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FIRE SERVICE, PALERMO
AUG. 1943 - JAN. 1944

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20		18/9/43	10. C.S.D.	Spare parts for fire vehicle.
21		18/9/43	10. C.S.D.	Parts Required by fire Brigade
22		20/9/43		23/9/43 10. Maj. Moran
23		23/9/43	S.C.A.P.D.	Fire Service Officers
24		23/9/43		24/9/43 10. Commandant Viale Luigi Visalli

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6		Machine Gunner Machine Gunner Spare Parts, for Fire Brigade Vehicles	
7-8		Not required	Not required
9	27/8/43	10. S.P.A.O. Palermo	Fire Brigade Vehicle - Palermo
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22	20/9/43	10. C.S.D.	Paper required by fire Brigade
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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT.

REGION NO. 1.

FIRE AND CIVIL DEFENCE.

29 JANUARY 1944.

SUBJECT: Small fire in Municipio Building.

To: Information to Col. Snook, C.F.S. Region No. 1.

Date. 28 JANUARY, 1944.

Time. 1710 Hours.

Location. In ceiling of Mayors Office.

Cause. The fire was caused by sparks and heat igniting a large wooden beam that was located between ceiling of 2nd, floor and floor of 3rd. floor. (Sparks from CHIMNEY).

Extinguished by members of the Civil Fire Brigade.

Damage. The fire was discovered and extinguished before it had a chance to do any serious damage.

Remarks. The chimney is now being repaired to prevent such a recurrence.

FRANK BRAHMINIAN
Supt. Fire & Civil Defence.
Region No. 1. 530 ✓

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
SICILY REGION HEADQUARTERS

File R.P.S. 319.1

18th November 1943

Subject; Report on Fire Brigade

To ; C.P.S. Region 1

Commune of Termini; Province of Palermo

The fire brigade at Termini was inspected on the above date by Capt. Frank Brannigan and Commandante Bigi senior civilian fire officer.

Fire Brigade was found to be functioning well.

The fire apparatus and equipment found in good condition.

Frank Brannigan

Frank Brannigan
Captain, Region 1
Fire and Civil Defence

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
SIGNAL OFFICER HEADQUARTERS

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
Public Safety Sub-Commission

November 11, 1945.

AAC/14502/1/PS

SUBJECT : Promotion of Sub-Officers, PALERMO Fire Service.

TO : Comandante Luigi Bigi, ~~58~~ Corpo Vigili del Fuoco, PALERMO.

1. Ref. your 8685 dated 10 November, 1945.
2. The proposals contained in your letter are agreed to.
3. Will you please communicate these proposals to the Provincial and Regional H.Q.'s stating that they are approved by this H.Q.
4. In future kindly arrange to have such communications forwarded to this H.Q. through the usual channels i.e. Province and Region.

G.H.L. Mason
G.H.L. MASON
Major,
for PAUL G. KIRK,
Chief, Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

Copies to:

Key 1 File
Regional H.Q.
Provincial S.C.A.O. (Palermo)

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
Public Safety Sub-Commission

19/11
✓
November 11, 1943.

AMG/14502/1/PB

SUBJECT: Payment of "Indennita di Sfollamento"
Ing. Ferri.

TO : Comandante Luigi Rizzi, 53 Corpo Vigili del Fuoco, PALERMO.

1. Ref. the application of Ing. Ferri for payment of "Indennita di Sfollamento". This application has been considered by this H.Q. and it has been decided that it must be refused, for the following reasons.

2. Under Circular No. 43 dated 7 March 1943 and issued by the Minister of the Interior at ROME, it is not possible for a person to receive this Indennita if already receiving the "Indennita missiore" or vice versa. The official is entitled to whichever is the greater.

3. Ing. Ferri is in receipt of the "Indennita missiore".

4. Please communicate the decision to the officer concerned stating the reason for refusal.

5. Such application in future should be forwarded through Provincial and Regional H.Q.'s please.

G.H.L. MASON,
Major,
for PAUL G. KIRK,
Chief, Public Safety
Sub-Commission. 5386

Copy to:

H.Q. Region I
Provincial S.C.A.O. PALERMO.
File.

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TO : M.C. Montreal - Guide
1156 - 1160
1170 - 1174

1967/10/10

A.M.T. Div. 1013
28 August, 1967.

TO : M.C. Alberto Province.

In view of the reports from
Cdn's of the above Command, it is not
proposed to wag out or alter the Fire
fighting in man areas.

Graham

D.P.L. 2000
Major
Fire & Collision
Public Safety Div.

Copy to: Cdn's. CORSA
ALBERTO A
OTTAWA
D.P.L.

FIRE SERVICES = CIVIL DEFENCE

COMMUNES OF CERDA, ALIMINUSA, MONTEMAGGIORE
666 ALIA.

The above 4 small Communes in the Province of Palermo, of 5641, 1760, 6800 and 8143 population respectively, each exclusive of a number of refugees, are all situated well up on the slopes of the hills and consist of small rough brick buildings and houses, and cobbled streets.

The occupation of the inhabitants is mainly ~~small~~ small agriculture and wheat farming. The water supply in each Commune is barely sufficient for all purposes; especially at the present time of drought and poor supply of electricity to pump the water from the hills and reservoirs:

There is small risk of fire and there are no Fire Brigades or arrangements for fighting fires.

Neither is there any scheme in operation for Civil Defence.

RC Bond

Capt. C.M.D.A.C.

Submitted for the information of
S.C.A.O. and H.Q. AMGOT,
PALERMO.

16/8/43.

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SUBJECT: Appeal by Mrs. De Cupoli.

AMCOT/1156/PS

AMCOT HQ. SICILY.

12 October 1943.

TO : Squadron Leader DIGNE.

The enclosed appeal by Mrs DE CUPOLI
for reconsideration of the sentence of 9 months
passed on her husband, was addressed to me.

It is forwarded for your consideration
with no comments, please.

[Signature]
G.H.Q. HQ.
Major,
for Commissioner of Public Safety.

COPIA
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Al Sign. Maggiore Mason

Palermo

In sottoscritta De Copoli Maria Grazia, moglie di De Copoli Casimiro già Vigile del Fuoco del 58° Corpo, condannato dal locale Tribunale Militare Alleato il 23 Settembre u.s. a mesi 12 di reclusione, di cui tre con la condizionale, so rivolgermi a Voi per implorare il Vostro interessamento presso il predetto Tribunale al fine di ottenerne la grazia o il condono della pena inflitta a mio marito.

Con l'arresto di mio marito sono rimasta sola, senza alcun sostegno, senza nessuna assistenza, priva di mezzi finanziari e abbandonata perciò alla più stretta indigenza.

Sono malata di cure, soffro di frequenti convulsioni e non ho santi a cui rivolgermi.

Vogliate considerare che mio marito nel passato ha sempre mantenuto la migliore condotta e non è mai venuto meno ai suoi doveri di cittadino vigile e di vigile.

A Voi che siete un padre di famiglia e che durante il processo foste così buoni da chiedere ai Giudici indulgenza per la sorte dell'infelice congiunto, invoco aiuto e protezione.

Di Voi rimeriterà!

Perdonate l'ardire e gradite i sentimenti della mia più profonda devozione e gratitudine.

f/tu (De Copoli Maria Grazia)

Palermo, 7 ottobre 1943

AMGOT/1150

2 OTTOBRE 943

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SUGGETTO: Statuto personale.

AL COMANDANTE DEL 58° CORPO VIGILI DEL FUOCO
DOTT.ING.LUIGI BIGI

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PALERMO

In maniera che questa Divisione possa completa-
re lo statuto personale dei suoi uomini, Vi prego di
fare rispondere i seguenti formulari dai sottosegnati
e farmeli riavere.

Formulario 6763 Comandante Bigi Luigi

" 6764 Ing. Ferri Serafino

" 6765 Il nuovo ufficiale della Brigata.

In order that this Division
may complete its personal
records will you please
have completed the following forms
by the undersigned and return them to
me.

bms.
G.H.L. MASON

Major

for

C.P.S.
5383

SUBJ/OT: Power for Refrigerator.

JAGOT/1156/PS

AMCOT H.Q., SICILY.

1 October 1943.

TO : Civil Supplies Division.

Attached is a request from the Comandante of the Palermo Fire Service for authorisation of the supply of electric power for the Refrigerator Plant of the butcher who supplies the meat to the Brigade.

About 300 members of the Brigade are catered for in their Barracks and it is felt that loss and wastage of food would ensue unless the contractor is able to keep his stocks in his refrigerator.

Would you please consider issuing the necessary Order.


G. H. L. MASON,
Major,
For Commissioner of Public Safety.

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Palermo, 30 Settembre 1943

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58° Corpo Vigili del Fuoco

PALERMO
IN PERICULO VITAM AGERE.

SU SIG. MAGGIORE MASON

Cat. Fus.
n. 8108 Alt.Risposta al foglio del
n.

PALERMO

OGGETTO: FORNITURA FORZA MOTRICE

Il fornitore di carne di questo Corpo
 Ditta AIELLO Isidoro e fratello con macelleria
 in Via Venezia 136 ha necessità di fornitura
 della forza motrice per l'alimentazione del
 frigorifero.

Si chiede sia concessa la relativa auto-
 rizzazione tramite S.G.E..

THE SUPPLIER OF MEAT TO
 THIS CORPO, DITTA AIELLO
 ISIDORO e FRATELLO OF
 136 VIA VENEZIA, NEEDS ELECTRIC POWER
 FOR HIS REFRIGERATOR.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE S.G.E. SHOULD
 BE AUTHORIZED TO SUPPLY THE POWER.



IL COMANDANTE
 DOTT. ING. LUIGI BIGI

Br 5381

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1 OTTOBRE 1943

AL COMANDANTE DEL 58° CORPO VIGILI DEL FUOCO
Dott.Ing.Luigi Bigi.

F A L E R M O

Acchiudo la copia d'una lettera che ho scritta alla Ditta Moncada Giuseppe(La Commerciale).

Tanto per Vostro avviso.

Tento ottenere questa carta quando ho ricevuta la risposta.

for

G.H.L.MASON

Major

Fire & C.D.Sectiⁿ

A.M.G.O.T.

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1156/P.S.

ALLA DITTA MONCADA GIUSEPPE
(LA COMMERCIALE)
VIA PRINCIPE SCORDIA 3 PALERMO

1 Ottobre 3

Vi prego dirmi il totale ammontante, il tipo e la qualità
della carta per l'esecuzione del sottodetto lavoro per il
58° Corpo dei Vigili del Fuoco:

1000 SCHEDE D'INTERVENTO

2000 BUSTE PAGA

1000 SCHEDINE PER IL MAGAZZINO

Vi prego di indirizzare la risposta in Via Bari n.8.


G.H.L. MASON
MAJOR
PLANE & C.D. SECTION
A.M.G.U.T.

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Subject: Printing paper.

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To - Lt. Pinelli

Please see Enclosure 28, 36 & 41.

Can you do anything to help
in the matter please?

It is considered that the Fire
Service cannot operate without
a reasonable amount of paper
& stationery for orders, reports etc.

G. H. Johnson
Major

Fire - C. D. Section
P. S. Div.

Major Mason - 5378
If you will ~~tell~~ tell me
the type of paper you
need & quantity & will
try to get it for you -
Pending this write a
quotation on what paper. G. H. Johnson
R. P. O.

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

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SUBJECT: Paper.

FILE NO. AMGOT / 5032/cs

TO: Public Safety Division
(Attn. Major G.H.L. Mason)

AMGOT HQ. SICILY

Sept. 30 1943

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Reference your note of 29 September, Lt. Pineili
HQ. printing officer has requisitioned stock of paper
locally and any request for paper should be taken up
with him.)

HON/AAB.

J.T. ZELLER
Colonel, Infantry
Acting Director,
Economics & Supply Div

Ration Cards take from my office

PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION.

ROUTING SLIP.

TO SEE :- 41

C.P.S.....

D.C.P.S.....

PRISON SECTION.....

CIVIL POLICE SECTION.....

X FIRE AND CIVIL DEFENCE
SECTION.....

LICENSING AND REGISTRATION
SECTION.....

File 34 ~~35~~

Visit of Col. Young to 5800 R.P.O.
VICINITY DEL FUOCO, PALERMO

Col. A. S. YOUNG,
School of Military Government,
c/o A.F.H.Q.

AMCOT/1000/Po

1156

29 September 3

A copy of the report of the Comandante of the Palermo
Fire Service to Colonel Balles, Commissioner of Public Safety,
AMCOT, is enclosed for your information please.



G.H.L. MASON,
Major,
for Commissioner of Public Safety.

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Re

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Inspection of PALERMO Fire Brigade.

AMCOT/1156/IS

Comandante BIGI,
Corpo Vigili del Fuoco,
PALERMO.

29 September 3

I have read with interest your memorandum of 23 September reporting the visit of Colonel A.E. YOUNG to the Headquarters of the Corpo under your Command, and am glad to learn that Colonel YOUNG, like myself, was pleased with everything he saw.

LAWRENCE D. KELLEY,
Colonel, Infantry,
(Commissioner of Public Safety
(Capo Reparto della Pubblica Sicurezza.

Copy also sent in 5375
P.S.P.

Palermo, 28 Settembre 1943



58° Corpo Vigili del Fuoco

PALERMO

IN PERICOLO VITAM AGENE.

Cat. **E057**

Fasc. **III**

Risposta al foglio del
9/1.

SIG. COL. BOILS

UFFICIO AFFARI CIVILI = VIA BARI N°8

P A L E R M O.

OGGETTO: La caserma dei vigili del fuoco di Palermo è stata

Ieri mattina la Caserma dei vigili del fuoco di Palermo è stata visitata dal Col. Young accompagnato dal Cap. Wallace, Cap. Brannigan e dal Tenente Bellersen dell'A.M.G.O.I. Sezione Difesa Civile.

Era ad attendere l'Ufficiale Superiore Inglese il Comandante Dott.Ing. Luigi Bigi che presentava il personale inquadrato nel 5374 cortile della Caserma.

Il Col. Young si interessava molto dei vari servizi ed in particolare delle varie officine meccanica=elettrica e falegnameria nonché dei magazzini.

Dopo un interessante visita al museo ed ai vari uffici il Col. Young lasciava la Caserma esprimendo al Comandante il suo vivo compiacimento.

OGGETTO: La caserma dei vigili del fuoco di Palestro è stata

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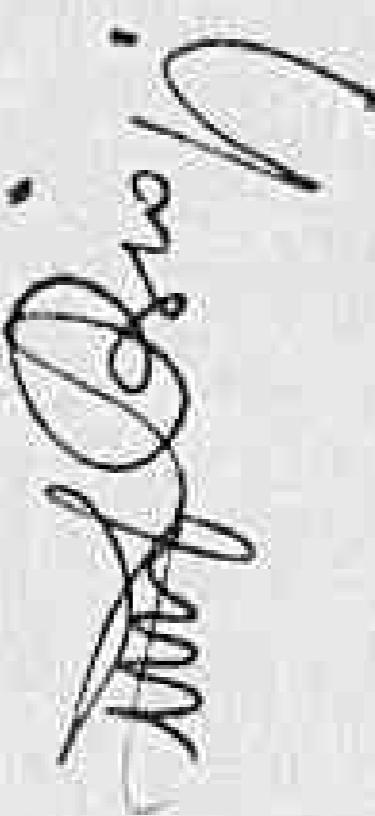
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IL COMANDANTE
(DOTT.ING. LUIGI BIGI)



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AMCOT/1005/PS

Fire Service.

Officer In Charge,
U.S. ARMY FIRE SERVICE,
c/o I.B.S.
BALTIMORE

30 September 3

I would like to express to the Officers and other ranks of the U.S. ARMY FIRE FIGHTING UNITS in BALTIMORE, the sincere thanks of this Division for the very valuable assistance rendered by them to the Civil Fire Brigade on 26 September when the Red Cross Cinema was burning.

The speed with which the unit got to work was magnificent and it was largely through their efforts that the spread of the fire was checked.

I would like to suggest that if it could be arranged for an Italian speaking soldier to be attached to the Army Fire Fighting Units when out on a call, a much closer co-operation and the very necessary understanding with the Civil Brigade would be perfected.

Very truly yours
G.H.L. MASON

G.H.L. MASON,
Major,
for Commissioner of Public Safety.

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SUBJECT: Paper required by Fire Brigade.

AUGUST/1003/PS

AGRO/11., SICILY.

29 September 1943.

TO : Civil Supply Division.

Ref. this Division's letter 1003/PS
dated 20 Sep 43.

The need for the paper requested in
our above mentioned letter is now becoming
urgent.

I therefore please give this
matter your immediate attention.

G.H.L. MASON,
Major,
for Commissioner of Public Safety.

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NAME AND NUMBER

Sgt/Mr. DICKI

file

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AGOUT/1167/13

29 September, 3

For your information I enclose a copy of a letter from the
Commandant of the Fire Service, PAIGAO, in which he states that
he is prepared to agree to the wishes of the Military Court
retain the above named man in the Fire Brigade conditionally.



G.H.L. MARTIN,
Major,
for Commissioner of Public Safety.

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PALERMO, 27 Settembre 1943

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58 Corpo Vigili del Fuoco

PALERMO

- IN PERICULO VITAM AGERE -

SIG. MAGGIORE MASON

Cat. Fac.

N. 8032 Citt.

Risposta al foglio del
N.

P A L E R M O

OGGETTO: VIGILE LUIGI VISALLI

Questo Comando non ha nulla in contrario
a fare rientrare in servizio il Vigile Visalli I
Luigi per il quale IL Tribunale Alleato lo ha
sentenziato con tre mesi di prigione (con la
condizionale).

Il Vigile stesso verrà seguito rigorosamente
sotto il punto di vista disciplinare.

IL COMANDANTE
(DOTT. ING. LUIGI BIGI)



luigi bigi 5370

*re**b6*AMOT/1005/PS11 August 1943

Subject: Palermo Fire Dept.

To: C.C.A.C. (Through C.S.C.)

Reference the attached the local Fire Department in this city has done very good work and the personnel under Comandante Risi are most cooperative and anxious to take their full share in the civil defence of the city.

I understand from Major Mason that you would be willing to accord the Comandante an interview, and I await your instructions as to time and date.

In the meantime, I do not advise a letter of appreciation from yourself, although, after the interview, I could send some such appreciation on your behalf.

Perhaps you will indicate your wishes regarding an inspection of the Fire Brigade.

W.M. Macdonald
Secretary
U.S. Army Group

AMOT HQ
U.S. Army Group

P.M.

Jewell like to visit the Fire Department
Lt. Colonel
Dorothy Commissioner Public Safety
visits fire. Col. S
at Grisons 19/8
trans. P. Col. S
S.C.D. accordant 16/8
H.C. 8/8

8/8 5303

53Subject:- Letter of appreciation.AUGOT /1945/PS.10 August 45.Memorandum to: Lt.-Colonel Martin,
Actg C.P.C.

1. May I suggest that if it meets with the approval of the General, a letter of appreciation from him be sent to Commandante Luigi Rigi and the officers and men of the Fire Brigade for the excellent cooperation extended to this Division in matters of Civil Defense.

2. Further, if the General desires, his inspection of the Fire Brigade would be very much appreciated.

Ross R. McDonald
ROSS R. McDonald,
Major, A.U.S.
Public Safety Division.

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AUGOT H.Q.
10 AUGT GROUP.

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AMGOT/1205/PS7 August 1943

Memorandum to: S.C.A.O. - Palermo Province
Attention: Major Haley - City of Palermo

1. At the request of Major Searle C.A.P.O. a survey of the Fire Fighting services in Palermo has been completed by officers of this Division. The results of this survey are forwarded for your information.
2. It is suggested that your C.A.O. and C.A.P.O. for the City of Palermo will be greatly interested in this report.
3. The comments made in Paras 1 and 2 by Major McDonald are concurred in.

LEONARD BOLLES
Colonel, Inf.
Commissioner Public Safety

AMGOT HQ
15 Army Group

Copies to: C.S.O.
Major Haley

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TO : Vicino degli Uffiali

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ANCONA, 1921.

24 September, 1921.

TO : Mr. Nicolo,
Salerno Province.

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Enclosed is copy of letter sent to
Commissione di 50 Comuni Vicini and Panico. For
your information.

C.J.L. HAGOT
Major
P.I.C. & C.D. Sec.

Copy sent to S'ldr Dickens
in English & Italian

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VIGILI LUTTI VISMALI
58° Corpo Vigili del Fuoco

AMGOT/1003/PS

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AL COMANDANTE DOTT.ING.DUTCH BIGI
58° CORPO VIGILI DEL FUOCO

24 September 1943

Il Tribunale Alleato che ha giudicato il sopra nominato Vigile,
lo ha sentenziato a tre mesi di prigione.

In considerazione delle circostanze e tenendo conto del servizio
di Luigi Visselli, il Tribunale ha sospeso la sentenza a condizione che
lui mantenga una buona condotta e non sia coinvolto in altri guai.

Il Tribunale desidera che in Vi domandi se potete considerare il
ritorno di quest'uomo al servizio dei Vigili del Fuoco per proteggerli
dare l'occasione di emendarsi.

Vogliete, quindi, per piacere, esaminare il caso e se vedete un modo
per consentire il desiderio del Tribunale, ve ne sarei grato.

G.H.L. Mason
G.H.L. MASON,
MAJOR
Fire & Civil Defence Section
Public Safety Division
A.M.G.O.T.

This was an unusual request - it was taken 30/9/43

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ritorno di quest'uomo al servizio dei Vigili del Fuoco per potergli
dare l'occasione di emendarsi.

Vogliate, quindi, per piacere, esaminare il caso e se vedete un modo
per contentare il desiderio del Tribunale, ve ne sarei grato.


G.H.L. MASON,

MAJOR

Fire & Civil Defence Section
Public Safety Division
A.M.G.D.T.

This was initially signed in a file at whom 30/9/43


John H. T.
1/10/43

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

SUBJECT: Vigilio VITALI
50 Corpo Vigili del Fuoco.

REF NO. AM302/1003/26
MIGOR I.Q. SICILY.

24 September, 1943.

TO : The Comptance,
50 Corpo Vigili del Fuoco.

The Allied Military Court which tried the above-named
Vigile sentenced him to 3 months imprisonment.
In consideration of the circumstances and having in mind
the service of VITALI, the Court suspended the sentence on the
condition that he remains on good behaviour and got into no
further trouble.

The Court asked me to request you to consider retaining
the man in the Fire Service to give him a chance.
Would you therefore please consider the case & if you
can see your way to meeting the wishes of the Court, I should be
grateful.


G.H.L. WILSON
Major
Fire & Civil Defense Secy.
Public Safety Division.

TO : The Comptroller,
S.S. Court Martial del Pucro.

The Allied Military Court which tried the aforementioned
while sentenced him to 3 months imprisonment.

In consideration of the circumstances and having in mind
the service of VITALI, the Court suspended the sentence on the
condition that he remained in good behaviour and got into no
further trouble.

The Court asked me to request you to consider retaining
this man in the Fire Service to give him a chance.

Will you therefore please consider the case and if you
can see your way to meeting the wishes of the Court, I should be
grateful.



G.H.L. WESTON
Major
Fire & Civil Defence Sec.
Public Safety Division.

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AMCOS/1003/P

Fire Service - OFFICER

... C.A.P.O. Approach ... C.A.P.O.

23 September 3

Enclosed are:

1. An application from ANTONIO TRIGONA to become an Officer in the P.D.G.R.O. Fire Brigade.
2. A letter from the Comandante asking for approval of the appointment.

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It is felt that in view of the serious shortage of Officers in the P.D.G.R.O. and the opinion of the Comandante that TRIGONA is suitable for the post you might well instruct the Comandante to make the appointment.



G.H.L. MASON,
Major,
for Commissioner of Public Safety.

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Corpo Vigili del Fuoco
PALERMO
IN PERICULO VITAM AGERE

Cat. 7997 Fase.
n. All.

Risposta al figlio del
n.

Palermo, 23 settembre 1943

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Al SIG. MAGGIORE
MASON

PALERMO

OGGETTO: UFFICIALE VOLONTARIO TRIGONA ANTONIO

Il laureando in legge Antonio Trigona di
Francesco Paolo e di Ades Rosa nato il 21-10-1923
con la domanda che si allega in copia ha chiesto
di essere assunto come Ufficiale volontario dei
Vigili del Fuoco di questo 58° Corpo.

Considerate le particolari circostanze attuali
che non danno la possibilità di trovare ingegneri
come prescrive la legge si propone di assumere il
detto come Ufficiale volontario con decorrenza
l'ottobre 1943 e con il trattamento economico pre-
visto dalla legge vigenti.

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IL COMANDANTE
(DOTT. ING. LUIGI BIGI)

M. Bigi

SUBJ/NOT: Paper required by Fire Brigade.

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AMGCE/1003/PS

AMGOT H.Q., SICILY.

20 September 1943.

TO : Civil Supplies Division.

Inclosed is an application by the Comandante
of the 53 CORPO VIGILI DEL FUOCO for release of some
paper necessary for his H.Q.

Would you please supply the firm of DITT.
MONCADA CIUSSEPS with the necessary permit to pur-
chase?

G. H. L. Mason
G. H. L. Mason,
Major,
for ERASMO L. BOLINI,
Colonel, Infantry,
Commissioner of Public Safety.

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58 Corpo Vigili del Fuoco

PALERMO

- IN PERICULO VITAM AGERE -

83
Palermo, 18 SETTEMBRE 1943

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All MAGGIORE MASON

Cat. Fus.

N. 7960

Risposta al foglio del

N.

acto *18 set 43*
PALERMO

OGGETTO: AUTORIZZAZIONE PER ACQUISTO CARTA OCCORRENTE
PER ALCUNI STAMPATI.

Questo Comando ha ordinato alla Ditta Moncada
Giuseppe (La Commerciale) con sede in Via Principe
Scordia 16 i seguenti lavori:

N° 1000 schede d'intervento

" 2000 Buste paga

" 1000 Schedine per il magazzino

Occorre rilasciare alla Ditta stessa l'autoriz-
zazione per potere prelevare presso la Ditta
Bellotti la Carta necessaria per l'esecuzione del
sopradetto lavoro.



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IL COMANDANTE
(Maj. ING. LUIGI BIGI)

Maj. Bigi

AIRPORT: Spare parts for Fire Service Vehicles.

ADOT/1003/16

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ADOT 11-1-61

16 September 1961.

TO : Civil Defense Division.

A great deal of time is wasted and vehicles which might be urgently needed are frequently kept out of commission because of the delay occasioned by the Commandant having to apply each time for a permit to acquire the urgently needed spares. The Commandant has asked for help in the matter by the granting of a permanent permit for him to obtain his spares as needed from ADOT and R.V.D.C.

Would you please consider this matter as we are fully in agreement with the need for speed especially in view of the shortage of vehicles.

G. Johnson

G.P.L. Mason,
Major,
for Commissioner of Public Safety.

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785016



Palermo, 18 SETTEMBRE 1943

58 Corpo Vigili del Fuoco

PALEMO

- IN PERICULO VITAM AGERE -

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al SIG. MAGGIORE MASON

Cat.

Fasc.
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Risposta al foglio del

N.

PALEMO

OGGETTO: AUTORIZZAZIONE PER ACQUISTO MATERIALE DI
RICAMBIO PER AUTOMEZZI.

Allo scopo di rendere maggiormente facile la provvista di materiale di ricambio per automezzi è necessaria un'autorizzazione speciale per potere acquistare detto ~~stesso~~ materiale presso la FIAT filiale di Palermo Piazza Ranchibile che pretende anche il visto della VII^a Armata.



IL COMANDANTE
(DOTT. ING. LUIGI BIGI)

Am. B.
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Palermo, 18 SETTEMBR 1943

MAGGIORE MASON

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58 Corpo Vigili del Fuoco
PALERMO
IN PERICULO VITAM AGERE.

Cat. Fav.
n. 7949 all.

Risposta al figlio del
n.

PALERMO

OGGETTO: ~~REQUISIZIONE~~ AUTORIZZAZIONE PER ACQUISTO MATERIALE
PER AUTOMEZZI.

Per evitare inutili perdi tempo nella fornitura di pezzi di ricambio è necessario una autorizzazione speciale che autorizzi il 58° Corpo Vigili del Fuoco a prelevare pezzi di ricambio presso la Ditta Ravetto di Palermo.



IL COMANDANTE
(DOTT. ING. LUIGI BIGI)

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SUBJECT: Aire da vice Telephone.

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AMGOT/1003/P.

AMGOT AIRPORT MUN.

16 September 1943.

TO : "Communications".
CIVIL SUPPLY DIVISION.

The enclosed application from the Comandante
of the 58 CORPO VIGILIA DEL FUOCO is forwarded for your
consideration.

It is thought that this telephone is essential
and urgent, and it is hoped that all possible steps
will be taken to expedite the matter.

G. H. Hause

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C. H. Hause,
Major,
For Commissioner of Public Safety.

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SUBJ: Fire service - PALERMO.

ANGOT/ 1073/PB

ANGOT PL., JULY.

16 September 1943.

TO : S.C.A.O. PALERMO.

The Acting Superintendent of Fire and Civil Defence today visited the Fire Section of the PALERMO 53 CORPO VIGILI DEL FUOCO in company with the Commandant of that Corps.

With the small quantity of appliances they have, the Section seem to be doing quite well.

The C.A.O. expressed his appreciation of the help they gave him and stated that the Fire Section was the one official body that he felt could be absolutely relied upon to do their job without pressure from him.

A detailed inspection of personnel and equipment will shortly be made by Officers of this Department and a report submitted to you.

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Graham

Copies to :-

f LOUIS L. BOLES,
Colonel Infantry,
Commissioner of Public Safety.

O.A.O. Palermo

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SUBJECT: Spare parts for Fire Brigade vehicles.

AMGOT/1003/P3

AMGOT II... SICILY.

16 September 1942.

TO : Il Comandante, 58 CORPO VIGILI DEL FUOCO.

The request for spare parts as attached has been
approved by Major Hickinbotham and also by Major Nolan of
AMGOT Civil Supply Division.

If you present the request and this letter at the place
where you are to draw the goods they should now supply them.

Should difficulty still arise please communicate with
this Division and we will take the matter up.



G.H.L. Mason,
Major,
for Commissioner of Public Safety. 5354

Original delivered
personally by
maj mason 16/9.

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SUBJECT: Civil Fire Ser. 100 - Road Passes.

file 11-61

AMCOT/1003/PB

AMCOT H.Q., Sicily.

4 September 1943.

TO : Provost Marshal Seventh Army.

Following the visit of Major Mason to Major Briggs 3/9/43:-

1. To facilitate the work of the Civil Fire Service it is requested that consideration be given to the issue of a pass to each ~~for~~ the vehicles as listed herewith of the 58 CORPO VIGILI DEL FUOCO, PALERMO, to pass over any road in the Province of Palermo in the course of their duty. It will be noted that the 58 CORPO is responsible for the whole of the Province and not the city of PALERMO alone.

The permit should be for the vehicle and crew in uniform, since the personnel would not always be the same.

2. The Comandante of the 58 CORPO VIGILI DEL FUOCO is the senior Fire Officer in Sicily and as such is responsible to this H.Q., for the satisfactory running of the service. This duty may require him to travel by road to the other Provincial centres or sub-stations.

It is requested that consideration be given to the issue of a personnel permit for himself and driver to use any road in the Island.

The name of the Comandante is DOTT ING ENIGI BIGI and he is proving of great service to the H.Q. (Car 533065).

PAT J. G. Jolley
Colonel
Comptroller of Public

1003/PY
Thru. (2nd, c.d. section) ~~13~~
Ref to ^{10 12} ~~55555~~. Seventh
Army have no authority to
release Service prisoners of
war at present - but matter
has been referred to higher
authority and we will be
advised of the result

Duly
2/9

Note

2/9 ~~G.H. May~~

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SUBJECT: Engineer Officers - Fire Service.

AMGOT/1003/PS

AMGOT, Sicily.

1 September 1943

TO : D.C.P.S.

Ref. enc. 55. 10

The Comandante has no one in view especially -
he would leave the selection to our people.

What he wants are Engineer Officers who could
and would work in the Fire Service.

If engineers are not available any suitable
technical officers would do. They should be
fit and active.

It might be a good thing if our people selected
say six and the Comandante interviewed them
and picked out his own four.

Since I wrote the previous memo. the situation
has worsened as he has had to dispense with the
services of the third Officer - leaving only
himself and his Vice-Comandante.

Capt. Graham

With your pleasure command
Seventh Army as to their
reactions to this request
August 19

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Graham.
Major,
Fire & C.D.

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AMG/C/1003/15

AGOT HI. SICILY

25 August 1943

Subject: Fire Fighting

To : G.C.A.O., Palermo Province

Today the Supt. of Fire and Civil Defense Section of this Division had occasion to visit the Fire Station at TERRINI. This is a substation of the Palermo Brigade.

It was found that there was no supply of water to the Brigade's tank. The Locusta had taken two members of the Brigade to drive his car and generally wait on him. He had also removed from one of the Brigade's trucks two wheels for use on his own car.

The Supt. saw the C.R.O. of the town and he is giving those matters his immediate attention.

R.H. [Signature]
Lieut. Colonel
Acting Commissioner of
Public Safety - Sicily

Copy to: G.A.O.,
Terrini Province

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SUBJ CT: Officers for F.B. PALERMO.

AMGOT/1003/PS
AMGOT HQ., Sicily
29, August 1943.

TO : Commissioner of Public Safety.

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Some time ago the Commandante of the F.B. asked if we could possibly obtain the parole of some four or five Engineer Officers of the Italian Army who are prisoners.

He would be personally responsible for their conduct.

He wishes to use them in F.B. offices as he is very short of suitable personnel.

I would like to support the application under the circumstances, and would ask for consideration of the project.

G. H. L. Mason
G. H. L. MASON
Fire and C.D. Sec.
Public Safety Div.

9/28 (To C.D. Lee)

Let me have names ranks, 5319
place captured with date so that
we can put up appl' to Seventh or
Eighth Army

Dunphy
30/8

To - The Commissioner of Public Safety, AMGOT.

From - Actg. Supt. Fire and Civil Defence, AMGOT.

SUBJECT - Spare parts, tyres etc. for Fire Brigade
Vehicles - PALERMO.

Attached is a supplementary list of spares required to put the remaining vehicles of the above Fire Dept. into commission. It is requested that Civilian Supplies be asked to give the matter their early attention please.

It is suggested that many of the parts and tyres which are difficult to obtain here might possibly be obtained from the FIAT & LANCIA Companies in U.K..


Major.

18/8/43.

Acting Supt. Fire & C.D..

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- 14°) Auto n°507:
Fuori uso; per bobina e come.
- 15°) Autocarro 503 Fiat N°:
Fuori uso per balestre anteriori e gomme.
- 16°) Ambulanza O.M. N°1550:
Fuori uso per sostituzione monoblocco e gomme.
- 17°) Auto 510 Fiat:
Fuori uso per come.
- 18°) Autovettura 508 Balilla N°1300:
Fuori uso per telaio rotto e gomme
- 19°) Autovettura 522 Berlina n°1799:
Fuori uso per pistoni - freni idraulici e come.
- 20°) Autovettura 521 Fiat:
Fuori uso per ripassaggio motore e gomme:
- 21°) Autovettura 500 Fiat:
Fuori uso per come.
- 22°) Autocarro 505 Fiat N°2480:
Fuori uso per differenziale e passaggio motore.
- 23°) Autocarro 621 Fiat N°2481:
Fuori uso per sterzo.
- 24°) Motocarrozzetta Bianchi N°295:
Fuori uso per come
- 25°) Motofurgone Guzzi n°805:
Fuori uso per pezzi di ricambio motore e come
- 26°) Motorfurgone Guzzi:
Fuori uso per pezzi di ricambio motore e come.
- 27°) Motofurgone Benelli N°791 = Schiumogeno
Fuori uso per pezzi di ricambio motore e come.
- 28°) Motocicletta Bianchi 142:
Fuori uso perchè usata per pezzi di ricambio.
- 29°) Motociclette Bianchi n°143/: Sequestrata dagli Americani
- 30°) Motocicletta Benelli N°75-500/: Fuori uso per come.
- 31°) Motocicletta Benelli N°75-500/: Fuori uso per come.
- 32°) Autogru 526 Fiat n°3137: Fuori uso per piegamento telaio.

16°) Automobili Fuori uso per sostituzione monoblocco e gomme.

17°) Auto 510 Fiat:

Fuori uso per gomme.

18°) Autovettura 508 Balilla N°1800:

Fuori uso per telaio rotto e gomme

19°) Autovettura 522 Berlina n°1799:

Fuori uso per pistonecini - freni idraulici e gomme.

20°) Autovettura 521 Fiat:

Fuori uso per ripassaggio motore e gomme:

21°) Autovettura 500 Fiat:

Fuori uso per gomme.

22°) Autocarro 505 Fiat N°2480:

Fuori uso per differenziale e ripassaggio motore.

23°) Autocarro 621 Fiat N°2481:

Fuori uso per sterzo.

24°) Motocicletta Bianchi N°295:

Fuori uso per gomme

25°) Motofurgone Guzzi n°805:

Fuori uso per pezzi di ricambio motore e gomme

26°) Motofurgone Guzzi

Fuori uso per pezzi di ricambio motore e gomme.

27°) Motofurgone Benelli N°791 = Schiavogeno

Fuori uso per pezzi di ricambio motore e gomme.

28°) Motocicletta Bianchi 142:

Fuori uso perchè usata per pezzi di ricambio.

29°) Motocicletta Bianchi n°143/: Sequestrata dagli Americani

30°) Motocicletta Benelli 580 n°74 /: Fuori uso per gomme

31°) Motocicletta Benelli n°75 - 500/: Fuori uso per gomme.

32°) Autogrue 626 Fiat n°1313:/: Fuori uso per piegamento telaio.

33°) Autogrue 1100 n°33 :/: Fuori uso per saldatura radiatore e serbatoio benzina

34°) Autogrue 1100 n°13:/: Sequestrata dagli Americani

MACCHINE FUORI USO E PEZZI DI RICAMBIO OCCorrenti

635 N°1 Targa 198

Un cuncoletto a fitti per semiasse = n°7 Canale d'aria e sostituzione giunto delle centrifuge.

2°) Autopompa n°199 Spa 25 C.10 -3° Distaccamento:

Fuori uso per i frizioni - velestre anteriori - guarnizioni testate e gomme.

3°) Autolancia n°2007 - Autopompa, con serbatoio:

Occorre alesaggio monoblocco e sostituire pistoni

4°) Autolancia n°2004 Autopompa con serbatoio:

Occorre una biella al motore

5°) Autopompa con serbatoio n°200:

Complettamente fuori uso perchè utilizzata per pezzi di ricambio.

6°) Autopompa con serbatoio n°202:

. Fuori uso per fusione bronzingina

7°) Autopompa con serbatoio n°1750 = 3° Distaccamento:

Occorre sostituire magnete il magnete e ripassaggio motore.

8°) Auto Centro n°692 = Carro Attrezzi:

Fuori uso per cambio frizione

9°) Autofurgone 1100 n°1165:

Occorre sostituire il monoblocco perchè rigato - Pignone e corona - Cuscinetti a fitti per semiasse - N°3D1sch4 ruote = (Tenerla come pezzi di ricambio).

10°) Autopompa con serbatoio 25 C.10 Spa N°2074:

Fuori uso per pignone differenziale rotto.

11°) Auto 505 Fiat = Autocarro 999:

Fuori uso per differenziale e gomme.

- 2°) Autopompa n°199 Spa 25 C.10 -3° Distaccamento:
 Fuori uso per i frizioni - delestri anteriori - guarnizioni testata
 • gomme.
- 3°) Autolancia n°2007 - Autopompa, con serbatoio:
 Occorre alesaggio monoblocco e sostituire pistoni
- 4°) Autolancia n°2004 Autopompa con serbatoio:
 Occorre una biella al motore
- 5°) Autopompa con serbatoio n°200:
 Completamente fuori uso perchè utilizzata per pezzi di ricambio.
- 6°) Autopompa con serbatoio n°202:
 Fuori uso per fusione bronzinga
- 7°) Autopompa con serbatoio n°1750 = 3° Distaccamento:
 Occorre sostituire ~~l'assaggetto~~ il magnete e ripassaggio motore.
- 8°) Auto Celirano n°692 = Carro Attrezzi:
 Fuori uso per cambio frizione
- 9°) Autofurgone 1100 n°1165:
 Occorre sostituire il monoblacco perchè rigetto - Pignone e corona -
 Cuscinetti a rulli per semiasse - N°3 Dischi ruote -(Tenerla come
 pezzi di ricambio).
- 10°) Autopompa con serbatoio 25 C.10 Spa N°2074:
 Fuori uso per pignone differenziale rotto.
- 11°) Auto 505 Fiat = Autocarro 999:
 Fuori uso per differenziale e gomme.
- 12°) Autocarro Fiat 505 N°998:
 Completamente fuori uso perchè usata per pezzi di ricambio.
- 13°) Autocarro Fiat 505 N°997:
 Fuori uso per gomme.

AMGOT/1203/PS6 August 1943

Subject: Fire Department of Palermo
To: Colonel Lemuel Bolles, C.P.S.

1. An inspection of the Fire Dept. in the commune of Palermo has been made by members of the Dept. of Fire and A.R.F., Public Safety AMGOT Hdqs. and found to be quite progressive and adequate.
2. The Commandante is very cooperative, sincere and capable. He also seems to have an appreciation of his responsibility to the community.
3. Attached you will find a list of the personnel, equipment and arms as of 1 August 1943, also a list showing the deployment of said personnel, and maps showing the location of the fire stations.

Ross R. McDonald
ROSS R. McDONALD
Major
Public Safety Division - AMGOT

AMGOT HQ
15 Army Group
Divs.

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