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ITALIAN WAR CORRESPONDENTS, PASSES
APR. 1945 - MAY 1946

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
AFC 394

Tel : 478800

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SUBJECT : Issue of Passes to Italian War Correspondents.
TO : AFHQ, G-2 Section.
(Attn: Major Daly-Lewis).

1. Transmitted herewith for information is a copy of a letter 37/PRB, dated 19 April, 1945, received from Public Relations Branch, this Headquarters, together with a specimen copy of the passes referred to in the letter.

2. This Sub-Commission was not consulted prior to the issue of the passes in question.

3. It will be noted that the passes were printed in agreement with PRO, AFHQ.

Wm C. Ballance may

for JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director, Public Safety Sub-Commission. 800

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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37/PRB

SUBJECT : Italian War Correspondents' passes.

TO : Maj. W.C. Ballance, Public Safety

19 April 1945	INIT	DATE
DIRECTOR	W.C.	21/4
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The attached blank form (No.7) of Italian War Correspondents' passes has been printed by this Branch in agreement with AFHQ PRO. The actual wording was set out by AFHQ.

Six of such passes have been issued so far, namely to:

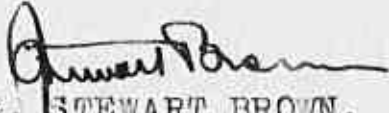
No 1	Bruno ROMANI	Risorgimento Liberale
No 2	Giuseppe SALA	Il Popolo
No 3	Mario SOLDATI	Avanti! and Unità
No 4	Gino DE SANCTIS	La Patria
No 5	Gino PINCHERLE	ANSA
No 6	Enrico MEILLE	Orbis

The procedure for issuing these passes is as follows :

a) The Italian Undersecretariat for Press suggests to us the name of some suitable journalist to be appointed as a war correspondent. 793

b) This Branch contacts AFHQ PRO on the advisability of having such Correspondent accredited and copy of correspondence is sent up to Land Forces SC. If approved the journalist is given an AC journalist's card after screening by Security Division and other Italian authorities (Epuration, etc.).

c) As final step a War Correspondent's pass is then completed and forwarded for signature to AFHQ PRO and GSI (b) Allied Armies in Italy, together with 2 spare photos of the correspondent.


G. STEWART BROWN,
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

No. 7 1B

Il presente certifica che

Corrispondente di Guerra Italiano, rappresenta

ed è accreditato presso le Forze Militari Italiane in Italia.

Gli è permesso di attraversare (senza soste) la zona di guerra non sotto il controllo delle Forze Militari Italiane, allo scopo di raggiungere i reparti in questione.

Signature of holder

NOTE 1. Press reporting of the activities of the Italian Armed Forces in Italy is subject to the procedure already approved by Allied Military authorities.

NOTE 2. In the event of capture by the enemy, this War Correspondent is entitled to be treated as a Prisoner of War under article 81 of the International Convention relative to the treatment of Prisoners of War. For the purpose of such treatment, his status is equivalent to that of an officer in the Italian Army.

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This is to certify

that
an Italian War Correspondent representingis accredited to the Italian Military Forces in Italy.
He is permitted to travel through, but not remain in, military areas not under control of Italian Military Forces in order to reach such Forces.

Firma del Titolare

NOTA 1: Le notizie relative all'attività delle Forze Armate Italiane in Italia, sono soggette alla procedura già approvata dalle Autorità Militari Alleate.

NOTA 2: In caso di cattura da parte del nemico, questo Corrispondente di Guerra ha il diritto di essere trattato come prigioniero di Guerra a norma dell'articolo 81 della Convenzione Internazionale relativa al trattamento dei Prigionieri di Guerra. Per la definizione di tale trattamento la condizione di Corrispondente è equivalente a quella di Ufficiale delle Forze Armate Italiane.

Director of Public Relations,
Allied CommissionPublic Relations Officer,
Allied Force Headquarters

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