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GARRISON TROOPS IN ITALY
JULY - OCT. 1945

CA Sec

Letter signed as requested and returned herewith for despatch. 6 copies retained for cc and T&C files

R.S. Kemp. Group Capt. RA.

25. Jul. 45.

CA Sec

Please see 4A. 4

18/8/45

Sec Lt. endorsed on 4A

Sec 14601/8/1.

(Sgd) R.C. Bond Maj.
for. DPS.

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CA See

MNIA cannot supply Italian Army uniforms for CCRR but will offer dyed British battledress if its use can be agreed. The CCRR H/Q agree. Letter for signature of C.C. on the policy, addressed to the Prime Minister (Draft).

Ivan Davidson Lieut.

18th
Ex 1365.

(2)

Ex. Commissioner

Letter for CC's signature please

C. D. Bonham-Carter
CAS 1.7.61

19 July

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A/Ex Com^r

I think this shd be signed by V.P.

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V.P. CA See

20/7. The subject matter is properly one for ... Minister of Interior

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Ex. Commissioner

Letter for CC's signature please

C A Bonhamcarter
CAS

19 July

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A/Ex Comm

I think this shd be signed by VP.

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V.P. C.A.Sec

20/7. The subject matter is properly one for correspondence with Ministers & the Interior rather than PM. Suggest it be so addressed and be signed by VP C.A.Sec.

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A/Ex. Commissioner

My orders are that CC is to sign because P.M. is interested in such an important matter as a departure from a traditional uniform.

This might, I think, be an order from the CC. It came through by your office. It also links up with other P.M. correspondence. Resubmitted in case it was unknown to you, an order from C.C.

Sent by hand 21/7

22 July

C.A.Bonhamcarter Lt Col

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Ex. Commissioner

For signature of C.C. please

17 July

A.D. Buchanan for C.C.
CAS

CA Sec: (PS) 3

Ref 2 above. Letter is returned duplicated. Copies have been circulated by C.C. and E.C.

Office, E.C.
13 July 45.

T.H. Worsdell
Hd of Sec

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22 OTT. 1945

Ref: 3629/172/SC

22 October 1945

SUBJECT: San Marco Regiment

TO : Liaison Officer, AC Bari

Reference your LB/21 dated 13 October 1945.

1. The situation described in your letter concerning the political activities of San Marco Regiment has now changed.

2. As from 18 October the Regiment was transferred from command Three District to command of the Ministry of War for further transfer on or after 20 October to the Ministry of Marine.

3. I understand that the intention is to demobilize two battalions and to transfer the third.

4. You will have in the area for the maintenance of law and order four Guard battalions, two under command of Three District and two under command the War Ministry.

5. You should make it clear to the Area and District Commander that the further transfer of this Regiment was initiated by the Italian Government and has not been the result of any representations on your part.

TO	INIT.	DATE
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Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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UNCLASSIFIED.

In reply your signals FX47748 of 7 October and FX 47862 of 8 October.

1. Recommend allotment of CD BNS as follows. 3 coys 501 at TARANTO to move to FASANO 16354 to under cond BARI TERR HQ. 507 at ANCONA to under cond BOLOGNA TERR HQ no move involved. 510 at BARI to under cond BARI TERR HQ no move involved. 515 at AREZZO to move to new loca under cond TURIN TERR HQ. 520 at IESI to move to new loca under cond MILAN TERR HQ. 525 at NAPLES to come under cond NAPLES TERR HQ no move involved. HQ 518 at FORLI to remain under Allied cond to adm its coys on train guard duties until coys relieved when entire BN would be allotted GENOA TERR HQ.

2. If above recommendations are agreed each TERR HQ would have three BNS under cond except NAPLES BOLZANO and UDINE. 504 and 514 will presently be available to complete allotment to NAPLES and BOLZANO respectively. UDINE will have 1 BN only under cond because (a) 517 is under cond AMG 13 CONVS (b) 513 is on loan to FLORENCE TERR cond for guarding Fascist prisoners.

3. 501 CD BN may be released to Min of War wef 16 October.

4. Destinations for movement of 515 520 CD BNS will be advised earliest 5667

Confirmed that accommodation is available for 3 coys 501 CDBN in FASANO.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: SD 2994
Date/Time of Origin: OCT 5/1FT – 6 OCT 1945
Message Centre No: G/124
Date Time Rec'd: OCT 5/1615A
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM MMIA

TO : ACTION : MINISTRY OF WAR INFO: MMIA LO MILAN MMIA LO TURIN 217 AREA
FOR MMIA LO AC FOR CA SEC

No trace 140056/5 140056/5

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Reference MMIA signal SD 2954 dated 13 September. DISTAD advise movement date as follows. 522 GD EM 12 october. 527 GD EM not before 11 October. 526 GD EM not before 8 October

HEADQUARTERS 6 OCT 1945 A. C.

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Ref ALCOM 6662 of 6 October not to MMIA.

1. Three companies 301 Guard Bn TARANTO available release MMIA 16 October for Mr 9 IG Brigade BARI. On arrival destination MMIA approval granted release SAN MARCO Regiment due return Italian Naval Command.

2. For MMIA. Confirm accommodation available and date of acceptance when move order will be issued.

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FX 43404 of 4 Sept 1405 6/5

YOUR FX FOUR THREE FOUR ZERO FOUR OF FOURTEEN SEPTEMBER STATED THAT EARLY RELEASE OF ONE OF TWO REMAINING GUARD BATTALIONS TO COMPLETE BARI ITEM SUGAR BRIGADE WAS BEING INVESTIGATED PD

PARSEN TO AFHQ RPTD FOR INFO DESIRES FROM HQ ALGOM CITE ACSEB PARSEN

MAY AN EARLY DECISION BE ADVISED

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/45/12/LG

Tel: 620

SUBJECT: Note of interview - AC HQ

DATE : 1 October 1945 - 1000 Hours

PRESENT: Lt. Col. W. E. McBratney, ex-FC Bolzano
Major Ralph R. Temple, Director, Local Government S/C
Major C. G. R. Williams, Executive Officer, Local Government S/C

1. Italian Troops

Lt. Col. McBratney said that there was still a good deal of trouble with the FOLGORE Division--numerous instances of bullying and terrorizing the population. He cited one case of a religious festival in a town, which finished up with a party in a beer garden, at which several Italian soldiers had made a disturbance. They were asked to leave by an American officer and did so, but they came back with many more and made another disturbance. A whistle blew and about 50 Italian soldiers armed with automatic weapons entered. After firing a few shots, they beat up the population with gun butts. In the meantime, 2 heavy machine guns had been placed at the ends of the street outside. An Inquiriy was held by the local Italian Command, the result of which was to whitewash everybody.

2. We mentioned that the last we had heard of this problem was that the Italian Goverument had been asked to remove the SAN MARCO Division. Lt. Col. McBratney said yes they had been replaced by the GARIBALDI Unit, who were no better than SAN MARCO.

3. He had had many deputations on the subject recently, but factual complaints had ceased. The reason was, the deputations told him, that the population was terrified of reprisals. He had promised the last deputation that any complaints would be kept in his safe, and in forwarding them he would omit the names. The result of this assurance was that some 50 specific complaints reached him almost immediately.

4. De-Nazification

Lt. Col. McBratney said that practically no Nazis were now left in public office. There were, however, some 40/50 Reich Germans resident who were being registered under the Provincial Registration of Aliens Order. They were reluctant to register and give particulars of themselves for obvious reasons. Some of them are shortly to be tried for failing to register and his HQ was initiating a drive about it.

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5. Transfer of Aliens

Lt. Col. McBratney thought that registration would be complete shortly and then the problem arose of transferring these Reich Germans back to Germany. Col. Findley knew all about the problem. He understood permission is being awaited from AFHQ which has not yet been given. There were also a few Vichy French as to whom the position was the same.

6. As to the Reich Germans, he ~~would~~ arrangedfor obtaining all the particulars which USFAT would require and had asked Col. Findley to keep the refugee camp in the province open to deal with them.

7. Local Government and Electoral Lists

All Sindaci and Giunte have now been confirmed, except in the case of one Commune. The provincial administration was functioning a little better than before.

8. The Sindaci were registering in the electoral lists all clear cases. None of those who had taken any action under the Hitler-Mussolini Agreements were being registered. We pointed out that this meant that no progress had been made beyond Stage "A". The Sindaci could send their extracts to the Judicial Record Offices, but those extracts would be incomplete. When the time came to deal with the optants, they would have to send further extracts to the Judicial Record Offices. Until all extracts had been sent to and returned by the Judicial Record Offices, no lists could be sent for approval to the Electoral Commissions. The position therefore was that in the near future the preparation of the lists in Bolzano would come to a full stop.

9. Nationality Problem

On this we told Lt. Col. McBratney that our position was as stated in the Chief Commissioner's letter to the Prime Minister of 20 August, agreeing to the Special Commission as a fact-finding body only. A reminder had been sent to the Prime Minister, but no answer had been received.

10. Lt. Col. McBratney said the Prefect had been in communication with the Prime Minister and the Prefect understood that the appointment of the Special Commission would be accompanied by a declaration of the Italian Government as to minority rights in Bolzano. He had seen a telegram from the Prime Minister to the Prefect stating that this declaration as to minority rights had been transmitted to AC on 13 September.

11. We said we doubted if it was necessary to hold up the appointment of the Special Commission for this declaration to be settled. Lt. Col. McBratney said that might be so, but the declaration was very important. He said it was most important that the Special Commission should get to work at once to relieve the increasing tension in the Province.

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12. Conclusion.

Lt. Col. McBratney said that tension and unrest among the population were increasing and that 2 main things were required to allay it:--

(a) Removal of the FOLGORE Division:

(b) A formal and binding declaration from the Italian Government about minority rights.

He added that when the Prefect had seen the Prime Minister over 2 months ago, the Prime Minister had promised to deal with all of these points at once. The Prefect had returned to Bolzano and had told a meeting of the Sindaci that he had the Prime Minister's verbal promise to that effect, and the population are now awaiting for it to be implemented.

C. G. R. WILLIAMS
Major
Executive Officer
Local Government Sub Commission

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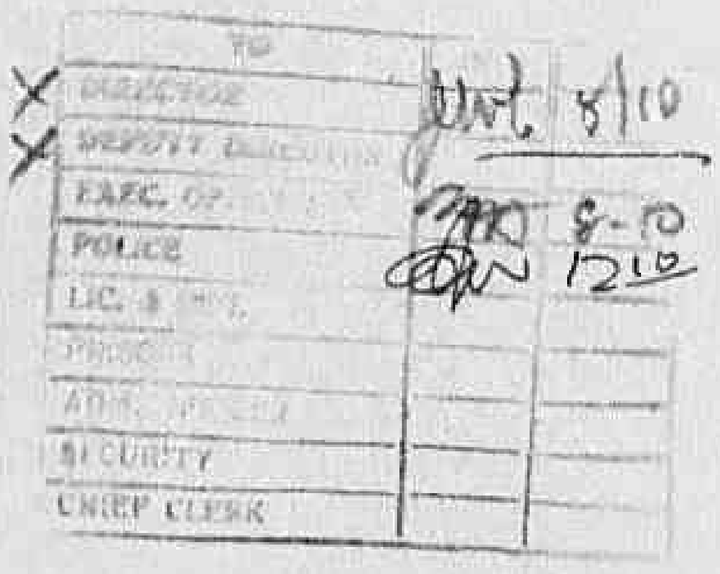

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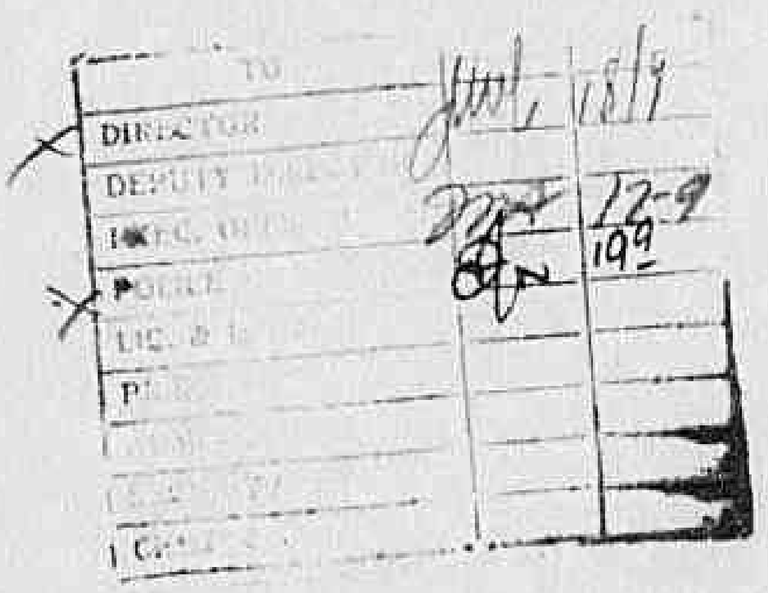
Your 5266 of 13 September to AFHQ only. Early release 1 of 2 remaining CD Bns to complete BARI is Bde being investigated. Agree release of SAN MARCO Regt when BARI Bde is 2 thirds complete.



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TO : AMMG

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217 AREA FOR MMIA LO
PENBASE FOR MMIA LO FOR SCOTT
MINISTRY OF WAR (TWO)
RESTRICTED

REF : SD 1551

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FURTHER TO MMIA LETTER SD/56/2 OF 16 AUG (.)

FIRST (.) REF YOUR SIGNAL 41980 OF 8 PARA ONE (.) RECOMMEND AS
FOLLOWS (.) 522 GD BN COME UNDER COMD MIN OF WAR IN PRESENT LOC
EARMARKED FOR NO 6 I S BDE B O L O G N A (.) 526 GD BN BE MOVED
TO AREA T U R I N FOR NO 1 I S BDE AND 527 GD BN BE MOVED TO AREA
MILAN FOR NO 3 I S BDE MOV AND ACCN UNDER ARRANGEMENTS 2 DIST EACH
BN TO COME UNDER COMD MIN OF WAR ON ARRIVAL (.)
SECOND (.) REF YOUR FX 41925 OF 8 (.) MIN OF WAR RESPONSIBLE ONLY
FOR GUARDING ENCLOSURE 336 PISA COMMITMENT ESTIMATED ONE GD BN (.)
MIN OF WAR WILL ASSIGN TASK TO NO 7 I S BDE FLORENCE (.)
THIRD (.) REF YOUR FX 41979 OF 8 (.) RECOMMEND 501 504 AND 514 GD
BNS BE PLACED UNDER COMD MIN OF WAR IN FORENZE LOCATIONS WHEN AVAILABLE
AND BE ALLOTTED AS FOLLOWS : 501 GD BN AND 514 GD BN TO I S BDE B A R I
AND 504 GD BN TO NO 10 I S BDE NAPLES (.)
FOURTH (.) MIN OF WAR HAVE ALLOTTED 508 GD BN NOW AT P I S A TO I S BDE

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REF : SD 1251

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UNDER 10 MMIA LETTER SD/56/2 OF 16 AUG (.)

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SECOND (.) REF YOUR FX 41925 OF 8 (.) MIN OF WAR RESPONSIBLE ONLY FOR GUARDING ENCLOSURE 336 PISA COMMITMENT ESTIMATED ONE GD BN (.) MIN OF WAR WILL ASSIGN TASK TO NO 7 I S BDE FLORENCE (.)

THIRD (.) REF YOUR FX 41979 OF 8 (.) RECOMMEND 501 504 AND 514 GD BNS BE RELEASED UNDER COMD MIN OF WAR IN PRESENT LOCATIONS WHEN AVAILABLE AND BE ALLOTTED AS FOLLOWS : 501 GD BN AND 504 GD BN TO I S BDE B A R I AND 504 GD BN TO NO 10 I S BDE NAPLES (.)

FOURTH (.) MIN OF WAR HAVE ALLOTTED 508 GD BN NOW AT P I S A TO I S BDE NO 4 B O L Z A N O (.) NO MOVE REQUIRED YET (.)

FIFTH (.) PROPOSED ALLOCATION TO I S BDES TO DATE IS THEREFORE AS FOLLOWS (.) NO 1 TURIN NO 2 GENOA NO 3 MILAN NO 4 BOLZANO NO 6 BOLOGNA NO 10 NAPLES EACH HAVE TWO BNS U/C OR EARMARKED AND REQUIRE ONE MORE EACH (.) NO 5 UDINE HAS ONE BN ALLOTTED AND WILL REQUIRE TWO MORE (.) NO 7 FLORENCE NO 8 ROME NO 9 BARI EACH HAVE THREE BNS ALLOTTED OR EARMARKED

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AUTHENTICATED L.M. Engledew Lt-Col.

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14 SET. 1945

FX/U/1721 of 14 Sept 45

SECRET FD

REFERENCE YOUR FOX XRAY FOUR ONE SEVEN TWO ONE DATED SEVEN SEPTEMBER FD PAREN TO AFHQ FROM HQ ALGOM FROM ADMIRAL STONE PAREN

FIRST FD I STRONGLY URGE PAREN ABLE PAREN THAT ONE OF THE TWO REMAINING GEORGE DOG BATTALIONS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE BARI ITEM SUGAR BRIGADE BE RELEASED AT A VERY EARLY DATE FD PARA THIRD OF MIKN MIKE ITEM ABLE SIGNAL SUGAR DOG TWO NINE FIVE ONE OF ONE TWO SEPTEMBER REFERS FD PAREN BAKER PAREN THAT YOU CONSIDER RELEASE OF SAN MARCO WHEN BARI ITEM SUGAR BRIGADE IS THUS TWO THIRDS COMPLETE FD

SECOND FD IN SUPPORT OF PARA FIRST ABOVE PLEASE NOTE THAT EVEN WHEN RELEASE OF SAN MARCO IS AUTHORIZED IT WILL TAKE TIME TO COMPLETE ARRANGEMENTS FOR MOVEMENT AND FOR DISBANDMENT AND THUS THE REGIMENT WILL BE PHYSICALLY PRESENT FOR A PERIOD IN BARI AREA AS A DETERRENT TO ANY SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY

TO	INITIAL	DATE
DIRECTOR		Sept 17/9
DEPUTY DIR.		
EXECUTIVE		
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(sgd) N. S. Lush

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ALCOM, INFO MAIA, NAVY SUBCOMMISSION AC

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Your 4834 of 5 September.

We are in sympathy with urgent desire of Italian Government to have SAN MARCO Regiment released from military duties but time to provide requisite guard battalions and to reorganize and prepare them as a brigade suitable for internal security duty precludes the immediate release of the subject regiment.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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TO: AFHQ

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REF NO: 4834 DATE: 5 SEP 45 PRIORITY

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REFERENCE YOUR UNNUMBERED SIGNAL OF SEPTEMBER ZERO THREE ONE SEVEN ZERO ONE BAKER CITE FHQCT PD REQUEST RECONSIDERATION OF MY FOUR FOUR FIVE TWO OF THIRTY AUGUST FOR FOLLOWING REASONS PD

PARENT TO AFHQ FROM HQ ALCOM FROM ADMIRAL STONE PARENT

FIRST PD PRESUME YOUR DECISION MADE ON BASIS OF OVERALL PICTURE AND NOT LOCAL NEEDS PD

SECOND PD I UNDERSTAND SUFFICIENT TROOPS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN BARI AREA WHEN ADDITIONAL GUARD BATTALION IS RELEASED TO WAR MINISTRY PD

THIRD PD USE OF THE SAN MARCO NAVAL REGIMENT WAS ORIGINALLY TENDERED BY BADOGLIO AND DE COURTEN FOR COMBAT AND DE COURTEN FEELS MOST STRONGLY THAT THEY SHOULD NOT BE EMPLOYED AS SECURITY TROOPS WITH WHICH VIEW CMA KNOWING THE BACKGROUND CMA I AGREE

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/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE, Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Your 4452 of 30Aug. Primary endeavour now being made to hand over 27 Guard Battalions to form internal security brigades by end of September. Already difficult to find reliefs for battalions and cannot presently accept further reduction of operational troops available to this HQ. Regret return of SAN MARCO Regiment to Naval Command must be delayed and units maintained at full strength until further notice.

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Action S.O. to Chief Commissioner(2)

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: SD 2936
Date/Time of Origin: AUG 311700

Message Centre No: F/6107
Date Time Rec'd: SEPT 011045
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM MMIA

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR INFO AFHQ G3 AMO DISTHREE 54 AREA ALCOM DISTHREE FC
MMIA LO 54 AREA FOR MMIA LO

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SECRET.

Following signal has beenreceived from DISTHREE. "On arrival TRANI SAN MARCO REGT is placed under OP command territorial Hq BARI for such interanl security duties as Italian Govt may direct. Position thus identical to recent system command GARIBALDI Regt".

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INFO CHIEF COMMISSIONER
EX COMMISSIONER 2
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INFO - ACTION

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PRIORITY

30 AUG 1945

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SUBJECT RELIEF OF SAN MARCO REGT PD

PAREN TO AFHQ FROM HQ AIGOM FROM ADMIRAL STONE CITE ACSOC PAREN

REGT NOW DUE TO BE CONCENTRATED BARI AREA BY TEN SEPTEMBER PD ITALIAN NAVAL MINISTER STRONGLY REQUESTS THIS REGT BE RETURNED TO ITALIAN NAVAL COMD FORTHWITH AND MOVED TO TARANTO FOR REDUCTION TO ONE BATTALION AND REEMPLOYMENT REMAINING PERSONNEL WITHIN NAVAL ESTABLISHMENT PD I SUPPORT HIS RECOMMENDATION PD NECESSARY THAT ADEQUATE ITALIAN TROOPS BE UNDER WAR MINISTRY CONTROL IN THAT AREA AT TIME OF RELIEF OF SAN MARCO PD AT PRESENT ONLY FIVE TWO FOUR GD BATTALION NOW AT BRINDISI UNDER WAR MINISTRY PD CONSIDER THAT ONE ADDITIONAL GD BATTALION NECESSARY PD ONE BATTALION OF THREE NOW UNDER COMD DISTHREE IN BARI AREA COULD BE RELEASED TO WAR MINISTRY FOR THIS PURPOSE PD REQUEST APPROVAL OF RELIEF CMA MOVEMENT AND REDUCTION OF SAN MARCO AND ASSIGNMENT OF ONE ADDITIONAL GD BATTALION WITH EFFECT ON OR BEFORE TEN SEPTEMBER PD ACKNOWLEDGE LAND FORCES AND NAVY SUB COMMS

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ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: SD~~119~~ 112
Date/Time of Origin: AUG 291045B

Message Centre No: F/5789
Date Time Rec'd: AUG 292000B
Precedence: IMPORTANT

FROM DISTHREE

TO : ACTION 5A AREA, TERRITORIAL HQ BARI, ALCOM INFO 227 ITALIAN ADM DIV AFHQ (G3 OPS) AFHQ, (G3 AMO) MILA LO BARI, MOV BARI

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On arrival TRANI SAN MARCO Regt is placed under op command territorial HQ BARI for such internal security duties as Italian Govt may direct. Position thus identical to recent system command GARIBALDI Regt.

HEADQUARTERS
30 AUG 1945
A. C.

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INFO-ACTION: P.Safety SC
" " L.Forces SC
INFO: Chief Commissioner
Ex Commissioner
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Police
Does this tie up
with CCRC Opt
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please.
E Robinson
3/9/45

No File with Gd battalions
9 see that some vehicles are
released to them. Ltr

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3A.

Subject :- Issues of Italian Army Vehicles

ST/1020/C

1 Sept 45

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MMIA.)
ROME
Tel : Rome 489081 Ext 526

Ditribution :- (Below) 3B

1. Attached at Appendix 'A' is a programme showing assignments of Italian Army vehicles which, in agreement with Ministry of War (S.M.R.E.), will be authorised for release during the period shown on the Appendix.

2. This schedule is forwarded for information only, and does NOT constitute authority for the release of the vehicles mentioned therein. The actual release orders will be prepared and issued by the Ministry of War (S.M.R.E.) and forwarded to all Italian Army formations and units interested.

3 SET. 1945

WMM/a

for Lt. Col. ADST.,
Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MMIA).

To :- MMIA LO, FLORENCE
" Naples
" 54 Area
" 3 DISTRICT
" N.W. Italy
" P.B.S.

Copy to :- S.M.R.E.

CC Train Guard Control, Rome.
Public Safety Sub Comm. A.C.
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ANNEX 'A' to MIA letter
SF/1020/C.
dated 1 Sep 45

ISSUES OF U.S. AN ARMY VEHICLES

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Programme showing releases which have been agreed for the week commencing 1 Sept 45

UNITS TO WHICH VEHICLES WILL BE RELEASED	M.V.P. FROM WHICH VEHS WILL BE DRAWN	TYPE OF VEHICLE						REMARKS
		Motorcycles	Passenger Vehicles	Load Carriers	Ambulances	Trailers	Tractors	
507 Gd Bn	No 1 M.V.P.	-	-	2				
501 " "	" 1 "	-	1	-				
Nucleo Polizia Militare	" 1 "	-	1	-				
1 Special Tpt Coy	" 1 "	-	-	3				
61 Amb Car S.C.	" 1 "	-	-	-	2	6		
M of W Adm Tpt Coy	" 1 "	-	-	4	-	-		
M of W Adm Tpt Coy	" 2 "	-	-	2	-	-	1	
No 8 A.T.C.	" 2 "	-	1	-				
" 10 A.T.C.	" 2 "	6	-	-				
227 Division	" 2 "	-	1	-				
Nucleo Polizia Militare	" 2 "	-	2	-				
No 2 M.V.P.	" 2 "	-	-	4				
No 9 A.T.C.	" 2 "	-	-	4				
No 6 Gd Regt(511 &512 Gd Bns	" 2 "	-	-	4				
No 9 A.T.C.	" 3 "	-	-	1				
No 3 M.V.P.	" 3 "	5	-	-				
No 9 A.T.C.	" 3 "	-	-	2	-			
501 Gd Bn for 4 Coys	" 3 "	-	-	2	-			
524 " "	" 4 "	-	1	-				
No 1 Regt Gd HQ	" 4 "	-	1	-				
509 Gd Bn	" 4 "	-	1	-				
524 " "	" 4 "	-	1	-				
No 4 M.V.P.	" 4 "	-	-	-	1	-	-	
1182 Amb Car S.C.								

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2 A

Ref: AG/14601/21/IS

12 July 1945

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

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I have received your letter of the 6 July 45 and am glad to be able to tell you that authority was granted on 1 July 45 to raise the maximum number of Carabinieri to 65,000 and this has been duly communicated to the Minister of War.

With regard to the remainder of your letter I am reluctant to remove from the North any of the Combat Groups but part of the Garibaldi Regiment has already been moved to the Bari Area. I appreciate your desire that there should be additional battalions of troops in the South of Italy and I am able to inform you that the whole question of the numbers and distribution of Italian Internal Security Troops all over Italy is now under consideration at AFHQ. I hope to be able to give you the Field Marshal's decision shortly.

Very truly yours,

KILLEN W. STONE,
Rear Admiral, USNR,
Chief Commissioner.

Professor Pertrucio Parri,
The President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
R o m e.

Copy to: C. Commissioner
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Tel: 735

10 July 1945.

Ref: 3606/99/EC.

SUBJECT: Proposal to use Italian Combat Groups for Internal Security.

TO : Civil Affairs Section.

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1. Attached hereto is letter No.23057 dated 6 July 1945 from the Prime Minister requesting that a Combat Group and other units should be transferred South of the Apennines to assist in maintaining public order in emergency.

2. This letter is sent to you for action as it concerns the overall situation of public safety, but you will, of course, discuss with Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA) before preparing a reply for signature by the Chief Commissioner.

Chief Staff Officer
to Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Land Forces S/C (MMIA) - With copy of a/m letter.

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Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers
Minister of the Interior
n. 23057

Rome, 6 July 1945

To Admiral Stone
Chief Commissioner - A.C.

Dear Admiral,

a propos of the preoccupations caused by the weakening of the police forces because of the transfer of important contingents of carabineers to North Italy, you pointed out in your letter of April 27th, n. 11601/53/P.S., that the maximum number of Carabineers fixed in Italy is of 59.000 units and that this force must be equally distributed all over Italy, adding that the superior authorities had been requested to raise this number to 65.000 units.

On this subject, it must nevertheless be remembered that in past times, in an emergency, public order was assured by using, exceptionally, the regular forces of the Army stationed all over Italy, and particularly in the main towns of the provinces, especially in the most important ones.

As it is well known the only units which are at present at the exclusive disposal of the Italian military Authorities are the 'Gabauda' and 'Aosta' Divisions, stationed in Sicily, and the 'Calabria' Division stationed in Sardinia, with two battalions detached to Calabria. These units represent the indispensable minimum to maintain order in these regions, and cannot be weakend by sending men to other places.

As in the present state of things there is no possibility of using the Army forces, in the other regions, the advisability of arranging for the co-operation of the Italian troops depending from the Allied Commands for the maintenance of public order, ought to be taken in consideration, and consequently, their equal distribution in the various regions of the peninsula. In particular, I think it would be advisable to transfer South of the Apennines one of the combat teams, for instance the 'Cremona' group which is now stationed in Adria. The most efficient of the pioneers battalions and guards battalions might also do very well.

I shall later on indicate the most appropriate destinations.

I shall be most grateful if you will take this proposal in consideration and intervene with the competent Authorities.

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Yours sincerely,

s. Ferruccio Parri

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EC Dist - 9 July 45

Action: C A Sec
Info: Chief Comm
Exec Comm
LAND FORCES SC

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IL PRESIDENTE
DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI
MINISTRO DELL'INTERNO

Roma, 6 luglio 1945

Caro Ammiraglio,

a seguito delle preoccupazioni sorte circa l'indebolimento delle forze di polizia per il trasferimento nell'Italia settentrionale di notevoli contingenti di carabinieri, Lei giustamente faceva osservare, nella lettera 27 aprile us. numero 14601/53/P.S., che il numero massimo dei carabinieri fissato in Italia è di 55.000 unità e che tale forza deve essere egualmente distribuita in tutta Italia, aggiungendo che erano state fatte pressioni alle autorità superiori perchè tale limite venisse portato a 65.000 unità.

Al riguardo bisogna, però, tener presente che in passato, in caso di gravi emergenze, l'ordine pubblico veniva assicurato con l'impiego straordinario delle forze regolari dell'Esercito che erano distribuite in tutta Italia ed in particolare di stanza nei capoluoghi di provincia, specie in quelli più importanti.

Ora, com'è noto, le sole unità attualmente ad esclusiva disposizione delle Autorità militari italiane sono le Divisioni "Sabauda" ed "Aosta" dislocate in Sicilia, e la Divisione "Calabria" dislocata in Sardegna con due battaglioni distaccati in Calabria. Tali unità rappresentano il minimo indispensabile per assicurare l'ordine in quelle regioni e non possono essere indebolite con l'invio di reparti in altre sedi.

Poichè nè le altre regioni manca, allo stato attuale, la possibilità di utilizzare le forze dell'Esercito, dovrebbe essere presa in considerazione l'opportunità di prevedere il concorso, nei servizi di ordine pubblico, delle truppe italiane dipendenti dai Comandi Alleati, e in conseguenza un'equa dislocazione di esse nelle varie regioni della Penisola. Mi sembrerebbe opportuno, in particolare, trasferire a sud dell'Appennino uno dei gruppi di combattimento, per esempio il gruppo "Cremona" ora di stanza ad Adria. Altre truppe che pure si presterebbero possono essere anche i più efficienti dei battaglioni pionieri e dei battaglioni guardie.

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Ammiraglio Ellery W. STONE
Commissario Capo della Commissione Alleata
R O M A

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Mi riservo di indicare eventualmente le destinazioni più appropriate.

Le sarei perciò vivamente grato se volesse prendere in esame tale proposta ed interessare in merito le competenti Autorità.

Cordialmente

Ferruccio Parri

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