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STATE 7. AND FURTHER INFORMATION 30 JULY. POPULATION COMPOSED 25000. HEALTH
 SANTIAGO IN GOOD. DAMAGED BUILDINGS NIL. ONE ELECTRIC AND 3 WATER MILLS WORKING CAPACITY
 FLOUR 130 QUINCHES 24, 1000. 22 CORN ALL ARMED. ONE HOSPITAL COMPLETE AND 1000. ONE
 SULPHUR MINE 250 TONS UNREFINED SULPHUR AVAILABLE. ALSO BOUND IN TOWN 20000 QUINCHES
 GRANT 300 GRAMS READY USE. AND FUNCTIONING BEAMTOLLA APIRO PROVIDES INFORMATION
 INFORMATIONAL REPORTS ABOUT CAGRELL BUILDING PROVIDES ANOTHER. CONDITIONS FAVORABLE



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SUBJECT: Report - AMG Polish Corps.

TO : Economic Section.
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1. I forward extracts of a report from Major Rolfe, Officer Commanding AMG with the Polish Corps.
 2. You might wish to see this and it would be appreciated if action could be taken where indicated, if this has not already been done, especially with regard to the supply of petrol, cement, and bridging material.

h *W. G. Fiske*
NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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- (a) Supplies. In the whole of the area so far covered there has been little evidence of any acute shortage of food. The harvest, stated to be good, is now so close, that, given fair communications and the necessary P.O.L. there should be no food problem at all.

AMG supplies and transport have been adequate to deal with any situations that have so far arisen.

The current price of bread varies between 2.2 and 3 lire per kilogram. This is, of course, bread made with locally produced flour.

- (b) P.O.L. Absolutely essential for the harvest. The military formation, hard pressed to supply itself through length of L of C, is helping as possible but it is absolutely essential that Region V should attempt to supply and distribute these commodities. A provisional allocation of 100,000 gallons of DERV and relative quantity of LUBOIL has been made by POLCORPS but transportation is likely to hold up distribution unless it can be provided from some other source than Corps.
- (c) Communications. This is by far the most serious problem in the whole area. Nearly all bridges have been demolished. Many ingenious diversions have been made but few of these will withstand the slightest rain and, in any case the present dry weather water level of most of the rivers at about one to two feet will scarcely obtain during the winter and the rivers will no longer be fordable. Everything is being done to urge immediate reconstruction but this will be impeded unless cement and transport for repairing material is quickly made available. Well designed military transport is finding movement most difficult; it need not be stressed that such civilian transport as is available just cannot get about.
- (d) Transport. There is an acute shortage for all purposes.
- (e) Police. In most cases the CCRH are rapidly being restored and for ordinary purposes are generally sufficient. There is a deficiency of arms, but when the partisans are relieved of a few of theirs there will be many more than enough.
- (f) Medical and Health. No problems and no desperate shortage of supplies. AMG supplies are being placed where necessary.
- (g) Water and Electricity undertakings. Nearly all the main ones, 1990
been wholly or partially destroyed but considerable ingenuity has been displayed in producing a limited supply of these essentials. Thus no serious positions exist as the result of these
litions.

- (h) Refugees. Only problem that exists is one of re-habilitation rather than evacuation and the matter is being adequately coped with.
- (j) Black Market is scarcely ever referred to.
- (k) Escaped Allied P.W.s. These run into several hundred. They are being evacuated as soon as transport is available. All speak of the good work done by the partisans and the tortuous treatment meted out, not so much by the Germans, but as by certain Fascist elements against anyone showing the slightest pro-allied sentiment. Needless to say the Partisans are now looking after these criminals.
- (l) War Damage. So far as buildings are concerned is confined almost entirely to Communes along the coastal route. Any place of importance such as Pescara, San Benedetto has suffered severely. The majority of industrial plants, public utilities and bridges have been destroyed everywhere. The sooner cement works, such as that at Bomba, can be got going the better, for without cement, reconstructions will be practically impossible.

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25 June 1944.

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66 AMG 2 Polish Corps.

