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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 75

Meeting opned at 1607 hrs on Tuesday 16 Jan 45.

1 POINTS FROM THE LAST MEETING, held Friday, 12 Jan 45.

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(d) Accommodation (3(e)). The VP said that the situation at the Flora was under consideration.

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(h) Text-Books. (5(d)). Education is working on the completion of lists of text-books.

2 POINTS FROM COS MEETING.

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(a) Seditious Article in " I'Partigiani". An article appeared in " I'Partigiani" stating that patriots were not prepared to join the Italian Army or even assist the Allied Armies. The Chief Commissioner is considering whether any action should be taken to suppress the paper.

(b) COS's Tour
(i) The COS is going on tour tomorrow, chiefly visiting 5 Army and Tuscane Region. The VP asked the meeting to give him at once any points they would like the COS to take up while he is away.
(ii) Owing to the absence of the COS on Friday there will be no COS meeting, so the Sub-Commissions' meeting scheduled for Friday, 19 Jan 45 will be postponed until Tuesday 23 Jan 45 unless Heads of Sub-Commissions are notified otherwise.

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(iii) The COS would like all Directors and Deputy Directors (preferably not together) to visit, within the next two months, every Regional Headquarters in Italy. This need not necessarily include Sicily and Sardinia.

(c) Basic News. The VP has put in a very strong plea that Basic News or a similar paper should be continued. PWB no longer distributes the news; it is left to agencies who are now permitted to operate in Italy to sell news to the newspapers. This gives rise to obvious difficulties in continuing the Basic News but the P.R.O. has been instructed to see what can be done.

(d) Sums of Money to Families of Deceased Patriots. The Patriot Representative in Florence has put a notice in the papers saying that he will pay 10,000 lire to families of deceased patriots who were members of the Action Squads of the Communist Party, the Christian Democracy or the Liberal Party. The VP had instructed SCAO 5 Army that the representative must either return to Rome to clarify his orders or he must put another advertisement in the papers stating he is willing to pay families of all patriots without regard to race, religion or politics.

NB. Since the meeting the VP has been informed that the latter alternative will be followed.

(e) Clearing of Publicity Releases. With regard to the clearing of releases which effect third parties, as frequently happens (e.g., in the case of the I.R.C., I.N.P.C., etc.,) it is the responsibility of the Sub-Commission concerned to clear with the third party and not the Public Relations Officer, the main reason being that Sub-Commissions are more closely in touch with the person concerned.

The VP said he would like to impress on Heads of Sub-Commissions that care should be taken when having chance conversations with press correspondents. It was always the best method to have a formal interview and ask for a draft of the proposed article, than to talk off the record.

(f) Mutilation of Signals or Code Words. The VP asked all Heads of Sub-Commissions before reporting to another Headquarters a signal received from a lower Hq. to ensure that no mutilations are passed on or code words used which are not understood.

(g) Collated reports for transmission to London and Washington. There are so many organisations and bodies, such as PWB, OSS, AC and others all sending conflicting views on conditions in Liberated Italy that the COS is putting up the proposition of forming a committee under the chairmanship of someone in Allied Commission who will collate reports weekly or fortnightly for onward transmission to London and Washington.

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3 GENERAL

Appreciation of Situation in N.", Italy. The appreciation is now ready and will be sent to Sub-Commissions.

4 POINTS FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS.

(a) Col. Chapman said that he had seen Maj. Crawford today in regard to the Olive Oil Amassing and they had decided that Public Safety had no place in the organisation of the amassing except in the control of the police.

(b) Newspaper articles. An article has recently appeared in "Republicano" (a very representative newspaper) attacking the Air Ministry. It is, Col. Chapman understands, under investigation.

(c) Col. Findley reported athat the Bishop of Certona has offered a very large, clean house for accommodating 1,000 refugees.

The meeting closed at 1631 hrs.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 74

14010

Meeting opened at 1602 hrs on Friday, 12 Jan 45.

1 The VP introduced Lord Schuster who is planning for Austria and has come to AC to study its methods and the improvements made since Tizi-Ouzou days.

2 Points from the last Meeting, held Tuesday 9 Jan 45.

(a) Work of Italian Courts. Col. Behrens stated that the Legal Sub-Commission has had no reply from Southern Region with regard to the working of Italian Courts in that area.

(b) Priorities Board. The Priorities Board is holding its first meeting on Saturday, 13 Jan 45 and they hope to consider some of the bids as well as their own office procedure. Col. Grimes asked all Sub-Commissions to put in their claims to Priorities Board, sending him a copy of their demands. The chief Sub-Commissions involved are Public Health, Displaced Persons and Public Safety.

(c) The Situation in Sicily. Col. Chapman said that Lt. Col. Snook had telephoned that afternoon stating that the situation was very much more favourable. It was felt that there might be a few outbreak in the south west of the island.

(d) Overcrowding in the Regina Coeli Prison. The VP said he had discussed the question with Legal and very little could be done with regard to hastening the disposal of cases by altering the rules of procedure. The question of obtaining more judges has been gone into by Legal Sub-Commission. Col. Behrens said the main drawback was lack of transport. The VP asked Col. Behrens to press the matter further and he felt that the Italian Government should be persuaded to supply transport.

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The question as to whether Allied censorship (for our own information in finding the underlying reason for the Resuse revolt) should be re-introduced in Sicily had been suggested. No decision had been made.

(c) The Ministry of Occupied Italy. The Chief Commissioner has not approved the draft decree and is writing to the Supreme Allied Commander, pointing out his objections. It is to be suggested to the Italian Government that it be more of a planning Ministry for the time being.

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(d) San Marino. The Republic of San Marino have objected to the action of the Regional Commissioner of Emilia Region in withdrawing the liaison officer. This action had been taken as the liaison officer has nothing to do. At the present time he goes to San Marino twice a week. Probably he would be re-instated as we had a surplus of officers.

(e) Accommodation.

(i) The VP had mentioned the dissatisfaction of many officers with regard to their accommodation, especially as regards the Flora Hotel. The COS and the Camp Commandant are taking the matter up to see what improvements can be made.

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(iii) Heating of AC. Some Welsh steam coal has been found which is being transported here for the heating system. Public Works are investigating the possibility of installing oil burners and arrangements are in hand for providing a generator for light.

(iv) The VP said he would like to remind Heads of Sub-Commissions that if and when anyone in their Sub-Commission has to move from their room the telephone exchange should be notified.

(f) Signal Procedure. Signal Procedure in AC Headquarters has been getting rather slack. The COS has laid down that all signals will be signed "From HQ ALCOM". No names may appear on the telegrams. A specimen telegram can be found in the Daily Bulletin of 28 Oct 44.

(g) Training for EW/ORs. Plans for a training programme for EW/ORs are under discussion at the moment by MTOUSA and the British authorities. At a later date, further instructions will be given on this matter.

(h) Olive Oil Amassing. No instructions with regard to olive oil amassing have yet been put out. They will be co-ordinated with Legal and Public Safety.

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5. Points from Individual Officers

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(a) A Dye for Patriots Clothing. Maj. Drage was asked by the VP to try to find a blue dye for patriots clothing to replace the present black.

(b) Decrees affecting Public Safety. Col. Chapman said that he was not consulted by the Italians before the decrees re Finanza and Carabinieri were published. The VP said he thought Gen. Orlando should consult Col. Chapman before publication.

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(c) Relationships with the Vatican. Col. Fa Wald said that his Sub-Commission are endeavouring to improve their relationships with the Vatican and enlist their co-operation.

(d) 15% reduction for Women Employees. Maj. Washburne said that Col. Bromsford cannot find anything in Italian law about the 15% reduction for women's pay. Labour S/C, it appears, can give no concrete information. He is submitting a memorandum.

Text Books Maj. Washburne will let the WD have a complete list of text books - where they have been distributed, what books have been distributed, how many and to what district, giving figures up to the first week in January.

(e) Patriots Clothing. Maj. Drago said that on sending an officer to collect some part worn clothing from Naples, MMA had refused the officer their permission to collect the clothes. The WD asked that the matter should be discussed at a conference on Saturday with Patriots and Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commissions.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 73

12010

Meeting opened at 1605 hrs on Tuesday, 9 Jan 45.

1 Points from the COS Meeting.

(a) Col. Cripps reported that all the special reports asked for for the Acting President had been received.

(b) Military Zones. A scheme had been drawn up and submitted to AFHQ for approval together with a draft Order so that if an emergency should arise, the necessary orders and instructions for declaring a Military Zone should be immediately available.

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(f) It was reported from MEDUSA that American promotions are being unfrozen. Some promotions of those already recommended might be expected within two days and the remainder within 10 days.

(g) No. 2 District have moved from Florence to Ostia and have been given additional responsibilities. They would continue to be responsible for co-ordinating planning for North West Italy and Col. Jordan would be AMG Liaison with them.

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(l) Olive Oil Amassing. The Italian Government was proposing to stop and search trains but it was understood that AC Officers would not be used for this purpose. The Executive side will be carried out by Italians. AC officers would organise, stimulate and control.

(m) UNRRA Directive and draft GRO had been approved and was being despatched to AFHQ.

(n) The Italian Government has renewed relations with China.

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(o) There is a distinctly grave situation in Sicily near Ragusa - 200 rioters had blown up bridges, cut communications and attacked the CC.RR. General Ronca was in command and had at his disposal 9,000 CC.RR. and 10,000 Troops. There was no reason to suppose that he could not deal with the situation.

(p) Land Forces Sub-Commission had asked for the repatriation of 31,000 technicen POWs to complete requirements for the reorganised Italian Army.

2. GENERAL

(a) A special film of Devastated Areas, which had been taken by the Italian Government, was to be shown at the PWB building at 1800 hrs. on 10 Jan 45. The film was good and S/Cs were advised to see it.

(b) It was undesirable for S/Cs to arrange conferences away from Headquarters. Doing so necessitated leaving their offices without sufficient staff and removal of papers necessary at Headquarters.

(c) It was explained that the failure of the heating system was due to the fact that the system was a modern one with electric stoking. When the current failed, the stoking failed. The matter was in hand.

3. POINTS FROM INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS.

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(e) A committee of experts had been formed to take over the responsibility for the restoration of Italian monuments, the reorganisation of museums, and galleries and to provide employment for artists, musicians, etc.

(f) Attention was drawn to the unsuitability of a command car without side screens for officers on long journeys in this weather. Col. Cripps to take up with Hq Commandant.

(g) Attention was called to the long period between the apparent date of letters from Italian Ministries and the date of receipt in this office.

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CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 72

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Col. Fothergill said he would like to suggest that the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission should remain on the second floor or as low as possible owing to the number of visitors they have during the day.

(b) CLN in 8th Army Area. Wing Commander Beer stated that the attitude of the CLN had changed on the formation of the new Bonomi Government, possibly owing to Bonomi's announcement that the CLN was to be recognised.
Communists were now holding meetings but their premises were raided. This had not seemed to matter much as they simply changed their place of meeting. They were contesting wage rates in army areas and in fact, there was a general feeling of an underground political movement and a general stiffening of resistance of all left elements to AMG.
Collection of arms and shotguns was a farce and had become even more difficult recently.

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(e) Olive Oil Amassing. The Chief Commissioner had directed that AC should help the Italian Government with the amassing of oil, rather on the same lines as AC helped the harvesting. It was felt that 60 Officers and 60 EM/ORs would be sufficient. They were being lent from Venezia Region and there was to be no publicity or press. A plan would have to be drawn up whereby the position of the Allied officer was safeguarded, also to ensure the fullest co-operation was forthcoming from the Italians. Legal and Public Safety would be consulted in the formation of the plan.

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Lt. Col. White said that if one Region was to be adopted then it would only be workable if there were travelling inspectors with special powers, to travel on behalf of the different sections. Capt. Temple said it would be dangerous to allocate sections to the different travelling officers as it would get back to the three Regions again.

Maj. Dollard said that one Region might mean a loss of individuality in treatmat of Italians and therefore it was not, perhaps, advisable.

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Lt. Col. Grossman said it presented a series of personality questions such as the need for a very good man as Regional Commissioner. Also Provincial Commissioners, as much more responsibility would be on their shoulders.

The VP said that the feeling of the meeting had swung from one side to the other; that there were certain advantages in both ideas but he felt that really, all Sub-Commissions could work under either suggestion. The Economic Section's views were very much more important.

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MINUTES OF CHIEF'S MEETING
AT
HELD IN A.F.H.Q. MESS FOR THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

No. 71

Meeting opened at 0930 hrs on Wednesday, 3 Jan 44.

1 The Vt introduced Lt Colonel Stone who has very ably come to grips with questions with regard to the operation of the transport pool.

a) Col. Robertson explained that it was not possible to extend the 4 hour expedition of tests to 48 hour. Col. Robertson said he was carrying out policy laid down by Lieut. Gen. Eisenhower. This difficulty could easily be overcome if officers would ring Broadcasting and ask for a car in order to run a test. Civilian special mission, such as a visit to the Ministry, etc.

b) The question was then brought up with regard to accommodation for Italian civilians on military transport moving to and fro. Col. Robertson said there were the following rulings:

(i) A.F.H.Q. Administrative Memorandum No 65, para 3 dated 26 Dec 43 (attached).

(ii) A.F.H.Q. Establishment Memorandum No 30 which states that a civilian driver is paid 20 lire per day if away for more than 10 hours (rations are purchased from P.X. Commandant. Col. Robertson is trying to get the allowance increased).

(iii) Daily Bulletin 190 - 191 dated 24 - 25 June 43 authorizing the issuing of rations for number of days authorized on travel orders.

c) Col. Robertson said that in No 2 it would be easy to accommodate Italian Army drivers with the Italian Army personnel stationed in the vicinity. Col. Robertson is taking up with the Establishment Section the suggestion that at lower levels than regions, they should have lists of lodgings and rates fixed for Italian drivers.

d) Drivers have been instructed what to do in emergencies.

e) Time to attend meetings usually held at 1030 a.m. Col. Robertson said that air passages were available and the previous evening was generally sufficient notice. Also he hoped/arrange again alternative a coach with sleeping accommodation on the night train to Naples.

f) Col. Robertson said that when trying to get a car from the Super Garage he found that apparently 3 good cars were being held there for a Col. Eisner. Col. Robertson said he would take this up.

g) Col. Robertson said he would like to impress on officers that a personal visit to the Allocation Office is very much better than long letters on the subject of cars. Also, if officers had any queries to do with cars, would they ring up the Allocation Office and not the Super Garage.

2 Points from last meeting, held on Friday, 29 Dec 43

a) Transfer of Garage to Livorno. - No report has yet been received by Movito Smith.

b) Use Postponement of according to Malta. - The new Embassy is to be installed in Naples on the 6 Jan 44 and a letter had been prepared for the signature of the Chief Commissioner to the Prime Minister stating that when he had been installed Embassy in Naples would be handed over. The Vt thought

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c) Addressing of Cables. - Instructions with regard to the addressing of cables to ..HQ's also being circulated to all Sub-Commissions.

d) Travelers leaving this H.Q. - The VP asked all heads of Sub-Commissions to inform him a days before they intended to go on a tour or leave Rome for more than a day or two.

e) Electric situation. - The VP asked Col. Dressel to get a list from Lt. Col. Hammond of the kinds of instrument who have to be operating work it hours and therefore should have a 24 hours supply of electricity.

5 POINTS FROM FIELD-MARSHAL ALEXANDER'S MEETING.

a) Col. Oliver inquired if the $20,000 Gen. Alexander's participation in stock should be subtracted from Field-Marshal Alexander's rank, or should field Marshal Alexander's name be blacked out entirely and his successor's name substituted. The VP said he would like to talk the matter over at the meeting.

b) Col. Cummings stated that he would like to report that all Evacuation Officers have leaving tomorrow, Thursday, for an Evacuation Conference in Florence they would be back on Monday. The VP said that he could not agree with this and that one officer must remain in the Sub-Commissions office.

c) Col. Cummings stated that he would like to inform the meeting that all Military Travel Authorities (M.T.A.) of the private cars in Europe to be turned through Public Safety was shown to G-2. ..HQ. ..FTO and passed to this one for cutting out in accordance to their previous order.

d) Col. Cummings stated that he would also like to report that a number of vehicles checks had been installed in Rome and that all drivers should be instructed to stop when signaled to do so by Uniformed police or M.P.'s. The VP to stop such signals to check that they are putting this order out in their Local Col. Cummings to check that they are putting this order out in their Orders so that it can be reported in ..HQ Orders.

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The meeting closed at 1710 hours.

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POINTS FOR DISCUSSION AT MEETING.

a) Col. Spicer inquired if the £10,000 per Alexander's participate in stock should be reported with Field-Marshal Alexander's name, as should Field Marshal Alexander's name be placed out entirely and his responsible name substituted. The C.P. said he would like to know the result of the meeting.

b) Maj. Ballance stated that he would like to report that all Demolition Officers were leaving tonight, Thursday, for an Operation Conference in Normandy. They will be back on Monday. The C.P. said that he could agree with this and that one officer must remain in the Sub-Commissariat Office.

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OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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(c) Regional Commissioners. There will probably be a Regional Commissioners meeting early in January.

(d) Group Capt. Benson reported that he had found 6 Ambulances for 8 Army and he hopes to get 24. An Italian Committee has offered 5 Ambulances with staff and drivers which the VP felt should be offered to 5 Army.

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(e) Establishment Section reported that Displaced Persons & Repatriation Sub-Commission have had four cars stolen and have had several accidents. Col. Findley said he would like to contest this statement.

(f) Establishment Section reported that in conjunction with RAMC they have secret military police in Rome stopping taxis doing journeys with civilians. This is to try and alleviate AC taxis taking fares from civilians.

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(b) Col. Spicer reported that the Patriots recruiting Agencies had been much more successful lately since the patriots had been having better food, clothing and treatment. Where before they got 6 - 7 they are now averaging up to 200 recruits.

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(c) Col. Spicer said he also had many enquiries why he did not collect clothing from among civilians for patriots. The VP said he felt that patriots should not rely on the generosity of the inhabitants; that this should be the work of the Italian Red Cross for Devestated Areas and refugees. The Army should be responsible for clothing patriots. The VP said Patriots Branch should take up the question with Land Forces Sub-Commission now that a new telegram had arrived from AFHQ giving authority for clothing for patriots.

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The meeting closed at 1650 hrs.

J.C. HARVEY, J/Cdr.,
PA to VP CA Section.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 69

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Meeting opened at 1602 hrs on Tuesday 26 Dec 44.

The VP said he hoped that everyone had enjoyed their Christmas.

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(a) Signing of Documents "By Command of the Chief Commissioner". (1(a)) Civil Affairs Office Instructions to stand.

(b) Prison Rations. (2(b)) No decision has yet been given by the Chief Commissioner. The VP stated that he would bring the matter again before the Chief Commissioner at his next meeting for a decision.
Col. Cripps said he thought there was some misunderstanding with regard to the rations. The position was that the rations were to be decreased by 150 grams in Rome and increased throughout the rest of the country to bring the overall ration to 300 grams for all prisons.

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2 Points from the Chief of Staff's Meeting.

(a) Study of the Italian language. The COS felt that too many officers, particularly those in the field are not familiar with the Italian language and the question of Italian Classes is under consideration.

The VP said that arising out of this he would like to add that some officers at Hq held conversations with their opposite number in the Italian Government without an interpreter. He would like to ask all

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officers to use an interpreter for all professional conversations. This should not effect those who were really bi-lingual (mainly Allied nationals of Italian origin).

(b) Public Relations officer has not yet issued a directive with regard to press conferences.

3 Points arising from the VP's visit to London.

(a) The VP had seen the Permanent Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs who felt that communications with Eritrea, Tripolitania, and all other former Italian colonies (which it was uncertain whether they would be returned to Italy) should not be allowed. Even informal communications were dangerous. The VP. stated that CA Section should continue their policy of not permitting any communications with Italian colonies.

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4 Points from Officers.

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Lt. Col. De Weld said he had not been assigned a car. Col. Cripps is taking the matter up.

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Amendment to Minutes No. 67. Col. Spicer asked for the word "appointed" in the second line of para 2 (b) to be replaced by the word "submitted" in the minutes of the meeting held on Friday, the 15 Dec 44.

Meeting closed at 1643 hrs.

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PA to VP CA Section.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
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NO. 48

Meeting opened at 1605 hrs on Friday, 22 Dec 44.

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2 Points from DC's Meeting.

(a) It is proposed to give more freedom to the Press with regard to getting its news from PWB but this will not come into effect until after 15 Jan 45. There is some opposition to this. Gen. Alexander had stated that he wanted more freedom of the Press and everything should be done to settle this as soon as possible.

Interviews to be granted to Italian Press will be carried out in Sections. They are to be referred to the VP of the Section concerned and he will decide whether any Sub-Commission should be interviewed or not - his decision to be final. Public Relations are drawing up a directive for the guidance of Heads of Sections as to what information can be disclosed.

Col. Selton stated that he had had considerable experience in these matters and he thought it dangerous - words are hopelessly misconstrued. The question of the Press submitting drafts of articles to the Section concerned was discussed and the A/VP said he would ask the VP to represent this at the next COS meeting.

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Points from COS Meeting.

(a) Radio Telephones are coming into effect at an early date but at present will only be used by CC., COS and DCOSs.

(b) Transport workers. Transport workers in Rome are taking a week's holiday. No date has been laid down.

(c) Naval Deserters. There are now 35 Naval deserters being brought to trial. Col. Behrens stated they could be tried by an AMG Court and we could try them for murder, but we could not shoot them.

Brig. Love is holding a conference next week on the question of deserters and brigands. Col. Behrens to attend.

(d) Christmas Day. Those in key positions are to leave instructions as to where they can be found during the day. It was decided that a Duty Officer should be on duty for Public Safety, Public Health and Local and one Duty Officer for Local Government, Patriots and Civil Affairs. Arrangements as to clerks to be made later.

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(f) Black Market. It was announced that the Black Market Control Section is Leslie Reid he will not now come under the control of Public Safety Sub-Commission.

(g) Riot in Sicily. The COS was concerned over the riot in Sicily. It was pointed out that the cause of the riot appeared to be the short notice of the call-up.

(h) Casualties from Allied Drivers in Rome. There is now an average of 15 casualties a day in Rome caused by Allied drivers. This might be due to driving too fast or possibly to the carelessness and jaywalking of pedestrians.

Maj. Dollard thought that the very bright lights used by some trucks might contribute to the number of accidents.

A letter is to be sent to Rome Area on the subject.

4 Ortona. Col. Chapman said he had received a report on the Ortona disturbance. The Carabinieri had locked themselves in the stations and refused to come out. The Fire Service had refused to turn out as they were afraid of bombs.

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Meeting closed at 1650 hrs.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 67

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The A/VP, Brig. Parkinson, was in the Chair.

1 Points from last meeting, held Friday, 15 Dec 44.

(a) Lt. Col. White said he would like to point out that having read the Memorandum on Elections he had changed his mind and strongly opposed elections. He said that the matter of primary importance was to find out who and what the Italian Government wished to elect and what powers these people could exercise. Col. Spicer said that he wished to remain neutral and that the Memorandum was written as an open paper. He would like to point out that there were Councils at present in existence. They are:

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(c) Military Aid to the Civil Power. Clarification is needed and Col. Chapman, Public Safety, is preparing a Memorandum on the matter and taking it up with No. 3 District.

(d) Signing of documents "By Command of the Chief Commissioner". The Chief Commissioner felt that some check should be made on documents leaving this Headquarters signed "By Command of the Chief Commissioner". He felt that the delegation of power to sign in that manner should be left to COSs, DCOSs, Heads of Sections and Heads of Independent Sub-Commissions. As all letters going to senior formations are signed in that way the principle might be difficult to follow. Col. Shipp is amending Office Memorandum No. 17.

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Col. Shipp's suggestions were that all "Category 'C'" in the Int Staff Duties Memorandum would omit "By Command of the Chief Commissioner" and the letter would be signed by the Senior Officer of the Section. Col. Shipp is also to clarify layout of letters and communications with the Italian Government. No immediate action to be taken.

(e) Threats to Workers when leaving the Allies Employment. This was brought up at the last meeting. It is exceptionally difficult to get any evidence and each case should be taken on its merits.

(f) Christmas Holidays. Christmas Day is to be treated like a Sunday. Brig. Perkinson asked Heads of Sub-Commissions how they arranged the one day a week off. It felt that before any change was made, CA Section should await the VP's return. The A/VP felt personally that it was best to leave it to the Heads of Sub-Commissions to decide.

Col. Spicer said that Local Government and Patriots have one fixed day for all - Sunday - with one duty officer on duty.

Col. Chapman said Public Safety Officers choose their day off.

Col. Fothergill said that Displaced Persons stagger their days off. It was left to the officer to choose his day.

Maj. Washburne said that Sunday was a wasted day if they came in. His Officers had Sundays off.

Lt. Col. De Wald said that in Monuments and Fine Arts the Officers choose their day off.

Col. Behrens stated that Legal Officers choose their day off.

The census of opinion of the meeting was that it was best to leave it to Sub-Commissions to choose which policy they adopted.

With regard to Christmas Day it was decided to have one duty officer on duty all day for CA Section, Brig. Perkinson volunteering for the afternoon. The question of clerks will be decided later - whether there should be one clerk for the Section or one clerk per Sub-Commission.

Maj. Rankin enquired whether the same was to apply for New Year's Day.

(g) Statement by Nenni in London Press. Local Government is checking and making a report on Nenni's statement that of the 57 Prefects appointed only 3 have been approved by AC. Col. Spicer stated that he wished to make it quite clear that no inquiries were made or records kept as to the politics of Prefects.

(h) Complaint from G-5. G-5 complained that four or five different approaches were being made to them on return of Prisoners of War. They are prepared to accept correspondence on that subject through 2 channels - Prisoners of War and Displaced Persons Sub-Commissions.

(i) Security in 8th Army. Complaints have been received that the Italian Government were sending documents in Italian to Prefects through Public Safety without translations.

Lt. Col. White to investigate this matter.

Col. Spicer said that communications from the Italian Government to Prefects, etc., in Italian were sent through his Sub-Commission to the Regional Commissioners for whatever action they thought fit to take. (These letters are not censored or translated.) It was suggested that

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Col. Spicer said that Local Government and Patriots have one fixed day for all - Sunday - with one duty officer on duty.

Col. Chevern said Public Safety Officers choose their day off.

Col. Fothergill said that Displaced Persons stagger their days off. It was left to the officer to choose his day.

Maj. Washburne said that Sunday was a wasted day if they came in. His Officers had Sundays off.

Lt. Col. De Wald said that in Monuments and Fine Arts the Officers choose their days off.

Col. Behrens stated that Legal Officers choose their day off.

The consus of opinion of the meeting was that it was best to leave it to Sub-Commissions to choose which policy they adopted.

With regard to Christmas Day it was decided to have one duty officer on duty all day for G5 Section, Brig. Perkinson volunteering for the afternoon. The question of clerks will be decided later - whether there should be one clerk for the Section or one clerk per Sub-Commission.

Maj. Rorkes enquired whether the arms were to apply for New Year's Day.

(g) Statement by Nenni in London Press. Local Government is checking and making a report on Nenni's statement that of the 57 Prefects appointed only 9 have been approved by AC. Col. Spicer stated that he wished to make it quite clear that no inquiries were made or records kept as to the politics of Prefects.

(h) Complaint from G-5. G-5 complained that four or five different approaches were being made to them on return of Prisoners of War. They are prepared to accept correspondence on that subject through 2 channels - Prisoners of War and Displaced Persons Sub-Commissions.

(i) Security in 8th Army. Complaints have been received that the Italian Government were sending documents in Italian to Prefects through Public Safety without translations.

Lt. Col. White to investigate this matter.

Col. Spicer said that communications from the Italian Government to Prefects, etc., in Italian were sent through his Sub-Commission to the Regional Commissioners for whatever action they thought fit to take. (These letters are not censored or translated.) It was suggested that it should be taken up at the next COS meeting whether this correspondence should be allowed to continue.

(j) Distribution of Letters and Memorandums. Col. Fiske said that he thought that this had been carried to an excess. The A/VP stated that he thought it was difficult to lay down any hard and fast rule.

(k) Promotions of American Officers. Everything possible was being done in AC and it appears that the difficulties are with MTOUSA.

Col. Greig reported that coal has been refused for the manufacture of glass in the devastated areas. Another interesting point was that although this building was Italian Government property it came under R/C and their

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authority must be obtained before the glass could be removed from all offices in AC. The Prime Minister's consent has already been given but that is not enough.

The C.T. Company had not arrived in Aquila but was expected any time. The food was coming in satisfactorily.

4 Col. Spicer said that Capt. Temple had been called to the Ministry on Saturday at 1220 hrs. He had rung for a taxi which he had to wait twenty minutes for. On arrival at the Ministry he had dismissed the taxi as instructed and could not get another one.

Col. Spicer also wished to know whether any particular use was obtained from the Censorship Reports by Heads of Sub-Commissions, inasmuch as it was forbidden to make any practicable use of the information received, which was always old.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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Meeting opened at 1405 hrs on Friday, 15 Dec 44.

A/VC. Brig. Perkinson was in the Chair.

The A/VC outlined points raised at this morning's Chief of Staff's meeting:

(a) Status of Italian POWs & WD. It was been recommended that Italian Prisoners of War Sub-Commission be transferred to Land Forces Sub-Commission. The transfer of the War Materials Disposal half of the Sub-Commission is still under consideration. The CC said that he was opposed to attaching War Materials Disposal to the Economic Section and that it should remain independent.
This question is being looked into.

(b) UNRRA are being asked to sign the usual agreement with the Italian Government before they start to operate.

(c) Prison Ration. This question was again brought up. The CC felt strongly that before a cut was made in the Rome ration a full report should be put in.
The question was also discussed as to whether the ration should be cut at once or gradually.
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(d) Monuments and Fine Arts. The CC was going to sign a letter on the subject of AFHQ's Administrative Memorandum No. 54.

(e) Security in Rome. This question was also discussed. Lt. Col. White reported that a letter to AFHQ was already in draft and would be forwarded to Public Safety that day.
Col. Spicer stated that several reports had been forwarded to him of gangs, including the Five Ambroni Brothers and others alleged to be ex-Patrioti, who had been terrorising Rome. He had forwarded these reports direct to Questori, Rome. He asked Col. Chapman whether these reports should be forwarded direct or through his Sub-Commission. Col. Chapman said that he would prefer them to go through his Sub-

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(f) Repatriation of Italians from Eritrea A/VP reported that this matter has now gone a step further in that the Italian Govern ent is to make a request that the Italians be transferred to Italy, but nothing will happen for the next 5 or 6 months.

(g) Municipal Election. A report is now in the hands of the Political Section. After discussion it appeared that the opinion of the majority of members was that Elections should be held, although several had not seen the Memorandum of Local Government Sub-Commission. Col. Spicer agreed to circulate copies of the Memorandum.

(h) UNRRA A/VP reported that UNRRA is applying for shipping from the Pool although there is to be a 10% cut in the Pool. To provide the 200 gram ration throughout the country needs 8 ships per month.

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(i) Personnel. A/W reported that an experiment is being tried out by replacing non-technical officers by others. Col. Gevers has been replaced by Col. Pace (a Public Health Officer) as R.P.H.O.

(j) AFHQ. The Chief of Staff suggested that in any application for assistance, a good case must be made out, then it would be less likely to be cut about by G-5. AFHQ are always ready to help if a good case is made. Letters will be so framed in future.

(k) Press. An article in "L'Avanti" hitting out at the Prime Minister was discussed. It was pointed out that there is no political censorship of the press, and that it would be difficult to do so. The question of interference with the military situation was also raised.

The A/W pointed out that if this condition were allowed to go on it would get out of hand. The question was asked whether the Italian Government should be asked to take action. Lt. Col. White suggested that freedom of the Press at the present time meant "Freedom to Lie, Freedom to Distort, and Freedom to Exaggerate". The question of suppressing Avanti for a time was discussed. Lt. Col. White stated that he had referred to this matter in his report on Security in Rome.

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It was agreed that the matter be taken up with Col. Robertson.

3 Future Policy for Restored Italy. Col. Spicer reported that from an interview he had had with the Prime Minister he gained the impression that the Italian Government wanted to take over Local Government. The A/VT pointed out this was one of the matters Mr. MacMillan is putting before London and Washington.

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4 Patriots. Col. Spicer reported that a High Commissioner for Patriots ~~[illegible]~~ is now under consideration vice Comitato Liberato Nazionale.

5 Promotions. After a question by Col. Spicer, Col. Chapman outlined the system of promotions in the American Army.

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The meeting closed at 1730 hours.

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COL YOUNG	[illegible]	21/11
LT COL WHITE	[illegible]	[illegible]
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LT COL WHITE	[illegible]	20/XII
MAJ [illegible]		
MAJ WILSON	[illegible]	23
MAJ HANBURY	[illegible]	21/12
MAJ BALLANCE	[illegible]	22
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DEPUTY C[illegible] OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 65

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14010

Meeting opened at 1608 hrs on Tuesday, 12 Dec 44.

The A/VP, Brig. Parkinson, was in the chair.

1 Points from last meeting, held 9 Dec 44.

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Col. Crippa will ask Lt. Col. White to circulate to Sub-Commissions a request for any matters arising on this point.

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Another point is that it might raise the question from the Italian Government that they have prisoners and people from other quarters to be returned.

It was stated that there are large numbers of industrial workers from N. Italy in Eritrea. Also, 1,200 were motor drivers who might prove useful.

(c) Radio Telephone. The A/VP stated that this means of communication was coming into use for transmitting messages across the Atlantic but there are so many restrictions as to its use that it hardly applies to anyone. At present it appears that only the COS and VPs can use it.

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2 Military Assistance to CC.RR. Col. Chapman reported that 5,000 troops had now reported for duty with CC.RR. and are stationed at Legion Headquarters.

3 Light in Police Stations. Col. Chapman reported that enquiry had been made of Electricity Control Board for light and they had promised that light will be given as fast as possible.

4 Paper by Political Section - Municipal Elections. Col. Spicer reported on the progress of this paper which was nearing completion and subject to the A/VP's approval, he intended sending it to Mr. Hopkinson for comments before circulating to Legal and Public Safety. The A/VP agreed to this course.

5 Transport. Col. Spicer raised the question of the taxi service. He stated that 5 o'clock was the usual time for appointments and interviews to be fixed by the various Italian Ministries. At that time the cars were being used to take the female staff home and it was impossible for either he or his officers to get transport and he had only one car to serve 2 Sub-Commissions. Col. Cripps said that he would take the matter up with HQ Commandant.

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The meeting closed at 16.2 hrs.

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COL YOUNG		15/10
COL WILCOX		16/10
J HOPKINSON		
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MAJ HANBURY		16/10
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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 64

Meeting opened at 1000 hrs on Friday, 9 Dec 44.

The Acting Vice President, Brig. Perkinson, was in the chair.

1 Points from last meeting, held 6 Dec 44.

(a) Epuration of Education. The A/VP assured that the epuration of Head Teachers is being held in abeyance until Brig. Upjohn returns.

2 Infiltration of Civilians. Infiltration of civilians into Economic Section and Labour Sub-Commission will take place steadily but as far as is known this infiltration will not effect the Civil Affairs Section.

3 UNRRA. The Chief Commissioner is prepared to loan to UNRRA 2,000 tons of miscellaneous material when they can guarantee shipments to this country of the same commodities. It was thought that owing to the shortage of shipping space this will not be possible until the Spring.

4 CC.RR. The Italian Government hoped to have a round figure of 600 recruits per day into the Army. It was been reported that the present intake is approximately 63 per week. Col. Chapman stated that he understood this was owing to the rumour that soldiers recruited in Italy would participate in the war with Japan. This, he felt, in one way might stop recruitment to the CC.RR. but he also felt that if counter-propaganda to the statement were published, recruiting figures for the Army would go up.

5 Feeding conditions in prisons. Prisons in Rome are receiving 500 grams; other prisons are reported to be receiving 300 grams or less. It is hoped to stabilise the new scale at 350 grams. Brig. Perkinson will take the question up at the next Chief of Staff's Meeting.

6 Formation of a New Ministry. Col. Spicer stated that it was not clear from the P'B report whether there was to be a Ministry for Patrioti in the Government and whether he was to take the title of High Commissioner. He is seeing H E Bonomi today and will report on the matter later.

7 New Prefect for Palermo. Col. Spicer stated that H E Bonomi telephoned, asking AC to excuse his action in appointing and sending a new Prefect to Palermo without the consent of AC. Col. Spicer and Col. Behrens to look into the matter of the removal of the AMG appointed Prefect.

8 Food in Sicily. The question of Soup Kitchens in Sicily had been taken up and no definite decision had been reached. Col. Crimps reported that a telegram had arrived from Brig. Carr stating that he would have no wheat after 25 Dec 44 and the situation would already be grave on Dec 15th.

9 Transport Pool. It is hoped that the car pool will be functioning

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(a) Epuration of Education. The A/VP assumed that the epuration of Head Teachers is being held in abeyance until Brig. Upjohn returns.

2 Infiltration of Civilians. Infiltration of civilians into Economic Section and Labour Sub-Commission will take place steadily but as far as is known this infiltration will not affect the Civil Affairs Section.

3 UNRRA The Chief Commissioner is prepared to loan to UNRRA 2,000 tons of miscellaneous material when they can guarantee shipments to this country of the same commodities. It was thought that owing to the shortage of shipping space this will not be possible until the Spring.

4 CC.RR. The Italian Government hoped to have a round figure of 600 recruits per day into the Army. It has been reported that the present intake is approximately 63 per week. Col. Chapman stated that he understood this was owing to the rumour that soldiers recruited in Italy would participate in the war with Japan. This, he felt, in one way might ~~stop~~ recruitment to the CC.RR. but he also felt that if counter-propaganda to the statement were published, recruiting figures for the Army would go up. X See X/9

5 Feeding conditions in prisons. Prisons in Rome are receiving 500 grams; other prisons are reported to be receiving 300 grams or less. It is hoped to stabilise the new scale at 350 grams. Brig. Perkinson will take the question up at the next Chief of Staff's Meeting.

6 Formation of a New Ministry. Col. Spicer stated that it was not clear from the PTB report whether there was to be a Ministry for Patriots in the Government and whether he was to take the title of High Commissioner. He is seeing H E Bonomi today and will report on the matter later.

7 New Prefect for Palermo. Col. Spicer stated that H E Bonomi telephoned, asking AC to excuse his action in appointing and sending a new Prefect to Palermo without the consent of AC. Col. Spicer and Col. Behrens to look into the matter of the removal of the AMG appointed Prefect.

8 Food in Sicily. The question of Soup Kitchens in Sicily had been taken up and no definite decision had been reached. Col. Cripps reported that a telegram had arrived from Brig. Carr stating that he would have no wheat after 25 Dec 44 and the situation would already be grave on Dec 15th.

9 Transport Pool. It is hoped that the car pool will be functioning by the 15 Dec 44. The A/VP said that the Chief Commissioner was very pleased with the cooperation of everybody in the handing in of their cars. He also stated that the CC thought too many taxis were standing by in the side roads, which caused dissatisfaction among the Italian population. Col. Spicer stated he wished to contest this as whenever one of his officers telephoned for a taxi he had to wait twenty minutes or half an hour before they could leave.

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10. Municipal Elections. The A/VP reported that the question of Municipal elections had been taken up at the Chief of Staff's meeting and the general feeling of the meeting was slightly against holding elections. Heads of Sub-Commissions were asked to give their opinion. The General feeling was that elections were desirable but this was not the correct moment to hold them. Col. Chapman suggested that elections should be started in Sicily and a report given on the effect before elections were tried in Liberated Italy. Col. Spicer said he was writing a thesis for the Political Section recommending that elections should be held in cities only as he felt that at Commune level it was impossible owing to transport. Lt. Col. White suggested that elections should be taken gradually, first in the south, with the threat that areas further north would not be able to hold their elections if the ones in the south were not held in an orderly manner. Col. Chapman stated again that he was against elections in the cities only as most of the basic trouble came from Communes. The A/VP reported that a letter had been circulated to all Commissioners asking for their views on the subject.

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17 Reorganisation of Sicily. Brig. Carr recommends a reduction of staff. Col. Cripps enquired what Legal and Public Safety felt about their officers being moved. Col. Chapman stated that one Public Safety officer, he felt, should remain in Sicily. Col. Behrens reported that if there was to be any close cooperation with Military organisation in Sicily a Legal officer must remain there. The general feeling of the meeting was that as long as there was an Army HQ in Sicily, Legal and Public Safety officers should remain.

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18 Col. Spicer reported there was a minor crisis on the 5th Army front, caused by the patriots. Gen. Alexander's broadcast to the patriots, requesting them to stand down for the winter had caused a certain number of patriots to come across the line and crowd 5th Army centres. It has been left to 5th Army to deal with the problem.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
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HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 63

Meeting opened at 1605 hrs on Tuesday, 5 Dec 44.

1 Points from last meeting, held on 1 Dec 44:

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7 Suspension of General Piccio. The VP reported that the question had been raised with regard to the epuration of General Piccio who is Prefect of Ancona. It appears it is not desirable that he should be epurated for reasons of military necessity. Local Government to inform the Ministry for the Interior of that fact.

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8 Education Officer for Piemonte Region. Col. Marshal has reported there is no Education Officer for Piemonte Region. Maj. Washburn stated that Maj. Bird was both Welfare and Education Officer, and that he felt confident that Maj. Bird could carry on this dual duty, also that it was necessary to combine posts owing to a shortage of personnel.

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Col. Chapman also reported that an open document giving the location of 5th Army had been circulated by a civilian clerk the other day. This he considered a very large breach of security.

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The question of the checking of civilians in and out of the building was also brought up. Col. Chapman and Lt. Col. White both stated they had known of several cases where civilians had left the building without their ticket or without their ticket being signed and no report of this **foot** had been sent up by the police. Col. Chapman said that for his own office security he was making it imperative that every civilian called at his clerks office to be interrogated before seeing the officer he wished to see.

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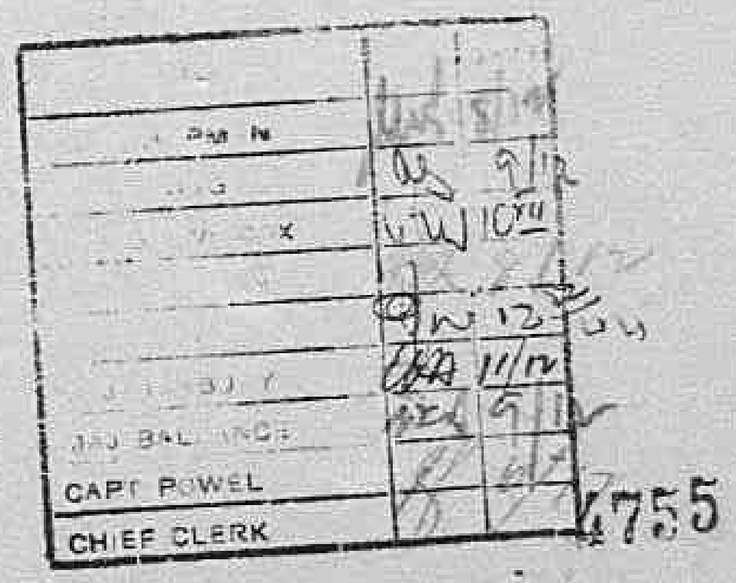
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NO. 62

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6. The VP asked Col. Behrens to let him know exactly what was the position with regard to the implementation of the wage rate decree in AMG territory.

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8. The Italian Government has expressed grave concern at excessive purchases by the French and Yugoslaves of food and war materials. In AMG territory AC would not hesitate to continue to arrest and try in AMG Courts such personnel illegally purchasing goods. With regard to Italian Government territory the Chief Commissioner was raising the matter with the Advisory Council and asking the members to put their demands for supplies through the Local Resources Board.

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9. Political Section has received from AFHQ a letter stating that 200,000 Italians are to be returned to Italy from France. AC is entirely opposed to this policy and will resist it.

10. The VP stated that a Sub-Commission in the Economic Section had written direct to the Prime Minister asking to retain their Minister in any Cabinet reshuffle. The VP reminded the Directors of Sub-Commissions that this was entirely improper and that the Sub-Commissions must confine their dealings with Ministries to technical matters. If they desired to press for the retention or dismissal of an official in their Ministry they must refer the matter to the VP who would, in a proper case, take it up with the Chief Commissioner.

11. AFHQ has declared that north west Italy will be considered primarily an AMG territory and not an operational territory, i.e. civilian needs will be considered as having priority over military needs, but equally the military will not be prepared to undertake rehabilitation such as the opening of ports and repair of the railways, which will be entirely an AC responsibility.

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17. Col. Chapman reported that American promotions were still confused. This month seven promotions had been authorised and all other papers returned. Now there is a new circular and a new form to be filled up. Officers in AC responsible for American promotions are holding a meeting on Saturday.

18. Col. Cripps produced a draft of a proposed letter in reply to the Minister of Foreign Affairs asking for as much care as possible to be taken of monuments on our approach to Bologna.

19. The VP asked Major Magnus to find out who was responsible for the propaganda for patriotic which came over the BBC the other evening.

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20. Col. Behrens reported that the Minister of Justice is proposing to make 38 changes in the judicial appointments originally made by AMG in Sicily. The VP said that where wholesale changes of this type were proposed AC should refuse to agree until the return of the Acting President, who would no doubt bring with him a clarification of the policy of AC in this respect.

21. The Deputy SACMED has decided that no more grain will be sent to Sicily except possibly for soup kitchens. The situation was extremely serious and the Regional Commissioner was coming to Rome to discuss the matter.

The Meeting closed at 1655 hrs.

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SUMMARY SHEET OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 64

Meeting opened at 1610 hrs on 29 Nov 44.
Col. Cripps was in the Chair owing to the CP's absence.

1 Col. Cripps reported that Lord Halifax had sent a telegram suggesting that steps might be taken to counter against the poor press received by AC/AIG. It has been suggested that part of Maj. Fielden's History of AC should be employed for this purpose.

2 Brig. Lush has ordered Col. Cripps to send a telegram to England asking for an expert to come out to AC to advise on the policy and work for Devastated Areas.

3 The situation with regard to UNRRA is still under review. Col. Cripps will circulate their second Memorandum which deals with the Italian Government.

4 The matter of removing the officers from Chianciano is still under consideration. It appears it is required by the army as a rest camp for the troops.

5 All vehicles have to be given in to a transport pool created by order of AFHQ. A few vehicles are to be assigned to Sub-Commissions and individuals. All transport will be controlled by HQ transport office under the direction of Col. Robertson. A Memorandum will be coming out very shortly which will be circulated, giving full instructions with regard to the workings of the transport pool. This is to start operating on 1 Dec 44, and be in full operation by 7 Dec 44.

6 Maj. Washburne reported that, as recently stated, an officer in Education Sub-Commission lost a car which he has found and ten thieves have been put into jail. Col. Behrens stated that he wished to have the facts of the case before he could consider their trial by military Court. Lt. Col. White to get this information from Col. Rankin.

7 Col. Fothergill reported that 1,500 Yugoslav agriculturists have left for Yugoslav islands and 1,500 more have been asked for. The Yugoslav National Committee of Liberation have now asked permission to move all their Yugoslavs held in Displaced Persons Camps to Yugoslavia, with perhaps the exception of orphans. AFHQ have agreed to this in principle.

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8 Capt. Temple stated that the female civilian clerks in Local Government had to leave by 1700 hrs for transport home; this was very inconvenient. Also that during the hours of 5 - 6 when Local Government can work with the Italian Government, texts are not available.

9 Lt. Col. White asked Heads of Sub-Commissions to check when drafting telegrams as the CCS Section have complained several times lately of telegrams either being sent to people who cannot be reached by cable or mentioning the Sub-Commission by name in the address.

If a person cannot be reached by telegram, information should be sent by RIS. The names of Sub-Commissions, if it was essential to give that information, should be given in the body of the telegram.

Meeting closed at 1700 hrs.

J.C. HARVEY, J/Cdr,
PA to VP C/ Section.

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MEETING OF HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS
of
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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Meeting opened at 1200 hrs on 22 Nov 44.

1 The VP reported that a very important conference had been held with Acting President Mr. Harold Macmillan with regard to the clarifying of the policy of AC and the future of AC.

a) It was strongly felt that the infiltration of civilians into AC should only take place at HQ, and this was recommended to take place only gradually while hostilities continue.

b) The question of approval of appointments: it is recommended that appointments should be confirmed, for approval to senior officials recommended by the Italian Government with one or two additions suggested by Sub-Commns.

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6 Thanksgiving Day, 23 Nov 44, is to be celebrated by a Half-holiday. A nucleus staff consisting entirely of British officers and ORs would remain on duty.

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8 Six cars are required for VIPs at Caserta. The VP suggested that Heads of Sub-Commns should park their cars away from the front door.

9 The Transport Pool is still under consideration. Col Fiske is preparing a memorandum.

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10 The COS had decided that there should be a coordinated plan with regard to priority for clothing, boots, etc, for patriots, displaced persons, hospitals and devastated areas. A meeting will be held on Thursday, at 1700 hrs in VP's

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office (Brig. Parkinson, Col Orde, Col Findlay, Col Spicer, Col Cripps). Request for cement and building materials are to be dealt with directly with the Economic section.

11 Patriots: A meeting was held on 21 Nov AA between the V. Group Captain Benson, Col Young, Col Montagu and several other people and it was decided that 3 and 5 Armies should be prepared to receive bands of patriots and for this purpose they were starting up camps under a patriots liaison officer who would be assigned to 3 and 5 Army respectively for that purpose. 5 Army would supply all their own operating officers but 3 Army required a Camp Commandant. It is hoped that a ruling may be obtained from AFHQ stating that patriots may be considered as Italian soldiers for non-infiltration, feeding and clothing.

12 The VP asked Heads of Sub-Com no to be sure to clear things with Col Bousford, AMGOT before writing to AFHQ if the matter dealt with anything in AMGOT area.

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Meeting closed at 1305 hrs.

J.C. BARTLEY S/Comd.
PA to VP G. Section
DCOS AC

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Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

AC/14601/8/PS

21 November, 1944.

SUBJECT : Clothing.

TO : VP. CA Sec.

1. Reference your W/37.5/Cl dated 21 November 1944.

2. Items required by Public Safety Agencies are as shown below :

	Boots	Socks	Shirts	Undercloths	Pullovers	Blankets
Agents Public Security	5,000	12,000	6,000	6,000	1,000	10,000
Vigili Fuoco	8,000	16,000	16,000	16,000	8,000	16,000
Finance Guards	10,000	20,000	5,000	10,000	2,000	5,000
Forest Guards	2,000	4,000	2,000	4,000	2,000	4,000
Prison Guards	5,000	10,000	5,000	10,000	5,000	10,000
Railway Guards (Sicily)	600	1,200	600	1,200	600	1,200
TOTALS	30,600	63,200	34,600	47,200	18,600	46,200

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JOHN R. CHILDS
Colonel, A.G.D.
Director, Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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21 Nov 44

SUBJECT : Clothing

TO : See Distribution

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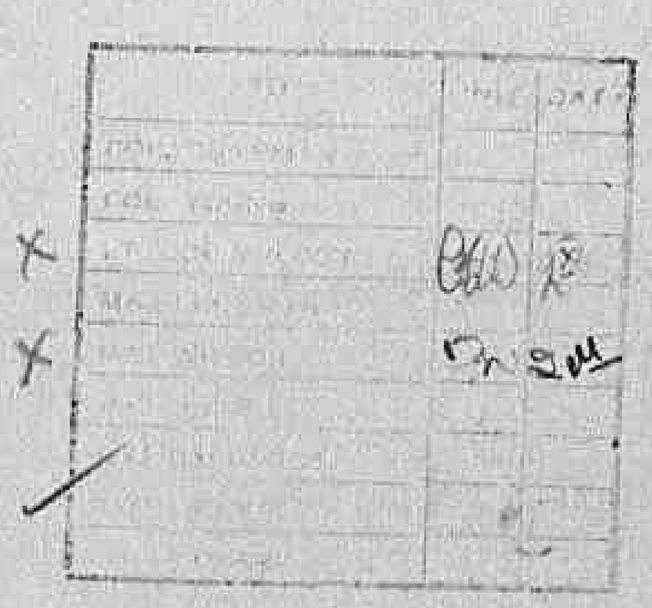
The return required is a matter of first urgency. Please submit it by hand to reach this office if possible before 1700 hours this afternoon and in any event before 1200 hours to-morrow the 22nd.

S.H. WHITE Lt Col,
for CAO CA Section

Ext : 469

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Notes of a Conference
to Discuss Securing Salvage Clothing, etc.

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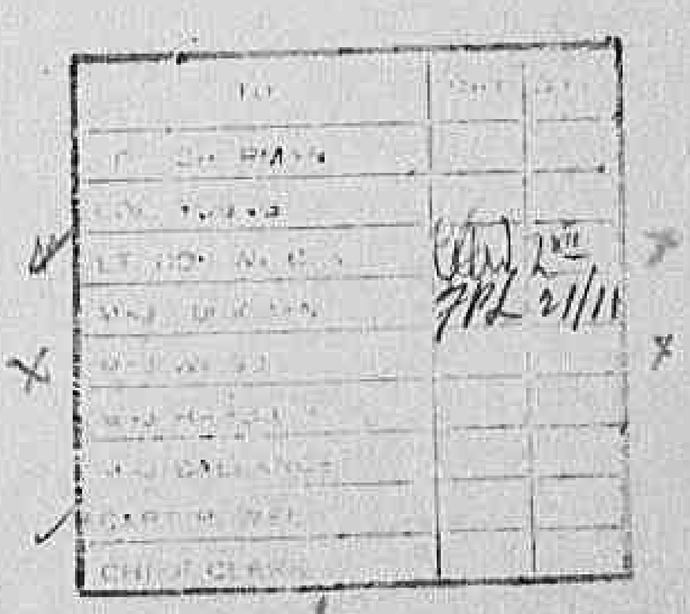
1 The following were represented: CA Section and the following Sub-Commissions or branches - Public Health, Public Safety, Displaced Persons and Repatriation, Commerce, Patriots, Devestated Areas and the British Red Cross.

2. Commerce informed the meeting that there was reason to suppose that very considerable quantities of salvage clothing was in fact available.

3 The following action was decided upon:

a) That a Senior U.S. Officer should proceed to MTOUSA to request the issue of a direction to U.S. depots that AC should have prior claim on all salvage of clothing, boots, blankets, bedding, tentage, etc.
b) That Land Forces be asked to agree a basis on which salvage clothing etc, should be allotted to rival necessities.
c) That Sub-Commissions should submit estimates for their requirements to the 28 Feb 45 for an area not substantially greater than that at present held.

4 A further meeting would be called when action under 3 had been completed.



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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION.

No. 59

Meeting opened at 1600 hrs on 14 Nov 44.

Points from last meeting, held on 10 Nov 44:-

(a) The V P reported that a meeting was held between the Red Cross, Commerce Sub-Commission, Patriots, and others interested to try and find by what method military salvage clothing could be obtained in Italy.

(b) The Chief Commissioner is asking the Prime Minister next time he sees him, what reception he gave to Tuscany CMFL and generally what his views are on the matter.

(c) Transport for civilian employees at night is under discussion. It is suggested to heads of Sub-Commissions that they should use their Sub-Commission cars as a temporary measure for this purpose.

(d) Transport pool: the whole matter has been referred to a committee. In the meantime, all Sub-Commissions will retain their cars.

1. The Z P read a telegram addressed to V and VIII Armies stating that the C in C ordered that no political meetings were to be held in Army areas.

2. The V P asked all Heads of Sub-Commissions to overhaul their office security and to check on the following points:

(a) Destruction of Secret waste.
(b) Leaving offices vacant during lunch hours without locking up files.
(c) Top Secret documents - all documents to be numbered and destination put on the document.
(d) Don't overclassify.

The V P asked Col. Chapman to get the security section to make spot checks in offices after office hours.

3. The Manpower Committee will meet on Saturday at 1000 hrs. The only two Sub-Commissions affected are Legal and Displaced Persons.

4. ATHQ will have their own establishment for the Central Civilian Medical Depot. AC is only to supply some personnel.

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5. The Italian Government decree relating to the distribution of uncultivated land to the peasants is not to be implemented in AFHQ territory.

6. Col. Chapman reported that a cable had been received stating that a time bomb had exploded in a restaurant at Aquila opposite to AFHQ on 11 Nov 44. No casualties.

7. Maj. Dollard stated that Col. Manford would like the matter of Italian Patriots being fed on the same rations as Allied Soldiers to be put on the Agenda for Siena.

8. Lt. Col. White asked if Education Sub-Commission would take over Religious questions. Education Sub-Commission agreed to take over all queries.

Meeting closed at 1630 hrs.

J.C. HARVEY, T/Capt.
PA to VP CA Section.
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MAJ HARVEY		
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

16 Nov 44

Ref 4/6.1/CA

SUBJECT : Bi-weekly Meeting of CA Section.

TO : All CA Sub-Commissions.

Owing to the Conference at SIENA being held on Friday 17th inst, the usual bi-weekly Conference will not be held.

R.R. CRIPPS Col,
CSO CA Section.

Ext : 608

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION.

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No 58

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1. Points from last meeting, held on 7 Nov 44.

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(b) With regard to the Russian observer; owing to the anniversary celebrations it was impossible for him to keep to his last programme. A new programme has been arranged and Sub-Commissions will be informed.

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5 The new Italian Ambassador to Great Britain, Cerandini, is due to leave on 20 Nov 44. It is not decided yet who will go to America.

6 The "Messaggero" newspaper that was suspended on the Allies entry into Rome is to be renamed the "Indipendente" and become a Government newspaper.

7. The INPC wish to issue certificates of their own to patriots; the VP has sent a letter to Col. Montford suggesting he should discuss

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7. The INPC wish to issue certificates of their own to patriots; the VP has sent a letter to Col. Montford suggesting he should discuss this matter with General Alexander or his COS and recommend that no such certificates should be permitted to be issued in AMG territory.

8 Maj. Magnus is trying to get more clothing for patriots from Commerce Sub-Commission. He also suggested that a letter might be sent to AFHQ. Maj. Magnus hopes to interest some of the influential ladies of Rome and Florence to form a League to help with patriot clothing. Col. White to convene a meeting with the VP to go into the matter.

9 Col. Young will attend the meeting at Siena on Friday, 17 Nov 44.

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10 Armistice Day Two Minutes' Silence will be held as usual.

11 The A/CC has agreed to the change round of Colonels Pickering, Doherty, and Pollock. Col. Chapman to arrange the change-over with Col. Poletti and 5 Army.

Maj. Hore will be free to sit on courts in Bari.

12 There is to be a re-organisation of transport and a committee has been formed to deal with this matter. The VP read a paragraph out of the report and stated that there was to be a pool and all cars had to be handed in.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
Of
Heads of Sub-Commissions of the Civil Affairs Section

No. 57

Meeting opened 1605 hrs on 7 Nov 44.

1 The V.P. reported that the Acting Chief Commissioner has been unable at the moment to make any further precise detailed proposals for civilianisation of AC and had stated to AFHQ that 28 civilians have arrived at AC, making 35 American officers available for re-assignment. The V.P. then read his letter on the subject to the A/CC.

2 Lt Colonel Bonham Carter had undertaken his duties as co-ordinating Officer for Lavasted Areas. Lt Col Bonham Carter stated that he has a Warrant officer coming as his clerk.

3 With regard to the Article in the "Unita'" by Togliatti, referred to at the last meeting, the Political Section have seen the Foreign Minister who agreed that the behaviour was improper and he is raising the matter at the Council of Ministers.

4 The V.P. reported that Colonel Perkins is consolidating a report on vehicles in which he states that the position with regard to maintenance and care of vehicles is far from satisfactory. The V.P. stated that all Heads of Sub-Commissions should warn their officers to take great care of any cars which may be at their disposal. Education Sub-Commission lost a car on the 6 Nov 44.

5 General Alexander has sent a very charming telegram on the Anniversary of AC.

6 The disaster at Grosseto on 2 Nov 44, the river burst its banks caused 11 deaths and 400 people homeless.

7 Four Provincial Terms from the north are returning to Rome and it is suggested that they should assist in military police duties. Lt Colonel Bonham Carter, after considering whether he requires more personnel, is to submit a memorandum to that effect.

8 Colonel Chapman stated that certain American officers in Economic Section have been promoted lately. Colonel Crimps to ascertain whether Colonel Chapman is on the American Promotion Board or not.

9 Capt. Temple enquired to what extent the Local Government should interest itself with the consideration of Election Lists. The V.P. felt that it was entirely a matter for the Italian Government subject to seeing a translation of the decree.

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10 Capt Temple also enquired what the position was with regard to the Russian 'observers'. Major de Wolf said that he had been informed by the Russian Secretary that they were coming to see him from the 9th to 10th. Colonel Crippa to see Colonel Brown Liaison Officer, and ask him channelise their applications through C. Sec and not approach Sub-Comms individually.

11 Colonel Chapman reported that the position with regard to uncurrendered Italians in Rome was serious. Trouble has recently occured in Terni. It is understood that the Communists are training an army.

12 Colonel Chapman also reported that AMG had said that no troops can be held in the CC RR after the 31 Dec 44. In that case, he said, it would not be worth while taking them at all; he is writing a memorandum suggesting the withdrawal of the CC RR from the North for the South.

13 Overcoats, boots and trousers have been delivered to the CC RR school at Florence.

14 Major Lollard enquired how it was possible for civilians to get permits to be in possession of firearms.

15 Colonel Finlay reported that King Peter had issued an order that all Yugoslavs have to join the Partisans or go into a Collection Camp. He is reporting further to the W.O.

16 Major de Wald reported that Monuments and Fine Arts had not been asked to supply a planner in the team for Austria.

Meeting closed 1640 hrs.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 56

1. Visit to Florence.

Maj. Palmieri to check with H E Scoccimarro as regards the nominee for the Pisa Committee.

Col. White to arrange for Col. Hale and R.C's of Lucca and Pistoia to receive a translation of the Epuration Decree.

The question of patriots being admitted to military hospitals is under discussion.

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6. Public Safety to send Col. Young to the next Siena Conference re CC RR.

7. Brig. Lush has gone to England to take up the matter of infiltration of British civilians in this commission to balance the American side.

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8. Permission has been given to prosecute some Representatives of Yugo-Slav Mission to Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission who were caught in Florence without permission.

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9. Col. Beecham Carter is to co-ordinate in the work of Devastated Areas.

10. The Italian Government is taking over the feeding of the Italian population on the 4 Nov 44, with the exception of rationed goods, grain, oil, milk and milk products. The control will be lifted on all other commodities, and the Italian Government will purchase in the open market. To subsidise this, the price of bread will go up from 5 to 8 lire and pasta will go up from 7 or 10 to 15 lire.

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19. No letters should be held up during the V.P's absence. Anything of a very high level could always be signed by the COS.

20. Col. Cripps referred to the D.O. Letter from Commodore Stone to the Italian Government which has been circulated, saying that Italian Ministers will not pay visits to the North without special authority from the A/GC or COC. V.P. said he would ask COS to issue a directive on the machinery for obtaining authority.

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21. Maj. Sugrue reported that the RTC ward screening for employment agencies in Regina and Provinces, also that they were not prepared to accept G.R. and Allowance certificates any longer.

22. Maj. Silcock said that Displaced Persons and Repatriation propaganda were broadcast from every side by civilians requesting persons to go to any area. Also V.D. and he felt the minimum number of civilians should be allowed to go up to army camps and then only under very special circumstances.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
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No. 55.

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COL. YOUNG		
LT COL. WARD		
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MAJ BALLANCE		
CAPT. POWELL		

Meeting opened 1600 hrs on 31 Oct, '44.

1. Col. Cripps mentioned the following points for information:-

a) Sienna Conference has been postponed until Nov. 9.

b) Personnel
Mr.Caccia, Political Section, has left at short notice for Greece. Mr.Hopkinson has taken over, assisted by Mr. Milford.
Col.Jordan from Sicily Region is to become liaison officer on Gen.Nares' staff.
Brig.Dunlop will take over Southern Region on Monday next, as a temporary measure to replace Col. Temperley who has been recalled to England.
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AAI have ordered the clearing of the housing estate attached to the Lignite Mine at Prata, in preparation of its occupation by the 6th S.A. Armoured Div. This Mine is the largest mine of its type in Italy and this will be out of action.

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12. There is to be an UNRRA meeting on Thursday,2 Oct, at which Brig.Stafford is presiding. CA Sec is to send a representative.

13. Patriot Branch reported great activity by the Patriot Committee recently. Instructions have been issued prior to setting up employment and welfare agencies.

14. Major Temple wished to make a correction in last week's minutes. He stated that the proposed reorganisation of provincial boundaries, Gaeta and Frosinone, was still in the planning stage and might go no further.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
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NO. 54

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(k) The 5th Army's deviation from policy and its request for clothing for 300 patriots is explained by the fact that these 300 hundred patriots fought their way out of Bologna and arrived without any clothing. The same patriots are due to return to Bologna at an early date to harrass the Germans.

(l) Colonel Cripps is checking on the details in regard to the delay in the telegram sent from Palermo to ACC.

(m) General Order No. 35 is now before Brigadier Lush.

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2. Devastated areas - the A/CC has agreed to the withdrawal of two Provincial Teams from Northern Region and to put them under one senior officer, held responsible for co-ordinating with the teams and with the Italian Government and supplementing the work of the Sub-Commissions in providing glass, cement, and other materials. Twenty Red Cross workers (women) may be able to be made available when they arrive, until needed for the north.

3. A.F.H.Q. has authorised a fortnightly press ration where there is a 200 gram ration.

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8. It has been suggested that cars should be pooled. If that is the case, Monuments Fine Arts and Archives, and Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commissions will have to put forward special cases to retain theirs.

9. It appears that there are a great number of deserters in the Allied Forces. D. CCS has been directed to ask Lazio Region to convene a meeting to determine procedure for tightening up security.

10. An important meeting was held on 26 Oct 44, by Mr. Alexander Kirk, American Ambassador. Among those present was General George Clark, to discuss the aid to Italy plans. It is understood it will take two forms:-

(a) First aid, such as increased rations, extra supplies, etc., food.
(b) Supply of engineering and other goods to be purchased against a loan from America.

11. Polish troops are reported to be causing some trouble breaking up Communist meetings in Ancona.

12. The attention of all Heads of Sub-Commissions is drawn to Caserta Bulletin No. 271, re two things:

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8. It has been suggested that cars should be pooled. If that is the case, Monuments Fine Arts and Archives, and Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commissions will have to put forward special cases to retain theirs.

9. It appears that there are a great number of deserters in the Allied Forces. D. CoS has been directed to ask Legio Legion to convene a meeting to determine procedure for tightening up security.

10. An important meeting was held on 26 Oct 44, by Mr. Alexander Kirk, American Ambassador. Among those present was General George Clark, to discuss the aid to Italy plans. It is understood it will take two forms:-

(a) First aid, such as increased rations, extra supplies, etc., from.
(b) Supply of engineering and other goods to be purchased against a loan from America.

11. Polish troops are reported to be causing some trouble breaking up Communist meetings in Ancona.

12. The attention of all Heads of Sub-Commissions is drawn to Daily Bulletin No. 274, to two things:

(a) Travel orders for Civilians, and
(b) MCIA to be called "Army Sub-Commission".

13. Colonel Pennycuick, Regional Commissioner of Sardinia, states that he can reduce his staff by the end of the year to 9. Civil Affairs Section is involved as he wishes to retain one Legal Officer and one Police Officer.

Colonel Behrens thought a Legal Officer was very necessary but it was not a whole time job. As the Legal Officer who will remain is also O.C. Coy., the position will be satisfactory.

Colonel Chapman thinks one Police Officer will be sufficient by the end of the year.

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Public Health agree that they do not need an officer there.

Major Washburne agrees that an officer is superfluous if he can delegate his powers to someone else.

14. Siena Meeting - no representatives are required from Sub-Commissions, as the meeting which is to be held 1 Nov 44. Any points for the Health Section later than Saturday evening, can be sent on by Colonel Sing.

15. Major Munro has reported that the Provincial Commissioners were complaining that they have to send 56 - 57 reports every month to the Regional Commissioner. Heads of Sub-Commissions are asked to review their returns apart from the Monthly Bulletin.

Civil Affairs - 2.

Local Government - 1 - usually included in the Monthly Return.

Public Health - 1.

Also, Monuments Fine Arts and Archives ask for a running report on the officers go forward.

16. Major Washburne stated that enquiries had come from Sicily asking for wood for building shelves, etc., for a library. Brig. Upjohn thought this was entirely an Italian Government matter.

17. Major Fairfield also stated that in Florence there are two directors doing a very good job of work for £27 a month. Would it be possible to raise their salaries? If the salaries were raised, what would be the question later? Brig. Upjohn thought that it would be a mistake to raise the wages unless on the basis of special work for AMG.

18. Colonel Griffen, Public Health, said that it was very difficult for the employees to get home at night as the tram had changed its time from 1800 hrs to 1730 hrs. It was reported that Establishments Branch was trying to arrange a special tram. Colonel Cripps to raise it at the next CoS meeting.

19. Capt. Tuglo said that the rumour of recruiting Frosinone and Littoria Provinces and recruiting Caserta and Gaeta Provinces was not a rumour but a fact. It appears that it has been done for some historical and traditional rewards.

20. Major Dollard raised the question of paying of civilians in this HQ. CA Section, it appears, are paid on fortnightly basis. Colonel Cripps to check.

21. Major Magnus reported that an article appeared on the front page of the Union Jack, contrary to the policy of AC, boosting the patriots to a very high level. Brigadier Upjohn suggested that Major Magnus call on the editors of all independent papers.

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20. Major Dellard raised the question of paying of civilians in this HQ. CA Section, it appears, are paid on a monthly basis. Colonel Griffin to check.

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22. Colonel Fothergill reported that they are still having a great deal of difficulty because AG officers still issue Italians with permits to travel. A certain officer has given a permit to people to go from Frosinone to Sicily to fetch their families. The people in question find themselves at the present moment in Messina. Owing to the tension at the moment Colonel Fothergill thought it might be better to let those people through. He has taken the matter up very strongly with Lecio Region.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

NO. 55

Meeting opened 1602 hrs on 24 Oct. 44.

1. Points from last meeting, held on 20 Oct 44:-

(a) The Russian "observers" have not started work in the Legal Sub-Commission yet.
(b) Major de Wald is preparing an estreaty report for A.F.H.Q.
(c) Trading with the Enemy Act - Great Britain is permitting correspondence, etc. Instructions following later.
(d) Colonel Chapman confirms that Spitzbergen is very slow. (Profits of Axborn may be involved.)
(e) Public Safety and Displaced Persons Sub-Commissions are preparing their directives for northern regions.
(f) Colonel Chapman reported that the police, at the moment, will have to pay for their extra rations. Brig. Upjohn directed that a directive should be sent to all Regions drawing attention to this increase in rations for police, but also stated that an enquiry should be made as to how much police have to pay for the increase of rations over and above their former rations. Regions to be informed of the new scale of charges.

2. Soldiers on Elba. Col. Hanley suggested that MMLA would ask the Italian Government to send a representative there to deal with the demobilisation and disposal of 2,000 soldiers there. Brig. Upjohn said he would take up with COS.

3. No official directive from A.F.H.Q. to drop the word "Control" from ACC received yet, though it was understood one had been received at A.F.H.Q.

4. Screening of all Decrees by Legal Sub-Commission approved by A/CC. Letter sent to P.M. asking him to put date into effect.

5. Colonel Hanley (Econ. Sec.) to be appointed co-ordinating officer with UNRRA, but Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Comm. will continue to deal direct with UNRRA on all matters.

6. List of surplus officers in Northern Regions who could be employed, if required, on temporary duties in evacuating regions in Liberated Italy has not been received yet.

7. A.F.H.Q. has given a ruling that all evacuated soldiers from Greece are to be treated as Civilian persons.

1. Position of Italian Economy, Pol. and Sec. Sub-Com.

(a) The Russian "case,work" [illegible] now awaiting work in the Legal Sub-Commission pool.
(b) Major de Wald is preparing an abrogation report for A.F.H.Q.
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7. A.F.H.Q. has given a ruling that all evacuated soldiers from Greece are to be treated as displaced persons.

8. It has been suggested that A.F.H.Q. should send a representative to ACC to deal with this problem as so many Sub-Commissions are involved.

9. Heads of Sub-Commissions are asked, when sending a letter to forward Regions on important matters to send a copy to Col. Stanford D.C.C.A.G. 4738 keeping him informed of all action taken.

10. Rumours have been circulated that the Italian Government intend to amalgamate certain provinces but it is not proposed to take any official action at the present time.

11. Minister Gronchi has visited Florence, where he was billed to hold meetings without permission from AMG. Brig. Gen. Hume is

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sending him back to Rome. Brig Upjohn stated that a directive was about to issue prohibiting all visits by Ministers and members of the Govt without permission of CCS Office which would be given only if the Minister was required to go up for technical reasons.

Major Washburne inquired whether this new instruction would make it impossible for the Italian Minister for Education to accompany him when he went to Florence as he wished to see the University. Brig. Upjohn suggested that a letter should be submitted on that matter; he would only go if his technical services were required and on condition he stayed no more than a week.

11. Six officers from Region XIII are to help with the assessing in Sicily.

12. Pellegrini has been exonerated by the Italian Military Court for violation of the Italian Military code. Extradition proceedings have been started against him.

13. A translation of Decree No. 249 abrogating laws of the Fascist Republic has been sent to sub-Comms. Brig. Upjohn stated it was well worth studying. Col. Behrens to see that a copy is sent to A/CC and C.o.S.

14. Col. Chapman reported that the C.S.E. and Police Agencies are still short of boots and shoes.

15. Col. Griffin to enquire if there has been any reply to the signal asking if Italian ambulances had been requisitioned in Naples by the Allies.

16. The Central Committee of Liberation still exists in Rome but the Government refuses to give it any recognition.

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18. Col.Cripps reported on the Devastated Areas meeting there, owing to the absence of the Prime Minister, the Under-Secretary of the Ministry of the Interior presided. Very few constructive points were made, except in the case of the Prefect of Chieti where there are a large number of refugees and it appears that in that town a great number of rooms have been requisitioned by the Army and are not in use. The meeting decided to appoint a working committee with a number of representatives from ACC. Col. Fowler-Hill suggested that an UNRRA representative should be on the committee. Brig.Upjohn suggested that a member of the American Red Cross should be on the Committee.

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20. Brig. Upjohn enquired whether any reply had been received on the question of Chiesenti's salary. Suggested that Col.Behrens should send a reminder.

21. Major Washburne enquired when General Order 25 on Defascism was likely to be published. Col.Behrens said that it would probably leave his office next day.

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22. Major Dollard enquired whether the C.I (Dr) directive on permanent employment in Germany and other countries after the war applied to American officers. Brig. Upjohn authorised Major Dollard to write to C.I (A) to enquire whether similar arrangements are being made for U.S. officers.

23. Major de Wahl reported that the scaffolding around the Schuss at the of Moses is being removed. It is hoped that the work will be completed within a week.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
No. 52

Meeting opened 16.00 hrs 20 Oct 43.

1. Brig. Gen. American representatives from the Combined Civil Affairs Committee in America are over here, Mr. Martin and Mr. Mitchell. It is thought likely that a 300 gram ration will be settled on as basic ration. The basic ration is to be increased in Florence.

2. The Minister of Justice has made a full apology about his unauthorised visit to Ancona, which has been communicated to C. in C. A.A.I.

3. A.F.H.Q. are proposing to put civilian restaurants out of bounds immediately for all military personnel.

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6. The Russian "observer" officers will start their visits for a week to the Legal Deps. Saturday 23 Oct 43. It is pointed out that they have their own offices. Col. Dripps to see that everyone has received the Directive.

7. The Italians have put in a long list of atrocities by the Germans. This matter was discussed at the Allied Advisory Council. It has been suggested that the British and American Governments should cite in public actual incidents to show Germany that we are, at any rate, aware of their behaviour and this might stop some people as the phase of the war is turning. Maj. de Wahl asked if he should sort out the atrocities sent into him, in reports by his officers going forward with the troops. Brig. Upjohn thought it would be a good idea to send them on to A.F.H.Q.

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8. No official news of U.S.A. repeal of Trading with the Enemy Act.

9. A riot took place on Thursday in Palermo where 16 were killed and 105 injured. Public directed against the Italian troops, not police. Brig. Upjohn said that the P.R.O. said when these riots occurred wildest statements were made in the press; he asked P.S. Sub-Commission to send a Memo to all Regional Commissioners pointing out the necessity of their sending an brief, exact reports immediately so that P.R.O. could make a quick release and counter the propaganda.

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10. Major Fielden (PRO) has reported that he had heard that Education is very slow at the COSG. Col. Chapman to check on this.

11. Planning for N. Regions directives should be consolidated and prepared. Col. Finley said Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commissions each have a general one to send out. Col. Chapman said Public Safety had one about the movement of subjects across the frontiers.

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12. Heads of Sub-Commissions were asked, when they agreed on some policy or action with their respective Ministers on the Italian Government directing Italian Government territory to which the Regional Commissioners have no men of the policy or action (e.g. appointment of an official) agreed.

13. During the absence of Col. Wilmer H. Bratton, Col. Chapman will take over the queries with regard to promotion of American Officers.

14. Major de Wald reported that the Foreign Office has advised people in neutral countries to keep a watch on the sales of objects of art.

15. Col. Spicer reported that he had a lot of Italian officials for the Naval waiting in Rome. Should he still keep them? Brig. Upjohn thought it would be best to keep them for at least another month, then review the situation. Col. McCarthy said the A.M.G.O. have agreed to pay 200 lire per day to Patriot Representatives waiting to go forward.

16. Col. Spicer enquired if the Army and Police have any special instructions as to riot drill. Col. Chapman to enquire.

17. Col. Chapman reported that the Italian Governors were considering issuing revolvers to the Italian Police instead of selling them. He also reported that the Police Stations were granted no extra electric lights even for security reasons. They have lights on the premises every four days; he was taking them up.

18. Maj. Washburne said he had spoken to Maj. Nelson who said that he, at the time of interview, was told the reporter to send back his article to be checked, and he did not do so, he can be reported to A.F.H.Q. who will now also be taking interviews. Brig. Upjohn said he understood Maj. Nelson was preparing a directive on the matter.

19. Col. Palmer said that the last copy of the Official Gazette deals with Fascist laws, which are being translated and will then be circulated.

20. Col. McCarthy reported that the Partisans on the other side of the Line are using Lire and Allied occupation money forms, according to the value of the goods. Reported to A.F.H.Q. Col. McCarthy said that there are 2,000 ex-Italian soldiers on the Island of Elba. They deserted when the Germans occupied the Island. They are in urgent need of food and clothing, but is de not a patriot matter and M.M.I.A do not consider themselves responsible. Col. Hinley to take the matter up. Italians from Yugoslavia, same problem. It may be possible to treat them all as P.O.W.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
No.51

Meeting opened 16.02 hrs 16 Oct '44. Col.Cripps in the Chair.

1. A draft copy of the new office memo was handed to each Sub-Commission responsible. Col.Findlay brought up the point of telegrams being held up sometimes in the message centre, case might be worse if all action ones for him were sent through Civil Affairs Section. It was also brought up by Col. Cripps that no urgent or possibly fairly urgent papers should be sent by the message centre, but by means of a runner.

2. Col. McCarthy invited Maj.Dollard to attend the Patriot meetings every morning at 10 a.m.

3. The Vice-President would like the names of all the people who need local leave before the next meeting, so that he can take the matter further. (British & American officers) American and British OR's leave arranged by L.Q. Commandants.

4. The security of documents has not been entirely satisfactory. Heads of sub-commissions are asked to tighten up on all security documents, also to be careful not to overgrade documents.

5. Heads of sub-commissions were again reminded that when they send in documents they must be sent in with the file concerned.

6. Heads of sub-commissions were asked if they had had any difficulty with regard to appointment of Italian Government officials in Italian Government territory, the exchange of letters between Marshal Badoglio and Gen. MacFarlane in the early part of the year refers. All sub-commissions stated that the arrangements were working smoothly. Major De Wald,however,drew attention to the Italian Director of A.F.A &A. in the Ministry of Public Instruction, who had not been approved by ACC in the first instance. As this under Minister is the main link between A.C and the Government he should be efficient and good at his job. It appears that he has lately been becoming difficult.

7. Maj. Washburne enquired if it was not possible to submit articles when they have been re-written for publication to the officer concerned to save risk to him. Should attacks on ACC in the press and picture post etc be replied to?

8. Col. Findlay asked which other provinces but Foggia could not take Italian refugees back. Col.Cripps suggested that a letter should be sent to Southern Region asking them.

9. Col.Findlay is not very pleased with the security angle on people

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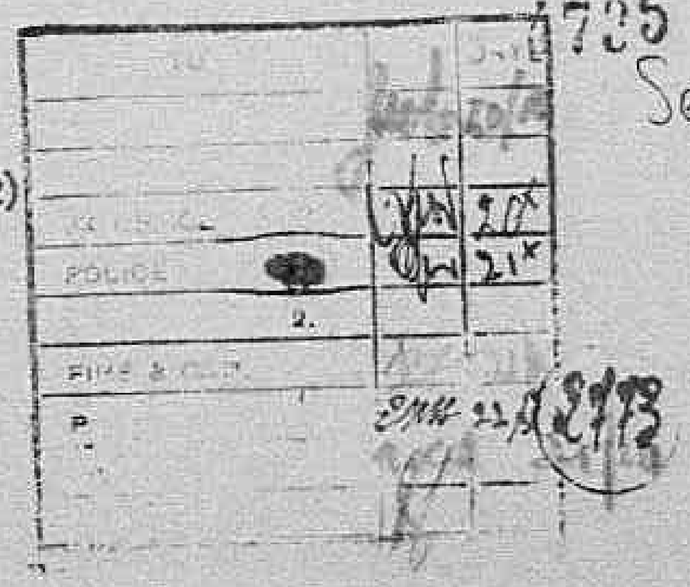
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7. Maj. Washburne enquired if it was not possible to submit articles when they have been re-written for publication to the officer concerned to save misstatement. Should attacks on ACC in the press and picture post etc be replied to?

8. Col. Findlay asked which other provinces but Foggia could not take Italian refugees back. Col.Grimm suggested that a letter should be sent to Southern Region asking them.

9. Col.Findlay is not very pleased with the security angle on people leaving Rome, even when leaving for Sicily and North Africa the refugees are only screened by Italians.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

No.50

Meeting opened 16.05 hrs 13 Oct.'44.

1. Letter re Russian Liaison officers seen by everyone. No copies of documents to be made and no files removed. Civil Affairs Section has two officers attached. The officers will be lent to a sub-commission for a week at a time starting with Legal sub-commission. CA Section will issue at a later date a roster of where and when the Russian officers will be attached to the different sub-commissions.

2. The notice to leave given to essential civilian employees in the civil affairs section was a mistake and has been withdrawn.

3. Col. Fisk asks heads of sub-commissions when moving an officer from one Region to another, to arrange the move with the Regional Commissioner first, then clear with G.1.

On hand by AFHQ. 17th

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Meeting 10 am 18th

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12. Brig. Parkinson reported on his meeting re devastated areas. The Italians are to call a meeting on Monday of all Prefects of the areas involved to get them to set up committees in the provinces and districts. Mine problem very bad. Brig. Upjohn suggested that an officer from the Food sub-commission and Displaced Persons should sit on the Central committee, also Col. Cripps for mine clearance problems.

13. Maj. de Wald brought up the subject of feeding of civilian staff in ACC building. The MFAA staff say general discontent, they would

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rather pay more than the 2 lire and get more attention and better food. Lazio Region ACC staff pay 10 lire and are very much better off in food and service. VP to raise at next COB meeting.

14. Brigadier Upjohn thought the question of ACC helping with a Hostel for Ministers called forward or to Rome would be impossible. It is a matter entirely for the Italian Government.

15. Col. Crimps reported that Col. Marshall (Piedmonte Region) had said he had 10 Italian Patriot officers doing nothing. Col.McCarthy said that Regions were only sent the officers they asked for. 2 for Region HQ and 2 for each province. He presumed these were officers being held to go forward. Patriot sub-commission to investigate.

16. Col. Fothergill said that the Italian government are giving trouble in regard to paying ex-internees when ACC leave control of the territory. VP directed that as soon as payments are one month in arrears the matter is to be brought to his attention. He will press the TESORE.

17. Col. McCarthy reported that the Italian National Patriot Committee was taking a long time to meet, some member was always away.

18. In future sub-commissions will render in duplicate their returns on Tuesdays on discussions with the Italian Government and other matters of interest for the Sitrep and D.O. letter.



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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
APO 394

Ref: A/5.1/GA

11 October 1944.

SUBJECT : Vice President's meeting.

TO : All Sub-Commissions.

The Vice President's usual meeting scheduled for 16.00 hrs Thursday 12 October 1944 is postponed until Friday 13 October 1944 at 16.00 hrs.

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PA to VP CA Section

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REPORT NO.2 OF STAFF'S PROGRESS
OF
BOARD OF SUB-COMMISSIONERS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

No.12

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Meeting opened 16.03 hrs 9 Oct.'44. Colonel Grigge was in the chair.

1. Posting of staff in the building (they pay 2 or 7 lire per day for mess). Have any sub-commissions had any remarks from civilian staff?

2. Extra rations for police agencies approved - Publique Ricurezza and Guardia di Finanza. Italian Government and Police to be informed (if not already informed). Col. Graham to discuss with Col. Grigge.

3. The assigning of the various Russian officers to sub-commissions to be done by Col. Pinto. Underground civil affairs section not involved. Col. McCarthy would like a directive on security matters involved.

4. The Allied Labour Delegation hold meetings in working hours. This has been stopped. The Russian Delegation have been asked to inform Regional commissions concerned beforehand and to arrange meetings in the lunch hour or off duty time.

5. The position of ACC in the light of the joint declaration of Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill yet determined. No directive received to keep card control.

6. Certain decrees not passed without the sanction of the U.K. Col. Hilton said it was necessary to have a liaison officer to check on all decrees and to liaise with U.K. Naval. Major de Vita stated that the Minister of public instruction had put in a decree appointing 7 people in Florence (i.e. U.K. V ZONE Territory) without consulting anyone. To investigate and make a further report.

7. Natural supply situation. AFHQ to be sent certain recommendations.

8. Col. Hilton stated that American civil personnel was leaving. Any heads of sub-commissions wishing to provide American officers (old or new) if they would send the particulars forward to him he would follow up the issue. Col. Hilton thought it advisable to send names of U.S. as they would be held as a security.

9. Major Washburne stated that it was very difficult to know what to arrange for Italian officials who were called to Rome in conjunction with their work with the Ministry and ACC. He wondered if it would be possible to ask the Italian Government to open a hostel again for these people. Col. Hilton concurred and stated that he had the same trouble with Prefects called forward who accept monthly offers of

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7. Medical supply situation. AFHQ to be sent certain recommendations.

8. Col. Oliver stated that American officers' protection was inadequate. Any heads of sub-commissions wishing to provide American officers (old or new) if they would send the particulars forward to him he would follow up the forms. Col. Oliver thought it advisable to send names of C.O.'s as they would be held as a reserve.

9. Major Cashmore stated that it was very difficult to know what to arrange for Italian officials who were called to Rome in connection with their work with the Ministry and ACC. He wondered if it would not be possible to ask the Italian Government to open a [illegible] mess for these people. Col. Oliver concurred and stated that he had the same trouble with Prefects called forward who cannot possibly afford the high prices in Rome.

10. Col. Oliver reported that he had tried to see the Prime Minister about the National Committee of Liberation and had had an unsatisfactory reply. He will report further later.

11. Col. Finlay reported that two hundred thousand Italians threatened to be repatriated from France. 1,000 were already in England. 6,000 Young, destitute Italian soldiers might come any time from Greece. These Col. Finlay had accepted if necessary in his last resp. Patent (unsecured) from Australia were still to be arriving. Col. Finlay reported that he hoped to bring 4,000 farmers to cultivate Piedmont province and others from Istrana province. The entertainment for Allied Nationals was under consideration at AFHQ.

12. Col. Hoffer submitted a memorandum concerning Psy. Wf. should be [illegible] Meeting closed at 1955 hrs.

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF'S MEETING
OF
HEADS OF SUB-COMMISSIONS OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION.

Meeting opened 1605 hrs, 3rd October, 1944.

1. AFHQ has directed that the Russians may have eight more staff officers to help and assist the various sub-commissions in AOC.

2. A Public Safety Officer is to go to AFHQ to discuss Carabinieri ceiling. Colonel Chapman said Lt.Col. Wilcox would go.

3. The Italian Government has requested that Italian liaison officers should be appointed to the various sub-commissions. The general view of the meeting was that this move would be very inadvisable.

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6. Colonel Spicer to inquire into the very poor accommodation given to General Piechè in Ancona.

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12. NFAA reported that the Germans are taking a large number of deposits from North of Florence. This vandalism needs to be brought before the public, as cases are more frequent as the Germans go North.

13. Civil Affairs Section's meetings will be held on Mondays and Thursdays at 1600 hrs.

Meeting closed at 1650 hrs.

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AAG.1/1a 5 October 1944.

SUBJECT : Plans Committee Meeting.

TO : See Distribution.

The Plans Committee meeting scheduled for 1500 hrs Thursday 5 October 44 is cancelled. The next meeting is Friday 6 October 1944 at 1400 hrs.

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6 Oct 44

SUBJECT : Vice President's meeting.

TO : All who pub co-ops.

The Vice President's usual meeting will be held for 1600 hrs Monday
9 Oct 44 in preference to Tuesday 3 Oct 44 at 1600 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING

No. 47
29 September 44

1 The Meeting opened at 1600 hrs.

2 Matters for action:

a Formation of National Relief Organisation
b Restoration of territory
c Retention Italian civilian staff
d Projected reduction of forward supply position
e Responsibilities of MMLA and Army for maintenance of order
f District areas

3 The Meeting closed at 1645 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADELAIDE's MEETING
No. 46

26 Sep 44

1 The Meeting opened at 1600 hrs.

2 Matters for action :

a Propaganda re CC PK.
b Increase of wages - do Armistice terms control
c Tupini at Ancona without permission
d Supervision of promotion of VS officers.
e PW from HA relaxation, are further judges, doctors, teachers or CC PK, required.

3 The Meeting closed at 1630 hrs.

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APO 394
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

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A/G.1/A3 27 Sep 44 ac.

SUBJECT : Vice President's meeting.

TO : All Sub Commissions.

The Vice President's usual meeting scheduled for 1600 hrs Thursday 28 Sep 44 is post-poned to Friday 29 Sep 44 at 1600 hrs.

J.C. HANEY, J/Cdr
P.A. to V.P. Admin Sec.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
No. 45

21 Sep 44

1 The Meeting opened at 1605 hrs.

2 Matters for action :

a Prefects are asking for more direction and greater confidence
b SR. requests figures of CC RR strength. — Noted Sir.
c allegation CC RR get only one meal p.d. Untrue
d transport of CC RR. Letter written.
e Sub Comms to hold conference of their senior Regional representatives. To be arranged ✓

3 The Meeting closed at 1635 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
No.44

18 Sep 44

1 The meeting opened at 1600 hrs.

2 Matters for action :

a infant mortality rates
b relaxation of restrictions on movement Italian Ministers
c bids for transport for Italian purposes
d instructions as to rations and quarters for Italian civilian clerks suspended
e C/Cs to submit matters of interest on Tuesday. Admin to select for Sitrep as well as newsletters
f leave for officers requiring rest.

3 The meeting closed at 1630 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
No 43

12 Sep 44

1 The meeting opened at 1600 hrs.

2 Matters for action:
- a Sub Commns will report vehicles removed without previous notice.
- b AMG had taken over - letters to them should be full enough to put them in the picture.
- c Narratives by Sub Commns of their job and its development since Sep 43 will be useful to AMG.
- d Italian civilians will not be retained or quartered after 30 Sep.

3 Meeting closed at 1620 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIRE
ADVISORY VP's MEETING
No. 42

31 Aug 44

1 The meeting opened at 1600 hrs.

2 Matters for action

a Italians proceeding over seas will apply through PS not to political. Travel will only be permitted if object furthers the war effort. Ex Memo 61.

b AAI Memo on functions of ACC to be circulated.

c Reconstruction of Giunta Comunale in liberated territory is not concerned of ACC.

d Gen Wilson Mil Gov. Gen Alexander Deputy Mil Gov. Notices will continue to be signed by Gen Alexander.

3 Meeting closed at 1635

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AIDE MEMOIR
ALMIN VP's MEETING
No. 41

28 Aug 44

1 The meeting opened at 1600 hrs.

2 The following matters are for action
a Case of Italian Officials wishing to go abroad will be referred to Political Section. Dispersed
b Planning as to ~~Divisional~~ Belt across Italy.
c Future planning re allocation of officers.

3 The meeting closed at 1630 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADRIN VP's MEETING
No 40

24 Aug 44

1 The Meeting opened at 1600 hrs.

2 Matters for action:-

a Application may be submitted for temporary services of specialist American officers at Replacements Centres;
b Officers from southern Region (except Reg. IV) report 31 Aug;
c Prisor accomodation on Elba and Pianosa;
d Allied civilians to report on first arrival to Adj. Gen;
e Ministries to be asked to supply names of persons defascised on regional basis.

3 Meeting closed at 1620 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
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21 Aug 44

1. The Meeting open ed at 1600 houre.

2. Matters Discussed or For Action.

a MARCH OF TIME will probably produce a short film on the activities of ACC/AMG. Those present at the meeting with the RO's on Wed. might expect to be "shot".
b Italian civilians (officials, press) will be present at the above meeting.
c Italian officials will not be mentioned at the meeting.
d Col. MUNRO (PWB) will ask Rome editors to tone down their unwarranted criticisms.
e Arrest figures are showing considerable improvement recently.
f Mass migration to the north and south are proving troublesome, Public Safety was asked to ascertain status of special Railway Police recruited to reduce unauthorized rail travel.
g Telephonic confirmation from Fifth or Eighth Army is all that is necessary to approve forwarding of Italian officials. We can furnish the passes.
h Payment of "susp ended" Italian officials is under consideration. The Italian Government has not approved non-payment of certain categories while under suspension.
i HEREAFTER ADMIN SEC MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 1600 HOURS EACH MONDAY AND THURSDAY.
j Schools are reputedly delayed in functioning in Reg. II and in Sardinia.
k The actg Head Admin Sec wishes to see all monthly reports received from the field by the heads of Sub-Comsns.
l Caruso is reported to be awaiting trial. (No confirmation).
m Education wishes to be quit of DOPOLAVORO responsibilities, and were asked to state their case in favour of LABOUR.
n Col UPJOHN to take up question of means of propoganda being all in the hands of the Ministry of Public Instruction.
o Is a cablegram from an army requesting forwarding of Italian to be considered sufficient authority to send him? Will be discussed later.
p RC's are contacting Italian Ministers with reference to high level appointments. Reg. IV has contacted Minister of Interior with ref to Fire and Civil Defense national officers.
q Florence Soldiers' Guide Book was distributed to the assembled officers.
r Brig Dunlop may move his Headquarters because of lack of comm facilities.
s Elba will not become part of Reg. VIII until September at the earliest.
t It is reputed the Elba courts are not functioning properly. Visit indicated.
u ARMY CONTROL LINE is indicated on map in Col. CRIPPS Office.(R 33 5th Floor)
v Italian officialsx can use our courier. Also a vehicle and trailer is available to move them northwards. Rations for their forward trips (Trip time only) are available on payment of 86 lire per day to the Dispatch office where rations can be drawn.

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w Pools (6 to 12) of Italian officials are being considered. (6 to 12 indicates) strength of each pool - un der consideration too).
x Five (5) ATS will be available for this group. (Staff not specialist).
y Brief discussion of the coming "Parliament" Wed. 23 Aug.

3. The Meeting adjourned at 1 650 hours.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
No 38

17 Aug 44

1 The meeting opened at 1600 hrs.

2 Matters discussed or for action:

a The Statistical Branch will be controlled by Econ Sec and not by Finance Sub Comm.

b SC Directors to keep up visits to the field.

c PRO will visit SCs for news, all copy should be scrutinised before release.

d Italian Press will attend next SC Meeting. Directors may wish to reconsider their speeches to make plain to Italian people - what has been done, what it is hoped to do, and the difficulties which prevent or delay.

3 The meeting closed at 1625 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR
AMZON V.P.W MEETING
No.37

4th Aug 44

1 The meeting opened at 1600 hrs.

2 The following matters were discussed or are for action:

a medical supplies for private practitioners;
b ration scale for C.C.P.;
c amalgamation of Regions II, III & VII;
d issue of permits of Doctors' cars;
Sub Comm: to submit bids for cars for Italian officers;
re-treading of tyres, provision of batteries and spare
parts for 15 to 20 cars possible;
f Fed Trians, forwarding to AMG to be through Allied Secs;
g letters to Higher or parallel authorities on policy etc
matters to be signed for CC;
h clothing for Italian civilians;
i MA filing cards are an essential tool.

3 The meeting closed at 1705 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
No. 36

11 Aug 44

1 The meeting opened at 1705 hrs.

2 Matters for attention:
a Finance was opening a Statistical Branch.
b Sub Comsns have responsibility for approving promotions and transfers of senior Italian Government officials as well as the appointments.

3 The meeting then discussed the question of manpower.

4 The meeting closed at 1750 hrs.

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SUBJECT: VP's Meeting

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TO : Admin Sub Comens

The VP's meeting will be held at 1700 hrs on Thursday 10th instead of Friday. One of the matters for discussion will be Reduction of personnel on which subject Sub Comens will shortly be receiving a communication from the Establishments Branch.

ADMIN SEC
8 Aug 44

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for A/Hd Admin Sec

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
No. 35

8 Aug. 44

1 The meeting opened at 1000 hrs.

2 Matters for action -
a Weekly return on Trips is no longer required.
b Ministers should be asked to speak more frequently in Provinces.
c Italian officials should be discouraged from visiting their homes.
d Prepare for amalgamation of Regions II, III and VII.
e Precis of speeches for MC meeting to be with Admin before 1200 hrs Aug 2.
f Plans for sudden expansion must be got ready.

3 Meeting closed at 1045 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR
ADMIN VP's MEETING
No. 34

3 Aug 44.

1 The meeting opened at 1600 hrs.

2 Matters for action.

a PWB reports - Sub Comsns to say what they require.

b Prodigal criticism of any defect - Public ignorant of immense amount of sound constructive work. Sub Comsn should keep PRO informed.

c Irregular passes in forward areas - only the yellow form will be recognised.

d CC. RR. coming in are of better type may not ceiling exclude acceptance of men of better type to some now in.

e Minister of Justice has expert draftsmen, Sub Comsns requiring decrees should call them in at an early stage.

f Policy as to recording evidence of atrocities. Channel - who should check - who should store.

g Comments on W.E. proposals to show whole requirements not distinguish between US and Br.

3 The meeting closed at 1650 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR

AIRGRAM VP MEETING

No. 33

1 Aug

1 The meeting opened at 1000 hrs.

2 Matters for action.

a Officers going forward must report to HC. AMA Armies.

b Monthly reports will be full.

c San Marino is neutral.

d Private cars of Ministers are not exempt from requisition.

e MC meeting 22 Aug.

f Directors to ensure that all cars in their MC are turned in.

g Messages to Region V should at present go by courier.

h Requests for permanent AMG HQ passes must be in by 2 Aug.

3 The meeting closed at 1040 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR

ADMIN VP MEETING

No. 32

26 July

1 Meeting opened at 1000 hrs.

2 Acting Admin Head reported on A/CC meeting, items covered:

a Feeding Civil Employees.

b Feeding Italian Government employees.

c Movement to N. Africa.

3 Passes into building to be issued to a restricted number of Italian Officials. All Sub-Commissions to submit a list of names for onward transmission to Secretary General to issue permanent passes.

4 CSO to issue copies of appendix "C" (Strength in Regions).

5 CSO to raise question of necessity of continuance of weekly trip return.

6 It was agreed that Sub-Commissions need not make any contribution to weekly letter to Regional Commissioners if there was nothing to report. No answer by 1200 hrs Sundays will be accepted as a NIL return.

7 Colonels Kirk, and Spicer to attend next ACC meeting at Adv. A.A.I. HQ. August 2.

8 The meeting closed at 1040.

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AIDE MEMOIR

ADMIN VP MEETING

25 Jul

1 The meeting opened at 1005 hrs.

2 Matters for action.

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a Omodeo purporting to act in Naples in name of ACC.

b Sicily, consider whether sufficient Italian Judges, carabinieri, prison accomodation are available.

c "Civilising" of ACC. Proforma for completion.

d Files should not be sent out of HQ.

e Italians removed from office should be suspended rather than dismissed.

f Whether ACC can borrow Specialist Officers from replacement centers on condition they are returnable at short notice.

3 The meeting closed at 1105 hrs.

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MEMOIR VP MEETING

No. 30

21 Jul 44

1 The meeting opened at 1005 hrs.

2 The provisions of teams of Italian Officials for forward areas was discussed with officers from other Sections (Vide Separate Minutes). file ACC/1400(1)/25

3 At 1030 hrs the visiting officers withdrew.

4 The following matters are for action.

a A mission from London and Washington is arriving to investigate the possibility of "Civilising" ACC.

b Rome Region is likely to be merged in Rome by 31 July.

Admin c What is ceiling of wages for employed Italian experts.

d Disposal of fascists interviewed by Armies.

5 The meeting closed at 1055 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR W MEETING

NO. 29

18 Jul 44

1 The meeting opened at 1000 hrs.

2 Matters for attention.

a Italian Liaison Section is being abolished. If any Sub-Coms desire the services of any officers they should submit the grounds.

b Villa Farnese, MFA to watch position and report if there is any danger of this villa being used.

c Reduction of staff. Sub-Coms to report all staff which can be spared to move forward.

d Movement. In AMG territory AAI requires restriction of movement over provincial boundaries. Rules re to movements across ACC-AMG line are being issued. Permits to Ministers may be issued under orders of A/Head. Ministers permanent passes will require endorsement by AAI. Sub-Coms will arrange to obtain through this Section.

3 The meeting closed at 1030 hrs.

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SUBJECT : Administrative Action Meetings. Public Safety A/6.3/AS. 14010

TO : Directors, Sub Commds, Adm Sec.

1 The Acting Head of the Administrative Section will hold meetings with the Directors of Sub-Commissions of Adm Sec on Tuesdays and Fridays at 1000 hrs in Room 60, 5th Floor.

2 It is requested that all concerned accordingly make arrangements to attend.

ADMIN SEC.
16 Jul 44.

ROBERT A. PURCELL
Lt Col. Infantry,
For A/Hd. Adm Sec.

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AIDE MEMOIR VP MEETING

No. 28

14 Jul 44

1 The meeting opened at 1000 hrs.

2 Matters for action.

All

a Foggia is to be temporarily administered direct from HQ. Sub-Coms may wish to appoint a "Field" Officer to take charge of their interest.

Admin, All

b Weekly conference at Adv HQ. 5 Army and 8 Army. Admin Sec will be represented. Agenda to be asked for. Sub-Coms may attend if directly instructed either in agenda or some urgent matter.

c Regional Commissioner's Meeting, Mid August.

Int, Legal, Educ.

d Defascising of Ministers. Ministers are appointing investigatory commissions. Sub-Commissions will be responsible for seeing that these are appointed and get to work quickly and efficiently. Progress reports to be rendered. Personnel of these commissions must be screened.

Admin

e Food Scales and Prices. PH Sub-Commission should be consulted when these matters are under discussion.

f Civil Personal. Enquiry to be made as to feeding.

The meeting closed at 1038 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR: VP MEETING

No. 27

11 Jul 44

1 The meeting opened at 0900 hrs.

2 The following points are for action

a Accomodation. Officers should be able to rely on certain amount of stability. Enquiry would be made as to the right to live out (i) in requisitioned apartments (ii) as paying guests and also as to rations of those so living out. The allotting of quarters was stated to be not entirely satisfactory especially of junior officers.

b Whether simple instructions as to the use of telephone could be issued.

c Instructions as to reports on officers whose work was not satisfactory would be issued and Directors must be prepared to accept responsibility for making such reports. Specialist officers should only be reported on by Regions after consultation with Sub-Coms.

d Monthly reports should be in as soon as possible.

e It was desirable to continue the weekly news letter to regions. Sub-Coms would supply the material as before.

f The AMGOT bible was dangerous and should either be revised or withdrawn.

g Sub-Coms would report whether they had any further amendments of the "Handbook" since their last report early in May.

h Could anything be done to improve the appearance of the Italian drivers.

3 The meeting closed at 0955 hrs.

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At 5.45 pm 5th July 1944 Lt. Col. Shipp, HQA R.C.M.P. telephoned me & asked if he would send him a note giving him the number of CCRR in Replacement Centres.

I understand Brigadier Parish is concerned about the enforcement of the harvesting laws and is toying with the idea of increasing the strength of CCRR in Sicily and southern Italy.

I pointed out that the CCRR in Naples & Bari Centres were taken from the strength of Naples & Bari Regions, that the CCRR had in Rome & forward centres were mostly without uniforms & were urgently needed to police the forward areas.

Lt. Col. Shipp asked if it would and the strength of CCRR in

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Lt. Col. Shipp asked if it would and the strength of CCRR in reserve in Replacement Centres by the 2pm. courier. 6th July

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6th July 1944

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Lt Col
Letter S.H.Q.

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AIDE MEMOIRE VI MEETING

No. 26

2 July 1943

1 Meeting opened at 1100 hrs.

2 Matters for action.

a Passes. VI can now grant passes for Italian officials proceeding to Rome on essential duty. ACC Officers proceeding on duty no longer require passes.

b Sicily. PS, Int, Legal, to discuss the Separatist movement, the failure to collect grain, police reinforcements.

c Channels of Communication. A new memorandum was in preparation and would be considered by a committee representing all 3 sections.

d Defascistisation. Sub-Coms were responsible for seeing that Ministries who were their opposite were defascistised. ACC with Armies would be responsible for removing the principal fascists as they moved forward. Less important persons should be dealt with by the Italians under Regional supervision and if necessary pressure.

e Transportation. The crippling effect on ACC work of insufficient transport.

3 The meeting closed at 1140 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR VP MEETING

No. 25

30 June 1944

1 Meeting opened at 1110 hrs. Col. Upjohn acting VP in chair.

2 Following matters were discussed.

Admin a Inquiry to be made as to reported action of AC Rome in refusing to pay certain Government Employees.

AVP b Necessity for coordinating control and treatment of Partisans.

All c Sub-Coms must at least leave staff requisite to deal with policy, at Palermo until Italian Government moves.

Legal d Panels for AMG Courts should be arranged so that incidence on Sub-Commission officers in the field should be equal.

VP e Whether some matters of general interest which were tending to become handled sectionally piecemeal, such as Defascistization, should not be controlled centrally.

3 The Meeting closed at 1135 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR VP MEETING

NO. 24

14 JUNE 1944

1 The meeting opened at 1100 hrs.

2 Matters for attention.

PS Col. Poletti was not entirely satisfied with the state of the carabineri in Region III. PS would investigate and report.

3 The meeting closed at 1140 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR VP MEETING

6 June 1944

1 The meeting opened at 1100 hrs.

2 Matters for attention

Legal — a Legal Sub-Com to discuss with RCMG most convenient method of clarifying to regional officers the difference in scope of the epuration decree - penal, and the Defascistisation decree - dismissal.

Admin — b Admin to ask Italian Government to obtain from Prefects the figures as to dismissals, cases investigated (dismissals - dismissed) and cases in hand.

VP — c VP was considering obtaining speakers to explain ramifications of Fascist organisation so that officers could understand ramifications of the organisation which had to be uprooted and the organisation which would have to be devised to replace it.

All — d All Sub-Coms must consider what organisation they would require if large parts of Italy came rapidly under control.

RCMG — e RCMG was asked to supply an estimate of time when advance parties of Italian Officials which had been formed for Rome would be called forward.

RCMG — f When young active and efficient Italian officials were selected for army areas rear regions were apt to state that the officials selected could not be spared or were key men. RCMG was asked to make it clear to Regions that army areas were to have priority rights and that Regions must loyally release active and efficient men selected and must make do with the second best.

3 The meeting closed at 1200 hrs.

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AIDE MEMOIR OF MEETING ADMIN SEC.

TUESDAY MAY 22

1. Meeting opened at 1100 hrs.

2. VP gave short resume of points discussed at Chief Commissioner's meeting the day before.

3. (a) Arising from this it was confirmed that Interior will compile a list of reliable Italian Officials for Rome City.

3. Statistics are required by V.P. of dismissals of Fascist Officials. Hearings to show those effected by Allied Government under AMG & Italian Government under decree of Sec 28. Organisation of this to be the responsibility of Admin Sec Staff.

4. Letter to be written by Admin Sec., requesting the permanent assignment of Capt. Dalliard to Interior Sub-Commission.

5. The meeting considered the C.Cs. letter of 17 May, Subject: 'Consultation with R.Cs. on matters of Policy' Agreed that heads of Sub-Commissions use discretion in this matter and avoid frequent or detailed correspondence.

6. Meeting closed at 1215.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

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19 May 44.

SUBJECT: Consultation with Regional Commissioners.

TO : Heads of Sub-Commissions, Adm Sec.

1 Attached letter reference CC 008 dated 17 May addressed to VP Adm Sec is forwarded for your information and compliance.

2 The matter will be discussed at the next Adm Sec Conference to be held at 11.00 hrs Tuesday 23 May, will you please be prepared.

R.R. Cripps

R.R. CRIPPS,
Lt Colonel
for VP Adm Sec.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394. (Office of the Deputy President)

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17 May 44.

SUBJECT : Consultation with Regional Commissioners on Matters of Policy.

TO : Vice Presidents of Adm Sec, Economic Sec and Political Section.

1 When considering matters of policy which affect the whole territory, such as price of crops, wages, food prices, legislation, I wish Vice Presidents to ensure that the views of the Regional Commissioners are sought. Regional Commissioners after consultation with their staffs, administrative and technical, are in a better position than any one in the field to advise Vice Presidents for they have a comprehensive responsibility, can weigh the value of opinions given by various specialist officers in their Regions, and should have a general and intimate knowledge of conditions in those Regions.

2 When for instance the price to be paid for a crop has to be fixed I should expect Regional Commissioners to be asked for their views in sufficient time for them to consult their Provincial Commissioners and Technical officers. These views can then be considered by the Vice Presidents with their Sub-Commissions who will, of course, have obtained technical information from their representatives in the field.

3 The same procedure should be followed if important legislation is under consideration. Vice Presidents should not depend wholly on the technical advice of Sub-Commissions who are possibly not in a position to gauge the effect of their proposals in the Province.

4 Having obtained the Regional views and discussed them with their Sub-Commissions, Vice Presidents should submit their final recommendations in writing to me, with copies to other Vice Presidents, in order that the matter may, if I so rule, be discussed at a Vice Presidents' Meeting before my decision is made.

(SGND)

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS, 17 MAY 1944

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1 The meeting opened at 1100 hours.

Legal PS 2 The VP reported matters discussed at the CC's meeting
a The CC had asked the Executive Commissioner to prepare a brief for him for the meeting of the Allied Advisory Council meeting on the subject of Sardinia. Legal and PS would probably receive requests to supply information for the Brief.
b Italian Government has been asked to pass labor legislation.
c An Inflation Committee was being set up.
d If Sub-Coms withdraw too many officers from released territory insufficient may be left to take full weight of administration off the army. Italian Government should not be encouraged to think that we will pull out quickly.
e Sub-Coms will be careful not to press the Italian Government for particular legislation. Our task is to operate existing forms of government (defascistised) not to introduce reforms and changes.
f Zamboni is HC for Refugees.
g An Italian Radio is now operating subject to censor control.
h It is proposed to control prices on a fairly general scale.
i AMG courts will not be established in released territory except with approval HQ ACC after consultation with CLO.

3 The following sectional matters were discussed or decided:
a Promotions - arrangements have been made for consultation of Sub-Coms on promotion of Specialist Officers.
b Defascistisation. The draft of the new order is now completed. Formula for the decree has been agreed and it is likely to follow fairly closely the original 2nd draft. The decree is likely to be published on 18 May (prior to the meeting of the Allied Advisory Council).
c Cost of living. Finance had supplied a very interesting document (which can be seen on request) investigation of family budgets is in hand, cost of living per head per week, about 400 Lire. A person earning 80 Lire a day does not earn sufficient to keep himself and his wife. A Supplementary Report is expected.
d An officer to deal with internal matters of the church has not yet been appointed.
f Operational pool for prefects is now being formed.

4 Reports from Sub-Coms and visitors.

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PH a i Lecce prison badly overcrowded.

ii Metabrin should be taken by all ranks ACC even if they do not reside in malarial area as preparation in case they have to move through or to a malarial area.

iii 116 cases small pox Naples. 73,000 persons vaccinated to date.

Legal b i Overcrowding of prisons and delay in bringing prisoners to trial. Legal had suggested that a special commission should consider untried cases where accused to been in prison as long as the sentence he is likely receive.

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This proposal was not acceptable to Italian Government, who suggested (a) general amnesty or (b) release on parole and gradual trial. Italian Government would expect to clear these cases in two years time. Legal did not consider either proposal satisfactory.

ii Officers for Region IV - These officers had been cleared with Regions at 1st May, orders still not issued. If a staff officer of Regional HQ . clears a man it is not necessary to ask RC perso - ally as well. The staff officer speaking for the RC binds him. If he speaks without authority that is for the RC to take up i' does not dustify delay.

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ii Church is cooperating to locate deposits of "Treasure" in ex-occupied territory so that endeavours may be made to prevent loss and damage.

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5 The Meeting closed at 1215 hours.

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MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS, 9 MAY 1944

NO 20

1 The meeting opened at 1100 hours.

2 The VP reported matters discussed at the CC's meeting.

Legal — a SARDINIA: Legal to keep watch on progress of defascistisation, strengthening the judiciary and the abolition of OVRA.

All — b FASCISM: The removal of fascists to proceed more rapidly. Fascists not to be retained on ground of indispensability.

Admin PWB — c FOOD: A more index of cost of living is insufficient, it must be coupled with a study of family incomes. Can Econ Sec or PWB make a study of some typical family incomes, budgets and the sufficiency of the diet.

d Palermo interview on functions of the Italian Army.

e The rate of increases of the cost of living is comparable to that in Germany preceeding the financial crash. There is also evidence of distrust of the note issue.

Int — f PAPAL PROPERTY: is to be treated as property of a neutral. The proper channel for dealing with property will therefore be political; other church matters e.g. administrative will be dealt with by Interior. Interior will put up a case for appointment of an officer with special qualifications.

g Senior officers to make personal acquaintance of as many Ministers as they have reasonable opportunities to meet.

Legal — h To report circumstances under which an Allied military court was to be convened in unoccupied Italy.

3 The following section 1 matters were discussed or decided:

a Control of Publications. AFB decrees are in hand. Italian Govt will have free hand in making appointments to local Boards.

b Prisoners of War. Machinery and procedure - under discussion.

c Prison accommodation.

4 Reports from Sub-Comms.

a MFAA. Booklet issued.

b Safety. Allied personnel and vehicles an active part of Black Market machinery in Foggia.

c Interior. Forming a pool of Sindaci to be available if front moves. A pool of Prefects is in contemplation.

d CSO. i Health - 47 cases smallpox, Naples.
ii Situreps - not being read. Col. Fiske will arrange for copy for VP.
iii Handbook containing cancelled Exec Memos.

HCMG Legal — e Col. Polatti: desired information as to progress in preparation of Epuration decree.
ii also as to establishment of welfare service.

PH — iii Senior police officials should be removed and replaced by administrators even if without police experience. Safety do not agree

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5 The meeting closed at 1222 hours.

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2 May 1944

Minutes of meeting held at Algiers on 1 May 1944.

No. 12.

Action:

1. The Vice President opened the meeting at 1100 hours.

2. The Vice President gave a history of matters discussed at the 26 meeting on 1 May.

3. The following matters were discussed or decided:

a. Specialist officers in the field should not supply outside parties with information except through heads of Sub-Areas or through their HQ.

b. Reports of matters discussed with Italian Government are required.

Legal: c. Renunciation. Progress of the preparation of decree. Legal to keep matter moving.

d. AFHQ have sent Chief of its Operations who will work cooperatively in preparing steps to relieve the shortage of food stocks.

Adm. e. Food rations. Whether it was possible to have record of charges of black market prices. Adm to approach Adm Lee to ascertain whether a mutual exchange of representatives at Brindisi and Algiers could be arranged for purposes of coordination and information.

Adm f. Prostitution. Vice Sub-Areas should be consulted with regard to present problems of specialist officers. Adm to ask Civilliances to arrange consultation while for this purpose.

g. Weekly Report. It is understood that the staff were to be asked to submit a consolidated weekly report covering all the Sub-Areas.

Safety h. Safeguarding. Are areas in course of preparation whereby Italian authorities could be consulted in occupied territory to screen officials - Safety to report on progress of Sicily areas. Adm to ask Italian govt. to report on progress of number of banks reopened, investigated, persons dismissed, not dismissed. Education to report as to progress with educational staff.

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3. The following matters were discussed or decided:

a. Specialist officers in the field would not supply outside parties with information except through heads of sub-areas or through their HQ.

b. Reports of matters discussed with Italian Governments are required.

Legal c. Interpretation. Progress of the preparation of decree. Legal to read entire memo.

d. ACC have given brief of its functions who are most cooperative in preparing steps to reduce the chance of bank damage.

Adm. e. Food prices. Advice is now possible to have record of changes of black market prices. Adv to approach Com Gen to ascertain whether a mutual exchange of representatives at Directors meetings could be arranged for purposes of cooperation and information.

f. Penalties. That sub-areas should be consulted with regard to proposed prosecutions of specialist officers. Adv to ask Carabinieri to arrange cooperation visits for this purpose.

g. Weekly Report. It is understood that the staff were to be asked to submit a consolidated weekly report covering all the sub-areas.

Safety h. Declassification. Key areas in course of preparation whereby Italian committees would be appointed to consider territory to assist officials - Safety to report on progress of Lecce scheme. Adv to ask Italian govt. to report on progress of number of cases reported. Investigated, persons charged, not dismissed. Commission to report as to progress with Provincial Staff.

All sub-areas i. Relevance of AMF. A new statement as to policy has been received and whole machinery will have to be reviewed. All sub-areas to submit areas of five which relevance already received.

Safety j. Films Recommendations. Col. Long to coordinate action.

k. Unblocking of rents. Adv asked to obtain views of Italian govt interviewers to be so before term has been decided its policy. Adv to act in views of Health Safety and property and convey this to them Sec.

4. The meeting closed at 1200 hours.

Distribution:
1-Deputy Chief Comm.
1-Brig. Hamilton
1-Lt Col Hamlin

1-Vice President
1-Col. Dykins
1-Lt Col F.F. Mills

1-Major Perkins
1-Lt Col Crimps
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1-Lt Col. Oliver
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25 April 1946

MINUTES OF MEETING, DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-DIVISIONS, APRIL 25, 1946.

No. 16

1. Meeting was opened by Lt Col. Gripps at 1105 hours.

2. The following matters were among others discussed:

   a. The anticipated reactions of the new government.

   b. Monthly Reports.

   c. Employment of allied civilians in ACC.

   d. Release of P.W.

   e. Prison accommodation.

   f. Denazification upon receipt of schedule.

   g. Visits to the field.

3. The meeting closed at 1215 hours.

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1-Col. Kirk
1-Brig. Parkinson
1-Col. DeJohn
1-Lt Col. Spicer
1-Lt Col. Harris
1-Lt Col. C.V. Smith
1-Commander Lawler
1-Major Perkins
2-Lt Col. Gripps

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18 April 1944

MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS, APRIL 18, 1944

NO. 17

1. The Vice President opened the meeting at 1105 hours.

2. The following matters were (Inter alia) discussed:

(a) Promotions of Subcommissions' officers in the field.

(b) Reports of discussions with the Italian Government.

(c) Italian directives issued to Italian officers.

(d) Informing Regional officers of decrees and directives issued by Italian Government.

(e) Organization of Labor Day (30 April)

(f) Monthly Reports (general)

(g) Technical reports and statistics.

(h) Some damage of ancient monuments.

3. The Vice President closed the meeting at 1215 hours.

DISTRIBUTION:
1-Deputy Chief Commissioner
1-Vice President
1-Col. Hinz
1-Brig. Parkinson
1-Col. Upjohn
1-Lt Col. Spicer
1-Lt Col Harris
1-Lt Col. T.V. Smith
1-Commander Lawler
1-Lt Col. Charles Poletti.
3-Lt Col Crippa.

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16 April 1944

SUBJECT: Draft Directives

TO : Admin. Section

Reference your 3/75/AC dated 15 April 1944.

Herewith as requested copies of Draft Directives, having as attachments Instructions issued by Ministers of Italian Government.

Encl.
Copy 14060/PS dated 5 April and enclosure.
Copy 14060/PS dated 20 March and enclosure "A"
Copy Draft dated 9 April and Encl.

PAUL G. KIRK
Colonel, Inf.
Chief, Public Safety
Sub-Commission

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ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

3/7B/AS

15 Apl 44

SUBJECT : Draft Directives.

TO : All Admin Sub Comms.

It is requested that by 1600 hrs 16 Apl 44 the Admin Section be furnished with copies of all draft directives which have been forwarded to higher authority for approval and issue which have as enclosures or have attached to them copies of decrees or instructions issued by Ministers of the Italian Government.

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S.H.WHITE, Major,
for CSO Adm Sec.

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Text of circular letter from Dep. Sec. Gen. on 6/4/44:-

The following information was received by the Dep. Sec. Gen. in a communication dated 5/5/44 from the Sec.Gen. Naples:-

With reference to letter, this office dated 23/2 subject "Conferences" effective immediately the Chief Commissioners routine conference held weekly on Thursday at Salerno is cancelled permanently. The Naples conference will continue to be held on Mondays at 1100 hrs.

Dep. Sec. Gen.

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April 4, 1944

MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS, APRIL 4, 1944

NO. 16

1. Meeting called to order by Vice President at 1100 hours.

2. Vice President reported on the meeting of the Chief Commissioner at Naples, April 3.

3. C.S.C. to circulate file concerning appointments and promotions of junior Italian Civil Servants together with Col. Upjohn's memo. on subject of higher appointments.

4. Announced that representative of P.W.B. will attend Vice President's meetings in future.

5. C.S.C. draw attention of meeting to Memo. of Establishments Officer Subject, transfers of specialist officers. C.S.C. to write acknowledgement and request similar co-operation by Establishment Branch.

6. Col. Wilmer draw attention to weaknesses in present promotion system. C.S.C. to draft letter requesting that proposed promotions by Regions be referred to Sub-Commissions for comment and information.

7. Attention to the delay in issuing technical instructions was brought to notice. Vice President to write to Executive Commissioner.

8. Col. Upjohn announced that Italian Decrees concerning publications and newspapers was under revision. P.W.B. concerned.

9. Reported that A.A.I. Administration order No. 10 concerning M.F.A. had now been issued.

10. Meeting adjourned at 1155 hours.

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1-Brig. Parkinson
1-Col. Upjohn
1-Lt Col. Spicer
1-Lt Col. Harris
1-Lt Col. T.V. Smith
1-Commander Lawler
1-Major Perkins
Lt Col Cripps (3)

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31 March 1944

MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS, MARCH 31, 1944

NO. 15

1. Meeting called to order by the Vice President at 1100 hrs.

2. Interior and Education Subcommissions to comment on appointment procedure outlined by Legal Subcommission.

3. Director of Public Health Subcommission will report in a month on operation of system of subsidies in Sicily.

4. Meeting adjourned 1145 hours.

DISTRIBUTION:
1-Deputy Chief Commissioner
1-Vice President
1-Col. Kirk
1-Brig. Parkinson
1-Col. Upjohn
1-Lt Col Spicer
1-Lt Col Harris
1-Lt Col T.V.Smith
1-Commander Lewler
1-Major Perkins
2-Lt Col Cripps

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28 March 1944

MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS, MARCH 28, 1944

NO. 14

1. Meeting called to order at 1000 hours.

2. Chief of Staff reported on the meeting of the Chief Commissioner at Naples.

3. The matter of the time of departure of the Naples to Salerno transport on the days of Administration Section meetings was referred to the Vice President.

4. Chief of Staff referred unsatisfactory release of civilian prisoners of war to Public Safety Sub-Commission. Protest already lodged by Deputy Chief Commissioner. Col. Young to be informed forthwith by Public Safety Sub-Commission.

5. Meeting adjourned at 1040 hours.

DISTRIBUTION:
1-Deputy Chief Commissioner
1-Vice President
1-Col. Kirk
1-Brig. Parkinson
1-Col. Bjohn
1-Lt Col. Spicer
1-Lt Col. Harris
1-Lt Col. F.V. Smith
1-Commander Lawler
1-Major Perkins
3-Lt Col Cripps

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21 March 1944

MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS, MARCH 21, 1944.

NO. 13

1. Meeting convened at 1000 hours, Deputy Chief Commissioner being present.

2. Vice President reported on the meeting of the Chief Commissioner at Naples.

3. Brigadier Parkinson reported on the problem of refugee care to be faced in Benevento.

4. Matter of transport from Naples to Salerno referred to Deputy Chief Commissioner.

5. Meeting adjourned at 1040 hours.

DISTRIBUTION:
1-Deputy Chief Commissioner
1-Vice President
1-Col. Kirk
1-Brig. Parkinson
1-Col. Upjohn
1-Lt Col Spicer
1-Lt Col Harris
1-Lt Col T.V. Smith
1-Commander Lawler
2-Lt.Col. Cripps
1-Major Perkins

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3 March 1944

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TO: Heads of Public Safety, Legal, Interior and Education Sub-Commissions.

1. In order to watch the general trend of affairs I am trying to collect brief notes of significant events as they come to the attention of subcommissions. Such notes are quite independent of official minutes though they might bear a reference to the whereabouts of the relevant. This material should be D.O. and come direct to me.

2. I append from recollections a list of matters I should consider relevant.

a. Embodiment of Militia in Carabinieri.
b. Strike called for March 4.
c. Public meeting in Naples March 12.
d. Strength of minority vote against Omodeo, Naples University.
e. Italian trials of deserters to the allies.
f. Petition to be organised against Churchill's speech.
g. Attempts of Reale to remove Tamburro.
h. New boundaries for Potenza Province.
i. Growth of hammer & sickle signs at Potenza.
j. Exclusion of non-monarchists from the Army.
k. Sincerity of Zanboni Commission.

3. For any help you can render on these lines I should be grateful.

STANSGATE,
Vice President,
Administrative Section.

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MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS, MARCH 14, 1944

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NO. 12

1. Meeting called to order at 1000 hours by Col. Upjohn, Col. Albright attending.

2. Col. Upjohn reported for the Vice President on the Chief Commissioner's meeting at Naples.

3. The Director of the Interior Subcommission reported on a conference with the Italian Minister of the Interior relative to the care of refugees.

4. Col. Albright reported on British and American personnel matters.

5. Meeting adjourned at 1110 hours.

DISTRIBUTION:
1-Deputy Chief Commissioner
1-Vice President
1-Col. Kirk
1-Brig. Parkinson
1-Col. Upjohn
1-Lt Col. Spicer
1-Lt Col. Harris
1-Lt Col. P.V. Smith
1-Commander Lasler
1-Col. Albright
1-Major Perkins
3-Lt Col. Dripps

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MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS, MARCH 10, 1944

NO. 11

1. Meeting called to order at 1000 hours.

2. The question of the care of refugees to be referred by the Director of the Interior Subcommission to the Italian Minister of the Interior and the Finance Subcommission.

3. The representative of the Political Section reported that no reply had as yet been received from the letter sent by the Chief Commissioner to Marshal Badoglio relative to appointments.

4. The Vice President will inquire into the position of the Head and Port Militia in the Carabinieri.

5. The Education and the Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Subcommissions will submit memos on the question of incurred expenses to the Vice President.

6. The question of the responsibility for instituting promotions of American officers will be inquired into by the Chief Staff Officer of the Administration Section.

7. Meeting adjourned at 1030 hours.

DISTRIBUTION:
1-Deputy Chief Commissioner
1-Vice President
1-Col. Kirk
1-Brig. Ferguson
1-Col. Ujohn
1-Lt Col. Spicer
1-Lt Col. Harris
1-Lt Col. T.V. Smith
1-Commander Lawler
1-Major Perkins
2-Lt Col. Gripps

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MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS, MARCH 7, 1944

NO. 10

1. Meeting called to order at 1000 hours.

2. Vice President reported on Chief Commissioner's meeting at Naples.

3. It was recommended that the following points be again referred to the Deputy Chief Commissioner for consideration:

   a. The procurement of qualified translators.

   b. The visit of Col. Albright to Salerno to discuss question of personnel.

   c. The practice of detaching specialist personnel from the subcommissions without prior knowledge of the head of the subcommission.

4. The Chief Commissioner desires that the members of the subcommissions make personal visits to regions as often as practicable.

5. Railroad accident at Potenza. Vice President to take up with Executive Commissioner.

6. It was noted that no reply had as yet been received from the letter relative to appointments sent by the Chief Commissioner to Marshal Badoglio.

7. The CC when in Salerno desires to see any visiting officers from the regions.

8. Meeting adjourned at 1035 hours.

DISTRIBUTION:
1-Deputy Chief Commissioner
1-Vice President
1-Col. Kirk
1-Brig. Parkinson
1-Col. Upjohn
1-Lt Col. Spicer
1-Lt Col. Harris
1-Lt Col. K.V. Smith
1-Commander Lawler
1-Major Perkins
3-Lt Col. Grimes

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MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE
SUB-COMMITTEE OF FEBRUARY 28, 1944

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NO. 2

1. Meeting called to order at 1000 hours. Deputy Chief Commissioner was present.

2. The President received the Chief Commissioner's meeting at Ottawa.

3. Deputy Chief Commissioner reported on probable attachment of this time liaison to staff of Administrative Section.

4. The question of assignment of unskilled personnel from the staffs of sub-divisions whose knowledge of the subsistence load will be further investigated by the Deputy Chief Commissioner.

5. A meeting relative to the revision of the films system was called for Monday the February at 1000 hours.

6. The Vice President will discuss with the Honourable Commissioner the question of the control of films' supplies-needs by Regional Commissioners in A.F.S. areas.

7. A conference was called for Tuesday 7 March for the purpose of establishing a coordinating policy for the extension of Canada public officials to be appointed in Liberated and/or occupied Italy. Representatives from the Interior, Legal, Public Safety, Prisoners are requested to be present. Representatives of Political Section and of the Labour Sub-Commission are to be notified.

8. It is recommended that the Legal Subcommission request English assistance of all Italian services to subcommission with a full appreciation of the work to be done.

9. The Deputy Chief Commissioner discussed the question of office hours and requested that those officers [illegible] to the meeting should be able with [illegible] hours.

10. Meeting adjourned at 1200 hours.

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2-Deputy Chief Commissioner
1-The President
1-Col. Kirk
2-Brig. Parkinson
1-Col. Hogan
1-Lt Col. Spicer
1-Lt Col. Stacey
1-Lt Col. T.F. [illegible]
1-Secretary Lawler
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1-Lt Col. [illegible]

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MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS,
FEBRUARY 25, 1944

NO. 8

1. Meeting convened at 1000 hours. Deputy Chief Commissioner was present.

2. Vice President reported on Chief Commissioner's meeting in Naples.

3. It is recommended that qualified translators be found among civilian population for full time duty. Deputy Chief Commissioner will investigate possibility of transfer of qualified officer to Administrative Section to direct translator's pool.

4. It is recommended that Col. Cripps secure a digest with table heads of all Italian decrees for circulation to Chief Commissioner and heads of Sub-commissions.

5. It is recommended that proposed school for Italian officials should not be held.

6. It is recommended that sub-commissions be consulted before there is any withdrawal of specialist personnel for other services in U.K. also that Property Control and Interior Sub-Commissions be regarded as special cases in this instance.

7. The Vice President will discuss with the Head of the Public Safety Sub-Commission the problem of his liasion with Italian officials.

8. It is recommended by the Deputy Chief Commissioner that Col. Albright be asked to come to Salerno to discuss personnel problems with the sub-commission.

9. It is noted that the office of the Headquarters Commandant is acting as a sub-depot to Naples for the procurement of civilian personnel.

10. Brigadier Parkinson reports that the disinfesting of Italian refugees both at the bridge-head and at Naples has been in progress.

11. It is noted that all press releases will be issued thru the office of Public Relations Officer at Naples.

12. It is reported that several officers and enlisted men are still at Tuzu-Ouzou and it is recommended that steps be taken to procure their services.

13. Meeting adjourned at 1045 hours.

DISTRIBUTION:
1-The President
1-Col. Kirk
1-Capt Stones(DCC)
1-Brig. Parkinson
1-Col. Upjohn
1-Lt Co. T.V.Smith
1-Lt Col Spicer
1-Lt Col Harris
1-Commander Lawler
3-Lt Col. Cripps

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MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS, FEBRUARY 22, 1944

NO. 7.

1. Meeting called at 1000 hours by Vice President.

2. Vice President reported on the Chief Commissioner's meeting at Naples.

3. Vice President reported on Chief Commissioner's efforts relative to American promotions. Vice President will present questions of British promotions to Brigadier Lush.

4. It was agreed that there is an urgent need for a qualified translator to make authorized translations of Italian decrees.

5. Brigadier Parkinson reported on the refugee problem and also announced the appointment of Dr. Vizzoso as medical officer to the Italian Government.

6. Col. Upjohn reported on activity of "purifying committee" created by Italian Government.

7. Meeting adjourned at 1040.

DISTRIBUTION:
1-Vice President
1-Col. Kirk
1-Brig. Parkinson
1-Col. Upjohn
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MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS, FEBRUARY 18, 1944

NO. 6

1. Meeting called to order at 1000 hours by Vice President.

2. Report on Vice President of meeting at Naples.

3. Health Commission report to be referred to Vice President Grady.

4. Question of handling press excesses referred to Legal Sub-Commission for advice.

5. Meeting adjourned at 1025 hours.

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MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE
SUB-COMMISSIONS, FEBRUARY 15, 1944

NO. 5

1. Deputy Chief Commissioner was present.

2. Meeting convened at 1000 hours with Vice President in chair.

3. A list of Italian Ministers, their names and addresses will be circulated.

4. The question of the church liaison will be referred to Mr. Caccia.

5. The personnel question for Interior Sub-Commission to be pursued.

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MINUTES OF MEETING DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS, FEBRUARY 11, 1944

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NO. 4

1. Meeting called to order at 1005 hours by Vice President.

2. Appointment of liaison official with Vatican - Capt. Dollard. Vice President to discuss with Mr. Caccia.

3. Reports of censors to be distributed to Col. Kirk and other interested sub-commissions.

4. Staff of Interior Sub-Commission to be increased when practicable.

5. Proposals as to inquiries reference Prisoner of War will be circulated for approval.

6. Handouts to newspapers should be passed through Executive Commissioner for issue by Public Relations officer.

7. Discussion of translation and promulgation of Italian orders on three points -(a) Who translates, (b) Who takes responsibility for proof, (c) Who issues.

8. Italian Minister of Justice Caserti appointed by Italian Government to replace De Santis.

9. Question of administrative policy on enlisted men's and officers' dances. Vice President recommended matter be brought to attention of Executive Commissioner by Colonel Crippe.

10. Matter of Dignity and equipment of offices of Allied Control Commission in relation to similar offices in Italian Government and also correct formal procedure of meeting Italian officials discussed.

11. Question whether or no decrees should be pre-viewed by Allied Control Commission before formalization and discussion by Italian Government referred to Col. Upjohn for resume.

12. Representative of Medical Division of Italian Government - Dr. Pizzoso now in Salerno, Vice President to refer to High Commissioner proposal by Public Health Sub-Commission attachment of Col. Paul Russell as Malariologist to Staff of Public Health Sub-Commission.

13. Meeting adjourned 1130 hours.

DISTRIBUTION:
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1-Col. Kirk
1-Brig. Parkinson

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SEC. 3 NOTES OF MEETING OF DIRECTORS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-COMMISSIONS, 8 FEBRUARY 1944

1. Vice President's conference, 7 February 1944.

Vice President Stenagate reported orally.

2. Prisoners of War: Directors of Sub-Commissions are asked for comments on Aide-Memoire. Decision required as to the closure of inquiry with which Adm. Section can deal.

3. Distribution of Training Material: Lt Col Cripps to report.

4. Meeting with Gen. Lush on Organization: Lt Col Cripps gave oral report. Written memo will be circulated.

5. Promotion of U.S.A. Officers: Col. Kirk will report.

6. Handover of Territory:
Col. Sojohn reported orally.

7. Shortage of Staff: Lt Col Spicer raised this question. Directors restated that their comments had been invited.

8. Situation Reports: Brig. Parkinson raised question of effective distribution of increased bread ration.

Distribution:
1-Lt Col Spicer
1-Brig. Parkinson
1-Col. Kirk
1-Col. Sayre
1-Col. Sojohn
1-Lt Col Harris
5-Lt Col Cripps

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5. Takeover of Zar: Directors of Sub-Committees are asked for comments on Aide-Memoire re. Location required as to the stages of Entry with which Adv. Section can deal.

6. Distribution of Imported Material: Lt Col Cripps to report.

4. Dealing with Gen. Lack as Organisation: Lt Col Cripps gave oral report. Written memo will be circulated.

5. Evacuation of U.S.A. Officers: Col. Kirk will report.

6. Takeover of Territory:
Col. Upjohn reported orally.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO.394

AXC/11,040/PS

5 February, 1944.

Subject : Whereabouts Inquiries.

To : Vice-President, Administrative Section.

1. In connection with the above subject, the following comments, as requested, are made:

(a) Civilian Internees. No further comment on this at present. At next meeting, mention will be made of expected changes in procedure.

(b) Application by a Prisoner of War anywhere in Allied hands as to Whereabouts and welfare of his family in Occupied Italy.

It is recommended that this category be enlarged, so far as the responsibility of the Commission is concerned, so that it will include inquiry by any person regarding welfare of persons in Occupied Italy who are:-

(i) at large in the community;
(ii) believed to be confined in Italian prisons as result of sentence by AMG courts or Italian courts.

The C.C.I.R. and the prison establishments would be the agencies used in making these inquiries.

2. In the approach to the problem as a whole, it is recommended that a member of the staff of the Administrative Section contact the Red Cross (American, British, Italian and International) for the purpose of exploring the facilities and services at their disposal, and advising the Sub-Commissions of the Administrative Section, to the end that economy of effort may be achieved wherever possible.

RAUL G. FISK
Colonel, Infantry,
Chief,
Public Safety Sub-Commission.

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Administrative Section
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2 February 1944.

SUBJECT: Whereabouts Enquiries.

TO: Interior Sub-Commission
Public Health Sub-Commission
Public Safety Sub-Commission

1. Reference V.P.'s meeting 1 Feb, and notes issued after, will you please make definite proposals on the basis of these, by monday February 7, 1944.

R.R. CRIPPS,
Lt. Colonel,
for the Vice President Admin.Section.

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	Public Safety	✓

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Remarks:

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF HEADS OF SUBCOMMISSIONS HELD AT SALERNO AT 1000 HOURS ON TUESDAY, 1 FEB. 1944. PRESIDED OVER BY THE VP.

(1) NEW DIRECTIVE BY GENERAL LUSH.- Discussed and further points remitted to the meeting with the Major-General.

(2) FORTNIGHTLY MEETINGS OF ALL SUBCOMMISSIONS.- The first was fixed for 1430 hours at Naples on THURSDAY, 3 FEB. 1944.

(3) RELATIONS BETWEEN P.W. SUBCOMMISSION AND AMG AND 5TH ARMY.- This question raised by Brigadier Parkinson was remitted for discussion with General Lush.

(4) ITALIAN GAZETTE - ORDERS TO PUBLIC OFFICIALS TO REPORT FOR DUTY.- Raised by Col. Spicer and remitted for discussion with VP. and Legal Subcommission.

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Shortage of Bread in Salerno.
Region I - Shortage of coal affecting Railway. Transport.

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"WHEREABOUTS ENQUIRIES".- This question was remitted by the Meeting held on 1 Feb, 1944 for consideration by the following :-

Brigadier Parkinson.
Colonel Kirk.
Colonel Spicer.

(1) RELEASE OF CIVILIAN INTERNEES.- Col. Spicer pointed out that this was covered by General Order No. 10 of 3 Dec. 1943.
Colonel Kirk pointed out that there was no need for an appeal from the decisions of the Regional Board, on which all interested parties were represented.

(2) PRISONERS OF WAR.- Col. Spicer stated that so far as concerned the release of public officials who were prisoners of war, wherever situated, he was able to cope with the question.

(3) APPLICATION BY A PRISONER OF WAR ANYWHERE IN ALLIED HANDS, AND THE WHEREABOUTS OF HIS FAMILY IN OCCUPIED ITALY.- Col. Kirk stated he could handle this problem so far as Italian occupied territory was concerned. Enquiries by prisoners of war as to the whereabouts and well-being of their families elsewhere could be handled by Brigadier Parkinson through the Red Cross.

(4) CIVILIAN ENQUIRIES AS TO THE WHEREABOUTS OF PRISONERS OF WAR.- This appears to be outwith the scope of any Administrative Subcommission.

(5) ENQUIRIES BY ITALIAN CIVILIANS AS TO RELATIVES IN ITALIAN ARMY UNITS.- Col. Cripps stated this question could only be answered by the Military Section.

(6) ENQUIRIES BY ITALIAN CIVILIANS AS TO RELATIVES LAST HEARD OF IN ITALIAN ARMY UNITS OR IN GERMAN UNITS.-

(7) ENQUIRIES FROM ALL SOURCES FOR RELEASE OF ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR IN OUR HANDS.-

(8) ENQUIRIES FROM ALL SOURCES AS TO INDIVIDUALS LAST HEARD OF AS INTERNEES. (These come from Italy, U.S.A., England and may come from M.E. as to persons last known to be in Concentration Camps.)

Nos. 6, 7, and 8 discussed and remitted for special Meeting.

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31 January 1944

MEMORANDUM

TO : ALL CONCERNED

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2. North of this line Allied Military Government will continue under the direction of the Chief Commissioner acting for the Military Governor (G.C.C.-in-C. ACMF).

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6. It is the wish of the Chief Commissioner that the Regional organization should continue both in the areas under Military Government and those under advisory control. The S.C.A.Os, 5th and 8th Armies, the R.C.A.Os of Regions III, IV and V, and the Regional Control Commissioners of Sardinia and Regions I and II will maintain their organizations (on a reduced scale in the two latter cases) and all specialist officers in the Regions as well as the C.A.Os and C.A.P.Os and C.Cs will be under their command.

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8. On all matters of policy the Chief Commissioner's orders and directives (as advised by the Subcommissions) will be passed to the R.C.A.Os and R.C.Cs by this Section. Heads of Subcommissions will correspond with their representatives in the Regions (but not with representatives of other Subcommissions) on routine technical matters only. R.C.A.Os and R.C.Cs will address themselves on all matters to the V.P. of the R.C. and M.G. Section, which will also carry out (in the Establishment Branch), the MS, A & Q, G-1 and G-4 duties for all personnel of the A.C.C. All postings and assignments to Regions and to HQ will be made by the Section and no transfers of personnel from Region to Region will be carried out except by this Section.

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9. This Section will also be responsible for Displaced Persons, Security and for proper liaison between A.C.C. and Regions and all Allied military (all services) formations.

10. It is important to maintain the channel of communication to Regions and Army AMGs through this Section in order that coordination of policy, continuity in administration and close liaison with military formations and units may be ensured, so far as is possible, both in the areas administered by Allied Military Government and in the territory in which the Allied officers act in an advisory capacity only.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
(Salerno Detachment)
APO 394

ADMINISTRATIVE HALF SECTION

MINUTES 30th Jan. 1944 ADMINISTRATIVE HALF SECTION

PRESENT:

Lord Stanmgate	Vice President Administrative & Economic Section
Brigadier G.S. Parkinson	Public Health Sub-Commission
Colonel P.W. Kirk	Public Safety Sub-Commission
Colonel D. Upjohn	Legal Sub-Commission
Lt. Colonel P.F. Grigge	Administrative Half Section
Lt. Colonel C.R.S. Harris	Property Control Sub-Commission
Lt. Colonel R.G.H. Spicer	Interior Sub-Commission
Major R.A. Peretti	Administrative Half Section
Lieut. T.E. Shenke	Interior Sub-Commission

1. The meeting was convened at 1100 by Lord Stanmgate, who advised that on Tuesday, 1st February 1944 General MacFarlane and General Lush would visit this headquarters. Officers present were informed that they would meet General MacFarlane at 1100 on that date in Lord Stanmgate's office, and that in the afternoon, General Lush would discuss his part in ACC with those present.

2. Lord Stanmgate then requested comment as to the procedure of future meetings of the Administrative Half Section. Colonel Upjohn (Legal) recommended that those present having dealings with officials of the Italian Government give brief resumes of items that would be of general interest to the group. This was accepted.

3. The Vice President then questioned the various Chiefs as to the names of the Italian officials with whom they expect to consult, and was advised as follows:

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Lt. Col. Harris (PC)	DeSantis	
	Col.Jung	(Finance)
	Corbino	(Industry,Commerce,Food and Labor)
Lt.Col. Spicer (Interior)	Scelba	(Interior)
	Innocenti	(Asst to Badoglio)
Col. Kirk (PS)	Scelba	(INTERIOR)
	Orlando	(War)
	Innocenti	
Brigadier Parkinson	Scelba	

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Colonel P.G. Kirk	Public Safety Sub-Commission
Colonel S. Upjohn	Legal Sub-Commission
Lt. Colonel R.A. Gripps	Administrative Half Section
Lt. Colonel C.R.S. Harris	Property Control Sub-Commission
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5. It was then decided that although certain representatives from other sub-commissions were desired at the meetings of the Administrative Half Section (Food-Finance) that high level people only be invited to attend weekly, for the purpose of keeping all concerned abreast of the activities of the ACC. 4610

6. The question of securing the services of an expert in Church Law (Lateran treaties, etc.) was raised, and it was decided to ask for the services of a Capt. Dolle, now with Region III.

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7. Lord Stanegate stated that he wished to keep a rather informal news service pertaining to items of current interest, with the objective of keeping General Wolferstane informed as to the true status of the Italian situation. Reports on the activities of the Italian Ministers are particularly desired, as well as any other information of common interest.

8. There is still some confusion as to the existence of the 15th Army Group. It was recommended that a definite decision be secured from Hq AFHQ.

9. It was decided that the monthly activity reports of the Sub-Commissions would be continued. They are due on the 10th of the month, for the preceding month, and are to be forwarded through Lt. Colonel Gripps.

10. Col. Upjohn (Legal) voiced a widespread complaint as to the deficiency of the mail service. All concerned agreed that something should be done about it, the Hq Commandant has been advised of the situation.

11. Col. Upjohn (Legal) recommended that General Wolferstane be asked to address the personnel of this headquarters.

12. Col. Upjohn (Legal) asked that the bus leave for the hotel Vittoria at 0800 instead of 1730. This was agreed upon by those present.

13. Legal officers for Sect a T was the subject of some conversation which terminated when Col. Upjohn stated that he expected to clear the matter further in a few days, this afternoon.

14. Lt. Col. Morris (PC) stated he did not know the names of the Property Control officers in the various regions due to the uncertainty of control. Lord Stanegate added that General Lush might throw some light on the subject.

15. It was decided that the Administrative Half-Section heads of sub-commissions would meet with Lord Stanegate on Tuesdays and Fridays at 1600.

16. After some discussion of the Italy Public Opinion Survey, of the visit of a Russian General, and general discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1215.

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Administrative Half-Section

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9. It was decided that the monthly activity reports of the Sub-Commissions would be continued. They are due on the 10th of the month, for the preceding month, and are to be forwarded through Lt. Colonel Cripps.

10. Col. Upjohn (Legal) voiced a widespread complaint as to the deficiency of the mail service. All present agreed that something should be done about it, the HQ Commandant has been advised of the situation.

11. Col. Upjohn (Legal) recommended that General MacFarlane be asked to address the personnel of this headquarters.

12. Col. Upjohn (Legal) asked that the bus leave for the Hotel Vittorio at 1800 instead of 1730. This was agreed upon by those present.

13. Legal Officers for Region V was the subject of some conversation which terminated when Col. Upjohn stated that he expected to clear the matter further in Naples, this afternoon.

14. Lt. Col. Harris (PC) stated he did not know the names of the Property Control officers in the various regions due to the uncertainty of control. Lord Stonegate asked that General Cook might throw some light on the subject.

15. It was decided that the Administrative Self-Section heads of sub-commissions would meet with Lord Stonegate on Tuesdays and Fridays at 1000.

16. After some discussion of the Daily Public Opinion Survey, of the visit of a Russian General, and general discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1215.

R.P. CRIPPS,
Lt. Colonel,
Administrative Self-Section

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/___ 29 January 1944

SUBJECT:

TO : ALL CONCERNED

1. At a very early date "that portion of Italy south of the northern boundaries of the Provinces of Salerno, Potenza, and Bari, and Sicily and adjacent Islands" will be handed over to the Italian Government and jurisdiction subject to the guidance and instructions of the Allied Control Commission under the Chief Commissioner.

2. North of this line Allied Military Government will continue under the direction of the Chief Commissioner acting for the Military Governor (G.O.C.-in-C. AAI).

3. ~~And~~ 5th and 8 th Armies and Regions III and IV will therefore continue their present functions. Region V will shortly be added. Regions I and II will thenceforth assume an advisory capacity only, as described in para 8 of the Chief Commissioner's memorandum of 23 January.

4. Thus both Military Government in the forward areas and the advisory functions of A.C.C. in territory administered by the Italian Government will be carried on by one organization.

5. The Administrative and Economic Sections and the Sub-Commissions working under their direction will extend their advisory functions to cover the whole of liberated Italy and will advise the Chief Commissioner in their respective spheres on matters both north and south of the dividing line.

6. It is the wish of the Chief Commissioner that the Regional organization should continue both in the areas under Military Government and those under advisory control. The A.C.A.Cs, 5th and 8th Armies, the R.C.A.Cs of Regions III, IV and V, and the Regional Control Commissioners of Sardinia and Regions I and II will maintain their organizations (on a reduced scale in the two latter cases) and all specialist officers in the Regions as well as the C.A.Cs and C.A.F.Cs and C.Cs will be under their command.

7. In order to centralize control of the Regional organizations in Italy

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2. North of this line Allied Military Government will continue under the direction of the Chief Commissioner acting for the Military Governor (G.O.C.-in-C. MAAF).

3. AMG 5th and 8th Armies and Regions III and IV will therefore continue their present functions. Region V will shortly be added. Regions I and II will thenceforth assume an advisory capacity only, as described in para 8 of the Chief Commissioner's memorandum of 27 January.

4. Thus both Military Government in the forward areas and the advisory functions of A.C.C. in territory administered by the Italian Government will be carried on by one organization.

5. The Administrative and Economic Sections and the Sub-Commissions working under their direction will extend their advisory functions to cover the whole of liberated Italy and will advise the Chief Commissioner in their respective spheres on matters both north and south of the dividing line.

6. It is the wish of the Chief Commissioner that the Regional organization should continue both in the areas under Military Government and those under advisory control, the R.C.A.Cs, 5th and 8th Armies, the R.C.A.Cs of Regions III, IV and V, and the Regional Control Commissioners of Sardinia and Regions I and II will maintain their organizations (on a reduced scale in the two latter cases) and all specialist officers in the Regions as well as the C.A.Cs and C.A.P.Cs and C.Cs will be under their command.

7. In order to centralize control of the Regional Organizations (including 5th and 8th Armies AMG) and to ensure compliance by the Italian Govt. with the advice tendered to them and the execution of the Chief Commissioner's orders, as advised by the Economic and Administrative Sections, a third section has been set up to be called the Regional Control and Military Government Section headed by an Executive Commissioner having the status of Vice President under whose immediate command will come the R.C.A.Cs and R.C.Cs and their staffs both administrative and specialist in all matters, and the C.A.Cs, 5th and 8th Armies and military personnel of HQ, A.C.C. for administration and discipline.

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8. On all matters of policy the Chief Commissioner's orders and directives (as advised by the Subcommissions) will be passed to the R.C.A.Os and R.C.Os by this Section. Heads of Subcommissions will correspond with their representatives in the Regions (but not with representatives of other Subcommissions) on routine technical matters only. R.C.A.Os will address themselves on all matters to the V.P. of the SC & SG Section, which will also carry out (in the Establishment Branch) the MS, A & Q, G-I and G-4 duties for all personnel of the A.C.C. All postings and assignments to Regions and to HQ will be made by the Section and no transfers of personnel from Region to Region will be carried out except by this Section.

9. This Section will also be responsible for Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, Security and for proper liaisons between A.C.C. and Regions and all Allied military (all services) formations.

10. It is important to maintain the channel of communication to Regions and Army AMGs through this Section in order that coordination of policy, continuity in administration and close liaison with military formations and units may be ensured, so far as is possible, both in the areas administered by Allied Military Government and in the territory in which the Allied officers act in an advisory capacity only.

11. It is therefore the Chief Commissioner's wish that Subcommissions should err on the side of passing too much through this Section, especially during the early stage, rather than of dealing direct with their representatives in the field.

By command of. Lt. General MacFARLANE:

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTORATE
APO 512.

AMG/001.1/AD. 28 December 1943.

SUBJECT: Meeting of Administrative Directorate.

TO: Distribution below.

1. It is requested that the chiefs of all sub-commissions or in their absence on urgent business, a representative, attend a meeting of the Administrative Directorate at 10.00 hours on 29 December 1943 in Room 8, Second Floor.

2. Colonel Charles F.Spofford, Acting Chief of Staff will address the meeting.

Seen by C.P.S.

FRANK DI GIACOMO,
Captain, Infantry,
Secretary.

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Headquarters
Allied Military Government
Administrative Directorate
APO 512

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Meeting Administrative Directorate
3 December 1943

Present.

Lt.Col. R.H. Cripps	-	Administrative Directorate
Lt.Col. C.H. Payne	-	Education Sub-Commission
Lt.Col. A.H. Harris	-	Property Control Sub-Commission
Lt.Col. A. ed. Martin	-	Public Safety Sub-Commission
Lt.Col. R.G.H. Gibbon	-	Interior Sub-Commission
Lt.Col. Wm. Tillman	-	Public Health Sub-Commission
Lt.Col. J.R.H. Wilson	-	Legal Sub-Commission
Major P. . Baillie-Reynolds	-	Economic, Fine Arts & Archives Sub-Commission
Major R.A. Fort CB	-	Administrative Directorate

1. At 09.30 Lt.Col. Cripps opened the meeting with an invitation to those present to ask questions pertinent to the proposed movement from Salerno.

2. Lt.Col. Wilson stated that Legal - relative to the movement of the main body was relatively hypothetical for his Sub-Commission, due to the non-arrival of personnel thereof.

3. Lt.Col Martin stated that he was aware of it and was in the steps to bring up the personnel.

4. Lt.Col Gibbon requested that his Sub-Commission be given a clerk typist as that person was a "ghost" in his section now and he needed the "body". He affirmed that he must have the typist as he was doing most of his work in long hand.

5. Lt.Col. Payne said that he needed two (2, clerks to improve the efficiency of his group.

6. Lt.Col Cripps inquired if any of the members present required additional clerical assistance and was advised to the contrary.

7. Lt.Col. Cripps stated he would try to get clerks, typewriters, for the Interior Sub-Commission and the Administrative Directorate.

8. Lt.Col. Tillman requested that certain public health and Welfare officers

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13. Lt.Col. Cripps informed the group that Captain Officer had gone forward to ascertain the situation as to offices etc. in both localities, and that upon their return, additional information and instructions would unquestionably ensue.

14. Lt.Col. Cripps discussed the movement in so far as was practicable.

15. General discussion followed.

16. Lt. Col Cripps announced that EXCO meeting was cancelled.

17. Major Mullin-Reynolds requested that the A.S. retain his clerk.

18. Lt.Col. Cripps said that he would try to have the clerk returned but promised nothing.

19. Lt.Col. Cripps discussed Directive V pertaining to the 15th Army Group and informed the group that the matter of the directive was tabled pending conferences arising out of a possible change in personnel at the 15th Army Group HQ.

20. Lt.Col. Williams commented that the Public Health Sub-Commission had a liaison officer at the 15th Army Group HQ who was successful in keeping close personal touch of developments there.

21. Lt.Col. Cripps considered that at the moment, personal contact of this type was looked upon favourably by the high command here.

22. Lt.Col. Wilmer requested information as to whether 3 Via Nori would continue to be used by A.G.-3 after the main movement took place.

23. Lt.Col. Cripps was of the opinion that it would be used to provide offices for the few officers and O/R's remaining here.

24. Lt.Col. Wilmer said there would be several courts martial held, which would require the retention of several officers.

25. Lt.Col. Cripps asked that their names be given to Major Pertell.

26. Lt.Col. Harris said that Lt.Col. Glen, of Property Control would be one of these officers.

27. Lt.Col. Cripps then discussed the improvement in staff procedure and also the necessity of preserving silence in regard to the proposed moves. All agreed and wondered why there was a notice posted in the mess.

28. Lt.Col. Williams made the recommendation that every officer and E/M who has not received a typhus inoculation within the last six months be given one at once. A "booster" only is required for those who have received full inoculations.

29. Lt.Col. Wilmer suggested that all innoculations and vaccinations be brought up to date.

30. Lt.Col. Spicer recommended that if the advance party was to move by air that baggage for its personnel be sent with that of the main body.

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21. Lt.Col. Cripps confirmed that at the present, personal contact of this type was looked upon favourably by the High Command here.

22. Lt.Col. Wilmer requested information as to whether 8 Via Bari would continue to be used by A-G after the main movement took place.

23. Lt.Col. Cripps was of the opinion that it would be used to provide offices for the few officers and CM/Ts remaining here.

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31. Lt.Col. Cripps stated that he would make proper inquiries with reference to Par. 30 above.

32. There being no further matters for discussion Lt.Col. Cripps adjourned the meeting at 10.30.

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27 November 1943

SECRET

Subject: Operation [illegible]

To: Commanding General, Services of Supply, U.S. Army, Washington, D.C.

1. It is the wishes of the President that the following officers be assigned to the Headquarters, [illegible] Command, for duty with the Combined Chiefs of Staff:

Brigadier General [illegible]
Colonel [illegible]
Lt. Colonel [illegible]
Lt. Colonel [illegible]
Lt. Colonel [illegible]
Lt. Colonel [illegible]
Major [illegible]
Captain [illegible]

2. It is desired that the above officers be relieved from their present assignments, and that all necessary [illegible] be completed in time to enable them to sail on the U.S.S. [illegible] on 1 December 1943.

By command of Lieutenant General [illegible]:

[illegible]
Chief of Staff

cc: [illegible]

Brigadier C. S. Richardson	-	Control Section
Colonel J. Ford	-	Public Relations Sub-Commission
Lt. Colonel J.H.Griggs	-	Administrative Directorate
Lt. Colonel C.E.Harris	-	Property Control Sub-Commission
Lt. Colonel J.Lang	-	Transport Sub-Commission
Lt. Colonel J.C. Miller	-	Legal Sub-Commission
Major C. Baillie-Reynolds	-	Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Sub-Commission
Major J. H. Brimmell	-	Education Sub-Commission
Major I. Norvell	-	Administrative Directorate
Captain T. Di Giacomo	-	Administrative Directorate

1. At 0935 the meeting was called to order by Lt. Col. Griggs.

2. The following administrative instructions were given by Lt. Col. Griggs;

(a) In order to conserve time, effort and paper, prepare all documents requiring signatures of any of the following officers (Brig. General Robertson, Brigadier Chesterton, Colonel Bedford and/or Lt. Colonel Clough) in draft form and submit them first to this Directorate. (Two (2) copies are required by the Director)

(b) Be accurate in the preparation of all documents - particularly in final form after approval has been given on the draft form. (Three (3) copies of final are required by this Directorate)

(c) Letters requiring correspondence of a purely technical nature may be dispatched by the Chiefs of Sub-Commissions over their signatures only, to subordinate headquarters. "By Command of," and similar phrases will not be used.

(d) All present were requested to familiarize themselves with "Correspondence and Filing" published by the Adjutant General, November 1943.

(e) All matters, technical or otherwise requiring correspondence with a higher headquarters will be submitted to the Administrative Directive as prescribed in Par. 2(a) above.

(f) It is desired that all requests for the preparation of directives, or other documents be met with promptness.

(g) In the preparation of all documents it is essential that the requirements be fully covered. By preparing exactly what is called for - (no more - no less) considerable effort and time will be saved.

(h) In the preparation of letters, ascertain that each letter covers only one(1) subject. By rigid adherence to this limitation it is possible to maintain more accurate files.

(i) Read each document carefully before dispatching it to this Directorate (or any other).

(j) All matters pertaining to personnel (Transfers, requests for, or your sub-commissions etc.) are to be submitted to this Directorate.

(k) Whenever travel requests for personnel of your sub-commissions are desired it is requested that they be submitted to this Directorate at least forty eight (48) hours before the travel date. This will assist in complying with par. 3 daily Bulletin No. 18, HQ A.C. published 20th. November 1945.

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3. Lt. Col. Miller stated that it was in agreement with the necessity for strict procedure but requested that every effort be made to have higher authority issue clear, concise and explicit instructions.

4. Lt. Col. Griggs assured all that serious effort would be made to ensure accurate interpretations of all orders.

5. Major Baillie-Reynolds inquired whether he could refer a subordinate headquarters over his signature, as to a change of policy and a consequent shift of responsibility.

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6. Lt. Col. Grove accepted this evidence [illegible]
7. It. Col. Grove testified that such evidence [illegible]
8. Lt. Col. Grove testified that such evidence [illegible]
9. Colonel [illegible] that a general conference held yesterday
10. Lt. Col. Grove testified that [illegible]
11. Colonel Thorson testified [illegible]
12. Lt. Col. Grove testified that [illegible]
13. Lt. Col. Grove testified that [illegible]
14. Lt. Col. Grove testified that [illegible]
15. Lt. Col. Grove testified that [illegible]
16. Lt. Col. Grove testified that [illegible]
17. Major General [illegible]

10. Lt. Col. Cripps informed those present that at a special Conference held yesterday (25th November 1945) it had been decided to combine Directives I-A and III. (See par 11 Meeting 16 November 1945, Administrative Directorate, published 19th November 1945) Capt. Van Duzen was to effect the combination and would also include a covering letter. In this connection it was anticipated that Capt Van Duzen would visit with sub-Commissions in the immediate future. He added, that considerable elimination of technical data probably could be accomplished. He expressed the thought that the Legal, and Property Control sections would necessarily remain lengthy.

11. General discussion developed on the data contained in par. 10. The general reaction was favorable.

12. Lt. Col. Oliver inquired as to the possibility of the new regional set-up being co-terminus, territorially speaking, with the present PWB.

13. Lt. Col. Cripps replied that there was not any definite decision as yet; although Lt. Col. Roberts is discussing the matter now, with General Joyce. Lt. Col. Cripps thought that it will change to provincial boundaries.

14. Lt. Col. Oliver discussed the advisability of making some statement to all concerned that regional boundaries may change under A.M.G.

15. Lt. Col. Cripps agreed to mention this at the next PWB meeting, after Lt. Col. Morris expressed himself as in favor of continuing the present regional set-up at least until Rome falls.

16. Lt. Col. Cripps said that it would be desirable to have a uniform treatment of the Italians until the Italian government took over complete control.

17. Major Sherwood asked if there were any other directives to be prepared, and was advised in the negative by Lt. Col. Cripps.

18. Brig. Parkinson stated in his opinion the directives to the 15th Army Group should be completed as soon as possible, as the situation there was completely chaotic.

19. Discussion developed - which indicated that all sub-commissions - and would have their drafts finished as soon as possible.

20. Colonel Kirk, Lt Col Long and Lt Col Harris requested separate discussions with Lt. Col. Cripps after the close of this meeting.

21. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1030.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 512

19 November 1943

Meeting 16 November 1943
Administrative Directorate

Present:

Brigadier G.S.Parkinson	-	Public Health Sub-Commission
Colonel P.C.Kirk	-	Public Safety " "
Colonel G. Upjohn	-	Legal " "
Lt Colonel W. C. Chanler	-	Administrative Directorate
Lt Colonel R. R. Cripps	-	"
Lt Colonel C. R. Harris	-	Property Control Sub-Commission
Lt Colonel J. R. Smith	-	Education " "
Lt Colonel W.J.Legg	-	Interior " "
Lt Colonel A. L. Wilmer	-	Legal " "
Major P.K.Bailey-Reynolds	-	Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Sub-Commission
Major R. A. Porsell	-	Administrative Directorate

1. The meeting was called to order at 0930 by Lt Col Cripps. The meeting being of a special nature, minutes were not called for.

2. Lt. Col. Cripps presented some observations of the Staff Meeting held the 15th November, essentially as follows:

(a) The new ration scale for Carabinieri agreed to at the last EXCO meeting and put into operation in Region I, was to be applicable to all Regions under ACC-AMG.

(b) The wage scale which had recently under discussion at EXCO meetings had been modified to come into line with that in operation in territory under the Badoglio Government. It will be applicable to all Regions under ACC-AMG.

(c) While visits to Brindisi are desirable, accommodations are extremely limited.

(d) 48 hours notice must be given for trips as brief even as a day.

(e) All requests to visit Brindisi must be made through the Administrative Directorate.

(f) Nothing in the above is to suggest that visits to Brindisi are to be discouraged. It's simply a matter of accommodation.

(g) The Forward Party of ACC at Brindisi may be increased. When it moves to some other locality, it will be increased to about eighty (80) Officers.

(h) The Sub-Commissions must be considering officers to be sent forward to the Advance Party when possible. The Sub-Commissions as a whole however will remain here for the time being.

(i) It is contemplated that a representative from the Legal Sub-Commission and also one from the Education Sub-Commission will proceed very soon to Brindisi for attachment or assignment to the A.C.C. Group there.

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Brigadier G.S.Parkinson	-	Public Health Sub-Commission
Colonel P.W.Kirk	-	Public Safety " "
Colonel G. Upjohn	-	Legal " "
Lt Colonel W. C. Chandler	-	Administrative Directorate
Lt Colonel R. R. Cripps	-	"
Lt Colonel S. R. Harris	-	Property Control Sub-Commission
Lt Colonel J. R. Smith	-	Education " "
Lt Colonel W.J.Legg	-	Interior " "
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3. Consideration was given to the directives recently prepared by the various sub-commissions on a question asked by Lt. Col. Harris as to their status. Lt. Col. Cripps stated that the directives were now with the Deputy Chief of Staff for his approval and/or comment. Lt. Col. Cripps added that further revision would probably be required after the paragraphs pertaining to the Italian Armistice are distributed.

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4. Lt. Col. Chanler discussed the terms of the Armistice and informed the group that the AMG-ACC controlled territories may be returned to the Italian Government sooner than anticipated.

5. Lt. Colonel Cripps stated that Colonel Spofford suggested a standard form for presenting the directives recently submitted. He added that the administrative Directorate would attempt this.

6. Questions were raised by Brigadier Parkinson and Lt. Col. Harris as to Priorities of directives and reclassification of what is required.

7. Lt. Col. Chanler explained that the original request was to collect the ideas of the Sub-Commission Chiefs in directive form. He added that their substance was more important than their form. Once these ideas are collected, extraction and consolidation will be made.

8. Lt. Col. Chanler posed the question, are we to have centralized or decentralized control under AMG? as one of many under consideration.

9. Lt. Col. Cripps asked if the directives dependent on Armistice terms could not be delayed and was informed by Lt. Col. Chanler that the speed of territorial turnover necessitates having ready directives for personnel in the field. Lt. Col. Chanler emphasized that we have instructions available for higher echelons, but not for personnel who are doing the more direct contact work. All agreed.

10. A discussion developed over the directives and their intent, and Lt. Col. Chanler being specific stated that we had five problems which are to be covered by the five directives. Giving one, he said we need instructions for CAOs as to what they actually do when turnover is made to the Italian government of territory. Another question raised was "What will we reserve to ourselves under A.C.C.?" and still another was "How will we advise the regions?"

11. Lt. Col. Chanler discussed the relations with the 15th Army Group (AMG) stating that we are apparently to communicate with them through AFHQ and that we should do so, in order to allow that group a say in the affairs of ACC, and also to have a unified policy for each operation.

Discussion then centered around the required directives, and the priorities pertinent to them. The directives were established by Lt. Col. Chanler as follows:

No. I

A Directive as from Deputy President to Sub-Commissions under A. .C. conditions.

No. II

Directive to the Chiefs of Regions as to their powers and procedure on the change from AMG to ACC.

No. III

Directives to specialist personnel of Sub-Commissions as to their duties on the change from AMG to ACC.

No. IV

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7. Lt. Col. Chanler explained that the original request was to collect any ideas of the Sub-Commission Chiefs in directive form. He added that their substance was more important than their form. Once these ideas are collected, extraction and consolidation will be made.

8. Lt. Col. Chanler posed the question, are we to have centralized or decentralized control under AMG? as one of many under consideration.

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10. A discussion developed over the directives and their intent, and Lt. Col. Chanler being specific stated that we had five problems which are to be covered by the five directives. Giving one, he said we need instructions for CAOs as to what they actually do when turnover is made to the Italian government of territory. Another question raised was "What will we reserve to ourselves under A.C.C.?" and still another was "How will we advise the regions?"

11. Lt. Col. Chanler discussed the relations with the 15th Army Group (AMG) stating that we are apparently to communicate with them through AFHQ and that we should do so, in order to allow that group a say in the affairs of ACC, and also to have a unified policy for each operation.

Discussion then centered around the required directives, and the priorities pertinent to them. The directives were established by Lt. Col. Chanler as follows:

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A Directive as from Deputy President to Sub-Commissions under A. .C. conditions.

No. II

Directive to the Chiefs of Regions as to their powers and procedure on the change from AMG to ACC.

No. III

Directives to specialist personnel of Sub-Commissions as to their duties on the change from AMG to ACC.

No. IV

Directives to Regions limiting regional problems or reserving certain powers to this Hq under AMG terms.

No. V

Memorandum from Sub-Commissions to AMG 15th Army Group for guidance of AMG 15 Army Group officers as to their procedure in relation to such matters of policy as Sub-Commission chiefs believe should be controlled from this headquarters under either AMG or ACC conditions.

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6th November, 1943.

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