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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
Administrative Section

19 Mar 44

TO: Property Control, (through Legal)
Public Safety, (through Interior) ✓

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The attached copy cable from CCS to AFHQ is circulated for information as to the policy which is to be followed.

No action thereon (see e.g. para 6) will be taken prior to receipt from AFHQ of their orders putting the policy into effect.

Property Control, and Public Safety will please file the attached copy.

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ROUTINE

FROM: AGWAR FROM CCS

TO : WILSON REPEATED USFOR INFORMATION BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF

REF. NO. THIS MESSAGE: 2197, 15 March 1944

For FHMS.

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TAM 155.

Questions covered by article 28-long surrender terms. Questions covered by article 28 of the long surrender terms should be dealt with as follows:

1. The Military, Naval, and Air personnel and the civilian Nationals of friendly countries now occupied by the enemy such as BELGIUM, NETHERLANDS, FRANCE, POLAND, LUXEMBURG, NORWAY, GREECE, YUGOSLAVIA, et cetera, should not be interned or prevented from leaving ITALY solely on account of their nationality.
2. Persons mentioned in paragraph 1 above should be accorded the same treatment in this respect as the Nationals of the United Nations not occupied by the Axis except that those who have or are suspected of having pro Axis tendencies or who are known or suspected of having aided the enemy should be investigated and depending upon the seriousness of their offense should either be interned or prevented from leaving ITALY.
3. All property in Italian territory belonging to the government of any of the Nations referred to in paragraph 1 should be released from custody upon receipt of proper evidence of ownership from the accredited and recognized government of such country.
4. Where a National of any country contemplated in paragraph 1 above is actually residing outside enemy or enemy occupied territory and is the owner of any property in Italian territory, as a general rule it should be released from custody to such National or his accredited agent, upon receipt of proper evidence of ownership, provided, however, that the term ownership as used herein shall be subject to construction or further definition by the

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Theater Commander in any particular case. In no event should the benefits of this paragraph be accorded to individuals known or suspected of pro axis tendencies.

5. The transmission to points outside of ITALY of any funds or property so released from custody will, of course, be subject to such transfer and exchange regulations as are generally in effect.

6. Appropriate instructions in conformity with this message should be given to the Italian Government. The Italian Government shall be responsible for notifying the Allied Control Commission of the names and particulars of persons referred to in paragraph 1 above. The Allied Control Commission shall determine which of the mentioned individuals are embraced within the exception contained in paragraph 2 above.

7. It is not the purpose of these instructions to afford the Governments or Nationals contemplated herein rights superior to those of the other United Nations or their Nationals.

8. These instructions apply only to property that was in ITALY at outbreak of hostilities with that country or when the territory concerned was occupied by the enemy as the case may be and further instructions will be given regarding looted property (that is, property imported since that date by the enemy).

ACTION: MGS

INFO: SQS
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