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Allied Military Government
Region I. Sicily.

AMG/1127/PS
25/12/43

Subject: Prison Industries.

To: D.P.S. Region I. Sicily.

Reference to attached corres. ID/OS/12/4/(41).

The making of furniture by prisoners at Mote; a State controlled prison, is an industry well established by Italian law and continued by this Office.

Prisoners are paid for their labour out of prison funds and the money received for their work is spent to replace the material used. If no money is obtained the replacement would automatically be paid by the prison.

Contracts for work are made by the Director of the prison, the main object being to make work for the inmates rather than profit.

No information is available at this Office regarding the actual material used in this case but it is believed that it must be from stock in hand as timber etc. is unobtainable.

I ask that the corres. be forwarded to Legal Branch, Region I. for their observations and reply direct.

H. J. Brown Capt.
Supt. Prisons.
Region I. Sicily.

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Subject :- Contract with Civil Prison, NOTO.

1D/OS/12/4(41)
4th November 1943

S.C.A.O.

Amgot. Catania.

The appended copy of Assistant Financial Adviser, No. 1 District's letter 1D/35/AFA dated 20th October 1943 together with copy of the terms of the contract referred to are forwarded for your observation please.

Field
JK.

Signed
Col.
D.D.O.S. No. 1 District.

Copy.

SUBJECT/: Contract - ADOS 55 Area - Chairs and tables - Civilian Prison

NOTO.

DDOS

No. 1 District.

1D/35/AFA

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Lt-Col.
Assistant Financial Adviser.
HQ No. 1 District CMF.

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20 October 43

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CONTRACT.

A Contract has been arranged between the Director, Civil Prison, NOTO and Lt-Col. Sidley RAOC. ADOS HQ 55 Area, for the immediate supply of the items mentioned below at the prices stated ex works.

	Qty.	Price.
Table Tops 8' long.	100 (hundred)	Lire 380 each.
Chairs Windsor.	50 (fifty)	Lire 59 each.
Cupboards (90 cm x 80 cm x 40 cm)	50 (fifty)	Lire 220 each
	5 (five)	Lire 98 each/

Beds

In addition the above mentioned Director to supply within twenty days, two hundred trestles to complete the above mentioned Table tops, the cost is included in the price (Lire 380) to be paid for a complete table.

In addition to also supply:-

Qty.	Price.
200 (two hundred)	Lire 180 eac

Forms 6 ft long.

OGGETTO: Contratto-ADOS 55 Area-Sedie e Tavole-Prigione Civile di
Noto.

DDOS

12/35/AFA

No 1 Distretto

Riferendomi al sovramenzionato contratto speditovi dall'ADOS HQ 55 Area sotto il suo Ord. del 9/10/43 (copia a questo ufficio), si ritiene che l'Esercito non dovrebbe stipulare contratti con gli Istituti statali che si trovano sotto il controllo dell'AMGOT. Se, come e' ben inteso, questa prigione e' controllata dallo Stato, e se i materiali che debbono usarsi per soddisfare il contratto appartengono alla prigione, l'Esercito ha il diritto di prenderli senza alcun pagamento. (vedi MML paragr. 426-432) e non si vede alcuna ragione perche' l'Esercito dovrebbe pagare per il lavoro della prigione. Se i materiali fossero stati acquistati espressamente per questo contratto sembrerebbe ragionevole che un addebito venga fatto all'Esercito. In ogni caso, poiche' la prigione e' controllata dall'AMGOT, la questione apparentemente dovrebbe venire trattata come servizio reso dall'AMGOT per l'Esercito sotto i termini del C.R.O. 479/43 e quindi nessun pagamento in contanti dovrebbe farsi.

Gradirei che la questione venisse riferita all'AMGOT Per il loro punto di vista, allo scopo di raggiungere il miglior modo per regolarizzare la questione.

Lt-Col.

Collaboratore del Consigliere Finanziario
HQ No. 1 Distretto CMF

Pend for my return

11/10/43.

M/L

To be put aside until
question of wages etc of
Staff is decided.

P. A. please

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See C/D. —

What fixed stoppage
is the $\frac{2}{10}$ etc
and how does a man pay
who does not work?

MT.

NOTES REGARDING PAYMENT RATES FOR WORK DONE
IN PRISONS BY INDIVIDUALS.

1. Summary.

	<u>Tax Deduction.</u>	<u>Fraction stopped on account food & keep.</u>	<u>Fraction of am't. payable.</u>
Untried prisoners	12%	2/10	8/10
Appellants	12%	4/10	6/10
Sentenced	12%	5/10	5/10
Political Offenders	12%	1/10	9/10
On arrest	12%	3/10	7/10

2. The tax deduction of 12% is made in first instance, the stopped ^{age} is then taken from remaining sum and balance is paid to individual's account.

3. The cost of food etc necessitates a change in order to enable the prisons to pay more for food and yet allow a fair sum for prisoner's use for purchase of extra food etc.

To avoid great charges a temporary increase during AMGOT Control so as to, at least, double the present amounts would be suitable.

4. Tax deduction of 12% to remain as it was.

5. The attached gives detail of amounts to individuals.

9. Oct. 43.

D. C. P. S.

For consideration of approval please

M. P. Lothian
M. P. LOTHIAN,
Major,
D/Supt. of Prisons.

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M. P. Lothian
for Lt. Col.
Supt. Prisons.

DETAILS OF AMOUNTS PAID TO INDIVIDUALS.

<u>Kind of service performed.</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Per day.</u>
Headwriter	L. 1.80		
Writer	1.60		
Head Barber	1.60		
Barber	1.50		
Head nurse	1.40		
Nurse	1.20	L. 1.--	
Nurse on guard	1.--	0.90	
Head cook	1.60	1.40	
Cook	1.50	1.30	
Head washer	1.70	1.50	
Washer	1.50	1.30	
Cleaners	1.20	1.--	
Woodhatcher	1.40		
Head patcher and tailor	2.20	1.80	
Patcher and tailor	1.80	1.50	
Timer	1.90		
Head baker	2.20		
Baker	1.80		
Head Mason	2.30		
Mason	2.--		
Whitewasher and painter	1.90		
Carpenter and blacksmith	1.90		
Electrician	2.90		
Mechanical	3.10		
Laborer	1.60		
Sewer cleaner	2.--		
Meal carrier	1.20		
Cooper	1.90		
Keeper of Barracks	1.20		
Shoe patcher	1.70		
Dressmaker	1.60		
Straw keeper	1.40		
Gardener	1.90		

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DETAILS OF AMOUNTS PAID TO INDIVIDUALS (CON'D.)

<u>Kind of service performed.</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>
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Piecework.

Shoemaker, new shoes for men	L. 15.--	
" soles and heels	5.--	
" over heels	2.--	
" shoes for women or boys retwisted	12.--	
" retwisted soles	8.--	
" new shoes	15.--	
" overheels	1.--	
" toe-cap shoes	12.--	

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Cleaners.	1.20	1.--	
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Tinner	1.90		
Head baker	2.20		
Baker	1.80		
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Mason	2.--		
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DIRECTION OF THE CENTRAL JUDICIAL PRISONS OF PALERMO
DIREZIONE DELLE PRIGIONI GIUDIZIARIE CENTRALI DI PALERMO

TABELLA DELLE MERCEDI GIORNALIERI PER DETENUTI ED INTERNATI ADIBITI AI SERVIZI
TABLE OF DAILY WAGES FOR THE PRISONERS AND INTERNEES employed on
DIVERSI. various jobs.

Specie del servizio Kind of service performed	Prigioni Prisons maschili male		Prigioni Prisons femminili female		Osservazioni Note penday
	L.	C.			
Capo scrivano Headwriter	1.	80			
Scrivano Writer	1.	60			
Capo barbiere Head Barber	1.	60			
Barbiere Barber	1.	50			
Capo infermiere Head nurse	1.	40			
Infermiere nurse	1.	20	1.	==	
Infermiere (piantone) nurse on guard	1.	==	0.	90	
Capo cucciniere Head cook	1.	60	1.	40	
Cucciniere cook	1.	50	1.	30	
Capo lavandaio Head washer	1.	70	1.	50	
Lavandaio washer	1.	50	1.	30	
Scopini ed inservienti in genere cleaners	1.	20	1.	==	
Spaccalegna woodhatcher	1.	40			
Stagnino e lattoniere tinner	1.	90			
Capo rattoppino sarto Head patcher and tailor	2.	20	1.	80	
Rattoppino sarto patcher and tailor	1.	80	1.	50	
Capo Fornaio Head baker	2.	20			
Fornai Baker	1.	80			
Capo muratore Head mason	2.	30			
Muratore mason	2.	==			
Imbianchino e pittore whitewasher and painter	1.	90			
Falegname e fabbro carpenter and black-smith	1.	90			
Elettricista Electrician	2.	90			
Mecanico Mechanical	2.	10			

Specie del lavoro Kind of work	Prigioni		Osservazioni notes
	Prigioni maschili male	Prigioni femminili female	
Manovale laborer	1. 60		
Pulitura fogne sewer cleaner	2. ==		
Porta pranzi meal carrier	1. 20		
Bottai Cooper	1. 90		
Casermieri Keeper of barracks	1. 20		
shoe patcher			
Rattoppini calzolari	1. 70		
Sarti dressmaker	1. 60		
Paglioni straw keeper	1. 40		
Ortolani Gardener	1. 90		
Piecework Lavorazioni a cottimo			
Calzolari shoemaker			
new shoes for men			
Scarpe nuove per uomo	15. ==		
Suole e tacchi soles and heels	5. ==		
Sopratacchi over heels	2. ==		
Scarpe per donna o bambini a ritorto shoes for women or boys retwisted	12. ==		
to			
Suolatura a ritorto retwisted soles	8. ==		
Scarpe nuove new shoes	15. ==		
Sopratacchi overheels	1. ==		
Rimonta to toe-cap shoes	12. ==		

Le suddette mercedi sono al lordo, perchè vengono epurate dalle ritenute varie
the above are gross prices

secondo la posizione giuridica di ciascuno:

The above are gross ^{figures} ~~prices~~ because various amounts will be deducted from their
pays for various reserves which are based in accordance to their respectively
juridical positions.

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TAB. ALLA ALIQUOTE DELLE RITENUTE SULLE MERCEDI DEI LAVORANTI E PER POSIZIONE GIURIDICA Table of Aliquots to be deducted from the workers' wages in accordance with their juridical positions:

Posizione giuridica	Stoppage on Ritenuta sul- wages, mercede base <i>Top.</i> base	Stoppage on Ritenuta exchequer Erario <i>21/10</i>	Quota to be Ritenuta deposited quota deposito	Nette al detenuto net pay
Judicabile				8/10
Giudicabile - <i>unlimited</i>	12%	2/10		
Appellant & <i>unlimited</i>	12%	4/10		6/10
Appellante e ricorrente				
Definitive	12%	5/10		5/10
Definitivo <i>Sentenced</i>				
Arrested for police				
Fermo per Misure di measures				9/10
Pubblica Sicurezza	12%	1/10		
<i>Political.</i>				
Arresti arrested	12%	3/10		7/10

L'assicurazione per la sola invalidità e vecchiaia, è inoltre a carico del detenuto, in ragione del 50% a carico dell'Amministrazione o della Impresa ed il 50% a carico del detenuto lavorante.

The insurance of invalidity and old age is charged beside, on the base of 50% charged to the administration or concern and 50% is charged to the working prisoner.

*12% Deducted as a top.
Deducted from 10/10. Then remain 9/10 to prisoner.
9/10
4/10
4/10
1/10*

MINISTER OF TRADE & INDUSTRY
Direzione Generale for the Preventive
and Penal Institutions.

Roma 1 Giugno 1945

BE 1127/PS

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To : Director of the Prison at NOFO.
Subject: Industrial activity.--

I have noted, with great satisfaction, the work which you so intelligently have put into effect for the development of the industrial activities of this great institution. -- These activities are more appreciable when considered in the light of the difficulties which undoubtedly must be met, and which you have overcome with your persistent and tireless efforts.--
I am very happy, therefore, to offer you my sincere praises certain that you will continue with increasing intensity, in your works of vice directorship.

V. Ministro
Novelli.

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Ministero di Grazia e Giustizia

Direzione Generale

per gli Istituti di Rev. e di Pens.
Uff. VIII°

Prot. 49933/5.8.G.

Tranclali
Roma, li 1 Giugno 1943 XXI

Al Direttore della Casa di Reclu=
sione di

NOTO (Siracusa)

Oggetto Attività industriale.

E' stata rilevata, con vivo compiacimento, l'attività intelligente che Voi svolgete per assicurare la continuità e lo sviluppo delle lavorazioni industriali di codesto importante stabilimento, attività che è ancora più apprezzabile in considerazione delle attuali difficoltà che indubbiamente si incontrano e che riuscite a superare mercè la vostra fatica costante e persistente.

Sono lieto, perciò rivolgervi il mio sentito elogio, sicuro che conti=
nuerete, con maggior intensità, nella vostra opera di sagace direttore.

pel Ministro

F/to

Novelli

Copy of page 1. translated
and given to Chief Director
to discuss at conference
6 Oct.

30/9/43.

W.H.

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WGT/1127/PE
AM 11/27/43
13 September 1943

SUBJECT: Prison Industries

TO: Civil Supply Division

In order to carry out the programs for work in Prisons can you please assist in obtaining the necessary material.

1. For 10,000 pairs of shoes- wood, canvas, nails and tools.
2. For Brushes- wood, coil or fibre.
3. For Chairs and Stools- wood, glue, nails and tools.

In addition a demand in detail will be submitted for material to make uniforms for Prison Staffs and material for Prisoners' clothing. Sewing machines will be required, but some may yet be found in prisons.

If leather could be obtained shoe repair work would be immediately started at The Central Prison, Palermo.

For approx. 3000 prisoners.

W. J. Lathrop
W. J. LATHROP,
Colonel, Inf.,
Commissioner of
Public Safety

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PRISON INDUSTRIES

1. There is no real industrial policy within the Prison Service in Sicily, and now that there has been time to take stock, the opinion that a sound industrial system is necessary in all prison services.
2. For a start it is proposed to make:
 - (a) Boots and shoes at Palermo, Agrigento and Siracusa Central Prisons.
 - (b) Brooms and Brushes at Noto Prison and Catania Central Prison.
 - (c) Chairs and Stools at Caltanissetta and Enna Central Prisons.
 - (d) All Female Prisons and at some Central Male Prisons) Tailoring
3. This work could later be enlarged in Provinces by some of the work at Central Prisons being passed on to the smaller places.
4. The articles will first be of use in the Prison Service and for AMGOT; later it can be enlarged to sell in the open market provided prisons do not enter into trade and manufacturing competition.
5. Tools and Equipment

Plans are in progress for obtaining the necessary tools and material to do the work.

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