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BLACK MARKET ACTIVITIES, OLIVE OIL, BANK OF
ITALY
NOV., DEC. 1944

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SEPERE is not legally in a position to authorize the purchase by the original
purchaser or the bank: SEPERE did not apparently know of the transaction
till after it took place, and did not even then purport to authorize the original
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Even if this practice has continued over a period of time it is not a defense.

Separate, this does not constitute a defense.

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and other people's interests.

A conviction stands in the way. - The documents should be preserved if the Programme del Regus.

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in Rome by the Directors After Bank Holiday was over
SEPAR is not legally in a position to authorize the purchase by the original
purchasers of the bank: SEPAR did not apparently know of the transaction
till after it took place, and did not even then prompt to authorize the original
acquisition of the shares.

When if this practice has continued over a period of 10 years or more, it is considered a defense.

Separate, this does not constitute a defense.
It is one defense that the purchase by the
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2. Advice of legal S/C can be obtained direct. There is no need to pass through CHS.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

AG/14006/21/PS

Tel 409081 Ext 365
7 December 1944

SUBJECT : Bank of Italy - Purchase of Olive Oil.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Lazio-Umbria Region.
(Attn: R.P.S.O.).

1. Reference your letter dated 4 November 1944, addressed to Economic Section, Allied Commission on the subject of the unlawful purchase of olive oil by the Bank of Italy.

2. The position has been examined by Legal Sub-Commission and the following decision given. by Col. Behrens, DCLA.

From the legal point of view it appears on the evidence available that the purchase of the oil in Calabria was illegal. RDI 245 of 22 April 43; that the transport was illegal as it was not covered by the appropriate provincial permit; that the purchase in Rome by the Director of the Bank of Italy was illegal. RDI 245 of 12 April 43.

SEPRAL is not legally in a position to authorize the purchase of the original purchasers or the bank; SEPRAL did not apparently know of the transaction till after it took place, and did not even then purport to authorize the original acquisition of the oil.

Even if this practice had continued over a period to the knowledge of SEPRAL, this does not constitute a defence.

It is no defence that the purchase by the bank was from humanitarian and non-profit motives.

A conviction should be obtained. The documents should be forwarded to the Procuratore del Regno.

3. The papers in the case are returned to you herewith for necessary action please.

Sgt John W. Chapman

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.C.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission

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Copy to: Director, Food Sub-Commission
Director, Finance Sub-Commission



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Major Nash

It appears that this is a
matter which should be sent
to Civil Affairs Section for
Pub Safety S/C to look into.

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COL. CHAPMAN		
COL. YOUNG		
LT COL. WILCOX		
MAJ. HADSON		
MAJ. WILSON		
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MAJ. BALLANCE		
CAPT. POWELL		

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INTER OFFICE MEMO

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8 November 1944

Tel: 515

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SUBJECT: Black Market Operations - Bank of Italy

FROM : Food Sub-Commission

TO : Chief of Staff, Economic Section

1. Reference the attached documents (originals).
2. It is recommended the matter be examined by the Legal Sub-Commission, with a view to prosecutions.
3. The oil will be confiscated and allotted to Lazio-Umbria Region.

For the Acting Chief Commissioner:

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W. J. LEGG
Colonel

Director, Food Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LAZIO-UMBRIA REGION
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4 November 1944

SUBJECT: Bank of Italy.

TO : Economic Section, Hq. Allied Commission (Att: Food Sub-Commission)

1. Reference your ACC/43-3/Food of 27 October 1944.
2. Attached herewith is complete file on the purchase of olive oil by the Bank of Italy.
3. As Lt. Lipsius states, no action has been taken either by his Division or this Headquarters.
4. The Finance Sub-Commission, particularly Col. Graftey-Smith, had knowledge of this matter and were in the process of dealing with the subject, some weeks ago.

For the Regional Commissioner:

John D. Ames
JOHN D. AMES,
Lt.Col. AGD,
Executive Officer (Rome)

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