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2 A	21 Feb	14037/P	Gen Hq Commandant	Conference
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4 A	23 Feb	14037	Gen Executive Commissioner	"
5 A	23 Feb	14037/P	Gen Hq 578 Army	Conference of PSCOs

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
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File 204

ACC/14037/PS

Tel: 489081
Ext: 502

SUBJECT : Public Safety discussions.

26 July, 1944.

TO : Regional Public Safety Officer
Region 3.

1. It is requested that, subject to the agreement of the Regional Commissioner, you attend this H.Qs to discuss Public Safety matters.

2. The dates should be arranged to suit your convenience, but it is expected that the discussions will take more than one day.

3. If this Sub-Commission is notified of the expected time and date of your arrival accommodation will be arranged.

PAUL G. KIRK
Colonel Infantry
Chief Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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Travel ~~pass~~ order to be arranged
with Adjutant on receipt of dates
from Lt. Col. Francis

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REQUEST YOU ISSUE ORDER FOR LIEUT COLONEL ROSSWELL A BRUCE , O-267119 TO ATTEND CONFERENCE
ON SECURITY AND PUBLIC SAFETY AT WASHINGTON

HEADQUARTERS
28 APR 1944
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Police..... *W*

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Regn. & Licensing..... *W*

Adm. Officer..... *W*

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FILE - N°. RPS. 317.2

19th April, 1944

SUBJECT : Security and Public Safety Conference
at Catania on 5th/6th April, 1944.

TO : Chief, Public Safety Sub-Commission A.C.C. HQ.

1. In connection with the above Conference I attach hereto
for your information:

- (a) Copy of Directive from N°. 1 District issued at my request; 18D/E
- (b) Copy of Record of the meeting together with a list of Officers attending. -18B/k

2. The meeting has undoubtedly resulted in closer collaboration between Intelligence, Military Police, Civil Police and ACC. and much is expected in the future.

3. The necessary instructions have been issued to Public Safety Officers in this Region to endeavour to facilitate the operation of the decisions reached.

For the Regional Commissioner.

R. A. Snook
Russell A. SNOOK.

Lt. Colonel.

Regional Public Safety Officer.

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For the Regional Commissioner.

Russell A. SNOOK.
Lt. Colonel.
Regional Public Safety Officer.

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FILE - No. RP3/317.2

SUBJECT - Security and Public Safety Conference,
Catania, 5th/6th April, 1944.

TO - See Distribution.

(1) Enclosed herewith are copies of the Official Record of the Security and Public Safety Conference at Catania, April 5th and 6th.

(2) The Record contains only the official decisions reached which may be used as the basis of local orders.

(3) The matters for presentation to the Italian Government will be officially presented through ACC channels.

A.M. HANCOCK,
Lt. Colonel,
Regional Commissioner

DISTRIBUTION -

No. 1 District.

1-13	Lt.Col.	G.R.S.	HART
"	"	D.C.	THOMNT
Major	"	A.J.	COVENTRY
"	"	M.R.J.	CEMPION
"	"	O.J.	MAUNDER
"	"	J.C.	HAMILTON
Capt.	"	B.A.	BAKER
"	"	"	BRUNO
"	"	D.C.	ORBACK
W/Cmdr	"	W.J.	RIVERS
F/Lt	"	L.	FOXGROFT
2nd Lieut.	"	W.J.	BURKE

L.B.S.

14-19	Lt.Col.	F.W.	FISH
"	Major	L.D.	ERVIN
"	"	R.	WILSON
"	Capt.	M.L.	BROD
"	Capt.	J.B.	COSGROVE
"	Lieut.	R.C.	CLARE

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20-21	Lt. Cmdr	B.F.	MURPHY
"	Lieut.	V.J.	CLAFFE

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22	Major	G.I.	WRIGHT
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31	Mr. Joseph	RUSJA
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23-26	Region I	N.O.
27	Major Gould,	Catania
28	Region No. 2	
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OFFICIAL RECORD

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SECURITY AND ALLIED SAFETY CONFERENCE HELD AT CATANIA

ON APRIL 5/6th, 1944.

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The Conference on Security and Public Safety in Region I was divided into two parts :-

- (1) Conference of Intelligence and Police Officers of Organizations of Allied Forces in Sicily, and
- (2) Conference of Allied Officers with the Heads of Italian Police and Security Agencies in Sicily.

PART I - ALLIED FORCES.

1. The Conference was opened at 0815 hours on 5th April, the Officers present are listed in the Appendix referred to in paragraph 6 below.
2. General Henderson, G.O.C., No. 1 District, opened the Conference. The principle points set forth by the General were:
 - (i) Necessity for co-ordinating the activities of all agencies in the Province, civil, law and order and the conservation of manpower.
 - (ii) The importance of particular aspects relating, law and order, viz.,
 - (a) Control of Civilian Transport.
 - (b) Black Market, or loss of supplies and equipment.
3. The procedure adopted for the Conference was as follows:
 - (i) Announcement and definition of the subject for discussion.
 - (ii) Summary of the discussion surrounded by the official decision of the Conference.

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FOURTH BRITISH COMBAT DIVISION

PART 1 - ADDED FORGERS.

1. The Conference was opened at 0915 hours on 5th April, the Officers present are listed in the appendix referred to in paragraph 6 below.

2. General Foydeman, J.O.C., No. 1 District, opened the Conference. The principal points set forth by the General were:

- (i) Necessity for coordinating the activities of all agencies in the Province, viz. the Army, the Navy and the Air Force, in order to maintain law and order, viz.,
- (ii) The importance of particular emphasis on the maintenance of law and order, viz.,
- (a) Control of Civilian Movement.
- (b) Black Market, or loss of supplies and equipment.

3. The procedure adopted for the Conference was as follows:

- (i) Announcement and distribution of the subject for discussion.
- (ii) Summary of the discussion concerning the official decision of the Conference.

4. This record contains only the official decisions reached which can be used as the basis for action by the original agencies and formations concerned.

5. Military Security Requirements.

The basic Military Security Requirements of the Allied Forces were presented by Lt. General Tennant, No. 1 District as follows:

- (i) J.O.C., No. 1 District is responsible for the security of the whole of the Province. Military and Civil (ACC) must be coordinated.

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(ii) Decentralization is necessary and efforts should be settled to fully exempt local officers appointed on temporary basis and local disbursements, both of which should be a financial burden.

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- (u) Control of AV-ent.
- (u) Security.
- (c) Army Agents.
- (d) Control of Hotels and Sporting Houses.
- (u) Post Security.
- (r) Internment.
- (c) Refuges.

C. Agency concerned with Security: Civil Society. 6/21/14

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City Security Requirements of 1954.

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- (a) Control of Ex. Int.
- (b) Sub. Int.
- (c) Ind. & A. Int.
- (d) Control of Ex. Int. in Special Groups.
- (e) Post Security.
- (f) Informant.
- (g) Refuges.

C. Councils concerned with Security and Public Safety. 6414

- (1) The persons with official addresses and listed as are shown in the attached appendix "A"
- (11) Communications and Reports between Intelligence and Police agencies

Sec. 1 District will make contact with and ask it to report any other agencies. Each agency will maintain such contacts with other organizations as may be necessary for the performance of its mission.

7. Arrest and Prosecution of Civilians by Enemy Units.
Offenses against Allied States and/or Allies.

- (i) Encl. procedure : All articles will be fully examined in the Indian Courts. The allied articles have received the right to be admitted in every Courts of India. The articles are

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(ii) Arrest: A person is and in the act of committing an offence against persons or property of the Allied Forces may be arrested by any member of the Allied Forces but not by a militarily trained member of the civil police. A completed arrest report must accompany the arrest and be sent to the completed arrest report must be sent to the Provincial Public Safety Officer, ACC.

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(iii) Witnesses: The list of witnesses for the Allied Forces will be included in the completed arrest report. If it is a witness will notify the Provincial Public Safety Officer when witnesses are required to the court.

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(iv) Disposition of Evidence: Property: Property of the Allied Forces will be returned direct to the originator and will not be required as evidence. A person who is holding the property will, however, be included in the list of witnesses.

(v) Particulars of Property: The Allied Forces found by the military police will be reported to the Provincial Public Safety Officer who will forward it to its originator.

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(vi) Results of Court Cases: Results of cases tried in the military courts will be given to the Provincial Public Safety Officer who will forward it to the originator.

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(vii) When it is desired by the Allied Forces that a case be tried by Allied military courts, such recommendation will be made in the original arrest report which was made, otherwise the recommendation will be made through the Provincial Public Safety Officer.

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Arrest and information on security of the Province.

Policy was previously issued by the Army Group.

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include it in its disposition.

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include it in the return of the information to the Italian Government.

(vii) When it is desired by the Allied Forces that a case be tried by Allied Military Courts, such recommendation will be made on the Italian report which will be made, otherwise the recommendation will be made by the Provincial Public Safety Officer.

6. Arrest and Internment of Civilians: Security Forces

Policy was previously laid down by the Army Group that persons to be arrested should be identified as follows:

(1) Those who have committed, or are alleged to have committed, in the territory occupied by our forces a security offence and are identified as such in the provisions of our procedure. They should be charged with the offence and tried by military court.

(11) Those who are charged with a security offence but who appear to have been advised to constitute a threat to the security of the forces, or to an or will by a very small, by virtue of their position, or by their activities, or by their. These should be kept under

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There must be evidence to support the intent, but when it is clear that the intent is to obtain information for security to detect potential future investigations.

Only the U.O.C., No. 1 Division can order investigation. AOC is consulted at all times, except in cases of emergency. Some arrests may be made for investigation purposes. There is a right to be heard at arrest and is forwarded to AOC and the prisoner should be placed in 107 Cage.

It was pointed out that prisoners on the Western side of the Island have been held in civil prison which is improper. This matter will be followed up by ID.

The present policy is to remove officials from office rather than intern them; this must be done through AOC.

Measure of Security and Public Safety under the Italian Officials shall be maintained in effect.

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The measure necessary for security and public safety required by the Allied Forces is:

(i) Curfew: Italian Civilian will be requested to impose a curfew, the hours of which will be decided having regard to the existing crime rate and the requirements of the troops.

(ii) Black-out: Provisions for all present in the area issued and Italian Civilian will be required to observe them.

(iii) Control of Transport: The issue of transport is covered by available patrol supplies, 02112. is controlled by the Italian registered and the immediate requirements of the Italian authorities is the enforcement of the following:-

(a) Movement of transport by a driver.

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The measures necessary for security and public safety required by the Allied Forces are:

(i) Quarantine: Italian Officials will be requested to impose a curfew, the hours of which will be decided having regard to the existing crime situation and the requirements of the troops.

(ii) Black-Out: Provisions for black-out have been issued and Italian Officials will be required to enforce them.

(iii) Control of Transport: The movement of transport is governed by available petrol supplies, 8412. is controlled by the Italian registration authorities. The immediate requirements of the Italian authorities is the enforcement of the following:-

(a) Removal from circulation, then by cancellation of vehicles operating without permits.

(b) Removal from possible circulation only means of cancellation, vehicles removed permits.

(c) Strict enforcement of the limitation of use of vehicles for which permits were issued.

(iv) Control of Movement: Movement of civilians within the Island is not restricted, except enemy aliens who are confined to a 10 mile radius. Movement to and from the Island is restricted.

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Movement to and from the continent must be of essential purposes only and approved by AGC. Travel to Sardinia is not permitted, to Italy only on approval of P.M. 30: to North Africa only on approval of A.P.H.Q. Movement of police to the continent is considered to be in the same category as movement of military.

(v)

Sale of Liquor: The Italian law respecting the sale of all liquors must be strictly enforced.

(vi)

Harboring Deserters: Italian authorities will be asked to cooperate in the apprehension of deserters from the Allied Forces.

(vii)

Registration of Persons at Hotels: The system of registration now in effect must be strictly enforced, and will include all members of Allied Forces.

(viii)

Port Security: Strict enforcement of Port Security measures will be required by Port Captains and police concerned.

10.

Use of Troops in aid of Civil Power.

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11.

Refugees.

Refugees are being received at two points, Siracusa and Termini Imerese. The responsibility for policing is fixed on the Italian police.

Each refugee over 15 years of age will be registered with a Refugee Identification Card.

The Italian Counter Intelligence services will screen the refugees in cooperation with the Italian police.

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10.

Use of Troops in aid of Civil Power.

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Refugees.

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12.

V.D. Control.

The V.D. Control Campaign is organized and the activities of agencies concerned - Military, Naval, Air, ACC and Italian authorities - are being co-ordinated.

The general basis of the programme is as follows:

- (i) To find and properly examine all prostitutes and/or persons soliciting.
- (ii) Provide proper treatment where necessary.
- (iii) Strict enforcement of Italian law.

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Class coordination

has appointed a VD Coord. Officer who will be responsible for coordinating the activities of ACC and civil authorities with the military, naval and air forces.

From the police point of view coordination with the civil police will be effected through the Provincial Public Safety Officer.

13. Protection of Supplies.

The term black market will be considered having regard to the requirements and interests of the Allied Forces. On this basis the interests are classed as follows:-

(i)

Protection of Supplies imported for use by Civilians.

These supplies will at first be under the control of the Military or Naval authorities. The responsibility will shift to ACC and thence to the Italian authorities who will be charged with preventing the supplies from being diverted to illegitimate channels - the black market.

(ii)

Protection of Supplies and Equipment of Allied Forces.

While obviously it is the responsibility of the forces concerned to protect their supplies and property from theft, assistance of civil authorities is required; and when property or supplies are lost the assistance of the civil authorities is required in recovering them and prosecuting the offenders.

(iii)

Existing Italian black market in materials that affect the interests of the Allied Forces.

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The general programme of enforcement will be set out in the following:-

(a)

A basic record of losses will be maintained by the organisations of the Allied Forces.

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follows:-

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by Civilians. These supplies will at first
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that affect the interests of the Allied Forces

The general programme of enforcement will be under
on the following:-

(a) a basic record of losses will be maintained
by the organisations of the Allied Forces.
These will be reported to the Provincial
Public Safety Officer.

(b) arrests will be made in accordance with the
procedure outlined in paragraph 7.

(c) Methods which may be employed are -
Road blocks will be composed of Allied per-
sonnel and civil police. Their mission will
be to search for Allied property and they will
be equipped to place it in a supply depot.
Equipment is most likely to be found, the
latter being deterred by the record of ty-
pewriters and location of losses, and even in-
formation gained from the civil police.

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The road blocks will be organized in accordance with the of Allied Forces in consultation with the Provincial Public Safety Officers, AGC. The services of the civil police will be secured through the Provincial Public Safety Officer. Procedure for arrests and disposition of property confiscated is contained in paragraph 7 above.

Searching parties, if deemed necessary, must be organized on the same principles as those set forth for road blocks.

(a) Close coordination between all police agencies concerned is an essential feature of the program.

(c) The police of the Allied Forces will submit to Provincial Public Safety Officer any special requests concerning the protection of property.

Part 2.

CONFERENCE OF ALLIED OFFICERS WITH THE HEADS OF ITALIAN POLICE AND SECURITY AGENCIES IN SICILY.

14. The Conference opened at 0915 hours, 6th April, 1944. The following Italian Officer is present:-

General Branca, Commander 9th Brigade Carabinieri Regia.
Dector Medici, Director of Public Security.

Colonel Biondi, Commander Police Legion Guardia di Finanza.

Colonel Fiorentino, Commander Cassino Legion Guardia di Finanza.

Dector Castellani, Chief of the Railway Police 8403.
Lt. Colonel Grove, representing Commander of Submarine Division.

Colonel Calvesi, Chief of Staff, 1st Corps.
Colonel Calvesi, Commander Carabinieri 1st Corps.

- (d) Close coordination between all police agencies concerned is an essential feature of the programme.
- (e) The police of the United States will submit a Provincial Public Order Officer any special requests concerning the protection of property.

PART 4.

CONFERENCE OF CHIEF OFFICERS OF THE MILITARY OF ITALIAN POLICE AND SECURITY AGENCIES IN SICILY.

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The Conference opened at 0815 hours, 6th April, 1944. The following Italian Officer is were present :-

General Brenco, Commander 5th Brigade Carabinieri Reg. II.
 Doctor Medici, Director of Public Security.

Colonel Biondi, Commander Palermo Region Guardia di Finanza.

Colonel Fiorentino, Commanding Officer Italian Legion in Sicily.
 di Finanza.

Doctor Castellani, Chief of the Railway Police.

IV. Colonel Grove, Representative, Command of Submarine Division.

Colonel Crivelli, Chief of Staff, 1st Corps.

Capt. in Tir. Bassi, Commander Carabinieri Reg. 12 Torino.
 The proceedings were conducted through an Interpreter Sergeant J. Hammerling, U.S. Army.

15.

Lt. Colonel Jordan, Executive Officer, AGO, Region I, opened the Conference with a short talk on the subject of coordination. The matters discussed at the previous part of the conference were presented to the Italian Officials and they agreed in the foregoing in the form of requests. The following requests were only the final decisions on matters which were made as result of further discussion.

16.

Arrest and Prosecution.

The procedure for arrest and prosecution of civilians committing offences against property and/or personnel of the Allied Forces was outlined. The following additions were made to the previous discussion of this subject:

- (i) That a procedure be developed for those cases where Allied Force personnel violate Italian law.
- (ii) That the complete procedure be outlined in necessary detail to conform with existing laws and be placed upon in proper legal form by the Allied Forces and Italian Officials.
- (iii) Arrest for Security Reasons : The Italian Officials were informed that these rights had been reserved.

17.

Measures to be enforced by Italian authorities :

The following measures to be enforced were presented to the Italian Officials:-

- (i) Liquor Laws : The Italian Officials were requested to cause a strict enforcement of the Italian laws regarding the illegal sale of wine and other liquors.
- (ii) Harboring of Deserters : The Italian police agreed to assist in every way possible in locating deserters. Reports will be furnished by the Allied Forces.
- (iii) Registration at Hotels : The present system involving registration and completion of forms at hotels will be enforced. Allied Forces and Nations will issue necessary orders to their personnel requiring compliance. One copy of the form will be sent to the Quarters and one copy to ACC Provindal Subj. Safety Officer. When any member of Allied Forces refuses to register the pro motor will immediately inform the nearest civilian police agency, police of the Allied Forces or ACC.

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(iii) Registration at Hotels : The present system involving registration and completion of forms at hotels will be enforced. Allied Forces organizations will issue necessary orders to their personnel regarding compliance. One copy of the form will be sent to the Quarters and one copy to ACC Provincial Public Safety Officer. ^{Why?} Then any member of allied forces refuses to register the proprietor will immediately inform the nearest civilian police agency, police of the allied forces or ACC.

(iv) Movement : In connection with enforcement of the movement regulations the police were asked to check on all controlled movement which upon the arrival of airplanes reported lack of boats for travelling. This requires representation to higher authorities.

(v) Transport : The discussions respecting control of transport were deferred upon.

All ACC civilian drivers must be furnished with a permit and may be stopped by the police and held when the individual's papers or the registration of the vehicle is not in order.

18. Refugees.

The issue of identification cards to and personnel.

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of refugees will be done by Italian police and intelligence agencies.

19. V.D. Operations.

The campaign was outlined and cooperation of the Italian officials requested. Captain Lino, head of organization was asked to coordinate with 100th. 00100. Regional Director of Public Security

20. Protection of Publics.

The general plan was outlined and previously discussed and agreed upon.

21. Coordination.

Complete coordination of all agencies was pointed out as the purpose of the conference. All relations with Italian Officials will be coordinated through AGC.

It was also pointed out that the Italian agencies lack the means, telephone, teletype, wireless, clothing and food for police service, and that their inability to operate efficiently creates an incident, in not a direct threat to security. Thus, the Italian forces is needed in such matters as the restoration of the telephone service.

It was agreed by all present that operations would be based on the principles laid down at this Conference if not in conflict with directives or required to be changed by circumstances.

Any other matter will be coordinated with the proper agencies.

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26. Protection of Confidentiality.

The general plan was outlined as previously discussed and approved.

27. Coordination.

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**List of Officers Attached to the Office
at Cebu - 5th April, 1944.**

Rank and Name	Organization & Mission of Organization.	Address of Unit.
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Lt. Col. Russell A. Snook A.C.C.

Regional Public
Safety Officer
As above.

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SUBJECT: Police and Security Conference.

Headquarters,

ISS,

XIIth Italian Corps,

20 April, 1944.

G.S.O. I

D.P. I.

C.I/c JAG's Branch

Liaison Officer ACC (5 copies)

1. A Conference between Allied and Italian representatives will take place at Headquarters No 1 District on 5 and 6 April, 1944, under the presidency of Lt. Col. R.A. SHOOK, US Army Chief Regional Public Safety Division.

Agenda Attached. — 187

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Representative Royal Naval Provost

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C.I/c JAG's Branch.

Representative FSS - to be arranged by GSO I.

Headquarters, ISS

Representative US Army Police

Representative US Navy

Representative US Air

Representative GIC.

A.C.C.

Divisional Chief Public Safety.

Regional Legal Officer.

Executive Officer.

Liaison Officer No 1 District

Liaison Officer Court of Appeal (Canton).

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Chief of Military Intelligence - XIIth Corps

Chief of Provost - XIIth Corps.

Chief of Provost - Sabaudia Division.

Commander Carabinieri

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Chief of Provost - XIIIth Corps.
Chief of Provost - Sabauda Division.
Commander Carabinieri
Commander Publica Sicurezza
Commander Guardia di Finanza.

4. IBS and JAG Liaison Officers are requested to forward the names of those for whom accommodation in Catania is required to the District, Headquarters, No 1 District not later than 1200 hours, 4 April, 1944.

Sabauda Division are requested to arrange accommodation for all Italian representatives.

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AGENCY CONTROL COMMISSION
PROCEED UNDER FOR COORDINATE
SICILIA POLICE AND SECURITY
MAY 1944, 9 APRIL 1944

PART I - 0900 HRS. ALLIED REPRESENTATIVES.

1. Legal position of army and ACC under Regional Legal Officer ACC
change of Government.

2. Security requirements. U.S.C. I

3. Police co-ordination and customs of communication

Police Officers.

(a) U.S.C.

(b) Military

- (i) No 1 Dist Provost
- (ii) ISS Police
- (iii) Navy Provost
- (iv) Air Provost
- (v) RSC
- (vi) CSC

(c) Italian

It. Col. Brock, ACC.

- (i) Italian Army
- (ii) Carabinieri
- (iii) Polizia Sicurezza
- (iv) Guardia di Finanza

4. Black Market and Theft from Military Stores and Personnel.

It. Col. Brock.

(a) Cigarettes

(b) Clothing

(c) Military Stores

(d) Italian Black Market

(e) Presentation of cases for prosecution. National Legal Officer ACC and U.S.C. 6403

5. Road Blocks and Mobile Control and Overlapping. It. Col. Brock.

6. Unauthorised Passage

7. Movement of Commodities passing.

U.S.C.

- (b) Military
- (c) Italian
 - (1) No 1 District Provost
 - (2) 138 Police
 - (3) Army Provost
 - (4) Air Provost
 - (5) 588
 - (6) CIC
- (d) Italian
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 - (2) Carabinieri
 - (3) Public Security
 - (4) Carabinieri
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8. Refugees
- (a) Security
- (b) Screening
- (c) Identity Cards
- (d) Documentation
9. Prostitution and VD
10. Add to the Civil Power.

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FILE : RPS C14.1. 28th March, 1944.
SUBJECT : Public Safety Officers Conference,
Region 1, Minutes.
TO : Chief, Public Safety Sub-Commission,
Rear Headquarters, Allied Control Commission,
(THRU Channels).

1. I submit for information copies of Minutes of a meeting of Public Safety Officers of Region 1 held at Palermo on 20th March, 1944.

2. Three points on the Minutes remain open, (1) Transportation, (2) Communications and (3) Cases for Military Courts.

3. As to transportation, this question is a serious one, but some improvements are being effected and it is anticipated that the difficulties will be largely overcome in the near future.

4. Respecting (2), Communications - it is now possible to secure telephonic connection between Palermo and all Provinces. In addition, the Island Telegraph Service has been put into operation. This should do much to improve communications for the Police Agencies.

5. Regarding (3), Cases for Military Courts - the Legal Division are giving consideration to this matter.

R. A. Snook
RUSSELL A. SNOOK,
Lt. Colonel, C.M.P.,
Regional Public Safety Officer.

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Enclosure : Copy of Minutes of P.S. Officers, Region 1
Conference, 20/3/44.

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NOTES ON CONFERENCE OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS, REGION 1, AT
PALERMO ON 20TH MARCH, 1944.

1. The meeting opened at 10 a.m., with the following present:

Lt. Colonel R.A. SHOCK,
Chairman.

Major	REDFORD	Capt	CHANEY
"	ROYLENSON	"	BOND
"	RICHARDSON	"	HARD BURY
"	BYE	"	BRANNIGAN
"	KENNEDY	Lt.	WILSON
"	SHEEHAN	"	TAYLOR
"	GOULD	"	KANE
"	BATTENBURY	"	HUNTER
Capt	MANUEL	"	MOBLE
		"	HOPKINS
		"	PIESTWOLD

2. The meeting was addressed by Lt. Col. A. H. HANCOCK, Regional Commissioner.

He spoke on the change-over from AMG to ACC, and stressed the importance of close collaboration with Italian Officials.

That there had been brought to notice the fact that a large number of pasta ration cards had been forged and circulated in Palermo, and although this had been checked, there was still need for close investigation and supervision to prevent the growth of this particular racket.

On the general question of Black Market, he informed the meeting that a voluntary group of 500 civilians had been formed in Palermo with the object of obtaining information and taking action to suppress this activity.

He reminded the meeting of the large amount of military stores being pilfered and the venereal disease campaign and the need for our continued assistance in these matters.

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3. Organisation and Future Functions.

Lt. Colonel Snook outlined the general situation of the future establishment of Public Safety Division and that it was proposed that there would be one Officer at each Provincial H.Q. and seven at Regional H.Q.

Since the date of the change of the Region from AMG to AGC our duties had changed from administrative to advisory and that it must be clearly understood that we were no longer in the position to give orders. This, however, did not mean that we were no longer interested.

Contacts with Italian Officials should be maintained and strengthened if necessary, and advice and assistance given but the friendly spirit developed must always be governed with reserve and dignity.

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We would be in a sorry position if we, without authority, attempted to give orders which could be disobeyed, or if obeyed thrown back at us at some future date with adverse criticism.

4. Police Agencies.

The set up and functions of the various Police Agencies were discussed and stress given to the obvious need for collaboration between them

5. Relations with Military Police and Military Intelligence.

It was generally felt that there should be closer coordination between ACC and the Military Police.

The question of the operation of road blocks was discussed, and it was agreed that there had been several instances where the Military Police had acted without complete coordination with ACC.

The meeting was informed of the forthcoming conference at Catania with Military and ACC, and members were invited to supply particulars as soon as possible of matters suitable for presentation.

6. Crime.

The general opinion was that crime was decreasing.

The question of statistics arose, and it was decided that the Questure will supply the official figures based on their own classification. It was explained that CC.NR. figures did not give the complete story, but indicated the amount of work that Organisation were doing.

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In connection with disturbances it was again stressed that as ACC we should not become involved and that the responsibility was that of the Italian Officials.

It was suggested that when information was received of a forthcoming demonstration or disturbance the leaders should be seen by the Prefect and informed of their responsibilities and possible action which might be taken if they persist in the holding of the demonstration.

Members were reminded to notify H.Q. by telephone of all disturbances and report the facts fully as soon afterwards as possible.

8. Civilian Internees.

HQ., AGENT MEMORANDUM read.

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9. Rations of CC.RR.

The latest information is that the CC.RR. are entitled to Army Rations which will be issued through Italian Military channels. The commencement of this scheme is still awaited and General Branca will be asked for details of progress.

Emergency rations for CC.RR. have been approved for the Provinces of Agrigento, Enna, Caltanissetta and Ragusa, and have been collected with the exception of Trapani who are giving immediate attention.

10. Transportation.

The need of Police Agencies for transport is still great.

I.M.T. are stated to be taking trucks and other vehicles previously given to these agencies.

It was decided that this matter be taken up with AGO HQ the same time representations to be made to INT for priority to be given to Police. (Further the question of cost requires to be cleared up).

11. Communications.

The lack of telephonic communication is considered a severe handicap to the proper functioning of Police Agencies. Prompt Dissemination of information, description of persons wanted, etc., is impossible and occurrences come to notice as much as 48 hours late.

Though it is believed that some work is being done on installation of lines within the Region it is felt that priority should be given to the needs of Police Agencies. Decided that assistance of No. 1 District be requested, and that the matter be presented through Italian Government and AGO Channels.

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The issue of permits for firearms before the change-over was the responsibility of the Questure and although permits for shot-guns were issued in substantial numbers, permits for small-arms were kept down to a bare minimum.

Civilians kept asking for these permits for protection of themselves and their property and there was a good deal of truth in the argument that the criminals were already in improper possession of weapons.

It was brought to notice that it was the considered opinion of the Chief Legal Officer that persons who had surrendered firearms in accordance with the Proclamation

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were entitled to make a claim if the weapons had been lost.

The claim, naturally, would require satisfactory proof.

14. Prisoners of War.

Reference was made to the item in the Bulletin on this subject.

Members were informed that the present position with regard to release of prisoners of war was that applications would only be considered in very exceptional circumstances.

15. Motor-Vehicles - Circulation Permits.

Covered by Bulletin.

It was urged that contact with RAOI and Motorizzazioni should be maintained and failure to perform duties properly should be reported to E.Q.

The General lay-out of the Permit was considered bad as no space had been made for "limitations of use". Situation to be presented to Central Registration Agencies.

16. Movement Control - Passes.

Dealt with in Bulletin.

17. Prisons.

Controlled by Prison Director - Doctor Colombo.

Public Safety Division retains contact. Reported that some Prisons are overcrowded. Announced that plans are being made by the Italian authorities to open some prisons previously closed.

18. Fire and Civil Defence.

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19. Welfare Enquiries.

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Refugees.

The impending arrival of refugees from the mainland and the anticipated action of Public Safety Division in this connection was discussed. Provinces will be informed of progress.

21.

Courts.

Discussion of Directive dated 12/3/44.

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Concern expressed on delay in hearing of cases and the possibility of such cases not being properly concluded as Allied Military personnel, who are prosecution witnesses, might be transferred to other areas.

Italian law does not accept Deposition as evidence.

It was proposed that a ruling should be sought as to the type of case considered serious enough to request the holding of an Allied Military Court.

22. Black Market.

The present basis of the Black Market programme will

be:

Protection of Supplies:

- (a) Imports,
- (b) Military Equipment and supplies.

A coordinated plan of action will be laid down in conjunction with Civil Supply Division, and the Military Authorities. Details will be announced later.

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RUSSELL A. SPOCK,
Lt. Colonel,
Regional Public Safety Officer.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SICILY REGION HEADQUARTERS
APO 394.

FILE : RPS 014.1. 28th March, 1944.

SUBJECT : Police and Security Conference.

TO : Chief, Public Safety Sub-Commission,
Rear H.Q., Allied Control Commission.
(THRU Channels).

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2. The various points in the Agenda will be covered under general headings as follows:-

- (a) General. Relative mission of agencies concerned under terms of turnover.
- (b) Procedure against violators.
- (c) Employment - AMG and Military force.
- (d) Security.
- (e) Protection of Imports, Supplies, Equipment, etc.

3. The principles will be reviewed and thereafter the techniques will be decided upon. The decisions will be implemented by necessary local Orders by the agencies concerned.

For the Regional Commissioner :

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Regional Public Safety Officer.

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SUBJECT: Police and Security Conference.

Headquarters,
IIS.
XVIII Italian Corps, Copy to :- 'd'
Sabauda Division,
G.S.C.I.
D.F.A.
C.I/c Jag's Branch
Liaison Officer ACC (5 copies)

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C.I/c Jag's Branch.
Representative FSS - to be arranged by CSO I.

Headquarters, IIS

Representative US Army Police
Representative US Navy
Representative US Air
Representative SIC.

A.C.D.

Divisional Chief Public Safety.
Regional Legal Officer.
Executive Officer.
Liaison Officer No 1 District
Liaison Officer Court of Appeal (Criminal).

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Liaison Officer AEC (5 copies)

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O I/O JAG's Branch.
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Headquarters, IIS

Representative US Army Police
Representative US Navy
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Representative CIG.

A.C.G.

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Regional Legal Officer.
Executive Officer.
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Liaison Officer Court of Appeal (Catalina).

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Chief of Military Intelligence - Fifth Corps
Chief of Provost - Fifth Corps.
Chief of Provost - Sabauda Division.
Commander Carabinieri
Commander Public Security
Commander Guard of Financia.

4. IIS and JOC Liaison Officers are requested to forward the names of those for whom accommodation in Catania is required to the Liaison Officer, No 1 District not later than 1200 hours, 4 April, 1944.

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5. arrangements are being made for a special Dinner to receive Palumbo for
 Cuba on the afternoon of 4 April, 1944, returning on the afternoon of
 6 April, 1944.

6. ack.

C. F.
R. C. M.

Encl.

Major General
 Cummings
No. 1 District

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL COMMISSION
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SICILIAN POLICE AND SECURITY
MEMORANDUM, 5 APRIL 1944

PART I - 0900 HRS. MILITARY REPRESENTATIVE

1. Legal position of army and AGO under
change of Government. Regional Legal Officer AGO

2. Security requirements. S.S.O. I

3. Police re-organization and channels of communication

(a) A.I.C.

Police Officers.

(b) Military

- (i) No 1 District Provost
- (ii) HRS Police
- (iii) Navy Provost
- (iv) Air Provost
- (v) AGO
- (vi) CIC

(c) Italian

Lt. Col. Snook, AGO.

- (1) Italian Army
- (2) Carabinieri
- (3) Italian Storm Troops
- (4) Guardia di Finanza

4. Black Market and Theft from Military Stores
and Personnel.

Lt. Col. Snook.

(a) Cigarettes

(b) Clothing

(c) Military Stores

(d) Italian Black Market

(e) Presentation of cases for Prosecution Regional Legal Officer AGO
and A.I.C.

5. Road Blocks and Traffic Control and Overloading D.C.O. and Lt. Col. Snook

6. Unauthorized Passes

7. Movement of Commodities (Landing)

S.S.O.

8. Refugees

3. Police co-ordination and channels of communication

(a) A.C.C.

Police Officers.

(b) Military

- (i) No. 1 District Provost
- (ii) FRS Police
- (iii) Army Provost
- (iv) Air Provost
- (v) FRS
- (vi) GRC

(c) Italian

Lt. Col. Snook, ADC.

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- (ii) Carabinieri
- (iii) Polizia Civile
- (iv) Guardia di Finanza

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6. Unauthorised Passes

7. Movement of Commodities Movable

A.C.C.

8. Refugees

(a) Security

(b) Screening

(c) Identity Cards

(d) Documentation

9. Prostitution and VD

10. Aid to the Civil Powers.

A.C.C. and

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL COMMISSION
PROPOSED "CENT. FOR COOPERATION
IN POLICE AND SECURITY"
PROPOSED 6 APRIL, 1944.

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Additional Legal Officer

1. Legal Position of Italian Army
 - (a) Powers of military
 - (b) Powers of military tribunals.
2. Police Responsibilities
 - (a) Italian Army
 - (b) Carabinieri
 - (c) Publica Sicurezza
 - (d) Guardia di Finanza
3. Channels of Communication
4. Guards
5. Black Market
6. Road Blocks
7. Refugees
8. Aid to the Civil Power.

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION INCOMING MESSAGE

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SEARS FOR HANCOCK

FATIMA FOR KIRK

CONFIDENTIAL M/C NO 21/08

REF NO S-8000

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TRAVEL BY AIR DELAYED (SEARS FOR HANCOCK TO FATIMA FOR KIRK CITE RPS-22)
 SNOOK EXPECTED TO DEPART EIGHT. CAN YOU ARRANGE TRANSPORT FOR SNOOK AND RAWLERSON
 FROM NAPLES AIRPORT TO CONFERENCE. PLANE SCHEDULED 0900 HOURS PALERMO LEAVE.

NOTE: Necessary to service this msg- this accounts for delay.

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CAPTAIN CONHEAD REQUIRED TO ATTEND PAREN TO DISTTO FOR AMO REGION TWO
FOR RPSO FROM FATIMA REAR SIGNED MACFARLANE PAREN PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING
SALERNO WEDNESDAY EIGHT MARCH PD ARRANGE

AUTHENTICATED:

E. J. Chiocca
E. J. CHIOCCA
CWO USA
Asst Adj

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TO: FATIMA

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Ag.
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(TO FATIMA FROM FABLE CITE AC 122 SIGNED AELIST)

CAPT J.E. HUGHES WILL REPRESENT THIS REGION AT REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY CONFERENCE ON 8 MARCH. YOUR REFERENCE 1416 OF 28 FEB REFERS

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FATIMA HEAR

SEARS (135)

YOUR RPS DASH TWO ONE DATED ONE MARCH PD PROVINCIAL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS
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 SAFETY SIGNED MACFARLANE PD SEE LETTER ACC SLANT ONE FOUR ZERO THREE SEVEN
 SLANT IS OF TWO THREE FEBRUARY FROM PUBLIC SAFETY SUBCOMMISSION TO YOUR
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AUTHENTICATED:

E. J. Chiocca
 E. J. CHIOCCA
 CWO, USA
 Asst ADJ

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY (FIELD)
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

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2 March, 1944.

SUBJECT: Conference of R.P.S.Os.

TO : Chief Public Safety Sub-Commission,
Rear HQ, ACC. ✓

1. Reference is made to cable of 28 February, 1944,
reference No. 1416.

2. Lt Col W. DOHERTY, Chief Public Safety, 5th Army
(Field) and Lt Col Pollock (Rome Party), will attend con-
ference at Salerno on 8 March, 1944 at 10:00 hours.

J.O.M. Ashley
J.O.M. ASHLEY,
Colonel, C of S.

Copy to Chief of Public Safety (AMG Fifth Army (Field))
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Colonel, G of S.

Copy to Chief of Public Safety (AMG Fifth Army (Field))
" " Lt Col Pollock

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2 MAR 1944
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HEADQUARTERS REGION 4
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Public Safety Sub Comm
Re: b/c
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TO : HQ. A.C.C. (2 copies)
FROM : HQ. Region 4 AMG
SUBJECT : Conference of Regional Public Safety Officers
REF : R4/337 (ACC)
DATE : 2 March 1944

Ref. your message 1416 dated 28 Feb. 44.

Lt. Col. R.T. Millhouse (B) will attend from
this Region.

Brindley
Regional Commissioner
Region 4, A.M.G.

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*Cable sent by Col Martin 3/3/44
RMSD only required at Conference (see 12A)*



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FOLLOWING OFFICERS TO REPORT CONFERENCE SALERNO REFERENCE YOUR 1416. LT COLONEL
SMOCK, MAJORS ROHLERSON, BYE, KENNEDY, GOULD, SHEDDEN AND BATTERSHY, CAPTAINS BOND,
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2 MAR 1944

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[Signature]
Regional Commissioner
Region 4, A.M.G.

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28 FEB 44

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IBS DISTWO CAMPOBASSO FABLE FIVE ARMY EIGHT ARMY

REQUEST THAT RPSOS AND SCAPOS YOUR UNITS BE ORDERED TO ATTEND CONFERENCE OF
 REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS AT SALERNO HEADQUARTERS ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO HOURS
 EIGHT MARCH PD PAREN FARGO PAREN TO IBS FOR ACCREGION ONE FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER
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 REGIONAL COMMISSIONER TO EIGHTARMY ANG FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER TO FIFTHARMY ANG
 FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER PD CITE FARGO ONE FOUR ONE SIX PD TRAVEL BY MILITARY
 AIRCRAFT AUTHORIZED PD CITE THIS RADIO AS YOUR AUTHORITY FOR ISSUANCE OF ORDERS
 PD REQUEST NOTIFICATION EARLIEST OF NAME OF REPRESENTATIVES YOU WILL DETAIL

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ANG REGION III	(REGIONAL COMMISSIONER)
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L. T. MONTANT
 2nd Lt, AGD
 Actg Adjutant

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Dep. Chief Commissioner	
Secy. Gen. to Chief Commissioner	
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Economic Section	
RC & MG Section	
Civil Affairs Branch	
PW & Displaced Pers Sub Com	
Italian Refugee Branch	
Security Branch	
Information Branch	
Establishment Branch	
Ex Offrs	
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G-1 (B)	
G-4	
Hq Comdt (Main Hq)	
Hq Comdt (Rear Hq)	
Adjutant (Main Hq)	✓
Adjutant (Rear Hq)	
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Air Forces	
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FOR:

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✓ Appropriate Action _____

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REMARKS:

Publish the order.

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G.A. (for Col. [unclear])
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Public Safety Sub-Commission

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ACC/14037/PS

23 February, 1944.

SUBJECT : Conference of Regional Public Safety Officers.

TO : Executive Commissioner (For Executive Officer)

It is requested that orders be issued to Regional Commissioners and S.C.A.O's with Armies for R.P.S.O's and S.C.A.P.O's Fifth and Eighth Armies to attend a conference at the Conference Room, Rear Headquarters A.C.C. at 1000 hrs Wednesday, 8 March, 1944.

Paul G. Kirk 6390

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

HEAD HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission

23 February 1944.

ACG/14037/PS

SUBJECT: Conference of Regional Public Safety Officers.

TO : R.S.O's

S.C.S.F.O's, Fifth & Eighth Armies.

The Executive Commissioner is being requested to issue orders for a conference of Regional Public Safety Officers and S.C.S.F.O's with Armies to be held at SALERNO on Wednesday 8 March, 44.

The enclosed tentative agenda is forwarded to enable you to study its application to your particular region.

It is suggested that R.S.O's, Regions I, II, & III may wish to bring their Superintendents of Prisons with them.

Arrangements are being made to accommodate officers coming from considerable distance on the nights of 7 & 8 March.

PAUL G. KIRBY,
Colonel, Infantry,
Chief, Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO. 394
Public Safety Sub-Commission

ACC/14037/PS

23 February, 1944.

Agenda for R.P.S.O.'s Conference -
8 March, 1944

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- (a) Crime in general.
- (b) Law Enforcement Agencies - strength, efficiency, equipment.
- (c) Black Market.
- (d) Relations with Italian Government or Officials.
- (e) Political activities.
- (f) Industrial conditions and activities.
- (g) Relations with Military Police.
- (h) Conduct of Allied Troops.
- (i) State of Public Morale.

2. Functions of Public Safety Sub-Commission under re-organization:-

- (a) In King's Italy.
- (b) Under A.M.G. conditions.

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5. Civilian Internees.

6. Control of Publications - Press Law.

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10. Operation of:
 - (1) Italian Courts;
 - (2) Allied Military Tribunals.
11. Security Intelligence.
12. Civilian Identity Cards.
13. Registration and Control of Aliens.
14. Control of Firearms.
15. Motor Vehicle Circulation Permits.

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16. Movement Control - Passes.
17. Prisons:
 - Food - Clothing - Equipment - Convict Labour - Any special problems.
18. Fire and Civil Defence:
 - Equipment available and required.
 - Establishment of mobile reserves.
19. Reconnaissance and Disposal of UXB's and Mines.
20. Handling of whereabouts Enquiries.
21. Any difficulties experienced which are not otherwise covered by the Agenda.

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- Staff:
- (1) Recent changes in Public Safety Officers if not included in monthly report.
 - (2) Names of any Public Safety Officers employed in some other capacity.
- Fire:
- (1) Number and type of Fire Appliances in service by provinces.
 - (2) Number of personnel available for duty by provinces.
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23 February, 1944.

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TO : Executive Commissioner (For Executive Officer)

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P. G. Kirk
PAUL G. KIRK
Colonel, Infantry,
Chief, Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
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23 February, 1944.

SUBJECT : Conferences.

TO : Actg. Adjutant.

A conference of R.P.S.O's and S.C.A.P.O's Fifth and Eighth Armies is to be held at this Headquarters at 1000 hrs on 8 March, 1944.

It is requested that the necessary reservation of the Conference Room (Room 47) be made for this Conference, probable duration of which is two days 8 - 9 March, 1944.

B. R. Powell
B.R. POWELL
Captain
For Chief,
Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

21 February, 1944.

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SUBJECT: Conferences.

TO : H.Q. Commandant.

It is intended to hold a Conference of Regional P.S.C.'s at this H.Q.; accommodation and rations will be required from 7 March, 1944 for 2 - 3 days, for approximately:

1 Colonel
3 Lt.-Colonels.
2 Majors; and
3-4 Capts. or Lieuts.

[Signature]
R.M.J. MARTIN

Lieut-Colonel.
for Chief,
Public Safety Sub-Commission.

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AMMOT H.Q., SICILY.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF PROVINCIAL C.A.P.Os. HELD AT H.Q., AMMOT, PALERMO AT

1000 HRS, 6TH OCTOBER 1943

PRESENT :-

Colonel Samuel L. Belles
Lt. Colonel R.M.J. Martin.
Lt. Colonel R.A. Snook.
Lt. Colonel A.B. Mitchell.
Major G.H.L. Mason.
Major E.J. Hafford.
Captain W.C. Ballance.

Major Roy Ashworth.
Major E.W. Aust.
Major G. Bartlett.
Major E.J. Byo.
Major A.W. Rowleson.
Major George M. Saarle.
Major F.W.J. Walters.
Captain W. Wilkins.

ALSO PRESENT :-

Colonel Charles R. Morgan. }
Lt. Colonel E.T. Millhouse. }
1st Lt. C. Von Haukelan.

C.P.S.
D.C.P.S.
Supt. Civil Police.
Supt. Prisons.
A/Supt. Fire & Civil Defence.
Deputy Supt. Civil Police.
Registration & Licensing
Officer.
S.C.A.P.O. Agrigento.
S.C.A.P.O. Caltanissetta.
S.C.A.P.O. Trapani.
S.C.A.P.O. Messina.
S.C.A.P.O. Siracusa.
S.C.A.P.O. Palermo.
S.C.A.P.O. Brna.
S.C.A.P.O. Ragusa.

Region IV

AMMOT H.Q.

1. S.C.A.P.Os. Reports.

AGRICULTURE

(a) Crime. Normal, except for cattle thefts and robberies. Military cooperation against operating bands of cattle stealers armed with rifles has been readily given.

(b) Relations with Troops and C.M.P. Liaison with Armas is good.

(c) Discipline of Allied Troops.

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Colonel Latuel L. Boiles
 Lt. Colonel R.M.J. Martin.
 Lt. Colonel R.A. Snook.
 Lt. Colonel A.E. Mitchell.
 Major G.H.L. Mason.
 Major E.J. Hafford.
 Captain W.C. Ballance.

Major Ray Ashworth.
 Major E.W. Aust.
 Major G. Bartlett.
 Major E.J. Rye.
 Major A.W. Rowlerson.
 Major George M. Soaric.
 Major F.W.J. Walters.
 Captain W. Watkins.

ALSO PRESENT :-

Colonel Charles H. Morgan. }
 Lt. Colonel E.T. Milhouse. }
 1st Lt. C. Van Heukelom.

C.F.S.
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 Supt. Prisons.
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 Deputy Supt. Civil Police.
 Registration & Licensing
 Officer.
 S.C.A.P.O. Agrigento.
 S.C.A.P.O. Caltanissetta.
 S.C.A.P.O. Trapani.
 S.C.A.P.O. Messina.
 S.C.A.P.O. Siracusa.
 S.C.A.P.O. Palermo.
 S.C.A.P.O. Enna.
 S.C.A.P.O. Ragusa.

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ASST H.Q.

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AGRIGENTO

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- (b) Relations with Troops and C.M.F. Liaison with armies is good.
- (c) Discipline of Allied Troops. Good, although firearms are still occasionally taken from C.C.R. by troops.
- (d) Progress in the Efficiency of Police Agencies. The Questura in Agrigento is operating very satisfactorily. There is some improvement in the C.C.R. but other agencies are slack.
- (e) Political Activities. There exist in this province
- (i) The Republican Federalist Party,
 (ii) The Communist Party,
 (iii) The Liberal-socialist Party.
- These are kept in check and show no great activity.
- (f) Mafia. This is still active, but since the death sentence was passed in connection with the murder of a prominent landowner and the arrest of nine Mafiosi and their despatch to Palermo, the activity has decreased considerably.

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CATANISSETTA.

- (a) Crime. No serious crime is reported: only petty thefts and larcenies.
- (b) Relations with Troops and C.M.P. Relations are good. The disposal of non-armed members of the Italian Forces is still incomplete.
- (c) Discipline of Allied Troops. Troops are, on the whole, well behaved.
- (d) Progress in the Efficiency of Police Agencies. The CC.RR. are pulling their weight and increasing in efficiency. They are tackling a difficult task with considerable energy.
- (e) Political Activities. Very little to report. There are no signs of Communist activities.
- (f) Mafia. No definite reports of Mafia activities have been received and the CC.RR. keep the SCARO informed of any known members and what they are doing.

CATANIA.

No report available.

MESSINA.

- (a) Crime. Cattle thefts are serious in the Southern sector. 180 cases of larceny were reported and 74 arrests were made. There were some 20 cases of wounding during the month. The crime situation was described as somewhat better. In connection with the murders of 4 persons, 3 arrests were effected and the fourth suspect committed suicide. There were no undetected cases of murder.
- (b) Relations with Troops and C.M.P. There are very few troops and no Military Police in the province.
- (c) Discipline of Allied Troops. Good.
- (d) Progress in the Efficiency of Police Agencies. The CC.RR. are definitely improving. Not a very high opinion is held of the Agenti di P.S. but they are beginning to reorganize. The Guardia di Finanza are working well with a small force which is kept very busy.
- (e) Political Activities. There is some Communist and Socialist activity, with many applications from the Communist Party for permission to hold meetings which have the object of forming cells or nuclei.
- (f) Mafia. No cases were reported, but cattle thefts were the work of bands of terrorists known as the "Black Hand" and the CC.RR. are of the opinion that the Mafia is raising its head again.

(e) Political Activities. Very little to report. There are no signs of Communist activities.

(f) Mafia. No definite reports of Mafia activities have been received and the CO.RR. keep the SCIRO informed of any known members and what they are doing.

CATANIA.

No report available.

MILK.

(a) Crime. Cattle thefts are serious in the Southern Sector. 180 cases of robbery were reported and 74 arrests were made. There were some 20 cases of wounding during the month. The crime situation was described as somewhat better. In connection with the murders of 4 persons, 3 arrests were effected and the fourth suspect committed suicide. There were no undetected cases of murder.

(b) Relations with Troops and C.M.P. There are very few troops and no Military Police in the province.

(c) Discipline of Allied Troops. Good.

(d) Progress in the Efficiency of Police Agencies. The CO.RR. are definitely improving. Not a very high opinion is held of the Agenti di P.S. but they are beginning to reorganize. The Guardia di Finanza are working well with a small force which is kept very busy.

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MESSINA.

(a) Crime. Not serious. The situation is normal, although the murder of a Scottish soldier is still under investigation. A certain amount of pilfering is reported, mainly by civilians, who in some instances wear American uniforms.

(b) Relations with Troops and C.M.P. Very Good. Cooperation with the Army authorities, as well as with the Navy, is good, the latter being of great help on many occasions.

(c) Discipline of Allied Troops. Good. Wine is still a problem. Putting many places out of bounds is a partial solution, but troops continue to obtain wine from street sellers.

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- (d) Progress in the Efficiency of Police Agencies. The Aganti di P.S. are good and recovering slowly after the r-bombing experience of the past few months. The CC.RR. are trying hard to improve but find 100 grammae of bread an inadequate ration. Owing to their low rate of pay they are unable to buy in the open market at current prices.
- (e) Political Activities. No meetings of any kind have been held.
- (f) Mafia. The Mafia is supposed to be dead in Maresin Province, but the situation is being kept under observation.

Palermo

- (a) Crime. Reports would seem to indicate that crime is on the increase, but the increase is not out of proportion, owing to the increase in population.
- (b) Relations with Troops and C.M.P. Co-operation is very good. The Navy have established an excellent system of Shore Patrols. Both the Military Police and the Shore Patrols are doing good work.
- (c) Discipline of Allied Troops. Drink is still responsible for most of the trouble.
- (d) Progress in the Efficiency of Police Agencies. The CC.RR. are doing well and the Metropolitan are showing more interest.
- (e) Political Activities. Some activity on the part of the "press society" movement. A few meetings were held but little importance is attached to them. Instructions have been given for the meetings to cease.
- (f) Mafia. No reports of Mafia activities have been received.

Trapani

- (a) Crime. No serious crime. Petty larceny the main offence.
- (b) Relations with Troops and C.M.P. Excellent.
- (c) Discipline of Allied Troops. There are no complaints. A large number of troops came into Trapani on leave on sight-seeing tours of the province. They were orderly and in many cases brought their own Military Police with them.

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- (c) Discipline of Allied Troops. There are no complaints. A large number of troops came into Ragusa on leave on eight-weeking tours of the province. They were orderly and in many cases brought their own Military Police with them.
- (d) Progress in the Efficiency of Police Agencies. Very good progress has been made. The CC.RR. are working well. Very good work has been done in investigations in the black market by a special squad of Agents of P.S.
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- (a) Crime. Crime is on the increase. There were two cases of looting and arrests were less than in August.
- (b) Relations with Troops and C.M.P. Quite good. Military Police are working in the closest co-operation with ARNLT, and Syracuse is well under control.
- (c) Discipline of Allied Troops. Good, except possibly in the case of coloured troops, who are liable to become troublesome after partaking of wine. The sale of liquor has been checked by limiting the hours of opening of wine shops, and preventing the supplying of wine by private houses. The C.M.P. and the Central di P.S. are co-operating in this respect.
- (d) Progress in the Efficiency of Police Services. The C.M.P. are working well. A conference was held with police officials with a view to tackling black-market problems. The Agents di P.S. are very good.
- (e) Political Activities. There was one meeting of alleged "Young Fascists" but no others of any political significance. Some meetings of trade unionists have been held and a warning has been given that these meetings must be confined to trade union questions, otherwise the meetings will be prohibited.
- (f) Mafia. No activity.

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- (b) Relations with Troops and C.M.P. Excellent. Every assistance has been given, especially in dealing with cattle theft crimes, by lending troops to search the mountains.
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- (e) Political activities. There was only one case of Communist activity.
- (f) Mafia. See para. (a) above.

The D.C.F.C., reviewing the reports of E.C.F.Os, said that crime was returning to normal and was under control. He wished to put on record the Division's appreciation of the work of the D.M.F. in both portions of the island and the co-operation which they had extended to C.I.Os generally.

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The discipline of Allied Troops had been a question of serious concern at the last meeting, and representations on the subject had been made by the C.C.A.O. to the S.C.C.-in-C. He felt sure that the C.C.A.O. would be very pleased to hear that there had been a definite improvement.

Political activity was a delicate subject. It might be that after the war many European countries would have a form of government with a Communist flavour, if not actually Communist. We did not yet know what form of government would be set up in Italy. Marshal Badoglio seemed to be the man with the most influence. With respect to Sicily, there was a strong movement for separation from Italy, not so much with the idea of coming under British or American jurisdiction as of securing complete independence.

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No telephonic communication was yet available for the C.C.P.R. chain of command. Efforts were being made to obtain permission for this from the military authorities.

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Representations have been made about Proclamation No. 13, which, though, though, directed at Fascists, had the apparent effect of curtailing the powers of the police in dealing with habitual criminals and crime generally.

The Acting Superintendent (Fire and Civil Defence) remarked that the fire service organization was similar to that of the CCRP. A Chief Fire Officer for the island had been appointed, and he would be responsible for the organization of the Fire Service. Reports coming through him to ASGOT H.Q. will in turn be forwarded to SCAROs. Transfers, promotions and leaves should be left for H.Q. decision.

The C.P.S.

The C.P.S. stated that the reports had given a very clear picture of the general situation. It was particularly gratifying to learn of the improved situation regarding Allied Troops. Lt. Col. Snock had made a particular point of pressure being applied to obstruct transfers of the CCRR for political reasons. It should be remembered that CAGs and even some CAPOs were inclined to interfere with transfers, and this must not be done. It was the responsibility of the CCRR to operate the organization and they must have a free hand to be able to do this properly. We could not do everything ourselves, and to attempt to do so would be disastrous.

The Chief Legal Officer stated he agreed with Lt. Col. Snock that Proclamation 13 seemed to have been misunderstood by the Italian police. The fact was that under the Italian law the Questore and his officials had the power to put anyone in jail for up to two years without bringing any charges against them. The existence of such a power was contrary to our ideals of law enforcement and justice. Such a power was bound to be distorted and used for political purposes. It was for such reasons that the power was removed. The proclamation meant that it said, but nothing more than that. When anyone was arrested he must be charged and brought for trial. If a man was arrested charges must be brought against him within a reasonable time. We did not propose to permit Italian police to do more than that.

Reference was made to Article VII, Section 2 of Proclamation No. 2. When arrests were made under this proclamation the question had to be referred to the Chief Legal Officer, or the Senior Legal Officer, for review.

To sum up, the CCRR can arrest people, but must get charges preferred quickly or the person must be released.

2. Distribution and Functioning of C.A.P.Os.

The C.P.S. stated that, following the last Conference, a directive was issued that CAPOs employed on other duties were to be released from these duties as soon as practicable, and returned to proper public safety duties. This had not been done in all provinces, and the following figures were given :-

<u>Province.</u>	<u>Total Number of CAPOs on duty as such.</u>
Agrianto	1
Caltanissetta	5
Catania	7
Enna	3
Messina	2
Palermo	3
Ragusa	3

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Security Measures.(a) Checking of AMOT Civilian Employees.

The D.C.P.S. stated that proper checking of civilian employees has been neglected as far as Provinces are concerned and referred to the C.S.O's memorandum of the 11th August 1943 to SCMOs, reference number 253/HQ. Reports on the misconduct of civilians in AMOT employ are being received from the Security Services. SCMOs should draw the attention of SOs to the above instruction. It was agreed that checking forms should be completed in respect of all civilians in AMOT employ and submitted to the Civil Police Section.

(b) Registration of Firearms - re-issue of shot guns.

The D.C.P.S. re-emphasized the desirability of uniformity in the provincial control of permits for firearms. Capt. Pallance, Registration & Licensing, outlined a scheme for the control of all forms of arms which is under consideration. Opinion was divided as to whether permits should be issued to private persons, and Lt. Col. Snook suggested that another drive should be made to confiscate unauthorized arms, and that the forces authorized to carry arms should be fully equipped before permits are issued to private persons. The C.P.S. said that the existing Italian system of control would be used, and that the scheme was comprehensive enough to meet the points raised.

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(e) Seizure of Communications.

The D.C.P.S. said that one of the objects of the curfew order was to make things more difficult to cut telephone cables and thus sabotage communications. An instruction on this point was awaited from 15 Army Group. It had been suggested that the priests should warn country folk of the consequences of such action, however harmless the intention. Reference was made to an instruction to SOAOs on the question of punishments imposed by Military Courts for offences of this nature. (ASOT/4002/L of 1st Oct. 43).

5. Reconstitution of various sections of the Fascist Militia.

The Supt. Civil Police, referring to the Administrative Instructions on this subject, said that Special Police are being organized as the need arose. He quoted the Poste Telegraphs, Ports and Railway Guards as examples. These special Police are only given special, not general, police powers. Strict supervision is necessary and this will be the responsibility of the agency using them.

SOAPO Ragusa...../

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SCARPO Ragusa, in the institution of road guard, like the former Milizia Stradale, and suggested the use of the CCRR for this purpose, but this was not considered possible.

The Guardia Forestale which is necessary from an agricultural point of view will be re-organized on the basis of Special Police.

The guarding of Vulnerable Points was raised. Trained police officers cannot be used for this purpose, being required for police duty, and the only solution appeared to be the engagement of Special Police. The C.C.A.O. held the view that this is not an AMGOT responsibility, but as the Tactical Forces are withdrawn requests are being made for AMGOT to take over the guarding of V.P.s. The C.P.S. said that pending a decision by higher authority as to the responsibility for this duty, we must suspend action.

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The Supt. of Prisons pointed out that although H.Q. Inspecting Officers visited and reported on prisons for the information of the C.P.S. and SCAGs the number of such officers was so small that he would have to rely on periodical reports from SCAGs. This is one of their functions as representing the Public Safety Division in the provinces.

(c) Petitions...../

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The C.I.S. then introduced Brig. General Serrino, Command Superior of the CCRR to the Conference and in the latter's name assured him of the desire of every Officer in the Public Safety Division to support him in his work. General Serrino suitably replied.

Brig. General McSherry, D.C.C., O., then addressed the Conference, and threw some light on developments in Civil Affairs in Italy, pointing out that it would be necessary to draw on the Officers now serving in Sicily to help staff the new regions being formed on the mainland. He assured those present that there would be jobs for everyone in the new organization under discussion elsewhere. Brig. General McSherry also expressed his appreciation of the fine work which had been and was being done by GAROs in Sicily.

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(c) Petitions - procedure.

SCAFOs were reminded that petitions should not be forwarded to H.Q. but should be handled in accordance with normal Italian procedure, i.e. through Italian channels.

(d) Examination of Prison Records.

The Supt. of Prisons said that H.Q. must have the fullest possible information on prison records. A Director was being appointed for each province and one of his functions would be to compile and keep these records up-to-date. SCAFOs should keep a check on these Directors and report to H.Q. on their work.

9. Control of Prostitution.

The SCAFO Palermo complained of the inadequate methods available to deal with prostitutes. Fines were of little value. SCAFO Syracuse said that they closed down the brothels and then used the Italian law forbidding clandestine prostitution. SCAFO Messina suggested an additional clause to Proclamation No. 2 ordering it an offence to solicit Allied soldiers etc for immoral purposes.

10. Rations for COER etc on detached duty for AMPO.

In response to an inquiry by SCAFO Palermo, the CES said that the department or agency employing the police on detached duty should be asked to cover their requirements in the way of rations etc.

11. Arrests.

Referring to Public Safety Bulletin No. 7, para. 12, the D.C.P.S. said that the height of the lettering on armbands for special police should be 1½" instead of 2". He reminded SCAFOs that armbands should now be withdrawn from uniformed police agencies. This would also apply to the Fire Service.

12. Transport for prisoners and witnesses attending trials at a distance.

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9. Control of Prostitution.

The SCALO Palermo complained of the inadequate methods available to deal with prostitutes. Fines were of little value. SCAPO Syracuse said that they closed down the brothels and then used the Italian law forbidding clandestine prostitution. SCALO Messina suggested an additional clause to Proclamation No. 2 prohibiting it as an offence to solicit Allied soldiers etc for immoral purposes.

10. Rations for CCRB etc on detached duty for AMST.

In response to an inquiry by SCAPO Palermo, the CFS said that the department or agency employing the police on detached duty should be asked to cover their requirements in the way of rations etc.

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The hours during which curfew should operate were discussed and it was pointed out that the Proclamation laid down the period between Sunset and Sunrise. In Palermo Province this had been altered to 2000 hours to 0600 hours. The point would be covered in a directive to be issued shortly.

14. Control of Aliens.

The D.C.P.S. drew attention to the fact that the Italian system of registration of aliens (stranieri) had broken down since the occupation of the island by the Allies. He mentioned that a directive with regard to this matter is under consideration.

Capt. Ballance gave some details of the Italian system of registration which would be turned to good account under the proposed scheme.

The C.P.S. said the directive would be issued in due course.

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