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ISSUE & USE OF IMPROPER PASSES, MARTIN T. GILLIGAN
FEB. - APR. 1945

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ISSUE AND USE OF IMPROPER
PASSES

MARTIN T. GILLIGAN

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MARTIN T. GILLIGAN

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 374

Tel : 476734

24 April, 1945.

AG/14018/5/RS/

SUBJECT : Issue and use of Improper Passes.

TO : S.C.A.O., AMG Fifth Army (Attn C.P.S.)

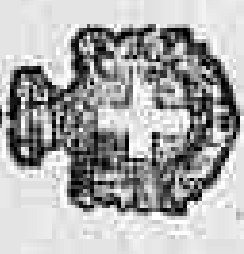
1. reference your 209/8-1-1 dated 10th March 1945.
2. The Reverend Martin T. Gilligan has been interviewed and a statement obtained from him regarding the issue of the passes found in possession of Salvatore ADAMO and Vincenzo ZELISE on 22/2/45 at Dicomano, Province of Florence.
3. He states that the documents were not prepared with his knowledge or consent and are false as he knows nothing of the men named above or of Giuseppe ESPOSITO who is alleged to have secured the passes for them. Enquiry made at the National Catholic Community Service Club has also had negative result.
4. There is little doubt that the passes have been prepared by some unknown person having access to the rubber stamps which the Reverend Gilligan was indiscrete enough to leave lying about. He deeply regrets the misuse of the name of the Club and the reflection which has been cast upon it.
5. The rubber stamp indicating that the Reverend Gilligan was attached to the Allied Commission was intended to be used only as a postal address. This stamp has now been destroyed.
6. Economic Sub-Commission has identified S.A.C.C.E.M. as Societa Anonima per le Confezioni Civili e Militari Via Boezio No.92 Rome but have no knowledge of the activities of the firm.
7. Questura records have been checked but there is nothing recorded against S.A.C.C.E.M., ADAMO, Zelise or Esposito.
8. This Headquarters will be pleased to receive any improper passes of this or other type which come into your possession in order that corrective action be taken.

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

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OGGETTO:

TO Cpt. W.L. WILSON

Via Veneto

R O M E

In reference to your request concerning the following persons :

- I = S A C C E M (Società Anonima per le Confezioni civili e Militari)
- 2 = A D A M O Salvatore son of Gennaro and Emilia BRICCOLI, born in Naples on 23rd. Nov. 1912 -
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Via Veneto

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I inform You that in the files of this R. Questura nothing results against them.

F. F. F.
 FAZIO Dr. Alessandro
 Ist. Lieut. - Liaison Officer

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

APR 11 1945
Date.....

FROM	TO	FROM	TO
Staff officer to EC		Establishment Section	
Chief of Staff		Executive Officer (A)	
Message Centre		Executive Officer (B)	
Civil Affairs Section		G-1 (A)	
DP & Rep		G-1 (A) Civilian Emp.	
Local Govt		G-1 (B)	
Patriots Branch		G-1 (A)	
Public Safety		G-1 (B)	
Security Division		2675th Regt	
Public Health		H.Q. Comd	
Legal		Adjutant	
Education		Navy	
Monuments & Fine Arts		Land Forces (MIA)	
Economic Section		Air	
Requisition Division		Communications	
Agriculture		Civil Censorship Group	
Commerce		Y.M.C. & P.O.V.	
Finance		Public Relations Branch	
Property Control Div.		Information Division	
Road		Archivist	
Industry		H.Q.R.P.A.	
Mining Division		I.G.C.R.	
Labor			
Public Works & Utilities		Masonry Division	
Shipping		Mayor's Office	
Transportation			
Political Section			

- Signature
- Remarks & Recommendation
- Information & Return
- Information & Retention
- Appropriate Action & Return
- Appropriate Action & Retention
- Investigation & Report
- Dispatch

REMARKS Little more can be done with this other than to be assured that the stamp used is authorized or, if not, that it has been destroyed. Do you agree please.

D. J. Wilson Capt

G. Yes

[Faint handwritten notes and signatures]

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

ROUTING AND WORK SHEET

Each note must be numbered and each space completely filled in. THIS WORK SHEET MUST NOT BE REMOVED FROM THE CORRESPONDENCE TO WHICH ATTACHED UNTIL ACTION IS COMPLETED AND THEN FILED WITH FILE COPIES OF COMMUNICATION TO WHICH IT PERTAINS. A line will be drawn the full width of the page under each note.

SUBJECT:

Written Movement

No	Date	To	REMARKS	From
1	7 Apr 45	Public Safety Subson.	<p>1 We have no record of the firm SACCEM.</p> <p>2 a telephone enquiry of the Banca de Comercio elicited the information given on the attached sheet. No enquiries have been made by us direct with any of the 3 firms mentioned.</p> <p>3 Sorry we cannot give you anything more definite <i>coraltario</i> but <i>but only</i></p>	<p>Econ Sec</p> <p>6121</p>

S.A.C.C.E.M. = Società Abiti & Confezioni Civili & Militari
Rome Via Boezio 92.

S.A.C.E.M. = Società Anonima Costruzione Edilizia Minea
Rome; Via della Vite 54

S.A.C.E.M. = Società Anonima Costruzione, Esposizione & Mostra
Rome; Via del Tritone 66

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6/4/48.

*Camera di Commercio
Anagrafe Commerciale*

Capt. Allen

Walter Ind S/C
no Comm S/C has
any record of this
film.

Lt. Morgan

Food S/C has no
record. WMA

HEADQUARTERS UNITED COMMISSION
APO 394

Date 5/4/45

FROM	To	FROM
Staff officer to CG		Establishment Section
Chief of Staff		Executive Officer (A)
Message Centre		Executive Officer (B)
Civil Affairs Section		G-1 (A)
DP & Rep.		G-1 (A) Civilian Emp.
Local Govt		G-1 (B)
Patriote Branch		G-1 (A)
Public Safety		G-1 (B)
Security Division		2675th Regt
Public Health		H.A. Comd.
Legal		Adjutant
Education		Navy
Monuments & Fine Arts		Land Forces (L.M.A.)
Economic Section		Air
Recognition Division		Communications
Agriculture		Civil Censorship Group
Commerce		W.M.D. & P.D.V.
Finance		Public Relations Branch
Property Control Div.		Information Division
Food		Archivist
Industry		H.N.R.R.A.
Mining Division		I.G.C.R.
Labor		
Public Works & Utilities		
Shipping		
Transportation		
Political Section		

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REMARKS: Have you any record of the form S.A.C.C.E.M. please. *by Colonel [unclear] S/C*

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ROUTING SLIP

Date *2 Apr. 45*

LIAISON DIVISION
Office of the Executive Commissioner

FROM

TO

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Liaison Division	
	Chief Commissioner	
	Executive Commissioner	
	Political Adviser American British	
	Civil Affairs Section	
	Economic Section	
	Establishments Section	
	Air Forces Sub-Commission	
	Commerce Sub-Commission	
	Communications Sub-Commission	
	Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission	
	Finance Sub-Commission	
	Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA)	
	Legal Sub-Commission	
	Navy Sub-Commission	
	Public Safety Sub-Commission <i>attn: Capt. Wilson</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Shipping Sub-Commission	
	War Materials Disposal and Italian Prisoners of War Sub-Commission	

- Appropriate Action
- Approval and Return
- Information and Retention / ~~Return~~
- Comment and Return
- Note and Pass On

COMMENT:

ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION R/sem
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM
Liaison Division

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SUBJECT: Civilian Movement

FILE No. 505/AD/EC(L)

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TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission
attn: Captain Wilson

2 April 1945

1. Herewith your file on the irregular passes issued by the National Catholic Community Service Club, and a reply from Father Gilligan.

TO 2. I have not replied to Father Gilligan's letter, and feel that,

DIRECTOR	
DEPUTY DIRECTOR	
EXEC. OFFICER	
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REC. & REG.	
PRISONS	
ADM. OFFICER	
SECRET	
CHIEF	

if you think it necessary, you could reply to him direct.

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Renfrew Capt

Officer-in-Charge
Liaison Division

Encl: Dossier on above subject.

28 March 1945

Captain Ranfurly
Liaison Division
A.C. Headquarters
Rome, Italy

Dear Captain Ranfurly:

I take this occasion to write you on the matter of which we spoke in your office several days ago, namely, the forged documents, bearing my name and the name of the National Catholic Community Service and purporting to be "travel permits", which were found in the possession of Signor Salvatore Adamo and Signor Vincenzo Zelese.

As we agreed, this is very evidently a case of falsification of documents. Neither Adamo nor Zelese, nor the third party whom they mentioned, Giuseppe Esposito, is known to me. Nor have any of them at any time ever been employed by the N.C.C.S.

It appears that by some illicit means they or their accomplice succeeded in gaining the use of various rubber stamps, including my own personal address stamp, which are kept, generally under lock and key, in the office of the American Catholic Club for Allied Forces at Rome, a unit of the N.C.C.S.

Such an accomplice could have been one of our civilian employees, or his acquaintance, or a casual visitor, military or civilian, to the Club. In fairness to our regular staff, however, I wish to point out that we have never had any even suspected incident of dishonesty on their part, and, on the other hand, they have been selected for their positions with the greatest care--especially from the view-point of character and sympathy with the Allied Cause.

Quite naturally, in view of the malicious nature of such a forgery and of the serious violation of security which it involves, as well as for the name of the N.C.C.S., we are deeply concerned with getting to the bottom of this matter. A thorough investigation is being made within the Club and I shall promptly communicate to you whatever findings we may have. If there is any further means by which I can be of assistance, please do not hesitate to call upon me. If the Safety Officers wish to conduct an investigation within the Club, we shall be glad to cooperate.

Captain Ranfurly::Page Two.

I am glad that I had the opportunity of talking this matter over with you and the Safety Officer and I wish to renew the expression of my thanks for this courtesy. At the same time, I desire to reiterate my deep regret and, I must say, indignation, over the criminal use of my name and that of the N.C.C.S. by these two culprits.

With sentiments of high esteem and with every good wish,
I am

Sincerely yours,

Martin T. Gilligan

Reverend Martin T. Gilligan.

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ALLIED ~~CONTROL~~ COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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Liaison Division

SUBJECT: Civilian Movement FILE No. 505/AD/EC(L)
TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission 17 March 1945
attn: Major Ballance

1. Reference is made to the attached file which you passed to me the other day.
2. I have spoken to the Vatican Authorities about the National Catholic Community Service Club, but they are extremely evasive about the management of the club. They state that a certain Mr. Raspanti is the Italian Manager, and when asked under whose direction he runs the Club, they state only "under the direction of the Bishops in America".
3. I suggest that we ask Father Gilligan to come around and see us one day soon.

Ranfald Capt
Officer-in-Charge
Liaison Division

Encl: Dossier on above subject.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S.Army

EJB/ewp

10th March 1945.

SUBJECT: Civilian Movement.

207/8-1-1. *cc.*

TO : H.Q., Allied Commission.
(Attn: Public Safety Sub-Commission)

1. With reference to attached report and "passes".
2. May the Rev. Gilligan be seen please as suggested in para. 8. Attention is also drawn to the firm of S.A.C.C.E.M. and Esposito, Giuseppe, who are very probably engaged in wide-spread "Black Market" activities.

For the Commanding General:

E. J. BYE,
Lt. Colonel,
Chief of Public Safety,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

TO	INIT	DATE
DIRECTOR		
DEPT. DIRECTOR		
EXEC. OFFICER		
POLICE		
LIC. & REG.		
PRISONS		
ADM. OFFICER		
SECURITY		
CHIEF CLERK		

HEADQUARTER
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
13 CORPS



Ref: CAP/XIII/167.

Date: 6/3/45

SUBJECT: Civilian Movement = Black-market.TO: Chief Public Safety Officer, AMG = 5th. Army.
(Thru' Lt/Col.D.Smith, AMG-LO., 13 Corps)

1. On 22/2/45, at Dicomano, Prov. of Florence, ADAMO Salvatore, di Gennaro, Identity Card N° 30838, of Corso Garibaldi 298, Napoli, and TELESE Vincenzo, fu Pasquale, Identity Card N° 35788, of Corso S. Giovanni 87, Napoli, were arrested by CC.RR. when proceeding along Route 67 in a Northerly direction.

When questioned by the Carabinieri they stated that they had come from Rome and were going to Forlì. As the men were unable to produce any Travel Permits, they were taken to the CC.RR. Caserma.

2. When interrogated by the F.S.S., the men produced two documents (attached), purporting to be issued by the N.C.C.S. Club, Rome. ADAMO, the spokesman of the two was unable to give a satisfactory explanation of the object of his journey to Forlì or whom he was to contact. There was some doubt as to whether the documents issued by the N.C.C.S. Club, Rome, signed by an Italian civilian and imprinted with a rubber stamp in the name of Rev. M.T. Gilligen, Military Delegate Office, Allied Commission, had been issued in good faith, and if so, whether the facts outlined on the documents were true, viz: That both men were employed by the N.C.C.S. Club, Rome.

On being further questioned TELESE stated that they got the documents from Naples but ADAMO stated that he got both documents through a civilian named ES. OSITO Giuseppe, at Rome.

ADAMO had two cheques in his possession each for 300.000 lire, Nos. F.000104 & F.000105, on the Bank of Naples.

3. The F.S.S. were undecided whether to deal with the men on security grounds but came to the decision that in view of the possibility that the men may be engaged in 'black-market', they were placed at the disposition of AMG.

4. By referring to the documents issued at the National Catholic Community Service Club, office, it will be noted that it specifically states that the men are employed by that club and that they are permitted to circulate in all liberated Italy and to travel in any means of transport.

There is a variation in the translation in that it says 'Free Italy' and not liberated Italy.

5. On 26/2/45, I questioned the men and again ADAMO was the spokesman, and obviously the brains of the racket. In answer to my questioning he replied as follows:-

Q. "Why did you come into this area without a travel permit?"

A. "We knew we had to have an AMG Permit but thought the documents would answer the purpose".

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- Q. " Why do you want to go to Forlì? "
- A. " We were going to Forlì to buy some things, cloth, glass, porcelain, cups, plates or anything else, to take back to Naples to exchange for wine, liquor or food to be taken to Forlì".
- Q. " Did you start from Rome or Naples? "
- A. " From Rome".
- Q. " When did you leave Rome and where did you go? "
- A. " We left Rome on 21/2/45 and went to Sienna, then to Florence and to Dicomano where we were arrested".
- Q. " Who would you have sold the merchandise to? "
- A. " Anyone who was willing to buy it".
- Q. " During this journey are you employed by the N.C.C.S. Club, Rome? "
- A. " No, I have never been employed the N.C.C.S. Club, Rome, I am a partner with MITLINO Giovanni, S.A.C.C.E.M., Rome".
- Q. " Who made the documents out? "
- A. " A man named ESPOSITO Giuseppe, a Merchant who works with me went to the Office of Rev. Gilligan, and got the documents. I have never seen Rev. Gilligan. I have never been employed by N.C.C.S. ESPOSITO asked me to get the stuff and if it was convenient I could sell it to the Red Cross".
- Q. " Whose money was you going to spend? "
- A. " My own".

6. The only offence disclosed was that of 'travelling more than 10 KM. without the authority of AMG., and it was for this offence that the men appeared before an Allied Military Court, on 2/3/45, and were each sentenced to six months imprisonment.

7. The facts outlined above are obviously the start of a 'black-market' racket between Naples, Rome and Forlì. How many other towns and Cities are involved in this racket, one does not know, but it is clear that the centre of operation is based on Rome, viz: the firm of S.A.C.C.E.M. and the Merchant ESPOSITO Giuseppe, who apparently have agents employed in the Office of the N.C.C.S. Club.

8. Should the a/m documents have been issued with the knowledge of Rev. Gilligan, I respectfully ask that he be informed of the existence of A.C.C. Directive, Ref./316/290/CA, dated 31/8/44, on the subject - 'Control of Civilian Movement', and also informed of the grave breach of security, committed, by giving unknown civilians scraps of paper to wander about the Army Areas with the obvious intention of exploiting further 'black = market rackets'.

9. Respectfully submitted.

H. Hunt Capt.
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H. Hunt Cent.
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To be returned to 412 Pss please



National Catholic Community Service Club



SERVING UNIFORMED MEN AND WOMEN AT HOME AND OVERSEAS

AMERICAN CATHOLIC CLUB FOR ALLIED FORCES SOMEWHERE IN ITALY

Via della Conciliazione N. 1. R O M A . Sede Centrale N C.

Foglio di riconoscimento e permesso di circolazione.

- 8 FEB 1945

Si dichiara che il Signor Salvatore Adamo di Gennaro e di Emilia Briccoli, nato a Napoli il 23 Novembre 1912 presta servizio presso l'American Catholic Club for Allied Forces somewhere in Italy, Piazza Dante N° 22 Napoli.

Il sopra menzionato esplica la sua attività trasportando merci di provenienza alleata da un punto all'altro della penisola per conto del Circolo e per quello della Croce Rossa Americana, di conseguenza egli è autorizzato a viaggiare in ogni parte dell'Italia liberata ed in ogni mezzo di trasporto.

Si rende noto che il presente permesso di circolazione é valido fino al mese di Maggio, trascorso questo termine nessun diritto é più attribuito al Viaggiatore o possessore.

MILITARY DELEGATE
IL DIRETTORE

Martin T. Gilligan

[Signature]

We declare that Mr. Salvatore Adamo son of Gennaro and of Emilia Briccoli is employed at the American Catholic Club for Allied Forces somewhere in Italy.

The above mentioned unfold is activity carrying material in all the Region.

He his authorized to travel in any point of the Free Italy and in any means of transportation.

The Director

Rev. M. T. Gilligan

Military Delegate

Allied Comm

PO 394 New York

- 8 FEB 1945

*Mr. ADAMANTY
Via del Conciliazione*



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National Catholic Community Service Club



SERVING UNIFORMED MEN AND WOMEN AT HOME AND OVERSEAS

AMERICAN CATHOLIC CLUB FOR ALLIED FORCES SOMEWHERE IN
ITALY
Via della Conciliazione N° 1. R O M A . Sede Centrale N. C.

Foglio di riconoscimento e permesso di circolazione.

- 8 FEB 1945

Si dichiara che il Signor Vincenzo Zelese fu Pasquale e di Elvira Mauro nato a Napoli, il 15 Giugno 1913 presta servizio presso l'American Catholic Club for Allied Forces somewhere in Italy, Piazza Dante N° 22 Napoli.

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Martin T. Gilligan

MILITARY DELEGATE OFFICE
IL DIRETTORE

[Signature]

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The above mentioned unfold his activity carrying material in all the region for the Club and for the American Red Cross.

He his authorized to travel in any point of the Free Italy and in any means of transportation.

Rev. M. T. GILLIGAN
Military Delegate Office
Allied Commission
A P O 394 - New York

The Director

[Signature]



- 8 FEB 1945

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