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Traffic Control and Subordinate Matters.

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FROM NOV. 44
TO JULY 45
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Political Section

Please see 22A

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(2)

Public Safety Division.

Scan. Thanks.

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(A. S. HALFORD)
Asst [illegible]
Political Section

I. F. Stone
Cable
for Dolf

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TRANSLATION W.R.

RW 46A

TERRITORIAL LEGION OF CC.RR LAZIO
Velletri Company

14/135

Office : 39/23

Velletri, 24 July 1945

SUBJECT : Street incident

TO : AC Public Safety S.C. and for information to other offices.

On the 23rd inst. at half past three p.m. on the Appian Road Velletri - Roma (Km. 40) the motor lorry V.D.L. 4081178 coming from Pastina (Salerno) driven by an Allied Military man dashed against a big chest containing different kinds of tinned food. The chest had fallen down, shortly before, from an Allied not identified motor lorry going in opposite direction.
For want of time the driver could not avoid the obstacle.
Owing to the collision the lorry capsized and 18 military men, including 3 Allied soldiers and 15 Italians, were more or less seriously wounded.
The wounded were immediately carried to the Civil Hospital of Velletri whence, in the evening, they were trasferred to the Military Hospital of Rome (Giulia Str.)

TO	DATE	INITIAL
DIRECTOR	July 3/8	
DEPUTY [illegible]		3/8
EXEC. OFF		4-8
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The Captain Commander
Chieppafreddo

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LEGIONE TERRITORIALE DEI CARABINIERI REALI DEL LAZIO
. COMPAGNIA DI VELLETRI

N°59/23 di prot. - Velletri li 24 luglio 1945

OGGETTO: Incidente automobilistico.-Segnalazione.=

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Gabinetto - ROMA
AL COMANDO GENERALE DELL'ARMA DEI CC.RR. ROMA
AL COMANDO DELLA 2^ DIVISIONE CC.RR."PODGORA" ROMA
AL COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI ROMA
AL COMANDO DELLA 4^ BRIGATA CC.RR. ROMA
AL COMANDO CENTRO ADDESTRAMENTO COMPLEMENTI GRUPPI COMB. CESANO DI ROMA
AL COMANDO DELLA LEGIONE TERR.DEI CC.RR."LAZIO" ROMA
ALLA REGIA PREFETTURA DI ROMA
ALLA REGIA QUESTURA DI ROMA
APO 394-PUBLIC SAFETY-DIVISION-VIA LOCULLO N° 6 ROME
AL COMANDO DEL GRUPPO DEI CC.RR. LAZIALE PRIMO ROMA

Ore 15,30 del 23 andante,Km.40 Via Appia Velletri (Roma) camion V. D.L. 4881178 condotto militare alleato,proveniente da Pastina (Salerno) diretto Cesano (Roma) andava a cozzare contro grossa cassa contenente sca tolame vario caduta immediatamente prima da autocarro alleato rimasto sco nosciuto che procedeva senso inverso. Stante brevità tempo l'autista non ebbe materialmente possibilità evitare l'ostacolo.=

Nell'urto camion ribaltava e 18 militari che trov avansi a bordo,di cui 3 alleati e 15 italiani riportavano ferite più o meno gravi.=

Prontamente soccorsi i feriti furono ricoverati all'ospedale civile di Velletri da dove in serata sono stati trasferiti a quello Militare di Roma (Via Giulia) interessato da questo comando.=

CARABINIERI REALI * VELLETRI * COMPAGNIA

IL CAPITANO COMANDANTE
(Giuseppe Cavallo) -

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HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIE REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 394

30 July 45.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.
(attention of Public Safety Sub-Commission).

SUBJECT : Motor Accident at Mestre.

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FILE NO. : RXII/PS/6.1.2

1. Reference your AC/14135/PS of 30 June 45.

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2. Enclosed for your information is the report of F.P.S.O., Venezia, on this matter.

for F.G. GREEN, Major,
Regional Public
Safety Officer.

VENEZIA PROVINCE
VENEZIE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
A P O 394

HQ. VENEZIE REGION
Doc. No 280c
Date Rec'd 28 JUL 1945

Public Safety
26th July 1945 458

TO : R.P.S.O., Venezie Region, A.M.G.
SUBJECT : Motor Accident at Mestre.

1. Enquiries have been made in this case and it is now ascertained that these men have been released by Procuratore del Regno.

2. It appears that, acting on verbal directions by telephone of the previous Legal Officer of Venice the Military Police placed these men into custody. The papers were then sent to the Italian Civil Courts who, upon interrogation, rightly ordered release.

3. The enquiry has taken a considerable time as the Military Police had moved from this area.

VENEZIA PROVINCE · A. M. G. · PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE ·

H.S.HARRIS,Major
P.P.S.O.,Venice Province

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PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE

H.S.HARRIS,Major
P.F.S.O.,Venice Province

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21 July 1945

TO : Procuratore del Regno, Venezia.

SUBJECT: Traffic accident at Mestre.

REF : RXXI/Ven/207

1. I have examined the file regarding the arrest of QUACLIA Gioacchino and MARINELLI Luigi, detained because of a traffic accident hy happened with a military vehicle.

2. The two above said persons are agents of the Questura of Rome and they were in this area on duty.

3. From the evidences and circumstances, I do not see any specific charge for violation of A.M.G.orders, therefore the a/s individuals can be released inorder to go back to Rome.

4. If you have no objection in this regard, you might consider yourself authorised to provide for the release.

For the Provincial Commissioner:

W.T.BOOME, Capt.CMP,
Provincial Legal Officer,
Venice Province.

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For the Provincial Commissioner:

W.T.BOONE, Capt.CMP,
Provincial Legal Officer,
Venice Province.

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Subject:- Traffic Accident

HQ 86(Army)Area
APM 25/6
14 Jul 45

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PPSO AMG Venice

Ref your RX/PS/6.1.2. of 7 Jul 45; herewith report on the traffic accident in question.

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16.7.45

Major
Assistant Provost Marshal

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COPY

Subject:- Traffic Accident on Route 14 Mestre.

115 Provost Company,
C.M.Police, C.M.F.
Ref;- PRO/115/52
13 Jul 45.

C.C.,
5th Supply Section,
3td Ordnance Maintenance Coy.,
R.AOO.C.

The attached copy of a Military Police Report is forwarded for your information and necessary action.

C.S.HIX, Captain,
O.C. 115 Provost Company.

Copy to:- A.M.G., VENICE. 91 Claims & Hirings.

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REPORT

To The Officer Commanding
115 Provost Company,
C.M. Police

Subject:- Accident involving British Military and Italian Civilians on Route 14, Mestre.

Sir,

I have to report that at Section H , Mestre, on the 16th June 1945 at about 23.30 hrs I was approached by:-

AUGLIA GIOACCHINO age 42 of VIA SALVZZO 30 ROMA

who stated that he and one other Civilian

MARINELLI LUIGI VIA DEI VOLSA 15 ROMA

had been involved in an accident with their CIVILIAN TRUCK, a FIAT, and a W.D. Vehicle, on Route 14 Near Mestre.

Some injured Soldiers and Civilian Girls Travelling in the W D truck had been removed to Hospital. I went to the scene of the accident which had occurred at MR 526552 on Route 14 approximately 300 yds prior to the VENICE-PADUA T Junction .

I saw a Large Fiat Truck No 79441 Roma which had been driven by MARINELLI , stationery in the Road, facing the T Junction. There were NO lights on the vehicle and it was absolutely impossible to see any reflection from the Red reflectors which were on the rear of the Truck , these being covered in dirt and dust.

The W D vehicle, a Three Ton CHEVROLET No C 5431778 driven by No 7627015 PRIVATE WILLMOTT of 5th SUPPLY SECTION 3rd ORDNANCE MAINTENANCE COY R.A.O.C., was immediately behind the civilian truck and the right front corner of the cabin had collided with the left hand side of the civilian truck. The Cabin was completely wrecked.

It would appear that the Civilian Vehicle had stopped to allow the driver to adjust the lights which were not functioning. In the Civilian Vehicle were the two afore mentioned civilians and one other civilian

ROSATTI ERNESTO VIA CLODIA 17 ROMA 5424

who had witnessed the accident.

I saw a Large Fiat Truck No 79441 Roma which had been driven by MARINELLI , stationary in the Road, facing the T Junction. There were NO Lights on the vehicle and it was absolutely impossible to see any reflection from the Red reflectors which were on the rear of the Truck , these being covered in dirt and dust.

The W D vehicle, a Three Ton CHEVROLET No C543178. driven by No 7827010 PRIVATE WILLMOTT of 5th SUPPLY SECTION 3rd ORDNANCE MAINTENANCE COY R.A.O.C., was immediately behind the civilian truck and the right hand nigsf the cabin had collided with the left hand side of the civilian truck. The Cabin was completely wrecked.

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RO ATTI ERNESTO VIA CLAUDIA 17 ROMA

who had witnessed the accident.

Whilst adjusting the lights the W D Vehicle had run into the back of the Stationary vehicle. The W D Vehicle had contained FIVE Girls two in the cab with the Driver and three in the back together with Two N.C.Os.

Particulars of Civilians are:-

BORTOLOZZO IRENE Age 19 her sister ALICE age 17
of CA BRENTELLE No 7

MARCUZZI VANDA age 26 of the same address No 45

The above Three were sitting in the Back of the vehicle.

BOTTACCINI CINA age 21 her sister SILVIA age 17
of CA BRENTELLE

Who were sitting in front of the vehicle received head injuries but were allowed to proceed home after treatment at the Civilian Hospital.

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The Two N C Os were,

No 10571[illegible]32 Cpl REES W 5th Supply Section R.A.O.C

and No 66[illegible]4 Cpl ~~Chaney~~ CHAINEY C W of the same unit

The Driver PTE WILLMOTT and CPL REES were removed to 12 C.C.S., where it was found that Pte Willmott was suffering from A Fracture Left Ankle and abrasion , CPL REES was suffering from Fractured Frontal Bone Fractured Check Bone Lacerated Right Eye and abrasions.

Statements were obtained from the three Military personel and also Statements from the three Italians. The Two Drivers were handed over to the CARABINIERI for Contravention of Civilian Road Law.

The Civilian Vehicle was handed over to the owner

PICCA [illegible]ENO of 451 Via Appia ROMA

and a receipt obtained.

A Doctors Certificate of injuries to the Two Soldiers is attached.

The W.D. Vehicle was B L R.

I notified the LEGAL OFFICER of VENICE (AMGOT) of the occurrence and he advised that the two Italian Drivers be detained and a Copy of the Reports and Statements be forwarded to him.

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7678674 A/W Cogram SPL
115 PROVOST COY C M POLICE

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I notified the LEGAL OFFICER OF VERNON (NAVY) [illegible] occurrence and he advised that the two Italian Drivers be detained and a Copy of the Reports and Statements be forwarded to him.

7678674 Sgt Cosgrave SPL
115 PROVOST COY C M POLICE

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COPY

STATEMENT by 7627015 Pte WILLMOTT H E
5 Supply Section
3rd Ordnance Maintenance Coy
R. A. O. C.

who states:-

On the 16th June 1945 I was at my Company Dance which finished at approximately 22.30 hrs and I was detailed by Capt Cater my O.C. to take the Dance Band to the F M A Area. I was also detailed to take One Girl, employed by the Unit, back to her home, as she was accompanied by Four relations living near by, I took the Five Girls together. I proceeded to the F M A accompanied by Five Girls, dance Band, Cpl Rees and Cpl Chainey, the Dance Band was left at the F M A and I proceeded along the main Route 14 towards the T Junction Venice Padua Road.

In the Cabin were Two Girls, in the Back of the Vehicle were three Girls and the Two Cpls. I was proceeding at approx-imately 18 to 20 miles per hour when I saw immediately in front of me a Large Vehicle, stationary without any lights. I swerved to miss the Vehicle but the Cabin of my Vehicle caught the tail board of the Vehicle that was stationayry causing my Cab to collapse on me. I was then taken to Hospital.

(Signed) 7627015 Pvte H Willmott

The above signature written by Private Willmott H with his left hand was written in my presence

(Signed) A J W Cogram Cpl 115 Provost Coy.

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(Signed) 5347060 F Urry L/Cpl C.M.Police 542a
105 Provost Company

12 C C S Mestre
17 June 1945

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STATEMENT BY No 10571932 Cpl REES W
5th Supply Railhead
3rd Ordnance Maintenance Coy
R A O C.

who states:-

At about 23.00 hrs on the 16th June 1945 I was at my Unit dance held at the Billets in Mestre. I accompanied the Band in a Three Ton W D Vehicle on loan to my Unit, I had been drinking and do not remember exactly what happened. I had permission from Sgt Freeman to be out of Billets. There were Three Girls sitting in the Back of the Lorry I was sitting in the Back of the Lorry with the Girls and Cpl Chainey. The above Statement is as much as I can remember.

(Signed) W Rees 10571932
(Cpl)

I have read over the above Statement it is true and correct I have been given the opportunity

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...25.00 hrs on the 16th June 1945 I was at my Unit dance held at the Billetk in Mestre. I accompanied the Band in a Three Ton W D Vehicle on loan to my Unit, I had been drinking and do not remember exactly what happened. I had permission from Sgt Freeman to be out of Billets. There were Three Girls sitting in the Back of the Lorry I was sitting in the Back of the Lorry with the Girls and Cpl Chainey. The above Statement is as much as I can remember,

(Signed) W Rees 10571932
(Cpl)

I have read over the above Statement it is true and correct I have been given the opportunity to make any alterations or additions.

(Signed) W Rees 10571932
(Cpl)

12 C.C.S. Mestre
18. June 1945

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STATEMENT BY:

No 66394 CPL CHAINEY C W A
8th Army Troops EXK

O.F. P.

Attached 5 Supply Section 3rd C.M.Coy R.A.O.C.

who states:-

On the 16th June 1945 I was attending a Dance at my Unit in MESTRE, and at about 22.30 hrs I accompanied Cpl Reed and Pte Willmott in a Three Ton W D Chevrolet with the Band. I had No permission to be out , but as Pte Willmott is my friend I decided to accompany him. I was riding in the Back of the vehicle with Cpl Reed and after dropping the Band we were going to take home Five Civilian Girls that had been at the Dance.

There was two girls in the Cabin with Pte Willmott and Three Girls in the Back of the Vehicle Reed and myself.

We were proceeding toward the Venice-Padue T Junction at a steady pace when I felt the vehicle collide with another.

I do not remember precisely what occurred afterwards as I was badly shaken.

Cpl Reed was removed to hospital with facial injuries and Pte Willmott was taken to Hospital with injuries to his ankle.

One of the Girls was also slightly hurt.

(Signed) 66394 C. W. Chainey Cpl

I have read over the above Statement it is true and correct. I have been given the opportunity to make any alteration or additions.

(Signed) 66394 C W Chainey Cpl

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Mestre

17th June 1945

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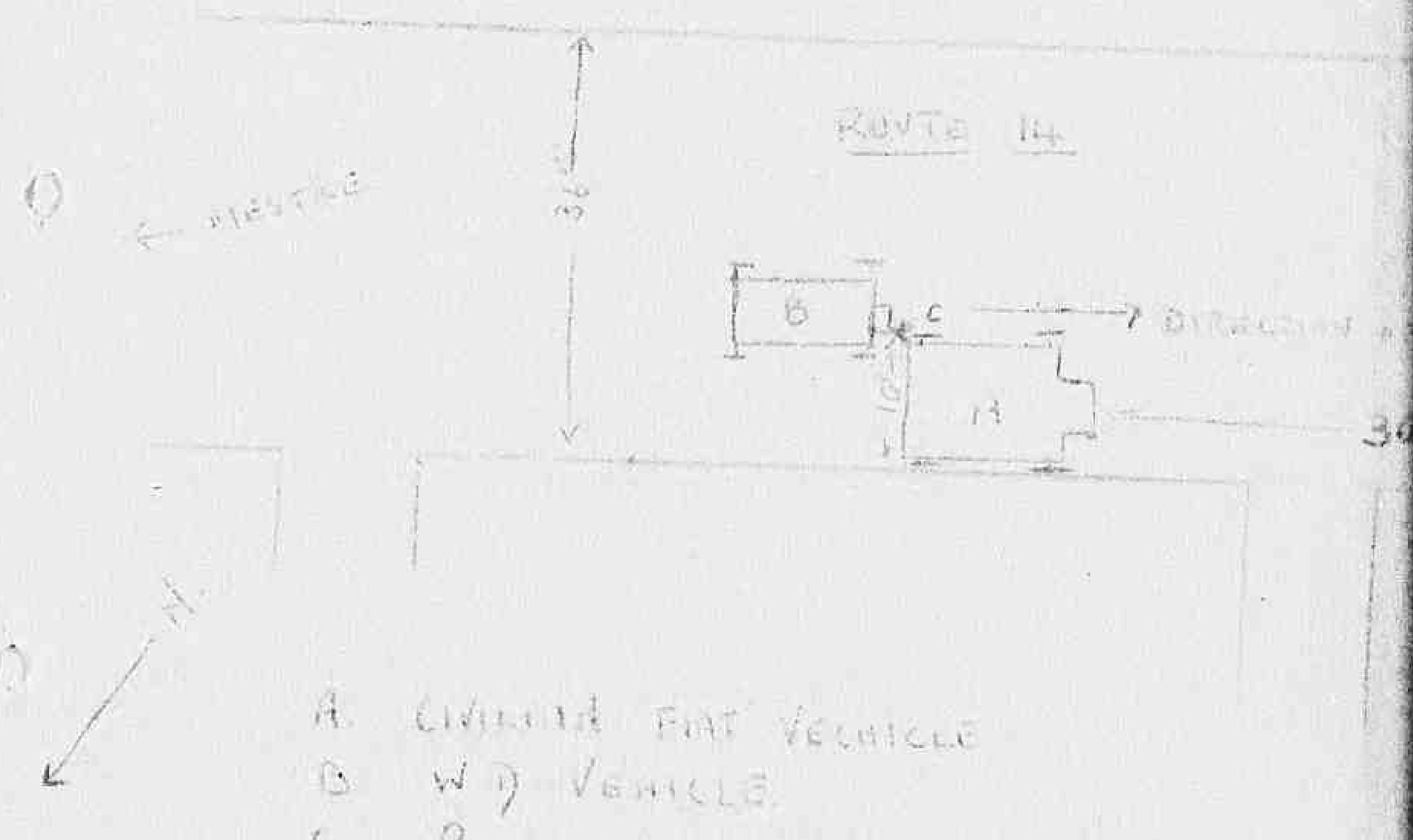
SKETCH MAP OF ACCIDENT

ROUTE 14



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Copy of Translation of Statement made by MARINELLI LUIGI

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I, the undersigned, Marinelli Luigi, son of Ricardo and Gioacchini Odda, born in Rome on the 12.4.13, living in Rome at No. 15 Via Volsci, declare as follows:

On the night 16 inst. at 2230 hrs I stopped with my empty truck No. 79441 on the main road MESTRE-VENICE, precisely in the street Principe di Piemonte at the beginning of the slope leading to the cross-roads. I stopped my vehicle because of damage to the electric system. The vehicle was on the right side of the road and a friend of mine Quaglia Gioacchino and I started repairing it. Five minutes after my truck was struck in the back byanother vehicle. I went to see what had happened and I heard some wailings of a woman who had been knocked out. With other Allied soldiers we helped them. The driver of the military vehicle sustained some injuries but he did not take care of his own condition, looking only for "La signorina - la signorina". Later he was taken to the Civil Hospital.

After the accident and first aid to the wounded people, I left my vehicle on the road and I went to inform the Military Police for the enquiries.

Previously 4 or 5 cars could overtake my vehicle without difficulty. I declare that the glasses of the back lamp were dirty.

(Sgd) Marinelli Luigi

Copy of Translation of Statement made by QUAGLIA GIOACCHINO

I, the undersigned, Quaglia Gioacchino, son of Acchille and Mangiucchi Seconda, born in Velletri on the 20.9.1903, living in Rome at No. 38 Via Saluzzo, Rome, state:

On the 16.6.45 I was stationary in a car (No. ROMA 79441) at the beginning of the slope to Venice and just in Via Principe di Piemonte. The car (as something was broken in the electric system) was stationary for a few minutes after which I heard a hit on the rear of the car. This happened just when my friend Marinelli was giving me a screwdriver. I went out of the car to see what had happened. I saw that a military car had hit the left rear part of my car and I, with other soldiers, helped the injured persons.
I went to the Police Stationand reported there about what had happened. 542
A policeman of the Allied Military Police went to the place of the accident and took all particulars. I and my friends went to the Carabinieri Caserma
I repaired the car on the next day

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(Sgd) Marinelli Luigi

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A policeman of the Allied Military Police went to the place of the accident and took all particulars. I and my friends went to the Carabinieri Casrema I repaired the car on the next day, cleaned the glasses of the electric system which were dirty from the long journey (Rome-Venice).
The car was stationary no more than 4-5 minutes when the accident happened. Previously 4-5 cars passed easily and could overtake my car without difficulty.

(Sgd) QUAGLIA GIOACCHINO

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Copy of Medical Statements

Pte Willmott etc admitted to 12 CCS on 16.6.45. after a truck accident, with laceration of L thumb; abrasions of R cheek and 2 upper incisor teeth R knocked out. Closed fracture of both bones of leg at ankle R. Evacuated to 865 FDS.

(Sgd) ???? ?? Capt.

10571932 Cpl Rees W - RAOC

Admitted to this CCS on 16 Jun 45 with DEPRESSED FRAC. ZYGOMN, and FRAC. FRONTAL BONE. Injuries sustained in Road Accident. Evacuated to 865 FDS on 17 Jun 45.

(Sgd) T.THOMAS ? Capt., RAMC.
12 (Br) CCS.

19 Jun 45.

Copy of Translation of Statement made by ROSATI ERNESTO

I, the undersigned, Rosati Ernesto, son of Pietro and Ammenti Antonia, born in ROME on the 18.1.1892, living in Rome at No. 17 Via Cella, driver for the firm PICCA of 7 Via Enea ROME, state:

On the 16.6.45 at about 1630 hrs I left Venice where I bought some vino and directed myself to Mestre. The car needed to be repaired and when I left Mestre for Venice. I was just arrived at a slope, suddenly the light turned out. I was in Via Principe di Piemonte. At that moment a car belonging to the Allied Forces hit my car on the left rear. It was about 2230 hrs. I heard some screams. I with some Allied soldiers helped the injured persons. I confirm that the car remained stationary only for a few minutes.

(Sgd) ROSATI ERNESTO

N.B. I state that the glasses of the electric system were dirty.

(Sgd) ROSATI ERNESTO

The above statement (which is written in very bad Italian) has been translated by me from Italian into English to the best of my ability.

(Sgd) Marangoni Bruno

Copy of Translation od Statement made by PICCA REMO

I, the undersigned, Picca Remo born of GIUSEPPE and Scifoni Gentilina, at Velletri on the 5.7.1899, living in ROME at No. 451 Via Appia, merchant,

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I, the undersigned, Picca Remo born of GIUSEPPE and Scifoni Gentilina, at Velletri on the 5.7.1899, living in ROME at No. 451 Via Appia, merchant, state:

that I received back my car (ROMA 79441) which was temporarily taken in custody by the Allied Police.

I state too that on the 17.6.45 I did not give any order to my driver to clean the glasses of the electric system.

(Sgd) REMO PICCA

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VENEZIA PROVINCE
A. M. G.

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Oggetto:- Inoltro di documenti
Al:- Procuratore del Regno - Venezia
Da:- P.L.O. Uff. A.M.G. Provincia di Venezia
File:- UGG XII/VIII/225
Data:- 23 Giugno 1945

Si unisce un rapporto d'arresto dal quale risulta la responsabilità del conducente.

Poichè si ritiene che le lesioni riportate siano di entità particolarmente gravi si richiede il Vs. intervento.

Altre informazioni sul caso potranno ottenersi dal Caporale Cogram, A.J.W. che trovasi al seguente indirizzo nella nostra città: 7686634 - 115 - Pro Coy.

Per il Commissario Provinciale

(P.D. COTES-FREEDY) Major

P.L.O.

Provincia di Venezia

cc

IV PS/L Form I.

GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO - ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

RAPPORTO D' ARRESTO - REPORT OF ARREST

LEGAL OFFICE
VENEZIA PROVINCE
A. M. G.

I. - Numero delle persone arrestate - Number of persons arrested.

Numero delle persone arrestate ed accusate congiuntamente in questo reato:
Number of persons arrested and charged jointly with this offence: TWO

II. - Persone arrestate - Persons arrested.

(a) (Cognome - Last Name) (Nome - First & Middle Names) (Paternità - Father's Name)
Età: Age: 34 Sesso: Sex: M Stato Civile: Marital Status: M
Tess. di Ricon. N. Ident. Card No.
Indirizzo: Address: VIA [illegible] 15 ROMA (Via - Street Address) (Comune - City)

(b) (Cognome - Last Name) [illegible] (Nome - First & Middle Names) (Paternità - Father's Name)
Età: Age: 40 Sesso: Sex: M Stato Civile: Marital Status: M
Tess. di Ricon. N. Ident. Card. No.
Indirizzo: Address: VIA [illegible] 35 ROMA (Via - Street Address) (Comune - City)

Elencare al tergo di questo foglio altri congiuntamente accusati in questo reato.
List others charged jointly with this offence on back hereof.

III. - Accusa e causa dettagliata dell'arresto - Charge & details of incident leading to arrest.

Luogo dell'arresto: Place of arrest: PRINCIPE PIEMONTE MESTRE
Data: Date: 16.6.45 *Ora:* Time: 2330

Luogo del reato: Place of offence: PRINCIPE PIEMONTE MESTRE
Data: Date: 16.6.45 *Ora:* Time: 230

Rapporto dettagliato dei fatti che costituiscono il reato: Detailed statement of facts constituting offence:

leaving a FIAT vehicle No 79441
in the Main Road Without Lights or reflectors that were visible,
thereby causing an accident which resulted in serious injuries
being received by the Military Personel travelling in the U.S
vehicle which ran into the said Fiat Truck

(Continua al tergo di questa pagina se necessita più spazio od allega altri fogli).
(Continue on other side if more space needed or attach additional sheets).

IV. - Elenco e descrizione di proprietà sequestrata - List and description of property seized.

Laddove è adesso la proprietà:
Present whereabouts of property:

V. - Nome ed identità dell'ufficiale facendo l'arresto - Name and identity of arresting officer.

COGRAM (Nome - Name) J W (Grado - Rank) (Matricola - A. S. N.) (A. P. O.) 7868894 115 PRO Coy. (Reparto - Unit)

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being received by the Military Personel travelling in the W D
vehicle which ran into the said Flat Truck

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COGRAM J W	CPL	7585324	115	637.

VI. - Testimoni - Witnesses.

Rivela i nomi delle persone che furono attualmente i testimoni alla commissione del reato accusato, dandone il grado, numero di matricola, e il numero APO, se si tratta di personaggi militari, e l'indirizzo se si tratta di borghesi.
State names of the persons who actually witnessed the commission of the offence charged, giving rank, organization, serial number and APO Number if Military personnel, and address if Civilians.

No. 1
Un breve riassunto di ciò che questo testimone attesterà. - Summarize briefly what this witness will testify:

who was travelling in the Civilian Vehicle and
witnessed the Accident.

No. 2
Un breve riassunto di ciò che questo testimone attesterà. - Summarize briefly what this witness will testify:

VII. - Il completamento del rapporto - Completeness of report.

Deve essere sottomessa altra informazione? (Vedi istruzioni)
Is further information to be submitted? (See instructions.)

VIII. - Stazione CC. RR. o Commissariato di P. S. dov'è la matricola - Station where booked.

Stazione:
Station:

Numero di Matricola della P. M.
M. P. Registry or Booking No.:

(Stampato) COGRAM
(Print)

(Firma)
(Sign)

Nome, numero e titolo della persona che riempie questo rapporto e sua firma. - Name, number and title of person filling out this report and his signature.

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...preter - Interpreter.

Se un interprete è stato usato nell'interrogare l'accusato o i testimoni, dichiara il suo nome ed indirizzo.
If an interpreter was used in interrogating the accused or witnesses, state here his name and address.

X. - Prigione dove l'accusato è detenuto (gli accusati sono detenuti) - Prison Where accused is (are) confined.

Nome della Prigione:
Name of Prison : CARCERI GIUDIZIARIE - VENEZIA

No. di Matricola del Carcere:
Prison Registry Number: (a) 14862 (b) 14863 (c) (d) (e)

Ufficio Matricole

XI. - Persone arrestate - continuazione del paragrafo II. - Persons arrested - continued from paragraph II.

(c) *Età:* Age: *Sesso:* Sex: *Stato Civile:* Marital Status:
[*Cognome* - Last Name] [*Nome* - First & Middle Names] - [*Paternità* - Father's Name]
Indirizzo: Address: *Tess. di Ricon. N.* Ident. Card. No.
[*Via* - Street Address] [*Comune* - City]

(d) *Età:* Age: *Sesso:* Sex: *Stato Civile:* Marital Status:
[*Cognome* - Last Name] [*Nome* - First & Middle Names] [*Paternità* - Father's Name]
Indirizzo: Address: *Tess. di Ricon. N.* Ident. Card No.
[*Via* - Street Address] [*Comune* - City]

(e) *Età:* Age: *Sesso:* Sex: *Stato Civile:* Marital Status:
[*Cognome* - Last Name] [*Nome* - First & Middle Names] [*Paternità* - Father's Name]
Indirizzo: Address: *Tess. di Ricon. N.* Ident. Card. No.
(*Via* - Street Address) (*Comune* - City)

XII. - Continuazione del III, IV, VI o XI od altre informazioni - Continuation of III, IV, VI or XI or additional information.

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(Pink copy to be retained at Booking Offi[illegible] white and green to be sent with prisoner to Director. After being completed by Director, green copy to be retained by him and white copy deliv[illegible] to Prosecuting Officer).

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

AG 729.3/330 PMG-O

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20 July 1945

SUBJECT: Theater-Wide Traffic Safety Campaign - August, 1945.

TO: All Concerned.

1. Reports from command Provost Marshals and command Safety Directors reveal a steady and alarming increase in motor vehicle traffic accidents.

2. For the months of April, May and June, motor vehicle accidents accounted for more than 50% of the accidental deaths reported in the theater.

3. In order to combat this unfavorable trend, it is directed that all commands of the theater conduct an intensive traffic safety campaign for the month of August, 1945.

4. The following specific steps will be taken by all commands:

a. A safety bulletin will be prepared and published announcing the campaign, calling specific attention to the need for it, the objectives to be gained and directing commanding officers of all subordinate units to give active support to the program.

b. "Safe Driving Pledges" (Inclosure Number 1) will be reproduced locally and will be signed by personnel of all commands who drive US vehicles.

(1) Signed copies of "Safe Driving Pledges" will be retained by drivers signing the pledge.

(2) It is suggested that matter of signing the pledges be made an occasion of ceremony in connection with the inauguration of the campaign at unit level.

c. Major commands which maintain road blocks will reproduce individually, numbered "Safety Slogans" (Inclosure Number 2) in sufficient quantity to distribute one to the driver of each US vehicle passing through road blocks daily. Such distribution to be made by military police personnel manning the road blocks.

d. Unit Safety Officers will be urged to supplement steps outlined in paragraphs b and c with local safety publicity and safety meetings, soliciting safety suggestions from all personnel. Suggestions received, if appropriate, will be adopted by units and forwarded through channels to major commands for possible command-wide use.

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dated 20 July 1945 (Cont'd)

5. The following action is being taken at theater level in connection with the campaign:

a. Traffic safety posters are being printed and will be distributed to all units of the theater.

b. Appropriate continuing publicity will be carried in Stars and Stripes for the duration of the campaign.

c. AFRS radio stations will carry appropriate safety spot announcements during the campaign.

6. At the conclusion of the campaign and before 10 September 1945, commanding generals of all commands will submit a report to this headquarters, outlining the action and results obtained in connection with the campaign.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MCNARNEY:

2 Incls
1. Safe Driving Pledges
2. Safety Slogans

C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

DISTRIBUTION:

"X"
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1 - G-1

Mob 2-f/7
AAF 24-7
CA 24/7

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TRAFFIC SAFETY CAMPAIGN

AUGUST 1945

SAFE DRIVING PLEDGE

I hereby acknowledge responsibility for my own safety and for the safety of others while driving a vehicle. I pledge that -

1. I WILL practice good sportsmanship by always giving the other fellow more than a chance; by giving him a break.

2. I WILL watch for the mistakes of other drivers and pedestrians and do what I can to compensate for them.

3. I WILL always control my speed so that the vehicle can be stopped before hitting any other vehicle or pedestrian that might possibly get in the way.

4. I WILL always drive in my correct lane - and give proper signals before passing or turning.

5. I WILL not pass other vehicles while approaching a curve.

6. I WILL not pass other vehicles on a hill.

7. I WILL dim my headlights when approaching oncoming vehicles at night.

8. I WILL reduce the speed of my vehicle to not more than 25 MPH when driving through towns and villages.

9. I WILL slow down and be extra cautious when driving on wet pavement.

10. I WILL do everything within my power to avoid an accident.

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Signature

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Organization

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1. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Americans are known the world over for their good sportsmanship. So, while you are behind the wheel of your vehicle, don't throw our reputation out the window. Give the other fellow more than a chance; always give him a break!

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2. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Drive in your correct lane -- and give signals. Thoughtfulness of others adds up safety for yourself.

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3. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Don't pass other vehicles while approaching a curve. You cannot know what is beyond your vision.

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4. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Don't pass other vehicles on a hill. You cannot know what is beyond your vision.

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5. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

You are looking for trouble when you look away from the road.

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6. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Obey road warning signs. They are placed there for your protection.

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7. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

It is better to arrive at your destination a few minutes late than to reach eternity ahead of time.

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8. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Accidents don't pay! Ask the man who had one.

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9. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

A minute for safety beats a month in the hospital!

10. DEATH IS SO PERMENENT !

It's easy to talk safety, but are you doing your part?

11. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Let it not be written concerning you - "Died in the service of his country - NEEDLESSLY". Drive carefully.

12. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Slow down before reaching curves! It's too late when you're skidding off the road.

13. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

A good safety rule to follow - SPEED SHOULD GO DOWN WITH THE SUN.

14. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Don't over drive your headlights - danger lurks in the darkness ahead.

15. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

The courteous driver is a safe driver.

16. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

The A B C of safety -- Always Be Careful.

17. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Safe speed is speed always so controlled that the vehicle can be stopped before hitting any other vehicle or pedestrian that might possibly get in the way.

18. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Dim your headlights when approaching oncoming vehicles.

19. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Only fools take chances - Play safe - drive carefully.

20. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

It is your duty to do everything within your power to avoid an accident.

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21. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Watch for the mistakes of other drivers and do what you can to compensate for them.

22. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Avoid this epitaph -

"How lies the body of Julian Gray
Who died while taking the right-of-way
He was right, dead right, as he sped along,
But he's just as dead as if he'd been wrong."

23. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

It requires hundreds of nuts to put an automobile together, but only one NUT behind the wheel to tear it apart.

24. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Most highway accidents occur on straight roads. Safe driving requires alertness - consideration for others - a wise choice of speed.

25. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Develop the habit of attention -

1. To the vehicle
2. To the road
3. To the immediate traffic conditions
4. To pedestrians.

26. DEATH IS SO PERMENENT !

Always slow down before reaching an intersection. All expert drivers have this habit.

27. DEATH IS SO PERMENENT !

A good motto to follow - "I'D RATHER BE LATE THAN ABSENT."

28. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT ! 541*

Avoid looking directly at the headlights of approaching cars. Direct your eyes mainly to the edge of the road and slow down.

29. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Wet pavements are treacherous - shift into front wheel drive - SLOW DOWN.

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30. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

The tires on your vehicle are not safe on wet, hard-surface roads, DRIVE SLOW - BE CAUTIOUS.

31. DEATH IS SO PERMANENT !

Don't take chances - slow down on wet pavement.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478427-686

AC/14135/PS 30 June 1945

SUBJECT : Traffic Accident at Mestre (Venezia)

TO : S.F.S.G., Venezia Region.

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1. Will you please institute an inquiry into the accident mentioned in the attached report.

2. The truck mentioned had been sent north by the Questore of Roma on Questura business.

3. If conditions warrant the P.S. agents and the truck should be released.

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director.

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

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TO : Director Public Safety S/C - AC/HQ.

FROM : Lt.Col.R.T.Millhouse,L.O.

Subject : Traffic Accident.

Rome,26th June 45

Attached complaint has been handed to me by the Questore for information and with request that the men, if possible, be released to allow the return of the vehicles to Rome.

Forwarded for your attention and any action deemed necessary.

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

TO	INIT	DATE
DIRECTOR		
DEPUTY DIRECTOR		
EXEC. OFFICER		
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TRANSLATION

On 16/6/45 at about 16.00 hrs. drivers Marinelli Luigi and Quaglia Gioacchino, drave a truck owned by "Picca" firm to Mestre as it wanted repairs to the tyres and to the eletric plants.

On the night of same day at 22.30 hrs about, while after having had the car repaired were going on their way back to Venezia they had to stop again at Via Principe di Piemonte as the eletric plant of the car had broken down and they had remained completely in the dark.

The car was parked regularly on the right side and close to the kerb. The drivers stepped out and went under the car to repair the lights.

Meanwhile 5 or 6 cars and the bus Venezia-Mestre had passed by Via Principe di Piemonte, and none of them hit the truck, proving thus that the truck was well in sight.

After few minutes the drivers noticed a formidable blow on the back, of the truck and realized that it had been hit by an Allied vehicle.

The power of the impact was so big that the italian truck which had the second gear on, was no less than started and the differential was shifted 1 inch ½.

Marinelli and Quaglia presently gave first aid to the occupiers of the Allied truck.

Two allied soldiers seriously hurt, one of whom the driver however in bad conditions, was keeping on asking for girls, and three civilian girls slightly injured were drawn out of the wrecked car. Two more girls also being in the truck were unhurt.

A.M.P. N.C.O. then intervened and noticed that the hit truck was close to the kerb and without lights (as a matter

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A.M.P. N.C.O. then intervened and noticed that the hit truck was close to the kerb and without lights (as a matter of fact this was the reason why the drivers had come to a stop) and that the refracting red glasses were covered with dust (which was natural after a travel of 500 Kms.) but still visible. It must be noted that at both ends of the street notices: "Speed limit 25 M.P." are posted and therefore the allied truck ought not to have exceeded a/m limit, which evidently was not done judging from the effects of the impact. Naturally the Allied driver had complied with that rule he would certainly have avoided the collision as besides had happened with the cars which had previously passed by.

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The N.C.O. of the British Police, even after remarking all those circumstances, apprehended and kept in custody Marinelli and Quaglia.

For a/m considerations, and since the Italian Road laws do not rule the drivers shall be arrested in such accidents (indeed the accident was neither due to the arrested men's fault, nor did it cause the instantaneous death of anybody) we ask for the releasing of a/m persons on the wait for trial.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 473800

AC/14135/PS 26 June 1945

SUBJECT : Traffic Offence by AC civilian driver.

TO : HQ. Commandant,
(Attn: Major Birch)

1. Reference attached correspondence.

2. It has been ascertained that application for cancellation of the fine should be made to the City Hall. It is suggested that this should be done through Local Government Sub-Commission.

3. A report by Lt. Fazioli, Public Safety Leaison Officer, is attached. It will be noted that he says the fine was imposed at the request of the Military Police.

Major Wm. C. Ballance.

for JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director.

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TRANSLATION MC.

LAZIO CC.RR. TERRITORIAL LEGION

N:I5/39 Rome 27th April I945

Subject: Information/

To : Allied Military Covernment. Public Safety subcommission.

On the I5th instant,at I8 hrs,in Tolfa (Rome),while the colored driver soldier IAN BRESCH,drived the american truck Sprat 4279259 U.S.A. Reg.40,in order to bound in the direction of Civitavecchia,a boy VERDIROSI Enrico,I2 years old,living in that place,hanging arm to the back of the truck fell accidentally on the ground.

The driver not knowing what had happened,boud the truck backwards,causing the back tyre of the truck passing over the left leg of the boy.

The boy has been seriosly wounded at the left leg.

On the 24th instant,at I5 hrs,at the 96 Km of the via Appia Terracina(Littoria),an allied military truck"DODGE"L.47I795I, drived by an italian military driver,bound for Naples,suddenly came out from the convoy of trucks of which it belonged,went into collission violently with the truck driven by CAROLI Sisto,32 years old from Rome.(Number of the truck:63926-Rome)/

The incident caused the death for D'AMICO Santo,39 years old, from Montebello Ionico;and serious wounds at the legs of DE SANTIS Renato,38 years old,curable in 20 days W/C,and FONTEMAGGI Amedeo,45 years,has been slightly wounded.

De Santis as well as Montemaggi are from Rome and were on civil truck.

Also the trucks have been damaged.The military driver is absolutely unknown.

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On the 24th April,at I6 hrs, in via Appia,Km 97 Terracina(Littoria) the Jeep n:2I85I37 U.S.A. driven by one Allied Soldier,bound for Rome,in the attempt to surpass the italian Military water-tank travelling in the same direction brushed against the left splash-board of the water-tanck caussing the over turning of the truck.
The driver CASTAGNA Angelo,has been considered haelable in 30 days, because not seriously wounded;the soldier FANGRASSO Pietro,who travelled in the same truck,has been very slightly wounded.
Also the driver and the soldiers who were in the jeep have been slightly wounded.
The allied police of Velletri interveined.

Colonel Commanding
Luigi Bertatrelli-

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Legione territoriale dei carabinieri reali del Lazio

UFFICIO di SERVIZIO

N. 15/39 di prot. Roma, li 27 aprile 1945 -A.V.

Risposta al N. // del // N. // Div. //

Oggetto { N O T I Z I A R I O.-

Carte annesse n.

Al COMANDO MILITARE ALLEATO - Reg.IV^ - Ufficio S.P. -

R O M A

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15 corrente,ore 18,in Tolfa (Roma),mentre conducente soldato colore IAN FRESCI manovrava camion americano Sprat 4279299 U.S.A. Reg.40 per girarlo in direzione stradale Civitavecchia ragazzo VERDIHOSI Enrico,anni 12,del luogo si attaccava con le mani parte posteriore autoveicolo stesso cadendo accidentalmente a terra.-

Autista ignorando l'accaduto spingeva la macchina a marcia indietro per cui ruota posteriore autocarro passava sopra alla gamba sinistra del ragazzo producendogli vasta ferita lacero contusa alla regione malleolare esterna con perdita sostanza e scollamento tessuti.-

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24 corrente ore 15 chilometro 96 via Appia Terracina (Littoria) autocarro militare alleato "DODGE" L.4717951 pilotato autista militare italiano diretto Napoli improvvisamente usciva da autocolonna inglese di cui faceva parte investendo violentemente autocarro targato 63926 Roma pilotato da CAROLI Sisto,anni 32,da Roma.

Incidente provocava decesso D'AMICO Santo di anni 39,da Montebello Ionico et ferite gambe et DE SANTIS Renato,anni 38,da Montella gg.20 s/c et ferite lievi et FONTEMAGGI Amedeo,anni 45 entrambi da Roma et tutti bordo automezzo civile.- Automezzi ripartivano

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danni sensibili.- Autista militare rimasto sconosciuto.-

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24 aprile ore 16 in via Appia Km.97 Terracina(Littoria) camioncetta Gips n°2185137 S.U.A.pilotata soldato americano diretta Roma tentativo sorpassare autobotte militare italiana viaggiante stessa direzione urtava parafango sinistro autobotte predetta provocandone sbandamento et capovolgimento.- Autista CASTAGNA Angelo che riportava lesioni giudicato guaribile gg.30 s/c .- Soldato TANCREDO Pietro viaggiante stessa autobotte riportava ferite lievi entita.- Autista et soldati americani viaggianti camioncetta riportavano ferite lievi entità.-

Interveruta polizia alleata di Velletri.=

IL COLONNELLO COMANDANTE
- Luigi Bortarelli -

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From: Deputy Provost Marshal,
Provost & Security Unit,
Sub-Headquarters, North Italy.

To : Headquarters Allied Commission,
Public Safety Sub-Commission.

Date: 3rd May, 1945.

Ref : DI/156/7/Air.

31A

Traffic Offences.

Reference your letter AC/14135/PS. dated the 8th April, 1945, returning reports in respect of Italian Army personnel who were checked for traffic offences, these reports have been forwarded to the appropriate authority in accordance with your instructions.

R. W. Johnson.

(R. W. JOHNSON)
Wing Commander,
Deputy Provost Marshal.

TO		
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DEPUTY DIRECTOR		
EXEC. OFFICER		
POLICE		
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TRANSLATION. 6n.

14135 in 36A

RAZZO CARABINIERI TERRITORIAL LEGION

G. Vecchia in G. Marinella Tenenze

No. 2/14. G. Marinella, 6th April, 1945.
SUBJECT : Motor accident.

TO : Provincial P.S. Officer, Rome.
Ministry of War, Rome.
Ministry of the Interior, Rome.
CC.RR Bns. Command, Rome.
Command of 2nd Division "Podgora" CC.RR., Rome.
Command of IV Brigade, CC.RR., Rome.
The Prefecture, Rome.
Command of Lazio CC.RR Territorial Legion, Rome.
The Questure, Rome.
Command of 2nd Lazio CC.RR Group, Rome.
Command of C.RR Company, Civitavecchia.

At about 22 hours on the 4th instant, a gup driven by a coloured soldier of American nationality, carrying Mario RIVIECI, son of Felice, 22 years of age, from Tolfa, workman, in order to avoid running into two horses on the Allumiere-Civitavecchia road, having reached the vicinity of Fosso Galeazza, ran off the road and capsized. The soldier driver died at once, while Riversi received several wounds - diagnosis reserved.

Immediately after the incident the soldier was transported away to Civitavecchia by some co-nationals.

The Lieut. Commanding.
-Luigi Romanzi -

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LEGIO TERRITORIALE DEI CARABINIERI REALI DEL LAZIO

TENENZA DI C.VECCHIA IN S.MARINELLA

N. 2/14 di prot.div.III^ S.Marinella,li 6 aprile 1945-

OGGETTO:Incidente automobilistico.=

AL PROVINCIAL PUBBLIC SAFETY OFFICIER. . . . . R O M A
AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA . . . . . R O M A
AL MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO . . . . . R O M A
AL COMANDO GENERALE DELL'ARMA DEI CC.RR. . . . . R O M A
AL COMANDO DELLA 2^ DIVISIONE"PODGORA"CC.RR. . . . . R O M A
AL COMANDO DELLA IV^ BRIGATA CC.RR. . . . . R O M A
ALLA REGIA PREFETTURA DI . . . . . R O M A
AL COMANDO DELLA LEGIONE TERRITORIALE DEI CC.RR. . LAZIO - R O M A
ALLA REGIA QUESTURA DI . . . . . R O M A
AL COMANDO DEL GRUPPO LAZIALE SECONDO DEI CC.RR. . . . . R O M A
AL COMANDO DELLA COMPAGNIA DEI CARABINIERI REALI DI . CIVITAVECCHIA

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Ore 22 circa 4 corrente,camionetta Gyp pilotata da militare di colore, nazionalità americana,con a bordo RIVERSI Mario di Felice,di anni 22,da Tolfa,bracciante,sulla strada Allumiere-Civitavecchia giunta località Passo Calabrino per evitare investimento due equini si portava fuori strada rovescaondosi punto Militare conducente decedeva subito,mentre il Riversi riportava ferite varie con prognosi riservata punto

Subito dopo incidente militare veniva trasportato da propri connazionali Civitavecchia punto

IL TENENTE COMANDANTE

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IL TENENTE COMANDANTE
-Luigi Gonanzi-

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478708
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13 April, 1945.

AC/14135/PS

SUBJECT : Accident - Mil: Vehicle.

TO : Commanding General CC.RR.

1 Particulars are requested of a traffic accident which occurred at MONTERADONE, Campobasso Province, on 24 August 1944, in which a Dodge 10 cwt vehicle No.4796370, driven by DAINERT KAZIMIERZ, a Polish soldier, was involved.

2 The particulars required are :

a) The name of the hospital to which the driver was evacuated.

b) Who took the vehicle away, and its present whereabouts.

c) Copies of the reports made by the Carabinieri who were present.

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

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SUBJECT:- Vehicle Offences - Italian Personnel.

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EXEC. OFFICER		
POLICE	FJW	12/4/45
LIC. & REG.		
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

AF/PM/167/10

6 Apr 45

List "A".

1. Attention is directed to the following vehicle offences committed by Italian personnel:-

(a) Speeding in built-up areas

It has been represented that the absence of bi-lingual signs in such areas gives the offending drivers an opportunity of pleading ignorance.

Certain areas have already adopted warning signs in Italian, and an extension of this practice in all Districts would enable satisfactory action to be taken to curb fast driving.

(b) Carriage of unauthorised personnel

It was stated at the recent Allied Police Conference that Italian drivers, in particular personnel of the Gruppe, were guilty of giving lifts to unauthorised civilian personnel who were prepared to endure considerable discomfort in order to avoid detection on the road or at check posts.

2. Please take the necessary action in conjunction with the Italian Carabinieri and Civil Police.

J.Sirrine, Lt Col,
IPM,
for Colonel,
Provost Marshal.

MCW

Copies to:- G-1(Br).
MMIA.
AC (Public Safety Sub Commission). (Your AC/14135/PS dated 3 Apr 45 refers).

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33A

To : HQ. AC. Public Safety Sub Commission
From : HQ. AMG/AC. Umbria Marche Region
Subject : Accident, Mil Vehicle and Civilians
Ref : R5/514/14
Date : 10th April 45

1. The attached letter 11 Polish Provost Coy Ref 41/45 22 Feb 1945 and copy letter addressed to 8th Polish H.A.A Agt, have been forwarded to this HQ by AMG Rear Eighth Army with a request that the information mentioned be obtained.

2. Will you please obtain from CC. RR. Campobasso the particulars required, and return the enclosed documents with reply.

For the Regional Commissioner

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TO	
DIRECTOR	
DEPUTY DIRECTOR	
EXEC. OFFICER	
FINANCE	
LIC. & REG.	
PRISONS	
ARMAMENT	
SECURITY	
CHIEF	

W. S. PICKERING
Lt. Colonel
R.P.S.C.

Required - Military book of vehicle
Civil report on accident
Medical & official report on
casualties

Subject: Traffic accident
Ste DAINERT KAZIMIERZ

11 Polish Corps Int Org
Ref 41/45
22 FEB 1945

A.M.G. attd Hq. 2 Polish Corps

Ref enclosed copy of letter ~~which~~ received from DAD 50 Claims & Clearings.

Will you please issue instructions to Pte Italian Carabinieri at MONTERADONI ~~or~~ VENAFRO (CAMPOBASSO) to establish where Tp who removed DODGE 10 cwt WDN 4796370, ~~which~~ upon Pte Traffic accident which occurred on 24 Aug 1944 near MONTERADONI (CAMPOBASSO)

If should Pte ~~be~~ present whereabouts of the above vehicle be known, will you please notify this Hq accordingly.

The following details are also required.

Hospital ~~to~~ to which the driver DAINERT KAZIMIERZ has been evacuated

Copies of reports made by the Italian Carabinieri.

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24 Aug 1944 near MONTERADONICO (1:50,000)

If Should PW be encountered / Re above vehicle be known,
will you please notify this Hq accordingly.
Re following details are also required:
Hospital to which Re driver DAIVERT
KAZIMIERZ has been evacuated
Copies of reports made by Re Polish authorities.

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11 Szwadron Żandarmerii
L.dz.41/45.
.DAINERT Kazimierz uf.-
wypadek drogowy.-

M.p., dnia 22.II.1945

A.M.G. przy Dowodztwie 2 Korpusu

M / p

W zwiazku z treścia załączonego odpisu pisma D.A.D.50 Claims s
sze o wydanie zarzadzenia karabinierom włoskim w Monteradoni wzgl.Venafro (
lenia dokad i przez kogo został zabrany samochod marki Dodge 10 cwt.Nr.rej.4
ku drogowym,jaki miał miejsce w dniu 24.VIII.1944 r.w poblizu m.Monteradoni (Campo
Jezeli wiadomem jest,gdzie samochod obecnie sie znajduje,prosze o podanie adresu.
Ponadto,prosze o podanie,do jakiego szpitala został odwieziony kierowc
szego samochodu,uf.Dainert Kazimierz,ktory doznał uszkodzenia ciała.
Jezeli karabinierzy włoscy posiadaja akta dochodzeń,dotyczace powyzsze
ku,prosze o zazadanie odpisow.
Dane te prosze nadesłac do tut.Szwadronu.-

Dowodca Szwadronu

R [illegible] kpt.

Zał. 1.-

Subject: Traffic accident

50/40224/33/A.F.

To: 872 Polish H.A.A. Regt
W/Shop
C.M.F

A Traffic accident occurred on August 44 on the road NR WINTERSDUNI (Camphouse) on the 24th August which involved a vehicle notified as on your charge at that time.

The W.D Number of the vehicle is 02479370 and it is alleged that this Truck was involved in the above mentioned accident. Please, therefore, render without delay Army Form A 3676 to enable this Commission to proceed with the necessary investigation of the case. It should also be noted that statements concerning the accident must be obtained from the Service personnel and rendered with the A.F.A. 3676.

Please give this matter your urgent attention.

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The N.D Number of the vehicle is 0247637O and it is alleged that this Truck was involved in the above mentioned accident. Therefore, under without delay Army Form A 3676 to enable this Commission to proceed with the necessary investigation of the case. It should also be noted that statements concerning the accident must be obtained from the Service personnel and rendered with the A.F.A 3676.

Please give this matter your urgent attention.

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P.S. The drivers name has been given as "DAINERT CASIMIERS".

(Sgd)

Field
4th DEC 44

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Subject : Discipline .

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
A/6

6 April 45.

Public Safety Sub Comm.
HQ, Allied Commission.

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Ref : your AC/I4I35/PS, dated I7th of March.

The subject of the report forwarded with your above quoted letter was referred to the Ministry of War.on the 24th of March, who have now informed this HQ that SMRE had been instructed to issue orders which will ensure that the nuisance reported will be eliminated.

S.P. ARCHER, Capt.
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

SPA/fc

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478800

8 April, 1945.

PS/14185/ps.

SUBJECT : Traffic offences.

TO : Deputy Provost Marshall
Provost & Security Unit,
Sub Headquarters, North Italy.

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1. With reference to your letter DI/156/7/Air dated 4 Arpil 1945.

2. The 2 reports concerning Italian Army drivers, returned herewith, should be addressed to the Italian Army Territorial HQ Home.

3. The report concerning the person employed by Allied Commission has been forwarded to HQ. Comdt, Allied Commission HQ.

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

BP/G.

Copy to HQ Comdt. AC H.
with report re Silvio FERRO.

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From: Deputy Provost Marshal,
Provost & Security Unit,
Sub-Headquarters, North Italy.

To : Public Safety Officer,
Allied Commission.

14135.

Date: 4th April, 1945.

Ref : DI/156/7/Air.

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TRAFFIC OFFENCES.

Attached for your information are reports submitted by the R.A.F. Police Traffic Section concerning traffic offences committed by Italian civilians and soldiers.

2. It would be appreciated if this Headquarters could be informed of the appropriate authority to deal with cases of this kind.

(R.W. JOHNSON)
Wing Commander,
Deputy Provost Marshal.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394.

AC/41139/PS. Tel. 409081 - 580.

3rd April, 1945.

SUBJECT : 'Built-up Areas' - speeding.

TO : Provost Marshal, AFHQ.

1. The Provost Marshal of No. 2 District, under Memo. 153/11 Pro, dated 20th March, 1945, has called attention to speeding in built-up areas by Italian Drivers and the fact that the absence of bilingual signs in such areas gives the offending drivers an opportunity of pleading ignorance.

2. It is understood that Rome Allied Area Command are arranging to erect suitable signs bilingually and if you could arrange that other Provost Agencies in the area adopt similar methods it would enable satisfactory action to be taken to curb fast driving on the roads.

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

Copy to: Deputy Provost Marshal,
HQ, 2 District, CMF.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

HQ 2 District, CMP
153/11 Pro
30 Mar 45

SUBJECT : Built-up Areas

AC/AMG HQ RAAC

1. Speeding through 'Built-up Areas' by Italian personnel is most prevalent.

2. In view of this fact there is at present no indication in Italian to denote the Speed Limit through 'Built-up-Areas' and Italian personnel can quite genuinely plead ignorance.

3. In order that remedial action can be taken, may direction please be given regarding the erection of suitable signs.

HEADQUARTERS
31 Mar
A C.

Lt. Col,
Deputy Provost Marshal.

TO	INIT	DATE
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DEPUTY DIRECTOR		
EXEC. OFFICER		
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478708

AC/14135/PS

26 March 1945

SUBJECT : Interference with Military traffic

TO : HQ Detachment, 2677 Regt OSS (Prov)
APO 512, U.S.Army

1. With reference with your letter dated 2 March 1945 addressed to the .P.M. RAAC., respecting interference with Military vehicles at Piazzale Ponte Milvio.

2. Your letter has been forwarded to this Office, and the Italian Director of Public Security has been requested to take strong and immediate action to prevent recurrences.

3. This Office has also referred this matter to the Army Sub-Commission and Patriots Branch of Allied Commission.

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

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Translated 7/1/3

Roma 22 Marzo 1945

Ministero dell'Interno
DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

All'ON. COMMISSIONE
ALLEATA
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER LA P.S.
R O M A

Direzione A.G.R. Sez. 2°
Prot. N. 442/3230 Allegati

Risposta al foglio 12 corr.
Div. A.C. Sez. P.S. N° 14135

OGGETTO Ostacolo al traffico militare.

Obstructions to military traffic.

14135.

In relazione alla lettera controdistinta, ho il pregio di comunicare che sono state impartite opportune disposizioni al Sig.Questore di Roma perchè si provveda,con energica e sollecita azione,ad eliminare i lamentati inconvenienti.

TO	si ha
DIRECTOR	
DEPUTY DIRECTOR	
EXEC. OFFICER	
POLAD	
LEG. & ADJ.	
PERSONNEL	
ADMIN.	
SECURITY	
CHRON	

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PEL MINISTRO

With reference to the above-quoted letter it is hereby reported that the necessary instructions have been given to the Questore of Rome so that he may provide energetically and speedily for the elimination of the lamented obstructions.

FOR THE MINISTER.

cc.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

AC/14135/PS

Tel: 478708
12 March 1945

SUBJECT : Interference with Military traffic.

TO : Minister of Interior. Director of Public Security.

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The attached letter respecting improper conduct on the highway at Piazzale Ponte Milvio is forwarded.

It would be appreciated if you will direct prompt action to be taken to remedy this complaint.

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

MP/jwc

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

AC/14135/PS

Tel: 478708
17 March 1945

SUBJECT : Interference with Military traffic.

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission.

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The Attached correspondence from Hq Det. 2677 Regt CWS (Prov) APO 512, U.S. Army, is returned herewith for action by you regarding the Italian Military personnel concerned.

This Sub-Commission has taken up the matter with the Italian Director of Public Security.

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

DP/jwf

Copy to:
Patriots Branch.

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1st Ind

AG 510 1435 HKD/dg

Rome Area Allied Command, APO 794, US Army, 9 March 1945

TO: S-3, MMIA (Attn: Lt. Col. Printzy)

A matter for your command.

By Command of Brigadier General BROWN:

I. E. CHEEK
Captain AGD
Adjutent General

1 Incl
Ltr, Hq Det 2677th Regt OSS (Prov) APO 512, US Army.

2nd Ind.

LAND FORCES SUB COMM. A.C. (MMIA), APO 394, U.S. Army, 14 March 1945.

To: Public Safety Sub Comm. A.C., APO 394, U.S. Army.

The attached correspondence is forwarded for necessary action, please.

S. P. ARCHER, Capt,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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TO		
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EXEC. OFFICER		
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HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT
2677th Regiment, OSS (Prov.)
APO 512, U. S. Army

2 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Interference with Military Traffic.

TO : American Provost Marshal, R.A.A.C., APO 794, U.S.Army.

1. For approximately two weeks members of this Unit have encountered difficulty with partisans and Italian soldiers grouped on the highway at Piazzale Ponte Milvio, where Route 2 proceeds north from Ponte Milvio. At about 5:00 pm every evening these soldiers congregate at this point, endeavoring to secure transportation north. They block the highway by standing across the road, threaten passing vehicles with rocks or other projectiles, and, on the 1st of March, even went so far as to lay a telephone pole across the road.

2. The headquarters of this Detachment is located on Via della Camilluccia and it is necessary for our vehicles to use this route constantly. Our courier vehicles carrying secret documents have been stopped on occasion, as well as numerous passenger vehicles of this Unit.

3. This situation has been reported to the MPs on several occasions; but, when such a report is made, by the time that MPs arrive, these individuals have managed to secure transportation and no problem is apparent. On the following evening the same conditions will again arise, with soldiers threatening to throw rocks at vehicles which do not stop to pick them up.

4. It is feared that a continuation of this situation will inevitably end in some serious and regretable incident; and it is earnestly requested that you make every effort to insure the normal and unhampered flow of traffic along this route. It is evident that forcible means are required to prevent these partisans and Italian military personnel from employing forcible means to secure the transportation they desire.

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John B Crowl
JOHN B. CROWL,
2nd Lt., AUS,
Asst. Services Officer.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LAZIO-UMBRIA REGION
A.P.O. 394
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

FILE : LUR/6/3

29/1/45

SUBJECT : Motor accident - Oscar LA SALANDRA.

TO : Col. W. Chapman , J.A.G.D. Director Public Safety Sub—Commission.
(Through Lt. Col. C.T. Francis, R.P.S.O.).

1. Reference to your letter AC/14135/PS, dated 20/1/45, respecting the above named person.

2. Particulars of this accident were reported to The Commissario of P.S. Trevi Colonna on 14/12/44. A copy of that report (with translation) is herewith attached.

3. Copies of all papers relating to the case have been forwarded to The Officer in Charge, 53 Claims and Hirings, 46 Via delle Botteghe Oscure, Rome.

4. I respectfully suggest that The Ministry of Foreing Affairs be informed to address any future correspondence respecting this case, direct to the above mentioned Claims Office, who deal with all claims for damages against British Military personnel.

HEADQUARTERS PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

D.J.HOPKINS.
CAPTAIN.
P.S.O. ROME CITY.

1st Ind.

30 Jan.'45.

File No. :- LUR/6/3/PS.
Public Safety Divn., HQ., Lazio-Umbria Region.

To :- The Director, Public Safety Sub-Commission, HQ., AC.

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HEADQUARTERS PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

D.J.HOPKINS.
CAPTAIN.
P.S.O. ROME CITY.

1st Ind.

30 Jan.'45.

File No. :- LUR/6/3/PS.
Public Safety Divn., HQ., Lazio-Umbria Region.

To :- The Director, Public Safety Sub-Commission, HQ., AC.

Forwarded.

C.T. FRANCIS. Lt. Colonel.
R.P.S.O. Lazio-Umbria Region.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LAZIO-UMBRIA REGION
A.F.H.Q.334
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION.

Telephone 478523.

FILE : PS/C1/1. 29th. January 1945.

SUBJECT : Accident - Oscar LA SALANDRA.

TO : Officer in Charge, 53 Claims and Hirings, 46 Via delle Botteghe Oscure, Rome.

1. The attached copy of a letter from The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, received through Public Safety Sub-Commission A.C. refers to an accident on 17/10/44, at Via degli Orfani, involving the above named person and a truck alleged driven by a British soldier.

2. This accident was reported to Civil Police on 14/12/44. A copy of the Police report and medical certificates are herewith attached.

3. The papers are forwarded for your attention as it is the intention of the injured person to make a claim. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs have been informed to address future correspondence direct to your office.

HEADQUARTERS REGION IV - PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION - AMG/ACC.

D.J.HOPKINS,
CAPTAIN,
P.S.O,
ROME CITY.

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Translation Transl.C.Doplicher

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Document: Letter 11312 2a
Date: Dec.14/1944
From: R.Commissariato di P.S.Trevi-Colonna
To: Capt.Hopkins

Subject: Injuries sustained by LA SALANDRA Oscar son of the deal Antonio and of Priore Lucia, born at S.Severo (Foggia) 28.8.1876, living at via Enrico Guastalla n.4.-

I am forwarding the enclosed medical certificate issued by S.Giacomo hospital to LA SALANDRA Oscar, presenting a luxation of the right shoulder, excoriation on the outside of his left leg, contusion of his right ankle. He will be fit in 20 days.

On being questioned, Salandra stated that on October 17th, about 8.15, he was run over by an allied truck, that could not be identified.

He is going to bring an action.

Il Commissario aggiunto di P.S.
signed: dr.Gentile

Per copia conforme
L'Impiegato di Polizia
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COMMISSARIATO DI P.S. TREVI COLONNA

N.11312/2 Roma 14/12/44

Oggetto : Lesioni riportate da La Salandra Oscar fu Antonio e Priore Lucia, nato a S.Severo (Foggia) il 28/8/1876,abitante in via Enrico Guastalla n.4.

AL SIG. CAP. HOPKINS
ALLA PREFETTURA DEL REGNO
ALLA R. QUESTURA
R O M A

Trasmetto l'unito referto medico rilasciato dall'Ospedale di S.Giacomo nei confronti della persona in oggetto, guaribile in giorni 20 s.c. per lussazione sottocoracoidea spalla destra, escoriazione gamba sinistra faccia esterna, contusione malleolo esterno destro.

Il La Salandra, interrogato in merito, ha dichiarato che il 17/IO/ u.s., verso le ore 8,I5, mentre transitava per via degli Orfani, veniva investito da un autocarro dell'esercito alleato, rimasto sconosciuto, riportando quanto sopra.

Il medesimo si riserva di querelarsi.

IL COMMISSARIO AGG. DI P.S.
(F.to Dr. Gentile)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478300

AC/11135/PS

20 January, 1945

SUBJECT : Motor Accident

TO : R.P.S.O. Lazio-Umbria Region

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The enclosed letter from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs respecting an accident to Mr Oscar LA SALANDRA, is forwarded for necessary action please.

Will you please return the correspondence with your reply. Lu 22a

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

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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Incident fs sig. LA SALANDRA FILE NO.

TO : Public Safety S/C. 19th Jan 1943

Re. see to attached memo. who has

Ex. Hyde (6/1973 ? Jan. (81.)

Can you initiate enquiries pl?

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Halifax

for T.V.P. Kr.

POLITICAL SECTION

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

ROME

PLEASE RETURN MEMORANDUM 6/1973
WHEN ACTION IS COMPLETED

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COPY

Ministero degli Affari Esteri 6/197/93

MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLITICAL SECTION A.C.

Mr. Oscar LA SALANDRA, an employee of this Ministry, son of the late Antonio, aged 69, was run over, on October 17th, 1944, at 8,45 hours, in via degli Orfani, by an Allied military lorry driven by a man wearing a British uniform, with dark orange stripes on his shoulders.

The lorry was going at high speed and did not stop through Mr. La Salandra was violently knocked down.

Helped by some passers-by, Mr. La Salandra was taken to the "Arcispedale di S.Giacomo" where the doctors found him suffering from a dislocation of his right shoulder, bruises on his left leg and contusions at his right ankle.

The car was one of a group of five British lorries.

The following people witnessed the accident:
- Rag. SITO Moise' - Ministero for Foreign Affairs - via Romagna No 14.- Rome.
- Sig. FORTI Francesco - via Francesco Carletti No. 1 - int. 3 - Rome.

Enclosed with the present Memorandum please find copies of the certificates of the Arcispedale di S.Giacomo and of Doctor Giuseppe Barbera from whom he has been found curable within a 20 days.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs would be grateful if the Political Section would kindly inform, in due time, about the steps which will be taken in the matter.

/s/ C.D.B.

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Rome, January 19th 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 473800

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21 January, 1945.

SUBJECT : Parking Regulations.

TO : H.Q. 51st Troop Carrier Wing Glider Base,
APO 650 U.S. Army.

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With reference to your letter WSD/wee dated 15 January 1945, this office letter AC/14135/PS dated 6 January 1945, was a copy to you, indicating that your letter of 4 January, 1945, had been transmitted to the Regional Commissioner, Lazio-Umbria Region, for action.

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

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HEADQUARTERS
51ST TROOP CARRIER WING GLIDER BASE
APO 650, US Army

WSD/wea

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15 January 1945

SUBJECT: Parking Regulations.

TO : Director of Public Safety, Headquarters Allied Commission, APO 394, US Army.

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1. The inclosed letter of transmittal was received by this Headquarters 13 January 1945, without the letter concerning parking of motor vehicles in Rome.

2. Request copy of said letter be forwarded.

For the Commanding Officer:

William S. Dante
WILLIAM S. DANTE,
2d Lt., Air Corps,
Adjutant.

Incl:
Letter of transmittal.

TO	INIT	DATE
COL. CHAPMAN		
COL. YOUNG		
LT. COL. WILCOX		
MAJ LUCKMAN		
MAJ WILSON		
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 470800
6 January, 1945.

AC/14135/PS

SUBJECT : Parking Regulations.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Lazio Umbria Region,
Attention G5S.

The attached letter regarding parking of motor vehicles in Roma is forwarded for your information and such action you may deem necessary.

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

Copy to HQ 51st Troop Carrier Wing Glider
Anne, APO 650

Copy of Letter dated 4 Jan.45.

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HEADQUARTERS 51st TROOP CARRIER WING GLIDER BASE
APO 650
62nd TC Group Squadron 8

4 January 1945

SUBJECT : Recommendation for Change in Parking Regulations.

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission, Public Safety Sub-Commission (Attn: Colonel John W. Chapman)

1. It is recommended that STOP signs be placed at the junction of Via Regina Elena and Piazza Barberini and Via S. Nicola De Tolentino and Piazza Barberini, or that cars and trucks will not be permitted to park within 50 feet of the above named intersections.

2. Allied troops attending Red Cross Theatre and Red Cross Club are required to use these intersections. One accident and several near accidents have occurred at these points providing sufficient hazzard to werrant military action to provide for safety of Allied Troops.

CARL A. STUTZMAN
Flight Officer, AC

CAS/jwf

1 Incl.
1. Overlay of above area.

TO		
COL. CHAPMAN		
COL. YOUNG		
LT. COL WILCOX		
MAJ LUCKMAN	7/A	6/A
MAJ WILSON		
MAJ HANBURY		
MAJ BALDWIN		
CAPT POWELL		
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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO 794, US Army

RHS/IEC/hp
8 December 1944

Memorandum:

To : See Distribution.

1. Sidewalks in the city of Rome will not be used for parking vehicles, except at certain entrances to hotels and other places which may be approved and marked by the Provost Marshal.

By command of Brigadier General BROWN:

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I. E. CHEEK
Captain AGD
Adjutant General

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LT. COL. WILSON		11 XII
MAJ LUCKMAN		
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MAJ HANSLEY		12/12
MAJ BALLINGER		
CAPT POWELL		13 DEC
CHIEF CLERK		

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SEC, HQ AAI
HQ ALCOM

29 NOV 1944

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Following roads impassable owing to floods. Route 71 at R 315170 no diversion. Route 3 at W9991 no diversion except through traffic ANCONA FOLIGNO which may use route 77. Route 79 at A8344 no diversion. Green route from FOIANO R 2309 to route 73 out at CULVERT 223222. Route 3 approx 10 miles north of CIVITA CASTELLANA no diversion. Route 67 FLORENCE FORLI still open but very muddy. At present open 4 x 4 vehs without chains 4 x 2 vehs with chains. Temporarily restricted to class 9. Route 16 flooded FANO SENIGALLIA area. Water 1 foot deep in places road passable at present but water still rising.

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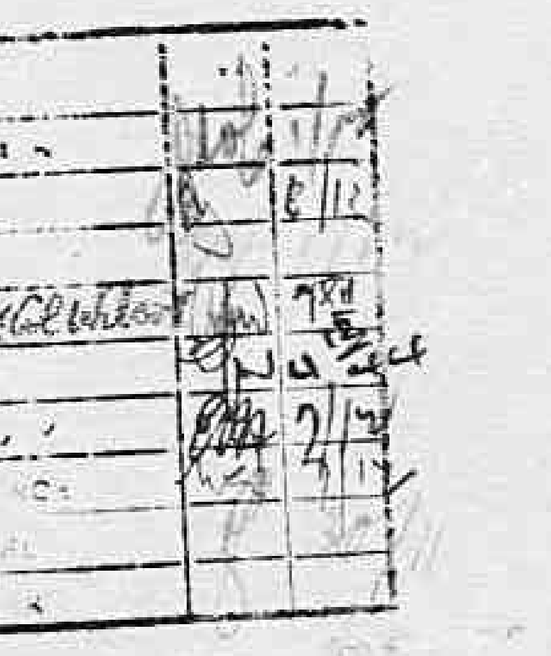

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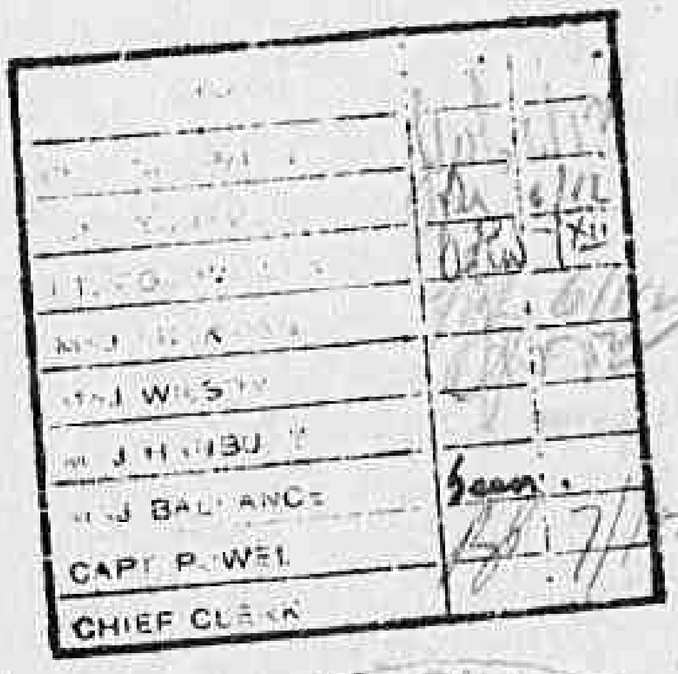
Route 2 ROMA SIENA closed 050600 to 051200 for bridge repairs at V 9598.



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Route 71 open BIBBIENA to route 2 at MONTE FIASCONE. Route 3 open ROME to Route 76 at TERNATO. Route 76 open. Route 4 impassable at F8792 and F8790 due floods.

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Route 4 now open class 2. Route 1 now open up to 3 tonnere.

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Route 71 will be closed at HIGUTINO R2723 from 052000 to 060600.

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LT COL WATKINS		
MAJ HICKEY		
MAJ WILSON		
MAJ HANRAHAN		
MAJ BALLANCE		
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30 November 1944

CIRCULAR)
NUMBER 22)

Road Traffic Control I
Convoy Instructions II

The following AFHQ Circulars, 1943, are rescinded and the instructions below substituted therefor:

Section	Circular	Section	Circular
I	33	I	59
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All	57		

I ---- ROAD TRAFFIC CONTROL CODE

1. To insure that proper road discipline is maintained insofar as the Allied Forces are concerned, the following will be read and studied by all personnel in this theater.

2. The following regulations for the control of vehicles will be observed by drivers who will promptly comply with all police orders. If a traffic policeman's signal conflicts with an automatic signal or sign the policeman shall be obeyed.

3. Regulations for Vehicles.

a. Reckless driving is unlawful and includes:

(1) Driving when driver is not legally qualified, is intoxicated, or otherwise incapacitated.

(2) Driving any vehicle when it is not under control.

(3) Driving without due care in crossing or turning into the traffic of another road bearing in mind that pedestrians should be protected and traffic must not be interrupted unnecessarily.

(4) Exceeding a reasonable, considerate, and safe speed rate under existing conditions, or the speed rate established.

(5) Driving so as to cause danger by failing to obey any order of a traffic policeman or instructions as indicated by official traffic sign or pavement marking.

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b. Passing, Turning, etc.

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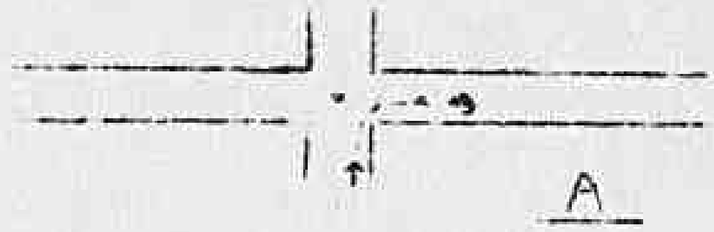
AFHQ Circular # 28 (cont'd)

(1) A vehicle overtaking or when overtaken by another shall not occupy more than its fair share of the road.

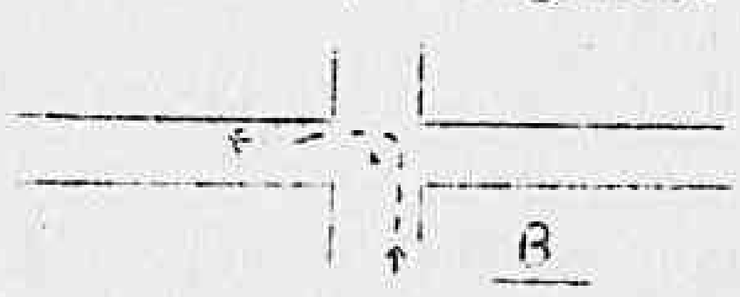
(2) A vehicle meeting another shall keep to the right.

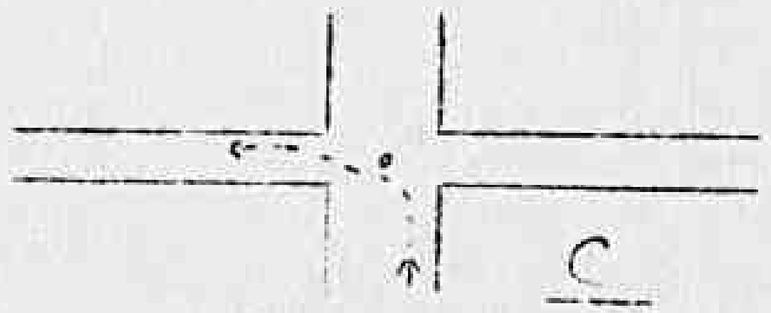
(3) A vehicle overtaking another shall pass on its left, but must not interfere with traffic from the opposite direction, nor pull over to the right before entirely clear of the overtaken vehicle - but in overtaking a tram car, shall pass on its right, except in an emergency when it may pass on its left, with due caution after observing traffic from opposite direction.

(4) A vehicle turning into a road to the right shall keep close to the right-hand curb (see diagram A).



(5) A vehicle turning into a road to the left shall pass around the central point of intersection of the two roads (see diagram B), but where there is not sufficient room to make the central turn without backing, it shall signal effectively and pass between the center of intersection and the left hand curb (see diagram C).





(6) A slow moving vehicle shall keep as near as practicable to the right-hand curb - the slower the speed the nearer the curb.

(7) A vehicle passing around any form of centralized obstruction shall keep to the right of such obstruction.

c. Standing, Parking, Following and Backing.

(1) A vehicle shall not stand nor park on a curve of a road where for any reason it cannot be clearly seen from a sufficient distance so as to avoid a traffic hazard.

(2) A vehicle may stop anywhere on a road provided it does not interfere with traffic and that it does not conflict with any police regulations.

(3) Vehicles stopped or left standing on any road or street must stop on the right side facing in the direction of travel.

(4) A vehicle shall not back to make a turn, or in any other way so occupy the road as to obstruct traffic needlessly.

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AFHQ Circular #28 (cont'd)

(5) Vehicles crossing bridges will conform strictly to the instructions as to speed, density and weight limitation specified on road signs.

(6) On mountain roads with steep grades and sharp bends, speed will be appreciably reduced.

(7) A safe distance will be maintained between vehicles.

(8) Drivers of vehicles will not attempt to cross railroad crossings while gates are being placed in position or when guard signals the approach of a train.

(9) All vehicles must keep to the right of road when making a curve (cutting into opposite lane is forbidden).

(10) Driving Discipline

a. In order to stamp out dangerous and careless driving, the driver and his unit must be identified. The following particulars are required to bring charges against the offender:

1. Date, time and place of incident.

2. Number of vehicle or other definite means of identification.

3. Brief description of incident with reason for alleging dangerous or careless driving.

4. Name, number and unit or description of driver (if possible).

5. Identity or location of any other witness.

b. The rendering of general complaints regarding careless and/or reckless driving is futile and will be discontinued. It is the duty of all American and British officers and non-commissioned officers to obtain particulars of an incident involving bad driving and to make a complete report immediately.

(11) Traffic Signs and Symbols of Occupied Countries

c. Subordinate commanders will be responsible for the instruction of personnel in the various types of signs and symbols (i.e. STOP, SLOW, RAILROAD CROSSING, etc.) to the end that all drivers are familiar with the meaning of such signs and symbols.

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4. SPEED LIMITS

a. In Built-up Areas. The speed limit for motor vehicles in built-up areas is 40 km per hour, the equivalent of 25 miles per hour on the British American speedometers, except when otherwise prescribed by posted signs.

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AFHQ Circular # 28 (cont'd)

b. Outside Built-up Areas. The following speed limits apply only when ideal road and weather conditions obtain.

BRITISH ARMY VEHICLES	U. S. ARMY VEHICLES	MAXIMUM SPEED
1. Staff Cars	Car, light, sedan	55 mph
2. Cars 2-str(utility)(includes cars 500 weight)	Trucks, ¼ Ton	40 mph
3. Motorcycles	Motorcycles, Solo	40 mph
4. Trucks, Lorries and Vans (up to and including 1 Ton)	Truck, ¼ Ton, all models Truck, 3/4 Ton, all models	35 mph
5. Lorries including Troop-Carriers (over 1 Ton & up to & including 3 Tons)	Truck, 1½ Ton, all models Truck, 2½ Ton, all models	30 mph
6. Lorries including Semi-Trailers (exceeding 3 Ton load capacity)	Truck, 4 Ton, all models Truck, 6 Ton, all models	20 mph
7. Lorries with trailers	Truck, 1½ Ton, Tractor Truck, 2½ Ton, Tractor Truck, 4-5 Ton, Tractor Truck, 5-6 Ton, Tractor	20 mph
8. Coaches-troop carriers	Vehicles as described in 5 & 6 above, when carrying personnel only	30 mph
9. Tractors (wheeled)	(Used for plants only)	25 mph
10. Half-tracked vehicles	Half-track car M-2 Half-track personnel carrier M-3 Half-track gun & how., Mtr Carriages	30 mph
11. Full-tracked vehicles (except tractors)	Tank, Lt M-3 and Lt M-5 Tank, Med M-3 and Med M-4	20 mph
12. Full-tracked vehicles (tractors)	Tractors, Lt Tractors, Med Tractors, Heavy	15 mph

The maximum permissible speed for each vehicle under ideal conditions as stated above will be stencilled in red on the tail board, rear panel or equivalent position as shown below:

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The figures will be four inches (4") high and the width of each part of figure will be one-half (½") high and one-quarter (¼") wide. (Vehicles exempted from camouflage painting and bomb disposal vehicles will not be marked.)

II --- CONVOY INSTRUCTIONS

1. The following general specifications regarding convoy moves of 10 or more vehicles into or within a Base Section (U.S.) area or 25 or more vehicles into or within areas under British administration will be adhered to by all. All convoys, as defined above must obtain clearance/movement instructions from local Base Section Tn. (U.S.) or Movement Authority (Br) before beginning a journey.

2. Traffic control personnel posted for the purpose of controlling and directing convoy traffic will be equipped with a light or other luminous instrument, consistent with security and blackout restrictions, which will be flashed alternately on and off or moved in an arch like motion at right angles to the direction of vehicles approach, for the STOP signal. Operators of vehicles will approach such moving or flashing light with caution and ascertain the signal being given by traffic control personnel before proceeding past such signal.

3. Convoys will be numbered and each vehicle will bear the convoy number.

4. Convoys will proceed at a density of thirty (30) vehicles to a mile, i.e., 90 yards between vehicles unless otherwise directed by traffic control personnel.

5. A blue flag will be carried by the lead vehicle and a green flag by the rear vehicle.

6. Speed limits, cautions, bridge restrictions, halting rules, march discipline specifications and all other local regulations of the area to be used will be observed.

7. The responsibilities of convoy commanders for compliance with movement orders, area regulations, and march discipline will be strictly enforced.

8. All convoys will be advised forward in sufficient time to prevent delay of any traffic.

9. Convoys will be checked through at each traffic post, the progress of the move being reported to the appropriate military headquarters. In order to avoid delay one vehicle will be sent ahead of the main body to check through traffic posts and thus avoid halting the entire convoy.

10. Vehicles will not be left abandoned by the side of the road. Disabled vehicles will, if possible be towed forward to the next point on route where facilities exist. If this is impossible, an armed guard will be left on the vehicle and the incident reported to the nearest traffic post who will inform the appropriate authority.

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AFHQ Circular #28 (cont'd)

11. No convoy will move without specific authority from commander originating move.

12. Direct communication on operating matters is authorized and encouraged between area commanders as well as between American and British commanders.

13. Matters of policy and conflicting interests will be referred to this headquarters (G-4, Movement and Transportation) for decision.

14. Forward advice of all moves of 50 or more vehicles will be reported to this headquarters.

15. The attention of all personnel will be drawn to their responsibility for ensuring that they make every effort to obtain a load for any vehicle which would otherwise travel empty. Applications for loads to be made to Base Section Tn. Office (U.S.) or local Area/Sub-Area Hq. (Br).

By command of General WILSON:

J. A. H. GAMMELL,
Lieutenant General, Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

C. V. CHRISTENSEN
Colonel, AGD,
Acting Adjutant General.

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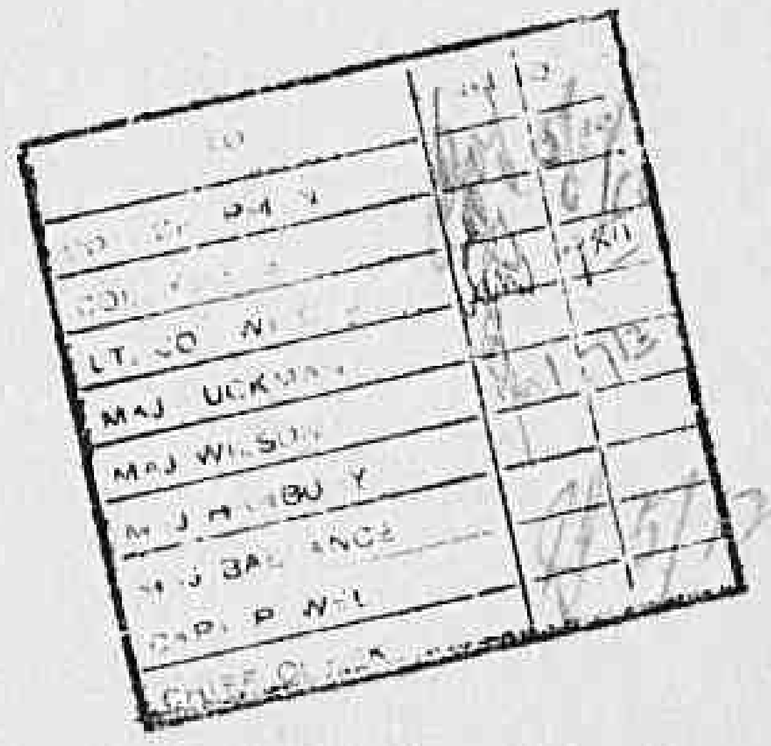

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Route 71 closed at br A4076 pending alterations. Route 1 now open 4 x 4 vehs. Route 67 open class 40. Route 69 AREZZO MONTEVARCHI closed at R166351 on nights 1/2 and 2/3 December from 2000 to 0400 hrs.

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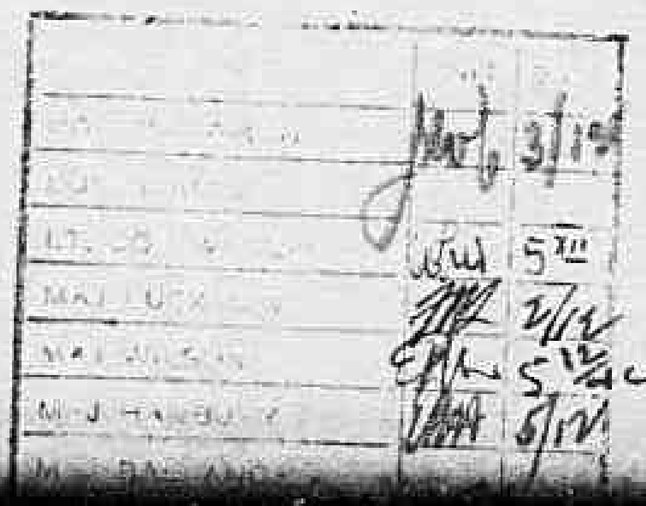

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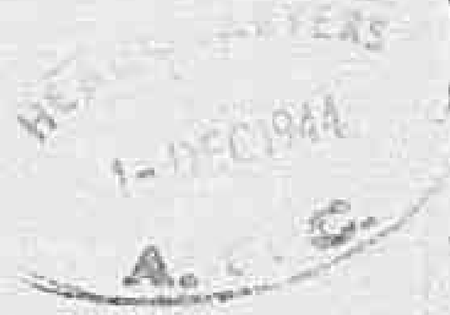

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Route 69 closed repairs bridges R 166351 and R0837 nightly 29/30 November to 2/3 December inclusive from 2000 to 0400 hours. Route 71 now open. Route 3 now open at R9991 and A7322. Route 16 flooded but passable.

	INIT	DATE
CHAPMAN		3/12
YOUNG		
COL WILCOX	[illegible]	5/XII
BUCKMAN		
WILSON	[illegible]	5/12
HANBURY	[illegible]	5/12
MAJ BALLANCE		
CAPT POWEL	[illegible]	7/12
CHIEF CLERK		

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COL WILCOX		
COL BUCKNER		
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MAJ BALLANCE		
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Route 71 flooded at N 315170 and not passable to any vehe. Bridge on route 67 at PONTE A ELSA 9 498604 closed 272400 to 280100 no suitable detour existn. Thru traffic FLORENCE to PISA and LEGHORN use route 66 to PISTOIA thence 6527 to 1-1 to 12 to 1.

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TO
COL. CHAPMAN
COL. YOUNG
LT. COL. WILCOX
CAPT. UCKMAN

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TO	
COL CHAPMAN	Duty 1 Inf
COL YOUNG	2 Inf
COL WILCOX	1 Inf
COL DICKMAN	2 Inf
COL [illegible]	2 Inf
COL HANBURY	2 Inf
MAJ BALANCE	
CAPT POWEL	29/11
CHIEF CLERK	

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District 1 propose closing route 76 8 hours night 2/3 December removal bailey bridges S 260331 and S 320355. Permanent bridges will then be available

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TO WILCOX		
TO DICKSON		27
TO WILSON		25
TO HANBURY		

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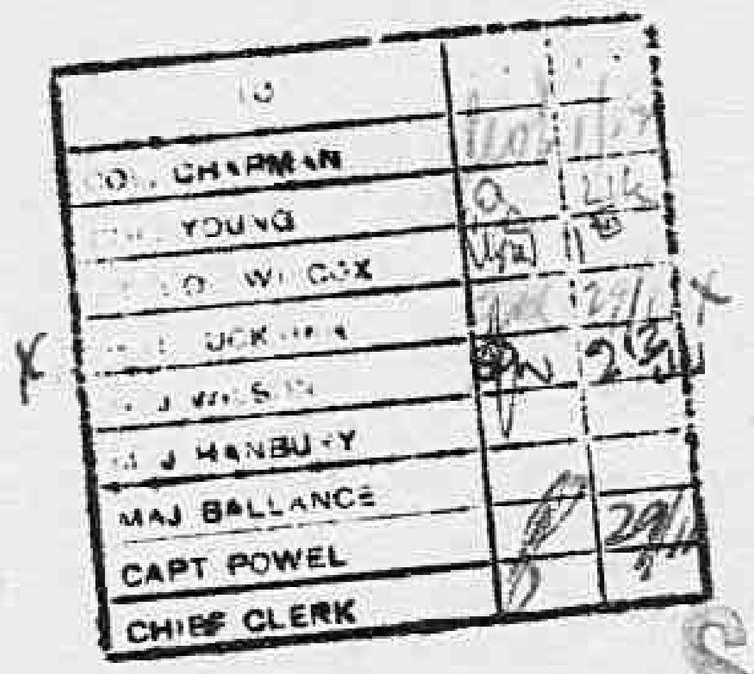

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J. UCA		
J. W. S.		
J. HANNAY		

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open light 4 wheel drive vehs fine weather only.

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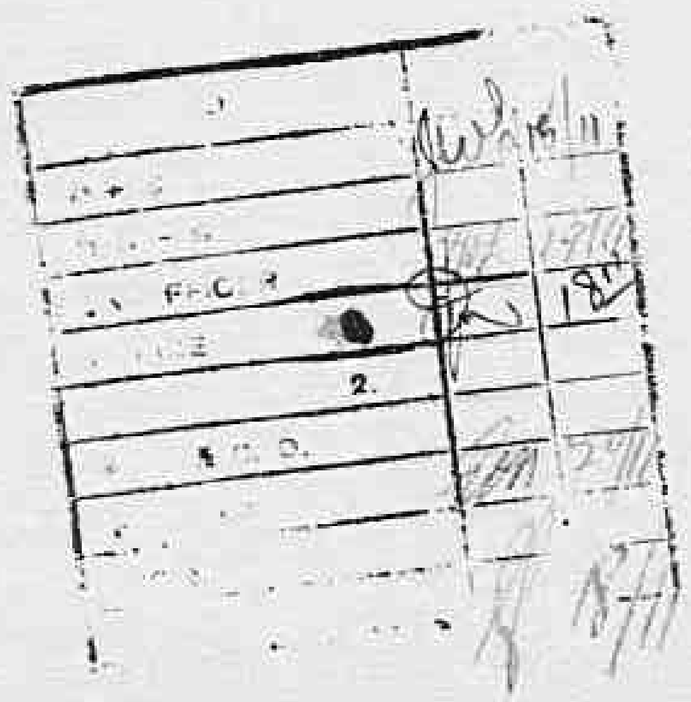

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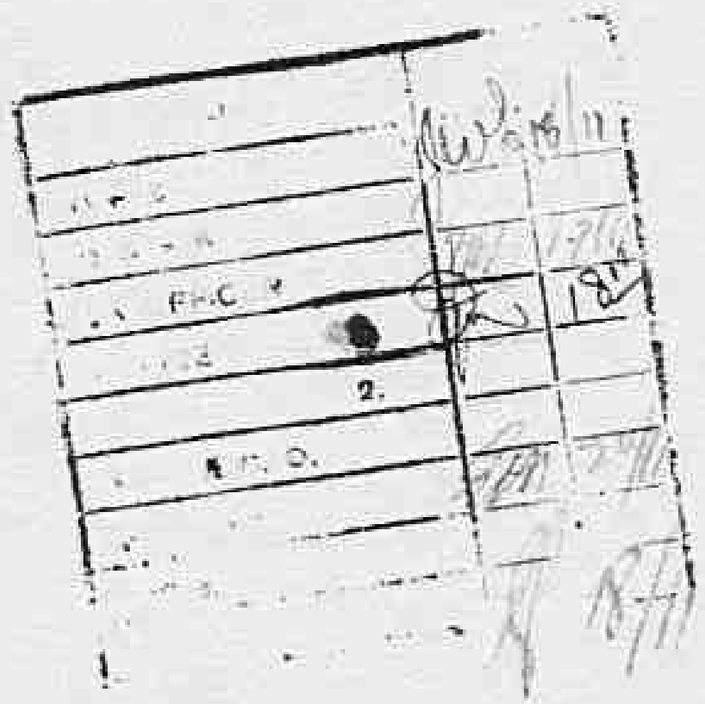

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Bridge on Route 1 still stands and is in general use.

TO	INIT	DATE
COL LAMPSON		
COL YOUNG		
LT COL WILCOX		
MAJ BUCKMAN		
MAJ ROSS		
MAJ HORNBUCKLE		
MAJ BALLANCE		
CAPT POWEL		
CHIEF CLERK		

HEADQUARTERS 19 NOV 1944 A.F.H.Q.

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Bridge on Route 1 still stands and is in general use.

TO	INIT	DATE
COL CHAPMAN		
COL YOUNG		
LT COL WILCOX		
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MAJ BALLANCE		
CAPT POWEL		
CHIEF CLERK		

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ACTION: Hq Comdt 2
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Civil Affairs Section
APO 394

AC/14057/PS 28 Nov 1944

SUBJECT : Route 4 - Traffic Control.

TO : Adjutant, Allied Commission.

For inclusion in Daily Bulletin:

1. Effective immediately that part of Route 4 from Rome Area Allied Command Boundary to Rieti will not be used by vehicles over Class 9.

2. Route 3 to Terni thence to Rieti will be used in lieu of Route 4.

C.R. ULJOHN Brig.
VP CA Sec.
ACSB, AC

JWC/jmf

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Civil Affairs Section
APO 394

AC/14057/PS

20 Nov 1944

SUBJECT : Route 4 - Traffic Control.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Lazio-Umbria Region.
(Attn: R.P.S.O.).

1. This Headquarters has been advised by R.A.A.C. that part of Route 4 from Roma Area Allied Command Boundary to Rieti is to be closed for use by vehicles over class 5, and that in lieu of Route 4, Route 3 to Terni thence to Rieti will be used.

2. Will you please have the Prefect issue the necessary decree closing the designated portion of Route 4 to Italian use for vehicles over 2 1/2 tons.

By Command of Commodore STONE:

G.R. UNJCM Brig,
VP CA Sec.
DCOS, AC

JWC/jwf

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PS.

Please accept these photos on your files. It is a military necessity that roads & bridges be kept open to vehicles too heavy for the temporary bridges or for the diversions we put round them. Even a few days delay may mean irreparable. Where military exigencies demand the Commander requires the Decision & right to strike the necessary steps to open the roads. Then in future by Ordinance Corps to close roads will not be required. Please let me know if you have the necessary steps.

I also think that it will be quite impossible to deal with the traffic now at Verona unless the bridges are strengthened & widened. Also that the Commander should be given the discretion to close roads when necessary.

With good wishes

Yours sincerely

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panded by directive issued by Legal Sub Commission 239/L of 3 May 44).
6.

Memorandum No. 29.
Delete the words, —
« Which will be transmitted shortly ».
Delete whole para and substitute, —
« A report on the working of this registration programme will be included in the General monthly report ».

CONTROL.

Memorandum No. 30 *Schedule « B »*.
(c). Delete whole para and substitute, —
ial concerns (whether Allied or other wise) whose s extend beyond a single Region (e.g. A.G.I.P., . etc.).

c. Delete whole of 10 (a), (c) and (d).
Para 10 (b) becomes 10 (a).
0 (b) Borrow or expend monies for the reparation of wardamage, with the exception of minor repairs, not exceeding the cost of Lire 2000.
10 (c) Enter into any contract or execute a deed necessary for the exercise of any of the powers of the D.P.C., except for the purposes laid down in Executive Memorandum No. 15 of 22 May 1944.

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C SAFETY.

Delete the last two sentences viz.
« No Brigadier General or higher ranking Officer of the CCRR may be appointed or removed without the prior approval of ACC Hq. Except as stated above, any public official in this field may be removed by the RC without prior approval ».

17 (e). Delete whole para.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No. 794 U.S. Army
Office of G-3 (British)

RAAC/44/2/G3(Br). 20 November 1944.

SUBJECT: Route 4: Traffic Control.

TO : HQ Allied Commission.

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1. Attached copy of draft of an ARO shortly to be issued is passed for info and request that a similar order may be published in order to ensure that the civil population conforms to the procedure.

2. Route 4 is particularly bad for heavy vehs, with narrow diversions and Class 5 Bridges.

3. Your cooperation is requested.

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ALBAN LOW,
Brigadier,
Deputy Commander.

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DRAFT ARO

Comms - Route 4.

1. With effect the date of this order, that part of Route 4 from Rome Area Allied Command Boundary to RIETI will NOT repeat NOT be used by vehicles over Class 5.

2. Route 3 to TERNI will be used in lieu of Route 4, thence RIETI.

3. Route 4 is not suitable for heavy traffic owing to bad and narrow diversions and Class 5 Bridges.

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4. Traffic Control have arranged to erect signboards at the approaches to Route 4 forbidding the right of way other than to Class 5 vehicles.

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