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DISCIPLINE OF ITALIAN TROOPS
JULY 1944 - NOV. 1945

Navy S/C

Minute 1.

Folio 697 for information and such treatment as is deemed necessary

P. S. S/C
5 May 1945

Walter Doherty
S/C

W.D.S.

Minute 2

Public Safety S/C

1 Returned with thanks.

2 The Ministry of Marine has been notified of the breaches of discipline by personnel of the San Marco Regt. and requested to take appropriate action to prevent their recurrence. (See copy of NSR/2388 which is attached opposite for information.)

W.D.S.

W.D. McLaughlin
S/C

Navy S/C
10 May 1945

(Translation M.C.)

14030/1/1

CO. RM. GENERAL *QUAND*
Situation and Liaison OfficeR O
Rome 3 November 1945 *gap*

No 39/53

TO ALLIED COMMISSION
SUB Commission of P.S.
R O M E

SUBJECT: Grosseto-

At Grosseto, on ¹⁹ of last Oct. Allied M.P. held up an ex P.W. for having addressed them with an offensive remark. Shortly after, a party of 50 ex P.W. marched up to railway carriage used by Allied M.P. as a place of shelter, and demanded the release of their comrade.

Order was soon re-established when some of the L.P. intervened.

Veteran was set free.

The General Commander
BRUNETTO BAUM TI

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These initial were tide.



- 5 NOV. 1945

Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali

UFFICIO SERVIZIO - SITUAZIONE E COLLEGAMENTI

N. 39/53 di prot. Ris. Pers.

Roma, li 3 novembre 1945

Risposta al

del

n.

Allegati n.

OGGETTO: Grosseto - Incidente fra reduci dalla prigionia e agenti della polizia alleata.-

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA - Sottocommissione per la P.S. -

R O M A

Allo scalo ferroviario di Grosseto, il 19. ottobre scorso, militari della polizia alleata fermarono un reduce dalla prigionia che aveva loro rivolto una frase offensiva.-

Dopo che un gruppo di circa 50 reduci, dinanzi al vagone ferroviario adibito a posto di ricovero dei militari della polizia alleata, chiesero il rilascio del fermato.-

L'intervento di alcuni agenti della M.P. che spararono in aria, a scopo d'intimidazione, un colpo di pistola, ristabilì l'ordine.-

Il reduce fermato fu rimesso in libertà.-

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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Brunetto Brunetti)

(Translation M.B.)

14830/1/1
7 NOV 1945CC.RR. GENERAL COMMAND OF
Situation and Liaison Office

Rome 17/II/1945

74/85-I

To Allied Commission
Sub Commission of P.S.
R O M E

SUBJECT: Scafati (Salerno)-Arrest of thieves.

At Scafati (Salerno) the Arma recently arrested two Italian soldiers because responsible for having stolen 5 camping marquees of Allied property; and 4 civilians because responsible for having stolen 4 quintals of pit-coal from the Italian Railway Administration.

The Gen. Commander
BRUNETTO BRUNETTI

TO	
CHIEF OF STAFF	
CHIEF OF BRANCH	
CHIEF OF SECTION	
CHIEF OF SUBSECTION	
CHIEF OF DIVISION	
CHIEF OF BUREAU	
CHIEF OF OFFICE	
CHIEF OF CLERK	

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Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali

UFFICIO SERVIZIO - SITUAZIONE E COLLEGAMENTI

N. 74/85-I di prot.

Roma, li 17 nov. 1945

Risposto al

del

n.

Allegato n.

OGGETTO: Scafati (Salerno) - Arresto autori furto.-

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

Sottocommissione per la P.S.

R O M A

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In Scafati (Salerno), l'Arma ha testè denunziato la istato di arresto due militari italiani, responsabili del furto di cinque tendoni per accampamento, di proprietà delle FF.AA. alleate, e 4 civili responsabili del furto di 4 quintali di carbon fossile dell'amministrazione italiana delle ferrovie.-

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE  
(Brunetto Brunetti)

*Brunetti*

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(Translation T.O.)

CC. NR. GENERAL COMMAND  
Situation and Liaison Office

II/500 R.P.

Rome 10 Nov. 1945

SUBJECT: NCCI (Bari) - Congress of the Italian Servicemen's Party.

At Bari (Bari), of 27 of Oct. last, the Italian servicemen's party assembled. Members of neighbouring town intervened. Speakers were: Lawyer MOLICCHIA and the war-wounded veteran Col. P. Verri Gabriele.

During night, groups of servicemen rubbed off communist inscriptions replacing them with others in favour of monarchy, Savoie House, America and Poland.

On morning of congress the town was spontaneously adorned with flags and local band played patriotic hymns.

No incidents

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The General Commander

Brunette Brunetti

Initial release to the press.



RISERVATO PERSONALE

## Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali

UFFICIO SERVIZIO - SITUAZIONE E COLLEGAMENTI

N. 11/500 di prot. R.P.

Roma, li 10 novembre 1945

Risposta al

del

n.

Allegato n.

OGGETTO: Noci (Bari) - Congresso del partito del Reduce Italiano.

. ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

- Sottocommissione per la P.S.-

R O M A

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In Noci (Bari), il 27 ottobre u.s., vi fu il congresso del partito del Reduce Italiano. Intervennero anche gli iscritti dei paesi vicini. Parlarono l'avv. LOIO-DICE e il grande mutilato di guerra T.Col. VERRI Gabriele.

Durante la notte squadre di reduci cancellarono scritte comuniste, sostituendole con altre inneggianti alla Monarchia, a Casa Savoia, all'America e alla Polonia.

La mattina del congresso il paese fu spontaneamente imbandierato e la musica locale suonò inni patriottici.

Nessun incidente.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE  
-Brunetto Brunetti-

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30 AGO. 1945

Ref: 585/121/BC.

24 August 1945.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

With further reference to your letter number 557 of 20 July 1945, on the subject of the misbehaviour of the Folgore Gruppo in the Alto Adige and your request that they be removed from that area, Allied Force Headquarters have now asked for a report on any specific incidents of misbehaviour of the Folgore Gruppo.

I should be grateful, therefore, my dear Mr. Prime Minister, if you would send me any such details you can obtain or have at your disposal so that I may forward them to Allied Force Headquarters.

Yours very truly,

Is/ Elery W. Stone  
 ELERY W. STONE  
 Rear Admiral, USNR  
 Chief Commissioner

Professor Ferruccio Parri  
 President of the Council of Ministers  
 Italian Government  
 ROME

Copy to: Chief Commissioner  
 C. A. Section  
 Land Forces S. C.

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16A

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/3044

24 July 1945.

14030/11

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.  
To : Public Safety Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.

Subject: Complementi Company, San Marco Regiment  
P.M. 92, Discipline of.

Reference (a): Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/2388  
of 10 May 1945.

Enclosure (A): Copy of ltr. Ministry of Marine SM/13349  
of 5 July 1945.

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Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith for information in  
connection with reference (a) relative to the discipline of  
subject company.

*H. St. J. Butler*  
H. ST. J. BUTLER,  
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,  
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,  
CHIEF, NAVY SUBCOMMISSION, AC.

| TO                                                  |      |       |
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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Maristat)  
 To : N.S.C. - Rome  
 Date: 5 July '45  
 Ref.: SM/13349

Subject: S. Marco Regiment Discipline - Incident which took place on 1st May near Bernini Cinema.

In reply to your HSC/2388 of 10th May last.

1. The two Sailors belonging to S. Marco Regiment, responsible for the incident near Bernini Cinema, although belonging to the Italian Navy are temporarily incorporated in the Training Centre of the Italian Forces coming under "PICENO" Division of the Italian Army.

2. According to the information supplied by this Command to which the Chief of Staff applied for, the following resulted :-

Gottosapo Mario LODI and Sailor Luigi DARI left Bernini Theatre in a drunken condition, whereupon they came into an argument with another N.S.C. of the CO.RR.. DARI then threw a hand grenade, which he was carrying upon his person, at this N.S.C.

Petty Officer LODI intervened at once to avoid any accident which might occur whereupon the hand grenade exploded, causing many casualties.

3. DARI was, later, denounced by the War Military Tribunal in Rome on the 18 May.

Steps have been taken to in order to avoid the illegal carrying of arms and the repetition of incidents as the one in question.

for CHIEF OF STAFF

DS/P.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Public Safety Sub-Commission  
APO 394

Tel : 489081-365

AC/14030/1/1/PS

16 July 1945

SUBJECT : Incident at San Lorenzo Rail Yard, Rome

TO : Commanding General CC.RR

1. The attached copy report and orders of the two men concerned are forwarded for your information and action.

*John W. Chapman*  
JOHN W. CHAPMAN  
Colonel, J.A.P.D.  
Director

FJW/pl

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BASIC: Report of Investigation, at San Lorenzo Yards.

1st Ind.

MDH/sm

AF, MIL RY SV, ITALY, 186th M.P. Co., APO 512, U. S. Army, 9 July 1945.

TO: Deputy Director, Military Railway Service-Italy, APO 512, U. S. Army.  
ATTENTION: Provost Marshal.

Forwarded for your information.

*Marshall D. Hoskins Jr*  
MARSHALL D. HOSKINS JR  
1st Lt. CIP,  
Commanding.

1 Incl.  
n/c

333.5-PM

2nd Ind

AF, DDMRS ITALY & 774th Ry Grand Div, APO 512, US Army  
10 July 1945.

TO: Commanding General, Headquarters Allied Commission,  
APO 394, US Army. ATTN: Public Safety Officer, Lt  
Colonel Wilson.

1. Forwarded as a matter pertaining to your command

FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR:

1 Incl:  
n/c

*Loren J Mann*

LOREN J MANN  
Major Inf  
Provost Marshal

| TO              | INT | DATE |
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| DIRECTOR        |     |      |
| DEPUTY DIRECTOR |     |      |
| EXEC. DIR.      |     |      |
| CHIEF           |     |      |
| CHIEF CLERK     |     |      |

Allied Force  
MILITARY RAILWAY SERVICE-ITALY  
186th Military Police Company  
Office of Commanding Officer

A.P.O. 512  
9 July 1945

SUBJECT: Investigation Report of Incident in San Lorenzo Yards, Rome, Italy.

THROUGH: Commanding Officer,  
186th M. P. Co.,  
APO 512, U. S. Army.

TO: Deputy Director,  
Military Railway Service-Italy,  
APO 512, U. S. Army.  
ATTENTION: Provost Marshal.

1. On 8 July 1945, at approximately 2200 hours, Pvt Roy Westphal, 186th M.P. Co., was on duty as a guard in the San Lorenzo Yards, Rome, Italy, he apprehended three Italian soldiers in the act of pilfering a box car containing automotive parts for the Italian Armed Forces.

2. The following is the available information:

- a. Car # 31136 G.
- b. Contents: Automotive Parts.
- c. Consignor: Parco Veicoli Efficienti, Naples, Italy.
- d. Consignee: Magazzino Centrale Parti Ricambio, Rome, Italy.
- e. Italian Guards: Moncillo, Antonio  
Riccio, Giuseppe  
Palino, Ponato

3. Moncillo and Riccio were turned over to the Italian Carabinieri. Palino, the other guard was left with the cars.

4. Pilferage was being done through vent window. Extent of pilferage undeterminable.

5. Recommend this incident be brought to the attention of person in charge of Public Security.

6. Attached are orders of two of the men.

*John J. Slavick*  
JOHN J. SLAVICK,  
1st Lt. Infantry,  
Investigating Officer.

1 Incl: Orders of Palino, ~~Ponato~~, and Moncillo, Antonio.

Translation

CC.RR. Gen. HQ.

N. 383/4 R.P.

18th May 1945.

Subject : Trani (Bari) - Conflict between Italian and Yugoslav soldiers.

To : A.C. P.S. S/C.

In continuation of letter 383/2 R.P. dated 7th May 45.

The known incident occurred at Trani (Bari) on the 6th instant, between Italian and Yugoslav soldiers, has been brought about by the provocative attitude assumed by the Yugoslavs after the occupation of Venezia Giulia on the part of the Yugoslav Army.

Since the Italian soldiers have manifested intentions of reprisal, the possibility of more serious incidents is not excluded.

Commanding General  
-Brunetto Brunetti-

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# Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali

UFFICIO SERVIZIO - SITUAZIONE E COLLEGAMENTI

N. 383/4

di prot. R.P.

Roma, li 18 maggio 1945

Risposta al

del

n.

Allegati n.

OGGETTO: **Trani (Bari) - Conflitto tra soldati italiani e militari jugoslavi.**

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA -Sottocommissione per la P.S.-

R O M A

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Fa seguito al foglio n.383/2 R.P. del 7 maggio 1945.

Il noto incidente avvenuto in Trani (Bari), il 6 corrente, tra soldati italiani e militari jugoslavi, fu determinato dall'atteggiamento provocatorio assunto dai militari slavi dopo l'occupazione della Venezia Giulia da parte dell'esercito jugoslavo.

Poichè i soldati italiani hanno manifestato propositi di rappresaglia, non si esclude la possibilità di più gravi incidenti.

| TO              | DATE | DATE |
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| DIRECTOR        | 1945 | 7/5  |
| DEPUTY DIRECTOR |      |      |
| EXT. OFFICER    | 22/5 | 22/5 |
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| LIC. & REG.     |      |      |
| PHYS.           |      |      |
| ADJ.            |      |      |
| SEC.            |      |      |
| CHIEF CLERK     |      |      |

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE  
-Brunetto Brunetti-

*Brunetti*

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ARMED COMMISSION  
PUBLIC SAFETY LIAISON OFFICE  
R.A.A.C. QUESTURA BLDG. VIA S. VENEZIA

PSL/D/3

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To : Director Public Safety Sub-Commission.  
A.C./H.Q.  
From : Lt. Col. R. P. Millhouse, L.C. 14030/11.  
Subject : Btm. S. Marco- Discipline -

6A  
Rome, 17th May 45

Reference to my letter PSL/D/3 dated 3 May 45.

Attached is translation of report from CC.Rh.  
concerning incidents at Casano in which elements of above  
Unit have been involved.

Forwarded for your information.

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L. P. Millhouse  
R. P. Millhouse, Lt. Col.  
A.C. Public Safety, L.C.

| TO              | INT | DIV  |
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| DIRECTOR        | INT | 1718 |
| DEPUTY DIRECTOR | INT | 1718 |
| EXEC. OFFICER   | INT | 1718 |
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TRANSLATION

Extract from CC.RR. Legione Roma Daily Report.

7/5/45 18.00 hrs. at Cesano soldiers of Battaglione S2Marco of recruits training Center, ordered civilians who had put out flags with Savoia badge to withdraw them, showing also intention to assault the CC.RR. barracks.  
Intervention CC.RR.s attached "Piceno" section and S. Maria's beat to send away the ill-thinkers.

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7/5/45 - 19.00 hrs. due to the war's end news, at Ciampino shots were fired and Piceni Dolciissima while staying at home, was wounded by a rifle-bullet and will recover in 10 days.

Translation.

CC.BR. Gen. HQ.

7th May 1945.

N. 383/2

Subject : Trani (Bari) - Conflict between Italian soldiers  
and jugoslav soldiers.

To : A.C. P.S. S/C.

I transcribe the following cable n. 117/7 dated 7th May received from the Bari External CC.RP. Group:

"" At Trani (Bari) yesterday at 1300 hours between Italian soldiers of that collection centre and some Yugoslav soldiers a struggle broke out and the latter fired pistol shots and threw hand-grenades. - 4 Italian soldiers were slightly injured and also some Yugoslavs, the number of which has not been pointed out by the proper Command.""

Further reports will be furnished.

Commanding General  
(Brunetto Brunetti)

IV.

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|--------------|------|
| DATE         | 12/5 |
| TIME         | 15/5 |
| PLACE        | 14/5 |
| PERSON       | 15/5 |
| NO. & REG.   |      |
| PRISON       |      |
| ADM. OFFICER |      |
| SECURITY     |      |
| CHIEF CLERK  |      |

RISERVATO PERSONALE

# Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali

UFFICIO SERVIZIO - SITUAZIONE E COLLEGAMENTI

N.383/2

di prot.

Roma, li 7 maggio 1945

Risposta al

del

n.

Allegato n.

OGGETTO Trani (Bari) - Conflitto fra soldati italiani e militari jugoslavi.-

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA - Sottocommissione per la F.S. -

ROMA

Trascrivo il seguente fonogramma n.117/7 in data 7 maggio del Gruppo Esterno CC.RR. di Bari:

""Ore 16 ieri in Trani (Bari) tra militari italiani quel campo affluenza et alcuni militari jugoslavi accendevansi risa con sparo da parte di quest'ultimi colpi pistola et lancio bombe a mano.- Rimanevano feriti lievemente 4 militari italiani et alcuni jugoslavi il cui numero il comando interessato non ha precisato"".-

Riserva di notizie.-

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE  
(Brunetto Brunetti)

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ALLIED COMMISSION  
PUBLIC SAFETY LIAISON OFFICE  
R.A.A.C. QUESTURA BLDG. VIA S. VITALE

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PSL/D 3

To : Director Public Safety Sub-Commission.  
From : Lt. Col. R. T. Millhouse, L.O.  
Subject : Discipline.

14030/1/1

106/4  
Rome, 5th May 45

Attached are copies of two reports from  
P.M., R.A.A.C. concerning discipline of Italian Military  
Personnel on Route 2 and Piasale Ponte Milvie.

Forwarded for your information and respectfully  
request that the matter be taken up with COMIN. General  
Command.

*R. T. Millhouse*  
R. T. Millhouse, Lt. Col.  
A.C. Public Safety, L.O.

| TO              | INITIALS  | DATE |
|-----------------|-----------|------|
| DIRECTOR        | <i>WJ</i> | 11/5 |
| DEPUTY DIRECTOR | <i>WJ</i> | 11/5 |
| EXEC. OFFICER   | <i>WJ</i> | 11/5 |
| PROSEC.         | <i>WJ</i> | 12/5 |
| LIC. & REG.     |           |      |
| PRISONS         |           |      |
| ADM. OFFICER    |           |      |
| SECURITY        |           |      |
| CHIEF           |           |      |

File please. NFA

125/ *[Signature]*

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File with Navy file.

COPY

SUBJECT :- Discipline - Italian ORs.

Officer Commanding,  
No.1 Trg Establishment, RAC.  
DPM, RAAC  
COMd, 'P' PLU IRTC ICF

'H' PTI IRTC ICF

Ref: BTI/Pro/10/15

20 Apr 45.

Reference your A/Disc/13 dated 20 April 1945

1. It is pointed out that the incident of which complaint is made occurred in ROME and there is no evidence given in the two statements supplied to indicate that the Italian elements concerned were of this Centre.

2. It is realised, however, that it may very well be that the Italian soldiers concerned were attempting to return to this Centre.

3. It is always advisable to endeavour to obtain particulars of individuals concerned, or if the difficulty is one of language, British personnel are quite entitled to detain the person or persons concerned, until the arrival of the CMP, who will deal with the matter.

4. You will appreciate that to indicate "Several Italians (one of whom was an officer)" is of very little help when it is realised that some thousands of Italian military pass through this Centre in the course of one month, and even more thousands, not of this Centre, are in ROME.

5. As far as this Centre is concerned, there is a Mobile Carabinieri Patrol daily and in the evening, for the purpose of discipline on Route 2, and such patrol has now been extended to include the outskirts of ROME and the Piazza di FONTE MILVIO. Such patrol runs a duty truck for the purpose of apprehending Italian military.

6. Furthermore, British personnel may always take into custody and hand over to the Italian Military Police, Italian personnel, providing they are prepared to prove the committing of an offence directly against the Allies or Allied interests.

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6. Furthermore, British personnel may always take into custody and hand over to the Italian Military Police, Italian personnel, providing they are prepared to prove the committing of an offence directly against the Allies or Allied interests.
7. For that purpose, the Check Point of this Centre, and the mobile patrols are available.
8. A copy of your A/Disc/13 is being passed to DPM, RAAC for that office's information.

CTRG/asj

(Sgd. C. GORDAN.  
Captain,  
Provost.

C O P Y

SUBJECT:- Discipline

DPM, RAAC

AA & QMG

'H' BTI IRTC ICF

Ref: BTI/Pro/10/19

1 May 1945

Ref the copy correspondence forwarded under your Pro/  
TS/13/6336 dated 28 April 1945.

1. Under my BTI/Pro/10/15 dated 20 April 1945, addressed to Officer Commanding, No.1 Training Establishment, RAC, and copy to DPM, RAAC, para 3 it was advised that "There is a Mobile Carabinieri patrol daily and in the evening, for the purposes of discipline on Route 2 and such patrol has now been extended to include the outskirts of ROME and the Piazza di PONTE MILVIO".
2. This patrol has been apprehending an average of thirty to forty Italian ORs on each patrol and is composed of Carabinieri. To date there have been no incidents with which CC RR of this Centre have not been able to deal, and it would seem that the Territoriale Carabinieri, by whom the report was made, are showing a regrettable lack of enthusiasm in interpreting their duty.
3. It is appreciated that the matter is delicate and that in the present situation, the position of the CC RR is most unhappy. But it is also pointed out that, available for disciplinary patrol duty at this Centre, there are not more than twenty men of the same arm, viz. CC RR, a number which will probably correspond to such of those men under the command of the Terza CC RR of Roma-Parioli.
4. In point of fact, however, due to energetic measures taken at this Centre, discipline can be said to from that expected of any Italian Military Centre, bearing in mind the material which is dealt with. It was expected that incidents might develop in other areas in which these soldiers or partisans, felt free of disciplinary control and doubtless the attitude of the Territoriale CC RR, encourage them to commit acts they realise would result in immediate punishment, here.
5. Should the Territoriale CC RR feel that they cannot deal with these elements, then it is respectfully suggested that

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4. In point of fact, however, due to energetic measures taken at this Centre, discipline can be said to from that expected of any Italian Military Centre, bearing in mind the material which is dealt with. It was expected that incidents might develop in other areas in which these soldiers or partisans, felt free of disciplinary control and doubtless the attitude of the Territoriale CC RR, encourage them to commit acts they realize would result in immediate punishment, here.

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6. Reinforcements cannot be obtained from this Centre due to lack of them, although a further Section of Carabinieri have been demanded for disciplinary duties, in which event the Italian Command here would be pleased to reinforce the PONTE MILVIO area and assume complete responsibility therefore.

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7. In the meanwhile, I am advised by the Italian Command that the leave rate to ROME is regulated, that arrangements for the transport and return of leave parties is a matter under consideration and is only governed by the lack of transport and, furthermore, the carriage of arms and weapons outside the camp area is strictly forbidden. Unfortunately, it should be realised that a small nucleus of Carabinieri cannot hope to control the complete internal discipline of the Regiments.
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Captain,  
Provost.

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION  
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/2388  
10 May 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq., Allied Commission.  
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.  
Subject: Complementi Company, San Marco Regiment  
P.M. 92, Discipline of.

1. Through Allied channels, the Navy Sub-Commission has received a copy of CG.RR. report N.13/267 of 3 May 1945, which sets forth the circumstances under which two American Soldiers were wounded on 2 May near the Cinema Bernini, Rome. The incident apparently was originated by Marine Luigi DARI, a member of Complementi Company, San Marco Regiment P.M. 92. The injuries were caused by a hand grenade which had been in the possession of DARI.

2. The Navy Sub-Commission has received information through the Public Safety Sub-Commission, AC, that the above mentioned incident is the third in recent days in which elements of the Complementi Company, San Marco Regiment P. M. 92 have been involved.

3. It is requested that the Ministry of Marine initiate appropriate action with a view to preventing future incidents of this nature. It is considered particularly regrettable that a member of subject Regiment should be able to carry a hand grenade into a crowded city area.

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(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL  
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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Translation.

CC.RR. Gen. HQ.

21st April 1945.

N. 272/29-2 R.P.

Subject : Civitavecchia - Incident between Italian soldiers and civilians.

To : A.C. P.S. S/C.

At Civitavecchia, on the 8th instant, about 20 soldiers of the 2nd and 3rd motorised Battalion stationed in that city, presented themselves at the entrance of the dance hall of the Juvenile Club, where they tried to enter making a great noise.

Since several civilians made objections, a struggle started. At the arrival of other soldiers, the civilians were obliged to escape and were pursued by the soldiers armed with bayonets, knives and pieces of iron.

When stopped and questioned by the CC.RR. Force, they replied that two comrades had been killed and that they had to vindicate them.

In the meanwhile, many soldiers broke into a restaurant, where according to them, those responsible were hidden and when they found two young men, they wished to lynch them at any cost.

The Commander of that CC.RR. station succeeded in freeing the young Bollo Orfeo, who was brought in a truck to the barracks. When he returned to the spot, the NCO noticed another group of soldiers, in the middle of whom was the young Rossi Gaetano, who was beaten with sticks. He succeeded even in freeing this young man from the fury of the soldiers, and accompanied him to the barracks. On the same evening the two young men were accompanied by CC.RR. to their respective homes.

In the meanwhile, the soldiers returned to the dance hall and started the devastation of the premises, the intervention of the Force hindered their vandalic intentions. The CC.RR. maresciallo calmed the demonstrators and dispersed them.

But another group of soldiers went to the dance hall, where they were met by the local American Police, which fired several pistol shots wounding an Italian soldier, who has remained unidentified, because he has been transported to Rome with an Allied ambulance.

Other agents of the Allied Police, in jeeps, traversed the streets of the city firing pistol shots in the air and ordering the soldiers to return to their barracks. Towards evening order was re-established.

The disturbances were caused by rumours put about among the soldiers, which then appeared unfounded, according to which two of their comrades had been killed.

Ministry of War and Army Staff have been informed.

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Commanding General-Brunetto Brunetti-

RISERVATO PERSONALE

## Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali

UFFICIO SERVIZIO - SITUAZIONE E COLLEGAMENTI

N. 272/29-2 di prot. R.P.

Roma, li 21 aprile 1945

Risposta al

del

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Allegato n.

OGGETTO: Civitavecchia - Incidenti fra soldati italiani e civili.-

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA -

- Sottocommissione per la P.S. -

R O M A

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L'8 corrente, in Civitavecchia, circa 20 soldati del 2° e 3° Battaglione Antiaerei di stanza in quella città si presentarono all'ingresso della sala da ballo del Circolo Giovanile di Cultura, dove cercarono di entrare; schiazzando.

Poiché alcuni civili si opposero, ne nacque un tafferuglio. Col sopraggiungere di altri soldati, i civili furono costretti a darsi alla fuga inseguiti dai militari, armati di baionette, coltelli e pezzi di ferro.

Affrontati e chiesti loro cosa fosse accaduto dall'Arma, risposero che due loro compagni erano stati uccisi e che dovevano vendicarli.

Intanto, numerosi militari irrupero in una storia dove, secondo loro, si erano nascosti i colpevoli e, trovati due giovani, volevano a tutti i costi linciarli.

Il comandante di quella stazione CC.AA. riuscì a sottrarre all'ira dei soldati il giovane Bello Orfeo che, fatto salire su di un camioncino di passaggio, fu condotto in caserma. Ritornato nuovamente sul posto, lo stesso sottufficiale notò un altro gruppo di soldati che portava in mezzo il giovane Rossi Gastone, il quale fu colpito con bastonate. Il sottufficiale riuscì a sottrarre anche questi alla furia dei soldati accompagnandolo in caserma e la sera stessa, i due furono accompagnati da militari dell'Arma alle rispettive abitazioni.

Nel frattempo i soldati, tornati nella sala da ballo, insisierono, a colpi di bastone, la devastazione del locale. L'intervento dell'Arma valse a farli desistere dalla vandalica impresa. Con opera persuasiva il maresciallo dei CC.AA. riuscì a ristabilire un po' di calma fra i dimostranti, che fece allontanare.

Un altro gruppo di soldati, però, si recò nella sala da ballo, ove fu affrontato dalla locale polizia americana che sparò alcuni colpi di arma da fuoco ferendo un militare italiano, non identificato perché trasportato su un'autambulanza alleata a Roma.

Altri agenti della polizia alleata, a bordo di camionette, percorsero le vie della città sparando colpi in aria ed intimando ai soldati di rientrare in caserma.

In serata l'ordine fu ristabilito.

Gli incidenti ebbero origine da voci messe in giro fra i soldati, e risultate infondate, secondo le quali erano stati uccisi due loro compagni.

Ministero Guerra e S.M. del R. Esercito informati.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE  
-Brunetto Brunetti-

*Brunetti*

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## REPORT

TO : THE OFFICER COMMANDING  
279 PROVOST COMPANY,  
C.M. POLICE

Sir,

I have to report that at ROME on the 28th April 1945, at about 1940 hrs, I was on Emergency Patrol duty, accompanied by I/Cpl. C. HENRY and I/Cpl. E. TILLEY - C.M. POLICE, when I was instructed to proceed to Via Cavour where it had been reported Italian soldiers involved in a hair-cutting incident.

On arrival at the above mentioned street, at about 1950 hrs, I was informed by

No. 3947207 Spr. GARDNER W.P.,  
H.Q. 715 A.W. Coy.,  
ROYAL ENGINEERS,

that he had seen several Italian soldiers force an Italian girl into a side street. Two of them held her whilst another soldier held the crowd back with a hand-grenade.

Spr. GARDNER said that they had all gone off in the direction of the Colosseum, I asked him to accompany us, which he did.

On arrival at the Colosseum, I saw a crowd of civilians attacking an Italian soldier; the above named British soldier recognised him as the soldier who had held the crowd back with the grenade. I now know him to be

No. 55170 S.C. FIORILLO ANTONIO,  
3rd PLOTONE, COY. COMPLENTI,  
REGG. S. MARCO, R.M., P.M. 92.

Spr. GARDNER then recognised

No. 75682 R.T. SANTIACOMO MICHELE,

of the above mentioned Unit, as one of the soldiers who had helped with the hair cutting.

I arrested the two Italian soldiers and escorted them to the CENTRAL POLICE STATION. They were later handed over to the Carabinieri to be detained. Statements were obtained from them, which are attached together with a receipt.

The hand-grenade was found by a civilian and handed over to this Unit.

All efforts to trace the Italian girl concerned were unsuccessful at that time. On the 29th April 1945, the girl was traced through the Civil Police, and found to be

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GIACCAGLIA ANNA,  
No. 5 Via NICCOLO' BEYTONI.

A statement was obtained from her, which is attached, together with a lock of hair found in the cell at the CENTRAL POLICE STATION after the two Italian soldiers, who had been detained there for a short period, had been handed over to the Carabinieri. GIACCAGLIA ANNA identified the lock of hair as that cut from her head. Statement made by SPT. GARDNER attached.

Rome  
30th April 1945.

S/ E. Rose Cpl.,  
279 Provost Company.

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ALLIED COMMISSION  
PUBLIC SAFETY LIAISON OFFICE  
R.A.A.C. QUESTURA MILANO VIA S. VITALE

PSL/D.3

To : AC/HQ Public Safety Sub-Commission.  
From : Lt.Col.R.T.Millhouse, L.O.  
Subject : Complementi Coy-S.Marco Regt.P.M.92  
Discipline.

Rome 3rd May 1945

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Forwarded for your information and any further action you may deem necessary.

R.T.Millhouse, Lt.Col.  
A.C.Public Safety, L.O.

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TRANSLATION

FROM : Legione Territoriale CC.RR. Roma  
Compagnia Roma Interna.

Date : 3/5/45

N.18/267.

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Dari and Iodi appeared to be unlawfully absent from their unit located at Cesano near Rome since early afternoon of yesterday.

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The Captain Commander

Giorgio Geniola

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leg - injury - not serious.

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eye injury.

They were taken to the 73rd Hospital.

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Compagnia Roma Interna.

Date : 3/5/45

R. 18/257

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Public Safety Sub-Commission  
APO 394

Tel : 502

1 March, 1945

AC/14030/1/1/PS

SUBJECT : Italian Military

TO : Land Forces Sub Commission-MILA

Attached copies received from Abruzzi-Marche Region  
are forwarded for your information.

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

2 Enclosures

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TO : HQ. AC. Public Safety Sub Commission  
 FROM : HQ. AMG/AC. Abruzzi-Marche Region  
 SUBJECT : Italian Military  
 REF : B5/514/30  
 DATE : 26 February 1945.

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HEADQUARTERS

27 FEB 1945

The u/q copy of letter and report referred to are forwarded for your information.

FOR THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER :

| TO              | INIT | DATE |
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| DIRECTOR        | WJ   | 2/3  |
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S. PICKERING  
 Lt. Colonel  
 A.F.S.O.

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Subject : - Italian Military

PS/TER/OPT.

TO : HQ. AMG/AC. Abruzzi-Marche Region 21 Feb. 1945  
 FROM : HQ. AC. Chieti, Pescara and Teramo Province.

Attached is a copy of a report received from Deputy P.C. Teramo Province relating to conduct of Italian Military Personnel at TERAMO on 11 Feb. 45.

Submitted for information of M.M.I.A.

Copy sent to Commander, HQ. 209 Sub Area CMF.

/s/ ?????????????????

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/t/ Major

Provincial Commissioner,  
 AC Chieti, Pescara and Teramo Prov.

TPC/CP  
 Chieti.

COPY

TO : Provincial Commissioner, Chieti, Pescara and Teramo  
 SUBJECT : Disturbances in Teramo by Italian Soldier.  
 REF : TP/15/10  
 DATE : 17th February 1945.

1. I have to report for your information the following facts respecting disturbances and disorderly conduct by members of the Italian Armed Forces.
2. On Sunday, 11th February 1945, about 1500 hrs, several truck loads of soldiers belonging to the S. Marco Bn. of the Membo Division, stationed at Mosciano S. Angelo, arrived in the town. Many of them became drunk or under the influence of drink, some went to the local Theatre, where they forced an entry into reserved boxes, damaging the locks in the process.
3. Subsequently they went to the local club where a dance was in progress and again created a disturbance, causing the dance to be suspended. Several of their own officers were present at the time in the club, but were unable to control these men. A very sad reflection on Italian Army discipline. In one of the main streets, these men broke a window of a photographer's shop and stole an enlargement of a young woman. In the streets they molested several women, before leaving the town.
4. On the evening of the 13th February, a further batch of these unruly Italian soldiers visited the town and in addition to engaging in further misconduct, scaled the balcony of the Prefettura, and placed an Italian flag in between those of the allies.

5. The matter was not reported to me until the following morning when I at once ordered the removal of the Italian flag.

6. With a view to preventing further acts of foolishness and unseemly conduct by these troops, I communicated the facts by telephone to their Divisional Commander, and requested his personal assurance that no further such conduct would occur. I told him, through his staff Colonel, that he would be held personally responsible for their good order in future, and left the matter in his hands. I later personally visited the Bn. Commander at Mosciano, and spoke to him in the same terms. ~~He informed me that his own Bn. was not responsible but that he would take steps~~ He informed me that his own Bn. was not responsible but that he would take steps.

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5. The matter was not reported to me until the following morning when I at once ordered the removal of the Italian flag.
6. With a view to preventing further acts of foolishness and unseemly conduct by these troops, I communicated the facts by telephone to their Divisional Commander, and requested his personal assurance that no further such conduct would occur. I told him, through his staff Colonel, that he would be held personally responsible for their good order in future, and left the matter in his hands. I later personally visited the Bn. Commander at Mosciano, and spoke to him in the same terms. ~~He informed me that his own Bn. was not responsible to him in the same terms.~~ He informed me that his own Bn. was not responsible but that he would take steps to prevent any further misconduct by Italian troops.
7. Up to the time of writing this report, no further Italian soldiers have been seen in Teramo.

G. Stevenson  
Deputy Provincial Commiss.  
Teramo Province.

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
Public Safety Sub-Commission  
APO 394

*File 3A*  
Tel : 189021  
Ext : 502

ACG/14030/1/P

18 October, 1944.

SUBJECT : Discipline - Italian Troops.

TO : M.M.I.A.

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The attached copy of Catanzaro Zone Report concerning behavior of four Italian parachutists at Reggio is passed to you with the request that this Sub-Commission be informed of any action taken by you in this matter.

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

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# ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

## PROVINCE OF REGGIO IN CALABRIA

SOUTHERN REGION  
CATANZARO ZONE.

SUBJECT: Incident - Italian Military.

TO:

REF: 20/POL/23.

THE CHIEF, PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION,  
HEADQUARTERS, ACC. AFO. 394.

11th. October,

1. On the 2nd. October, 1944, at approximately 22-00 hours four parachutists of the Divisione NEMBO Posta Militare, Italian Army, on leave en route to Sicily, and awaiting transportation in Reggio, entered the Siracusa Cafe, Corso Garibaldi, Reggio Calabria.
2. After consuming wine they demanded that the orchestra play "Giovinezza" and insisted that the waiter Federico Giuseppe instruct them to do this. Federico refused to accede to the request but the parachutists insisted threatening him with violence until an Italian Army officer (unidentified) intervened and persuaded them after some delay to leave the premises. On leaving they repeated their threats of violence to the waiter.
3. At 12-45 hours on the 3rd. October, 1944, the same parachutists returned to the cafe (one armed with a "manganello") (short truncheon as used by the Fascist strong arm squads), and again threatened the waiter with violence but were again persuaded to leave.
4. On leaving the cafe the parachutists continued along the corso Garibaldi uttering cries of "Viva il Duce" and "Viva il Fascismo" and also approved Allied Military personnel and made disparaging remarks to them. Owing to the admirable restraint shown by the Allied Military personnel and also possibly due to the fact that the latter did not fully understand the intent or expressions used no serious incident followed.
5. The local Partito Comunista having apparently heard of these incidents believing that the parachutists would return to the Siracusa Cafe on the night of the 3rd. October, 1944, congregated in the vicinity presumably with the intention of interfering should a repetition of the incidents take place.
6. The local Comando Presidio Militare was immediately informed who gave orders for the immediate transport of the parachutists to their destination in Sicily and they were subsequently transported to Sicily on the afternoon of the 3rd. October, under escort of Lt. Passeri of the Comando Tappo. Thus preventing any further incident which may have occurred between the Partito Comunista and themselves.
7. The parachutists concerned in these incidents have been identified as:-

1. General Maggiore ROMANO Silvio
2. General Maggiore CHIOMINI Franco

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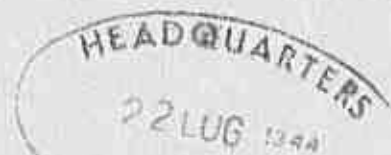
THIS OFFICE, PUNTO SARTY SUO-30 MISSION, 11th. October,  
HEADQUARTERS, ACC. APC. 344.

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2. After consuming wine they demanded that the orchestra play "Giovinezza" and insisted that the waiter Federico Guiseppe instruct them to do this. Being refused to accede to the request but the parachutists insisted threatening him with violence until an Italian Army officer (unidentified) intervened and persuaded them after some delay to leave the premises. On leaving they repeated their threats of violence to the waiter.
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7. The parachutists concerned in these incidents have been identified as:-
  1. Caporal Maggiore ROMANO Silvio
  2. Caporal Maggiore CHINDENI Franco
  3. Paracadutista GIUNO Gerolamo
  4. Paracadutista NAPOLI Guiseppe
 all of Divisione "NEMBO" Poste Militari 186. Italian Army.
8. It is not known if any disciplinary action has been or will be taken against these personnel by the Italian Army authorities and the above is forwarded for information and any action deemed necessary through the Channel.

Copies to:- HQ. NAPLES, 11th. October, 1944. For 30th. Commissioner. CALABRIA ZONE. For 30th. Commissioner. CALABRIA ZONE.

*File Disposal of Italian Troops*  
*14030/11*

TO H.Q. A.C.C. R.C. & H.G. Section.  
 FROM H.Q. Region 5, A.M.G.  
 SUBJECT Italian Troops in CHIETI Province.  
 REF R5/514/30.  
 DATE 19 July 1944.



1. It is felt necessary to bring to your immediate notice the behaviour of certain Italian troops in CHIETI PROVINCE and particularly in the town of CHIETI itself.
2. The Italian troops in the area appear to resent any form of association between the local Italian girls and allied troops and subject to assaults and hostile demonstrations any such girls they encounter.
3. On one occasion on 2 July an Indian Captain and his Italian fiancée were attacked and had to be rescued from a church by the Military police in the face of some 50 armed Italian soldiers.
4. On another occasion a British nurse was presumably mistaken for an Italian and warned that if she associated with British officers her hair would be cut off.
5. The seriousness of the situation is increased by the fact that there are no allied troops in the area and that the very small force of C.M.P. available from 60 Sub Area is not in a position to exercise effective control.
6. There are annexed hereto copies of a report by the Provincial Commissioner concerned and of a letter written by him to the Commander of the Italian troops.

*W. P. Marshall*  
*for*  
 R. P. MARSHALL  
 Colonel  
 Regional Commissioner.

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SUBJECT:- Italian Troops.

TO :- A.M.G. H.Q. Region 5.  
Copy to H.Q. 60 Sub Area.

FROM :- Provincial Commissioner, Chieti Province.

Today, Captain Gold, 68 F.S.S. (5 Corps attached Polish Corp) approached me for assistance as the Senior Military Officer in Chieti, regarding the conduct of Italian Troops. As the matter is also one which affects Law and order in the Province, I have afforded him this assistance.

It appears that, on the 2 July 1944 an Indian Captain with his fiancée (who is an Italian) came sight seeing to Chieti. They were attacked by Italian soldiers who wished to disfigure the lady. After a lot of trouble they were rescued from a church by the Military Police from 60 Sub Area who had to overcome some 50 Italian soldiers all armed with rifles etc., (a report from the C.M.P. has been forwarded to 60 Sub Area).

Captain Gold also related an instance of an English lady who was with a British Officer. The Italian soldiers mistaking her for an Italian girl warned her that if she were seen again with an Allied Officer she would have her hair cut off.

I tried to contact 60 Sub Area all morning but could not do so. I have therefore, in company with Captain Gold informed the Italian Commander that such conduct will not be tolerated and have left with him, for delivery to the Colonel Commanding the particular troops a letter - copy enclosed.

He approves and will take the necessary action.

I have since managed to telephone and Commander of 60 Sub Area and he agrees with my action. I think you will agree that prompt action was necessary.

Signed:

J. O. HOLMER

Lt. Col.

Provincial Commissioner  
Chieti Province

4 July 1944  
Chieti

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To:- Colonel Commanding  
Military District,  
CHIETI

Subject:- Military discipline.

With reference to the incident which took place on 2nd inst., during which a British Officer and a young lady were subject to a hostile demonstration, please furnish at once the names of the guilty soldiers, stating what disciplinary action you have taken against them. A most serious view of this incident is taken by the Allied Command.

In future you will ensure that the number of troops out of barracks or free in Chieti does not exceed at any one time one company (100 men).

You are furthermore to take the necessary steps to ensure:

1. That soldiers allowed out of barracks do not carry any arms whatsoever.
2. That strong Police patrols are on duty in CHIETI during the hours of free circulation of your troops in order to maintain discipline in the town.
3. That strict measures are enforced to ensure the observance of the civilian curfew (from 22.00 hrs., to 05.00 hrs) by the troops.

Failure to comply with these measures and the repetition of incidents similar to the above will result in drastic steps by the Allied Command.

Signed: J. O. HUIER

Lt. Colonel  
Provincial Commissioner  
Chieti Province.

4 July 1944  
Chieti

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