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RUSSIAN P.O.W.  
JUNE 1944-NOV. 1945

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TO: C.M.A. Sec.

Folio 3-A for information and signature please.

*John W. Chapman*

14/12/44  
Room 8 5th Floor.  
Ext 686. PS S/C

Colonel  
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Political Seco

Have you any views on 2A please

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10 Dec 1944

CA Section 1

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(to whom)

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*John W. Chapman*  
Sec. 16  
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Can you please refer me to the Admin. Sec. in question  
*John W. Chapman*

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for VP

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
A.P.O. 394  
PUBLIC SAFETY US COMMISSION  
SECURITY DIVISION

REF : 27510.05

8 November 1945

SUBJECT : Captain ZDRAVILIC MAJLAN

TO : P.A.C., A.M.C. XIII Corps

1. A copy of a letter from the Jugoslav AGI is forwarded for your attention.
2. Please inform this office of the circumstances of this case.

*Frank Wilson Hall*  
JOHN F. HALL,  
Colonel . . . . .  
Director Public Safety,  
US Commission.

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MAJUGOSLAV DELEGATION  
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br. 1480

Rome, 25 October 1945.

Subject: Release of Captain  
ZDRAVLJIC MARIJAN  
belonging to Jugoslav Army

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To: HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION



1. Zdravljic Marijan, Slovene national, born at Klodic (Slov.littoral) on 27 February 1917, student of medicine, joined in September 1943, the ranks of the NLAJ fighting against the Germans. He has been appointed as a Captain of the Jugoslav Army and decorated for gallantry.

2. On June 1945 he went home for sick leave, having got only Jugoslav documents, as Allied travel orders were not necessary at that time. On 29 June 1945 he visited Cedat (Cividale), where he intended to perform medical practice in the local hospital. There he was arrested on 30 June 1945, first by Italian and then by British Police. Since that time he remains in prison at Udine.

3. The Italian Procuratore alleged him: A. For treason of Italy by making propaganda for annexation of his region to Jugoslavia and consequently for his work against the Italian State, whose subject he is supposed to be. B. For armed plunder and murder. C. For arbitrary arresting and lesion of private homes. D. For offence of Italian Flag. E. For hindering Italian Patriots in their attempt to organize detachments. And so on

4. Captain Zdravljic denied all those charges as untrue and stated that everything he has done, he did as a member of the Jugoslav Army and Jugoslav citizen. He emphasized that he was working according instructions of the Antifascist Council for National Liberation of Jugoslavia (M.V.N.O.J.).

5. Capt. Zdravljic is a member of the Jugoslav Army and it is consequently clear that Italian tribunals are not competent to try him, moreover because of imputations for deeds done in the period of his service in the Jugoslav Army and during the War against the Nazi-Fascist.

6. Allied Authorities charged him for not having had a permission from Allied Authorities, notwithstanding that he came in Slovenian Littoral on 10 June 1945, (and the mentioned permissions were introduced after the Agreement met on June 20th, 1945). He was charged also for being in possession of notes concerning Concentration Camps, Prisoners and war damages. It has not yet been decided whether Italian or Allied Court will try him.

7. Application is made herewith on behalf of the Jugoslav Government that the a/m should be released immediately and handed over to this Delegation.

*Dr. Slovens Smoldlaka* 1386  
Dr. Slovens Smoldlaka  
Deputy Representative of Jugoslavia  
to the Advisory Council for Italy

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Public Safety Sub-Commission  
AFU 394

Ref : N78800

19 December, 1944.

AC/14003/2/PS

SUBJECT : ex P.W. Russian.

TO : Regional Commissioner Abruzzi Marche Reg.  
Attention UPSO.

1. With reference to your letter R5/514/29 dated 11 December, 1944, concerning ex Russian P.W. VASILIEV Stefano.

2. This man should be dealt with in accordance with M.C. M.I. Admin. Instruction No.31, dated 17 June, 1944, para 4.

Para 4 reads:

\* EVALUATION

Russian PW will be evacuated through normal channels to 368 PW Camp, TARANTO, under escort."

3. Will you therefore report this case to the appropriate Military authorities so that the procedure outlined in para 4 of Admin. Instruction no.31 can be put into effect.

*JW*  
JOHN W. CHAPMAN  
Colonel, J.A.G.D.  
Director Public Safety  
Sub-Commission.

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TO : HQ.AC. Public Safety Sub Commission.  
 FROM : HQ.AAC/A.C. Abruzzi-Marche Region.  
 SUBJECT : Ex P.W. Russian.  
 REF : R5/51h/29.  
 DATE : 11 December 1944.

1. The Questura of Collelungo di Montemollo del Tronto, close to Ascoli has found an ex Russian P.W. living there.
2. The Questore states this man VAS'CEZILIN Stefano was born at Linsk 25 June 1919. He was invited to join Allied Forces or be repatriated but refused both.
3. P.P.S.O. Ascoli has asked for a ruling as to his disposal.
4. Your observations will be appreciated.

FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER:

  
 S. PICKERING,  
 Lt. Colonel,  
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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
R.C. & M.C. SECTION  
APO 394

21 June 1944

Ref /760/4/CA

SUBJECT: P.O.W. Russian Nationality.

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1. HQ. AAC Administrative Instruction No. 31 dated 17 June 1944

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## ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 2

PW OF RUSSIAN NATIONALITY

This instruction cancels all previous instructions issued by this HQ on the administration of PW of Russian nationality.

1. GENERAL

For the purpose of this instruction the term "Russian PW" means PW and deserters of Russian Nationality who, immediately prior to their capture or desertion, were serving in the German Armed Forces.

2. INTERROGATION

All PW claiming Russian nationality, will be interrogated in the normal way. Should any particular PW be required by the Intelligence Staff for special purposes he will be routed to CSDIC and will not come within the scope of this instruction.

3. SEPARATION

Russian PW will be treated in all respects as enemy PW, but immediately Russian nationality has been established they will be segregated from, and where possible kept out of sight of, other prisoners.

4. EVACUATION

Russian PW will be evacuated through normal channels to 368 PW Camp, TARANTO, under escort.

5. DOCUMENTATION/PROCESSING

Normal documentation/processing will be carried out. Russian PW captured by American Fifth Army will be transferred to British ownership and redocumented on arrival at 368 PW Camp, TARANTO.

6. SELECTION

HQ 2 District will arrange with Russian Military Mission for a representative of that mission to interrogate all Russian PW held in 368 PW Camp to ascertain suitability for employment with Russian forces.

7. DISPOSAL

This instruction cancels all previous instructions issued by this HQ on the administration of PW or Russian nationality.

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3. SOCERATION

Russian PW will be treated in all respects as enemy PW, but immediately Russian nationality has been established they will be segregated from, and where possible kept out of sight of, other prisoners.

4. EVACUATION

Russian PW will be evacuated through normal channels to 368 PW Camp, TARANTO, under escort.

5. DOCUMENTATION/PROCESSING

Normal documentation/processing will be carried out. Russian PW captured by American Eighth Army will be transferred to British ownership and redocumented on arrival at 368 PW Camp, TARANTO.

6. SELECTION

HQ 2 District will arrange with Russian Military Mission for a representative of that mission to interrogate all Russian PW held in 368 PW Camp to ascertain suitability for employment with Russian forces.

7. DISPOSAL

(a) Russian PW selected, in accordance with para 6 above, as suitable for future service with the Russian forces will remain segregated from other PW and will be evacuated, under escort, in the status of PW, to Middle East where they will be treated as Russian repatriates. No Russian PW will be released from PW status until arrived in Middle East. Movement will be arranged by HQ 2 District who will signal details to GHQ Middle East prior to embarkation.

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(b) Russian P.W. not selected for exchange with Russian forces will cease to be segregated and will be treated in all respects as German P.W.

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