2.

AMG/403/8
28th November 1943.

The attached correspondence is forwarded for your
information and comments.

DGP/SCN
Encls.

MP Major, 397
Military Assistant to
Chief Civil Affairs Officer

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MOST SECRETIMPORTANT.
BR CIVILR MESSAGE
INFOLI NO: 06776
27 NOV 43

FROM: FREEDOL SIGNED CHIC CITE KAGAP AND THOMAS
TO: FILAT PLAMEO FARGO
INFO: IRS DISTORS DISTRO SEVEN ARMY
ORIG NO: 2472

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TOR NIL

DISREGARD OUR 1781 OF 16 NOVEMBER.
REFERENCE FARGO MESSAGE C-34 OF 15 NOVEMBER.
PRESENT HEARINGS BEING CONDUCTED ON USICA MATTER MAY CONTINUE
BE LIMITED TO BASIS OF COMBINE CHIEFS OF STAFF DIRECTIVE OUTLINED IN
MESSAGE 3083 OF 29 OCTOBER. LITERATIVE THAT NO PUBLICITY REPORT
NO PUBLICITY BE GIVEN THESE PROCEEDINGS UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES AND
THAT NO THE RECORDINGS BE MADE. ANY HAVING ALREADY BEEN MADE WILL
BE DESTROYED. PENDING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS TAKE NO ACTION IN CATALE
CASE OR SIMILAR INCIDENTS BEYOND SUGGESTING AND HOLDING PRISONERS OF
WAR LITIGATED EITHER AS PRINCIPALS OR WITNESSES FROM FELIC REARERS AND
EACH OTHER

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PA TO CGS 1. PA TO DCS 1 PA TO BGS 1
PA TO DES'Y 1. COL ROE(A/J)2
ALGOT 4. ✓

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Publicly
Copy To Legal
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Concerns
Prison

See Legal
10/1/43

Legal officer.

The position is that there are no Public Safety officers with AMG & Army. There are CHPOs, but a P/S Sec has not been set up. Officers are expected - namely a Major Montague (Br) and 2 American Captains.

There is so much P/S work requiring attention in America I have appealed to C.C.H.O. as I cannot get moving as things are.

P.S. will certainly try to handle the problem of prisoners awaiting trial with your legal officers as on similar times as in the past.

18/10/43

[Signature]
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Subject: Prisons.

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AMC/206/11.

Memorandum to: Public Safety Div.

16.Nov.43.

S.L.O. 8th Army area reported to me that he has no knowledge of what action is or has been taken with regard to investigating the case of prisoners in Italian jails. This work in Palermo was undertaken partly by Public Safety and partly by Legal Division.

2. Have you any knowledge of what the situation is?

HBR/JG.

H. E. ROWE,
Lieut. Colonel,
Chief Legal Officer.

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Subject: Visit to 5th Army Area.H.Q., A.M.G.,
15 Army Group,
G. H. F.H.Q., A.M.G.,
5th Army.AMB/417/3.
14. Nov. 43.

During a recent visit paid by Major Isthien, Public Safety, certain matters were discussed with Lieut. Colonel Wilson.

1. All civilians trying to get North should be stopped and not allowed beyond a certain line. This should be simple enough to establish and it is suggested that contact be made with C.I.C. and P.S.B. and Provost to arrange. It is hoped that the C.C.R.R. will be in a position to control the traffic, and assisted by Military Police, to stop movement beyond the desired line. A General Instruction cannot be sent out as owing to control, no civilians are allowed to move North beyond a certain area in 5th Army.
2. The use of Prisons or Reformatories as hospitals for Field Army, etc., should the occasion arise:- If the Field Army will supply transport to evacuate personnel to some other locality in rear and the handing over of any institution forward would seem desirable, there is no reason why evacuation should not be made.
3. The instruction contained in telegram from Adv. Adm. Ech. A.F.H.G., No. 423 dated 28. Oct. 43, regarding the use of P.O.W. Cages for confinement of Political Prisoners, is to be considered as a temporary measure. A more suitable place is desirable and it is suggested that arrangements be made for some permanent place. This would also avoid despatching this type of prisoner to North Africa. Your Public Safety Division had the matter in hand.

MB/JG.

R.J.P. THORNE THORNE,
Colonel,
Senior Staff Officer.

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Copy to: File 413 (Ref para 1).
File 403 (Ref para 2).
File 411 (Ref para 3).

H-3, 15 Army Group.
C.I.F.

15/07/2017/2017

30 October 43

Major General.
Chief of General Staff.
15 Army Group.

Copy to: A.F.H.Q.: G-2 (your 389.455/4 dated 22 Oct refers)
Allied Military Mission, BRUNNEN
16 T. S. Section
A.I.G. H.Q. 15 Army Group.

see also file ~~100-100000~~¹⁰⁰⁻¹⁰⁰⁰⁰⁰ ~~100-100000~~¹⁰⁰⁻¹⁰⁰⁰⁰⁰

W.B.L. 1/11/43.

Province.

12th September 1943.

Major Franklin,
Chief Legal Officer.

PRISON AT CINQUEPORT.

Following my conversation with you before you left for Hospital, I visited prison at CINQUEPORT with Capt. Schenckler, C.A.B., and the local Judge - Cav. Dott. GUSMANE BACHMILLER. Capt. Schenckler and Gaby had previously visited it and ordered the place to be thoroughly cleaned from top to bottom and no fault could with the cleanliness of the building which is about 50 years old and accommodates 80 persons. (Ten separate cells with reasonably good sanitation). Staff consists of 1 C.O., 1 Sub-Chief (Male) and 1 Sub-Chief (Female) and 12 keepers. Not paid for August 1943. We inspected each of the prisoners and their files, and as a result we all suggested action as outlined below:-

Name.	Offence.	Recommendation.
1. Sapporiti.	Serving 24 yrs sentence for murder.	Suggest they remain in prison and cases recommended at Later Gate.
2. Magale.	Sentenced to 2 yrs on 3.4.43, no parents and an idiotic.	

3. Carrara.	18 mths on 14.4.43 for slashing another man's face.	
4. Camillo.	Partly fighting - 1 yr and 9 mths on 6.10.42 but tried recently to escape.	
5. Cervasio.	Robbery.	
6. Comforti.	Prostitution, sentenced to 18 mths on 18.7.42.	

Medical examination and if free from infection, release forthwith provided she undertakes to keep away from troops. (Little fear of this).

Suggest immediate release.
ditto

7. Coricco.	Man age 62 yrs, sentenced 18 mths on 7.11.42 for family fighting.	
8. Pannari.	Woman age 55 yrs - stealing few pieces of wood. Sentenced to 1 yr 9 mths in July 1942.	
9. Venturi.	Had run in nephew's house. 15 mths imprisonment on 15.7.42.	
10. La Moles.	Altered name on ration card. 2 yrs on 14.4.42. Is very ill looking.	
11. Brarima.	Adultery and abandoning family. 15 mths on 5.8.42.	

Following prisoners have NOT yet been before any Court and have remained in custody ever since arrest:-

Name.	Offence.	Date.	Recommendation.
12. Carrasio.	Robbery	18.2.43.	To be dealt with by Italian local Tribunal at earliest possible date.
13. Scarfoni.	Abortion.	4.4.43	"
	(looks confirmed midwife, abortionist).		"
	Abortion.	4.5.43	"

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Offence</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
1. Seyportl.	Serving 24 yrs sentence for murder.	Suggest they remain in prison and cases reconsidered at later date.
2. Megale.	Sentenced to 2 yrs on 3.4.43, no parents and an imbecile.	
3. Carrera.	18 mths on 14.4.43 for attacking another man's face.	
4. Camillo.	Family fighting - 1 yr and 9 mths on 6.10.42 but tried recently to escape.	
5. Carvanio.	Robbery.	
6. Conforti.	Prostitution, sentenced to 18 mths on 18.7.42.	Medical examination and if free from infection, release forthwith provided she undertakes to keep away from troops. (little fear of this).
7. Corloca.	Man age 62 yrs, sentenced 18 mths on 7.11.42 for family fighting.	Suggest immediate release.
8. Fasmarl.	Woman age 55 yrs - stealing for pieces of wool. Sentenced to 1 yr 9 mths in July 1942.	ditto
9. Venturi.	Man for in nephew's house. 15 mths imprisonment on 15.7.42.	
10. La Molea.	Altered name on ration card. 2 yrs on 14.4.42. Is very ill looking.	
11. Diarino.	Adultery and abandoning family. (Woman age 50). 15 mths on 8.8.42.	
Following prisoners have NOT yet been before any Court and have remained in custody ever since arrests -		
12. Cernasio.	Offence: Robbery Date: 18.2.43.	Recommendation: To be dealt with by Italian local tribunals at earliest possible date.
13. Scafont.	Abortion. 4.4.43 (looks confirmed midwife, abortionist).	" " " "
14. Rannacio.	Aggravated Robbery. 4.5.43	" " " "
15. Ferraro.	Gangway and Clamier 7.8.43 (also broke lamps in prison and attempted to escape).	" " " "
16. Panto.	Abortion (Previous conviction). 3.12.44	" " " "
17. Brigambi.	Aiding Abortion. 26.4.43	" " " "
18. Maci.	Murder. Sept. 42.	" " " "
19. Macoli.	Murder. Sept 42.	" " " "
20. Borruco.	Attempted Murder. Sept 42.	" " " "
21. Carbond.	Murder. July 42.	" " " "
22. De Paula.	Murder. July 42.	" " " "
23. Calipari.	Murder. July 42.	" " " "
24. Martelli.	False registration of child (illegitimate) Mar 43.	6 mths in prison. Suggest immediate release.

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No.	Name	Charge	Date	Recommendation
16.	Donna (woman age 30 with young baby)	Assault and Battery	December 1942	9 mos without trial. Suggest immediate release.
16.	Walter (man age 35)	Alleged snitching	January 1943	Prosecutor says in Army. Suggest immediate release.
17.	Singapore (woman age 19)	Assault and Battery	May 1942	Walter husband says in Army, was tried to interview with her and she suddenly snatched clashing him and with knife. Man in prison well over a year without trial - a scandal - suggest immediate release.

There is a great shortage of food at the prison, many of the prisoners look emaciated and Capt. Scheffler is taking steps to get extra food on 12/2/43 (As a matter of fact, Supply Officer sent 5 tons of flour to Singapore area on 12/9/42).

I ask your approval of the foregoing proposals please.

W. H. Hook

14 September 1943

Major,
C. A. P. C. Mangle Division.

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Subject: REDACTED

Major, REDACTED,
Chief Legal Officer,
ADOC, REDACTED.

C.A. 9's release,
March 1943.

12 September 1943.

Following my conversation with you before you left for England, I visited the above prison with Mr. Harries, A.C. 1.1.1. Field Security Officer, and the Major of the local Carabinieri.

The prison is probably 150 years old and was in a rather filthy condition. There is one cell for women and a large cell about 10' x 70' for male prisoners with total accommodation for perhaps 40. Staff consist of 1 independent 3 Carabinieri, and 4 local Carabinieri. They have had up to the end of June 1943, nothing since. There was practically no food in the prison. One of 16 prisoners complained of being almost starved. All were in rather low and of poor physical condition. Supply Officer is making arrangements to send a truck load of flour and salt to be used on 13 September 1943.

1. There were four male political prisoners detained (two French and two Italian) since February 1943 and April 1943 respectively without trial, alleged to be anti-fascist. At request of F.O. 1.1.1. I said that according to C.O. 1.1.1. Maglio for interrogation and release is satisfactory.

2. 3 Italian deserters. In August last, deserted Italian army and changed into civilian clothes. Released, to assist in street cleaning and the C.O. 1.1.1. for 3 days and then to nearest F.O. 1.1.1. Camp.

3. REDACTED (age 30) arrested 14 April 43 for desertion in street. Sentenced to 15 years imprisonment and 10 years in prison. I recommended sentence reduced to 10 years for desertion in street. I recommended sentence reduced to 10 years, not present but that prisoner be transferred as early as possible to Maglio or other better prison within province.

4. REDACTED (age 30) arrested 14 April 43 for desertion in street. Sentenced to 15 years imprisonment and 10 years in prison for the release 1st October 43. Is a local man. I recommended sentence reduced to 10 years.

5. REDACTED (age 30) wife living - sentenced to two years imprisonment and 10 years in prison 15 December 43. I recommended sentence may be reduced to 10 years, and to report weekly to Carabinieri. Is local. The following prisoners have not yet been before the court and have remained in custody since their arrest.

6. REDACTED (age 30) arrested 14 April 43 - sentenced 15 days in prison with first without trial. Not been before court in prison, as no line, locally I released him forthwith.

7. REDACTED (age 30) arrested 14 April 43 - sentenced 15 days in prison with first in possession of a pair of black shoes. Has been released subject to recall if necessary.

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1. There were four male collected prisoners detained (two Spanish and two Italian) during February 1943 and April 1943 respectively without trial, alleged to be misfeasants. A request of R.I.C., I was then forwarded to C.C., R.I.C., Regio for information and release if satisfactory.

2. 3 Italian prisoners. In August last, collected Italian men and changed into civilian clothes. Released, to assist in street cleaning and the C.C., R.I.C., Regio and then to married R.I.C., Regio.

3. YIPAH MAMMARA, wife age 25 (age 1943) sentenced to 4 years on 14th February 1942 for theft (after previous convictions in crime). I requested sentence further considered, at present but that prisoner be transferred as early as possible to Regio or other better prison within Regio.

4. YIPAH MAMMARA (age 63) sentenced 1st April 43 for disturbance in street. Sentenced to 12 months imprisonment and due for the release 1st October 43. He is a local man. Information, released forthwith.

5. YIPAH MAMMARA (age 50) wife missing - sentenced to two years imprisonment and due for release 15 December 43. I requested release now subject to recall if necessary, and to report weekly to Commandant. He looks ill.

The following prisoners have not yet been before the Court and have remained in custody since their arrest.

6. YIPAH MAMMARA (age 30) arrested May 1943 - during his trial in Regio with first witness. He was 35 months in prison, as he lives locally I released him forthwith.

7. YIPAH MAMMARA (age 30) remains yet in the prison on 1st August 43 for being in possession of a pair of their shoes. Has been released subject to recall if necessary.

8. YIPAH MAMMARA (age 30) { Mother and two daughters arrested on 16 April 43 for travelling together on the street with no license. No food. Released immediately release. 359

11. YIPAH MAMMARA woman (age 35) arrested for prostitution 24 January 1943 and never tried. She is being held in custody and if from Regio information, I request she be released on condition she does not collect groups. (see groups in the district in any case).

I would ask your approval, therefore for action as outlined above. I would appreciate your for long term prisoners.

J. M. Lock

C.C., R.I.C., Regio Prisoners

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