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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

12 April 1945

AG/14201/4/PS

SUBJECT : Censor, Comm. BELFIORE Salvatore
TO : Ministry of Grace and Justice

1. The reply to your communication of 4 April 1945
M. 216080, concerning above subject, you are advised that there
is now no objection to the employment of Comm. BELFIORE in an
office in Rome.

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

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Translation.

MINISTRY OF GRACE & JUSTICE

4th April, 1945.
N. 215080

Subject : Censor Comm. Belfiore Salvatore.
To : A.G. Public Safety Sub-Commission - Rome.

Following Allied Control Commission's order of July last all officials who performed managing duties in the Rome prison institutions were removed from their positions and put at the disposal of this Ministry to be re-employed in territories not within AMG jurisdiction.

Such provision applied to Comm. Belfiore Salvatore, Censor of the re-education institution for minors in Rome, who was transferred to Palermo, Office, which he has not been able to reach, due to transport difficulties.

As this Official will soon leave this Administration for completion of 40 years of service, having started his career on the 6th August, 1905 and being in a special and delicate family situation, the Commission is requested kindly to re-examine his position in order to see, whether, as has already occurred in regard to others, it would be possible to revoke the provision adopted in his regard, so that he might continue to perform duties in a Office of the Capital.

For the Minister
AURIEMBA

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TO	INIT	DATE
DIRECTOR		
DEPUTY DIRECTOR		
EXEC. OFFICER		
PO. CE		
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PRISON		
ADM. OFFICE		
SECURITY		
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Ministero di Giustizia

Direzione Generale
per gli affari di pubblica amministrazione

Ufficio 1°

N° 216080

Roma, li 4 aprile 1945

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione di P.S.

R C M A

O G G E T T O : Censore Comm. Belfiore Salvatore

Per disposizione della Commissione Alleata di Controllo del luglio scorso tutti i funzionari che esercitavano mansioni direttive negli Istituti carcerari di Roma furono allontanati dai loro posti e messi a disposizione di questo Ministero per essere reimpiegati in territorio non soggetto alla giurisdizione del Governo Militare Alleato.

Da tale provvedimento fu colpito il Comm. Belfiore Salvatore, censore della casa di rieducazione dei minorenni di Roma, il quale fu trasferito a Palermo, residenza che non ha potuto raggiungere per la difficoltà dei trasporti.

Trattandosi di funzionario prossimo a lasciare l'Amministrazione per compimento di 40 anni di servizio, essendo entrato in carriera il 6 agosto 1905 ed avendo una speciale e delicata situazione familiare, si prega codesta Commissione di compiacersi riesaminare la sua posizione per vedere se non sia il caso, come già è avvenuto nei confronti di altri, di revocare il provvedimento adottato nei suoi riguardi in modo che egli possa continuare a prestare servizio presso un ufficio della

Direzione Generale
per gli Istituti e, per via, ecc. di, peza

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nel MINISTRO

Burzio

TRANSLATION.

Compania Tribunale CC.RR.

15/12/44.

ore 8.40. Figlia Speranza.

N. 364/54.

Yesterday morning about 20 prison custodians at Regina Coeli Prison, refused to go on duty, reason, lack of food, shoes and clothing, and asking for improvements.

The Chief of the Custodians and Vice Director of Prison after speaking to the custodians, prevailed on them to return to duty.

The above mentioned state of affairs can produce a dangerous internal situation among the detainees.

BRUNDO.

TO	
COL. GEN. PM. W.	
COL. F. J. S.	
LT. COL. W. C. S.	
MAJ. LUCKMAN	
MAJ. WILSON	
MAJ. HANBURY	
MAJ. BALLANCE	
CAPT. POWEL	
CHIEF CLERK	

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TRANSLATION

December 14th, 1944

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ebMINISTERO DI GRAZIA E GIUSTIZIA

n° 74513 = 157-A

To the ALIED COMMISSION
P.S. SubcommitteeR O M ESubject: Dr. DONATI DOMENICO - Director of the Judicial Prison of Rome.

Dr. Domenico Donati, director of the Judicial Prison of Rome, being recently transferred here from Naples, needs his household-goods to be brought here from that city.

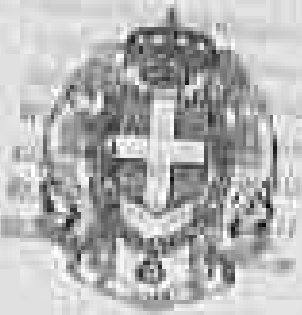
Because of the difficulty in securing some means of transportation, and considering the fact that Dr. DONATI has come here on official duties, we beg this Commission to allow Dr. DONATI to use an Allied camion that might be coming to Rome from Naples.

For the MINISTER
Signature illegible

TO	DATE	INITIALS
COL. CHAPMAN		
COL. YOUNG		
LT. COL. WILCOX		
MAJ. GILKINSON		
MAJ. WILSON		
MAJ. HENDRICKY		
MAJ. BALL		
CAPT. POWELL		
CHIEF CLERK		

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Roma 14 dicembre 1944

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Ministero di Grazia e Giustizia

DIREZIONE GENERALE
PER GLI ISTITUTI DI PREVENZIONE E DI PENA

La Commissione Alleata
Sottocommissione di PS
Roma

Ufficio I
Aut. N. 74513: 157-A

Registrazione N. 11

OGGETTO: Dott. Donati Domenico - Direttore delle
carceri giudiziarie di Roma.

Il dott. Donati Domenico, direttore delle carceri giudiziarie di Regina Coeli, recentemente trasferito d'ufficio da Napoli in questa sede, ha bisogno di trasportare alcune sue masserizie da quella città in Roma.

Data la difficoltà dei mezzi di trasporto, ed in considerazione che, come sopra si è detto, trattasi di trasferimento per ragioni di servizio, si rivolge preghiera a codesta On. Commissione perchè voglia concedere al Dott. Donati l'uso di un camion alleato che da Napoli si rechi in Roma.

pel MINISTRO

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
Public Safety Division, Rome
Headquarters, Prison Superintendent

Subject: Report on Inmates - ROME Prisons

24 Hour Period Ending at Midnight

Date 14/12/44

	In Custody	Admitted	Released
Men	968	25	42
Women	121	3	2
Minors: 14-18	77	2	11
Under 14	35	1	3

Distribution:

Lt. Col. Fischer
Lt. Col. Pollock
Maj Hendricksen
Capt. Gilreath
File
✓ Maj. Hanbury



R. M. Freeman Capt. CMP.
R. M. Freeman, Capt. CMP.,
Supt. of Prisons, Lazio, Umbria - Region.

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TO		
COL. CHASE		
COL. YOUNG		
LT. COL. WOOD		
MAJ. LUCKHART		
MAJ. WILSON		
MAJ. HANBURY	14/12/44	
MAJ. BALANCE		
CAPT. POWEL		
CHIEF CLERK		

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Sora, November 25th, 1944

PROVINCE of FROSINONES O R A (District prison)Capacity: 24 inm.Present
population: 50 "*Overcrowded**R.M. Freeman, Capt. CMP.*

R.M. FREEMAN, Capt. CMP.

Prison Officer - Lazio-Umbria Region

TO	INITIALS
COL. CHAPMAN	
COL. YOUNG	
LT. COL. WILCOX	
MAJ. LUCKMAN	
MAJ. WILSON	
MAJ. HANBURY	<i>PH B/2</i>
MAJ. BALANCE	
CAPT. POWELL	
CHIEF CLERK	

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

2 December, 1944.

ACC/14201/A/P

SUBJECT : Chaplain Judicial Prison Terni.

TO : Minister of Grace and Justice.

1. In reply to your letter 73959/B.18.D there is no objection to your appointment of a chaplain to Terni Judicial Prison and no objection to the name of Pasquale De Fusco.

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

WTH/C.

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Ministry of Grace and Justice

114201/R
28 November 1944

73959/8.1R.D

To : A.C.-Public Safety Subcommittee
Subj. : Engagement of a chaplain of the Judicial Prison of Terni

In order to meet to service needs, we must appoint a chaplain in the Terni Judicial Prison.

We beg You to let us know, if something there is, on your part, against the appointment of Sac. Pasquale De Fusco, attually provisionally attached to that Prison.

for the Minister
M. J. J. J. J.

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Roma 28 novembre 1941

Ministero di Grazia e Giustizia

DIREZIONE GENERALE
PER GLI ISTITUTI DI PREVENZIONE DI PENA

Alla Commissione Alleata
Sottocommissione P.S.

ROMA

Ufficio
Prot. N. 73959/8.18.D.

I°

Responsabile N.
di

Oggetto: Assunzione del cappellano per le
carceri giudiziarie di Terni.

Per sopperire a necessità di servizio occor-
re nominare il cappellano delle carceri giudi-
ziarie di Terni.

Si prega di voler far conoscere se vi sia
nulla in contrario da parte di cotesta Commis-
sione all'assunzione del sac. Pasquale De Fusco
che presta attualmente servizio provvisorio
nel suddetto istituto.

pel MINISTRO

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Amilano
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*Prison Reports
Lazio Region*

Rome, 25/10/1944

To: Lt. Col. POLLOCK, Chief
Public Safety, Lazio-Umbria Region
Palazzo dei Commercianti,
Via Lucullo, 6
R O M E

TO	INIT	DATE
COL. CHAPMAN		
COL. YOUNG		
LT. COL. WILCOX		
COL. HARRIS		
MAJ. WILSON		
MAJ. HENRIE		
MAJ. BALLANCE		
CAPT. POWELL		

SUBJECT: Prison Conditions -

The following pertinent information regarding Prisons of Lazio-Umbria Region is submitted.

1. REGINA COELI:

A) Population, including 177 in 3rd (CIC-Security) wing, is, as of midnight 25 Oct. 1944, 1511. The count of security prisoners is gradually being reduced. Common prisoner numbers are gradually but steadily rising, most arrests being for common crimes, such as robbery.

The population count, as compared with the capacity of the prison, is in far better position than during the recent disturbances. The 7th and 8th braccio will be ready to receive prisoners about the 1st of November and the present overcrowding will be greatly eliminated. Repair of locks, doors and the roof has progressed much faster than at first estimated.

B) Staff: Some transfers to and from Regina Coeli are being made by the Minister of Grace and Justice, according to an apparent plan to change the entire staff eventually.

The Director of the main prison of Naples is to be transferred to R.C. shortly. He is a "career" Director and should know prison administration. From all reports, he comes well recommended.

C) Investigations: A representative of the Minister of Grace and Justice is making what appears to be a thorough investigation of recent reports of corruption in the purchase of releases from Regina Coeli. He recently travelled to Padula to interview personnel who were involved. A report on his findings and action taken will be made in due course.

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Investigations of reported smuggling of letters from the CIC (security) wing has resulted, to date, in one guard being sentenced to 2 years imprisonment in A.M.G. Superior Court and 4 guards interned as security threats by Allied Security Agencies. Various violations of prison censorship regulations by common prisoners have been handled thru the prison administration.

D) Regina Coeli is calm and orderly. However, with the growing population, the overcooming winter, no betterment of rations for either common prisoners or guards, and but little evidence that the Italian judicial Authorities are sufficiently cognizant of the dangers involved in slow judicial processes, the undersigned does not believe that Regina Coeli will get thru the coming few months without prisoner demonstration.

2. OTHER PRISONS

Information, either thru personal visits or from official reports from the Public Safety officers concerned, is on hand from all provinces, except Frosinone. The general picture is most discouraging and effective solutions are not in sight. The following points are submitted:

A. Population

Badly overcrowded in the men's prison in Perugia. The capacity is 250; the present population is 450. With Regina Coeli, this is the only critical case of overcrowding.

B. Food

The ration is below acceptable standards in every case, but the prisoners are getting what has been described as a "fair share of the food available". Fat, oil, and salt are universally completely absent, or available in such tiny quantities as to constitute a major cause for criticism and potential disturbance. Transport is not available to the great majority of prison administrations and the

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food situation promises to become even more critical as winter approaches.

C. Sanitation

Medical supplies for sanitation and for treatment of inmates are almost universally lacking in the district (mandamentali) jails and insufficient in the larger penal and judicial prisons. Soap is not available in the majority of cases.

D. Utilities

Water and electricity are not available in a large number of both the district and main prisons.

E. Bedding - beds, etc.

A serious lack of bed covering is reported from many sources with almost complete lack of supplies from Italian agencies to correct the situation. Requests by the Directors are not being met thru their official channels. In the higher altitudes the situation must be considered critical.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the undersigned be authorized to place his detailed records at the disposition of the Minister of Grace and Justice, in order to give an accurate picture of the situation to the responsible Italian officials.
2. That transport and other facilities be provided to Italian officials empowered to take executive action.
3. That Allied authorities make the strongest possible representations to responsible Italian agencies, and insure remedial measures through concrete contributions wherever possible.



H.M. FREEMAN, Capt. C.M.P.
Sup't of Prisons-Lazio-Umbria Region

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478709

22 October, 1944.

ACC/14201/A/PS

SUBJECT : Director of Regina Coeli.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Lazio Umbria Region.

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1. In reply to your letter R/2510 20 October 1944 wish to state that on October 9th 1944 with a letter to the Minister of Grace and Justice this Sub-Commission approved the appointment of Dott. Domenico DONATI of Naples to the directorship of Regina Coeli.

2. It is necessary that Dott. Donati turn over the Prison of Naples to his successor but he should be in a position to assume charge of Regina Coeli in a very short time.

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

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LAZIO-UMBRIA REGION
APO - 394

20 October 1944

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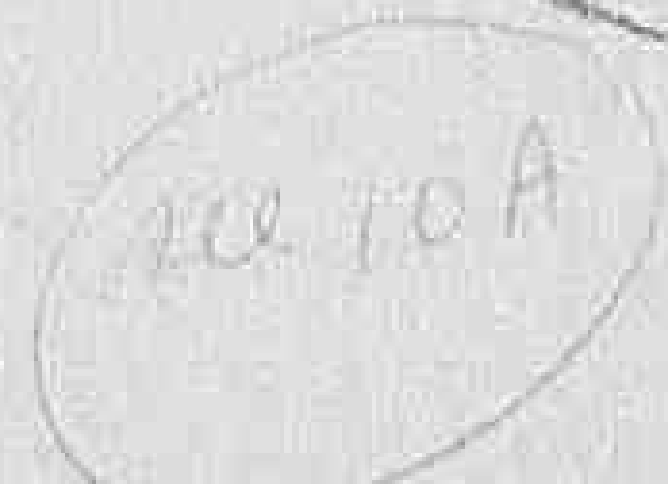
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SUBJECT: Director for the Regina Coeli

TO : Deputy Chief of Staff - Civil Affairs Section
Headquarters, Allied Control Commission

1. This Headquarters has been informed that the Direttore delle Carceri di Napoli is an excellent official and would be available for transfer to the Regina Coeli. This would be a very desirable step. Can this be facilitated as rapidly as possible.

Charles Poletti
CHARLES POLETTI
Colonel
Regional Commissioner



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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

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Tel : 489081
Ext : 365

13 September, 1944.

ACC/14201/4/PS

SUBJECT : Dott. Carretta.

TO : Capt. R. M. Freeman
Supt. of Prisons Region IV.

1. Your letter 7 September 1944 received and contents noted.
2. I will take this up with the Minister of Grace and Justice at our next meeting.

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A. E. YOUNG, Col.,
Acting Director
Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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HOME ALLIED AREA COMMAND
APO No. 794 U. S. ARMY

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SUBJECT: Administration - REGINA COELI PRISON.

TO: See Distribution.

Policy.

1. a. 30 Cheshire Regt (Br) will take over fortinwith the administrative duties at Regina Coeli Prison from 74th MP Coy (US).
- b. 74th MP Coy (US) are due to leave Rome on or about 11 Sep. Handover will therefore take effect with as little delay as possible.

Commitments.

2. 30 Cheshire are at present providing the following details:

Guards: 1 Offr, 4 NCOs, 22 ORs.
Mess Orderlies: 3 ORs.

3. Additional commitments to be provided for, due to the move of 74th MP Coy (US), are:
- a. Clerks (or suitable personnel): 4 to be detailed by 30 Cheshire Regt.
 - b. Messing NCO:
 - c. Transport: Courier Service,
Rations, Prisoners }
Prisoners to AVERSA }
 - d. Drawing US PW Rations for
Prisoners:
e. Messing: Det 30 Cheshire:
f. Escorts: 1 Cdr., 8 EM; Pris-
oners to AVERSA au re-
quired:
g. Camp Kitchen Equipment: Det
30 Cheshire Regt.
- 1 " " " " " " " " " " " "
- 1 Jeep " " G-2
- 1 x 5-ton Lorry " C-4
- As required, by 57th MP Coy (US).
- By 30 Cheshire Regt.
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- Pv 57th MP Coy (US).
- By Ord (British).

Documentation.

4. 4 Clerks of 30 Cheshire Regt will understudy present Staff of 74th MP Coy (US) and take over clerical duties under mutual arrangements with 726th MP Coy (US).

Supplies; Prisoners.

5. a. US PW Rations will be drawn by Det 30 Cheshire Regt as required from US Supply Dump C1 I, 16 - 50 Via RIETI (754695).

b. The file reference and number of this instruction will be the cover-
page of each of the three hundred and thirty of "Witnesses' Relations."

1. a. 30 Cheshire Regt (US) will take over 10th Division and administrative duties at Regina Coeli Prison from 74th MP Coy (US).
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- e. Messing: Det 30 Cheshire: By 30 Cheshire Regt.
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b. The file reference and number of this instruction will be the covering authority for the issue and drawing of Prisoners' Rations.

6. Det 30 Cheshire Regt.

30 Cheshire Regt will be responsible for the drawing and issue of rations to be consumed by its Detachment.

Camp Kitchen Equipment.

7. a. Det 30 Cheshire Regt will be responsible for its own cooking and mess arrangements.

b. Ord (British) will issue immediately the necessary equipment to scale for this Detachment.

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Cooking Arrangements.

8. a. Rations: Prisoners) Prison Trustees.
 b. " : Det 30 Cheshire Regt)

Messing WCO.

9. Duties of Messing WCO allocated to this detail include drawing, checking and issue of Prisoners Rations to Prison Trustees, as well as those of the Det of 30 Cheshire Regt, together with mess control and supervision.

Escorts: Prisoners.

10. a. G-2 will issue necessary orders as hitherto for the transfer of Prisoners to AVERSA.
 b. 57th LP Coy (US) will, on demand, detail 1 Officer and 8 EM to act as Escorts to Prisoners to be transferred.
 c. The journey to and from AVERSA takes one day, i.e. Escorts complete turn round on the day of departure.
 d. Prisoners are conveyed AT LEAST TWICE, and occasionally THREE times per month to AVERSA. Efforts are being made to clear once per week.

Transport.

11. Transport will be arranged as follows:

- a. Rations: Prisoners.
 1 x 3-ton lorry by G-4 (British), to report per date and timings to be advised later.
 b. Courier Service: Prison to this Headquarters.
 1 Jeep by G-2, to own timings and instructions.
 c. Conveyance: Prisoners to Cage, AVERSA.
 As required; by 57th LP Coy (US).

Hand-over.

12. Certificates of hand-over, each signed by 57th LP Coy (US) and 30 Cheshire Regt, in respect of the hand-over of responsibilities in a manner satisfactory to ensure that liabilities are clearly understood and accepted, will be made out as follows:

- a. 1 copy to 57th LP Coy (US).
 b. 1 " to 30 Cheshire Regt.
 c. 1 " to G-2, Rome Area.
 d. 1 " to G-3, Rome Area.

By command of Brigadier General BROWN:

Howard K. Dodgen

HOWARD K. DODGEN,
 Lt Colonel, GSC

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By command of Brigadier General BROWN:

Howard K. Dodgen

HOWARD K. DODGEN,
Lt Colonel, GSC
AC of S, G-3

DISTRIBUTION:

57th MP Coy (US)
74th MP Coy (US)
OC 30 Cheshire Regt
OC Det 30 Cheshire Regt
(Regina Coeli Prison)
G-2, Rome Area.
G-4 (British), Rome Area.

Ord (British), Rome Area
US Supply Dump Cl I
War Diary (2)
File (2)
File 9/63(Br) (1)
Spare (3)

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

Public Safety Division, Rome

Headquarters, Prison Superintendent

To: Maj. Wilson,
PS Sub-Commission,
Region 4.

Subject: Dott. Carretta, Ex director Regina Coeli.

1. I am forwarding translations of documents pertinent to the plea of Ex-director Carretta of Regina Coeli, together with copies of my correspondence file on the same subject.

2. You may recall that I have consistently felt, and stated, that, in this single case, the removal of a prison director mitigated against the future success of the administration. This opinion was based not only on the known ability of Dott. Carretta, but on the apparent inability of all concerned to replace him with a suitable person. The scheda personale, the testimony (written and verbal) of many competent persons, and the opinion of the Supt. of Prisons, all indicated that this proposed removal was deserving of most thoughtful consideration.

3. I am well aware of the value of an all-embracing policy when considering the removal of heads of prison institutions in an entire area, and have expressed myself in this vein in official correspondence. I quite realize, too, that reinstatement of Dott. Carretta in Regina Coeli may be an unpopular move with the people of Rome and elsewhere. I cannot, however, in the face of the evidence at my disposal, agree that this director be unemployed or otherwise seriously penalized when it is highly probable that his record actually entitles him to more than usual consideration ~~in~~ the Allied hands.

4. The prison situation here, or elsewhere, can well use Dott. Carretta. For purely professional reasons I am requesting your best consideration in his behalf.

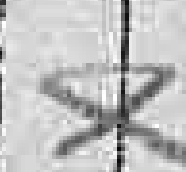


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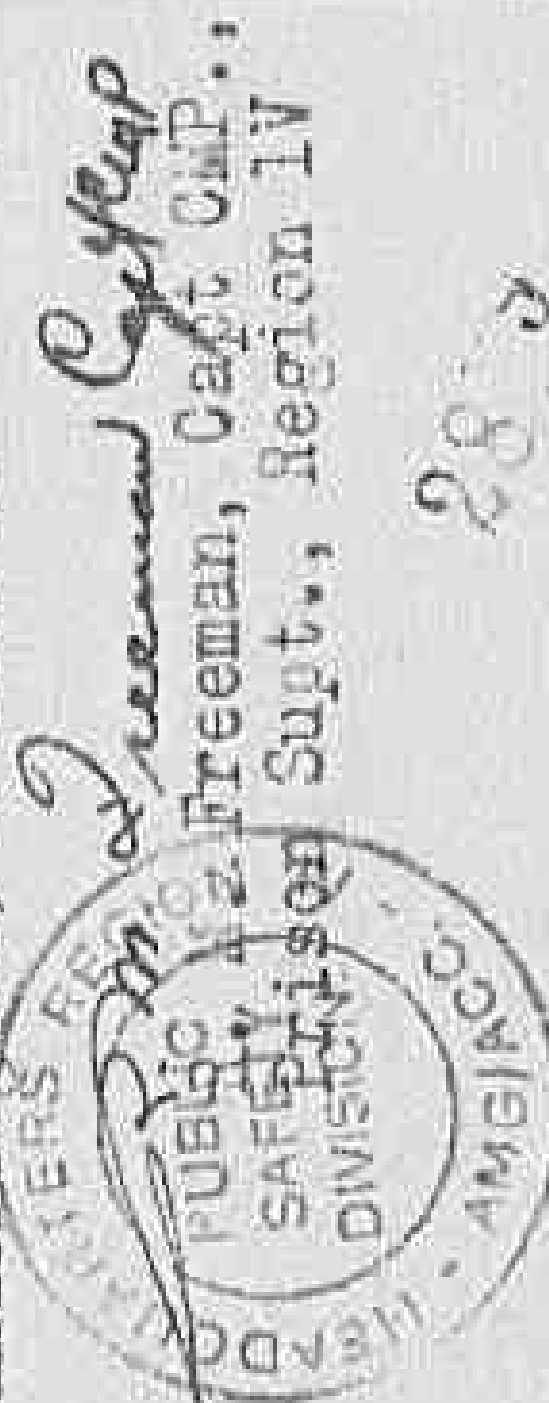
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To: Col. Poletti
Regional Commissioner,
Rome Area.

Subject: Proposed Removal of Prison Director.

1. Attached is file copy of result of investigation of Doctor Carretta, director of the Men's and Women's prison, Rome.
2. The undersigned assumes that all of these statements are true, in the absence of objective verification. He has, however, had ample opportunity to observe Doctor Carretta in his capacity as director for the past three weeks.
3. As superintendent of prisons since early in the morning of 5 June 1944, I am in a position to know that, during the critical early stages immediately following a general release of inmates of all prisons in Rome; when faced with such problems as mob violence, a prison to be made orderly and clean after the disorder of the previous day, the reception, processing, and security of various classes of prisoners arrested by many different agencies, insufficient light, water, telephone service, transportation, food, medicine, sanitary supplies, changing personnel; and the necessity of acceding to the demands of various military agencies, this director played an important part in a calm, efficient, professional manner. For over three weeks he has earned the respect of the GIC, M.P. and P.S. division personnel, who have seen him in his official capacity.
4. His attitude toward supplicants, both inmates and otherwise, is considerate, sympathetic and professional. He has been in Rome only since November 1943, and I am reliably informed that prison conditions

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here have materially improved since he took over the administration.

5. It is the considered opinion of the undersigned that the removal of Doctor Carretta, after he has been allowed to work with and under Allied Military Authority for over three weeks, will do more harm than good to the occupational program.

6. It is therefore requested that reconsideration of the proposed removal of Doctor Carretta be made.



R.M. Freeman, Capt.C.M.P.
Supt. of Prisons

To: Lt. Col. POLLOCK, Chief,
PS Division.

Subject: Basic Communication. (attached).

1. Attached communications are some of those sent to Col. Poletti by supporters of Simon Barretta after publication of the Commissioner's order indicating that heads of many civil institutions were to be removed.

2. The undersigned, too, expressed his opinion that the director could not be satisfactorily replaced; and, in lieu of the fact that no reply or other action by Col. Poletti has eventuated, the whole matter is held in abeyance.

R. X. Freeman, Capt. C.M.P.,
Supt. of Prisons

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To: Lt. Col. Pollock, Chief,
PS Division, Rome.

Subject: Director Regina Coeli.

1. Herewith is file copy of communication to the Regional Commissioner, omitted from my letter of ~~this~~ to-day. You will recall that I described this letter to you when I forwarded it to Col. Poletti, and indicated that I was holding the Director's removal in abeyance until I heard from the Commissioner.

2. Attached also are various documents pertaining to the Director which were delivered to me by you and returned herewith for any action which you wish to take. The scheda personale completed on the 4th of July and designed for screening by Capt. Harris, you will recall, was never forwarded to him.

R.M. Freeman, Capt. C.M.P.
Supt. of Prisons

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18/7/44.

To: Lt. Col. Pollock, Chief,
Public Safety Division, Rome.

Subject: Director, Regina Coeli.

1. It is believed that your communication of to-day, pertaining to Col. Poletti's evident expectation that the Director of Regina Coeli should have already been removed, requires a statement of the situation insofar as the undersigned is concerned.

2. It will be recalled that Col. Poletti's first announcement on 25 June 1944 of a general policy concerning the removal of heads of civil institutions, admitted of some exceptions. The Supt. of Prisons expressed himself as not being able to recommend the Director's removal, on the basis of his observations and knowledge of Sig. Carretta's ability and history. In this connection he addressed a communication to Col. Poletti, enclosing his file as copy of the Director's history, describing his observations, and requesting reconsideration of the proposed removal. No reply to him this communication has been received.

3. During the visit of the Regional Commissioner and yourself to Regina Coeli, the undersigned stated that the removal of Director Carretta had been held in abeyance pending an expression from Col. Poletti. The Regional Commissioner then stated that both he and Col. Pollock would try to find a replacement for Sig. Carretta, and that the Supt. of Prisons would also be on the lookout for a substitute. No suggestions have been received by the undersigned to date. In the meantime he has selected Sig. Strazzera, President of the Visitation Commission for Rome prisons (and, for 2 yrs in contact with the better ideas of prison reform) as acting Director of Regina Coeli and the Women's Prison.

4. I have been informed by several officials that Col. Poletti has asked for representatives of the six political parties to present recommendations concerning the personnel of the various civil institutions. It is said that this Committee was making its report on Tuesday, 18 July 1944. No verification of this report from official sources has been received. 2855

5. Action taken to date:

Orders issued: (A) Removing Director of Regina Coeli and the Women's prison. President of Visitation Committee (referred to above) installed as acting Governor.

(B) Inspector General Comm. Marracino, Regina Coeli, removed. No replacement to date. Request suitable substitute be appointed

by higher authority.

(C) Marano Dott. Alberigo, Vice Director, removed.

(D) Comm. Morvillo, Inspector General of Boys' Reformatory, removed. Replaced by Rag. Spera Adolfo, accountant of same institution, with apparently clean record as acting director.

(E) Belfiore, Comm. Salvatore, Vice Director of Reformatory, removed.

(F) Comm. Sganga, Dott. Francesco, Inspector General in charge of the Center of Studi Penitenziari, removed.

6. Request that substitute personnel be considered by higher headquarters and that this office be informed of action taken.

R. H. Freeman, Capt. U.S.M.P.

Supt. of Prisons

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Rome, 4/9/44.

To: Capt. Freeman, ~~Sup~~

Superintendent of Prisons,

ROME.

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That measure was unexpected and grievous, as my behaviour was always conforming with feelings of high and fervent patriotism. Therefore I believe on good grounds that this measure had been caused by some misunderstanding or inexact knowledge of the facts.

I was the Director of the Penal House of Civitavecchia since December 1941. There, even not bearing abuses or acts of overbearingness and contrary to the discipline from anybody, I tried to favour and facilitate the political inmates and their families, as much as it was possible according to the circumstances of time and social group.

In the fact, in opposition to what happened in the past, the families of the inmates, both common and political, could get, with their full satisfaction, to confer personally with the Director as often as they requested it, and to have often interviews behind the time and out of the term; even without showing the identity papers as by regulations and with prolongation of the regular time. Besides, in order to fulfil the wish expressed by most of the political inmates, to be admitted to the joint and

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And in order that my proposal was accepted, I did not hesitate to pledge myself that no inconvenient would ensue from it.

As what concerns the disciplinary treatment, I cared at once for moderating the excesses due to the too strict system, taken up by the chief guard, a fascist prior 1922, "squadrista", "march on Roi me" and chief of the political investigation office, until I succeeded in obtaining his transfer, with the due prudences.

That is all that concerns the Penal House of Civitavecchia.

In October 1943 I was appointed on a mission to the Prisons of Rome, by order of the Department of Justice, and I kept this Direction from November 1943 to 18 July 1944.

During that period I cooperated actively with the various anti-Fascist parties and I had interviews, at Mr. Strazzera's, with Hon. Inssu, one of the most important leaders of the "Action Party" (= Partito d'Azione), and, at Dr. Monaco's, with Prof. Pertini, a member of the Working Committee of the Socialist Party and Peppino Graceveva, chief of the underground military socialist organization. I gave precious news to the parties and I helped by any means the political inmates and their families. I hindered the Nazi-fascist action in the ambit of the prison activity, preventing transportations to the North of political men and women inmates (among the latter Princess Gancia and the Hebrew sisters Astrologo) and also many Hebrew people, by opportune sheltering in the prison infirmaries and the various hospitals in town. I favoured and made possible the release of seven political inmates of the socialist party (Prof. Pertini, His Excellency Saragat (now a Minister without portfolio), Mr. Ducci, Andreoni, Allori, Lunedei and Bracco), who would otherwise have been shot. With a serious danger of myself and my family

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Party).

On the night of the 2nd June 1944, when we were still under the incubus of the Nazi-Fascist terror, not caring for reprisals and serious threats, I was decidedly opposed to the fact, that the fellow-ing political inmates: Bodo Emanuele, Florini Fernando and Rebecchi Saverio, were transported to the North. Besides, of my own initiative and without the "nothing = prevents" of the competent authority, I provided for having them urgently sheltered in a civilian hospital. On that occasion, I ordered also the sheltering of other seven political inmates, who otherwise should have been transported to the North. At the last, according to a preventive agreement with the parties members of the Committee of National Liberation, on the morning of the 4th of June 1944, without any incident worth of significance and without shedding a single drop of blood, we got the liberation of all the political inmates, when the German troops were still in the prison. According to what I was told, I was looked for by German & Fascist SS, who luckily did not succeed in catching me, because I had placed myself and my family in safety, favoured by Patriots.

After Rome was set free by the Allied troops, I remained in charge for more than one month and a half still, cooperating actively and loyally with the Allied office of Superintendence.

I dare hope that during this period I gave You concrete proofs of my capacities to direct such an important Prison. It is certain that under my Direction, as You could ascertain, all the services have always got along regularly and no inconvenient did even happen.

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danger of myself and my familiars, in the favour of the Allied cause against the nazi-fascist ferociousness and overweening.

Therefore, relying on Your experienced feelings of uprightness and justice, I wish to myself that You will actively appeal to the concerned authority, in order that I be returned to the place, that in conscience I am sure to have worthily held, by revoking the measure that undeservedly stroke me.

As a proof of what I said, I enclose N.8 statements.

The Director

Signed: Doct. Donato Carretta.

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ATTACHED N. I.

Rome, 6/6/1944.

The Direction of the Italian Socialist Party feels the duty of stating that Dott. Carretta, Director of "Regina Coeli" Prison, in spite of the fact that he was inscribed to the National Fascist Party (and this direction cannot give any information about his political precedents) from the moment of the assumption of his actual office (september) 1943) to the day of the liberation of Rome, has actively cooperated with the underground military organization of the Socialist Party: he helped the political inmates, by assuring the communications between them and their organizations, by favouring the escape of two members of the Working Committee of the Party and of others, and by contributing to save some of them from a sure death.

Besides, Dott. Carretta furnished with clothes and funds the bands of Patriots organized by the Socialist Party for account of the Committee of the National Liberation.

The General Secretary of the Italian
Socialist Party
Signed: Pietro NENNI

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ATTACHED N. 2.

Rome, 7 June 1944.

COMMITTEE FOR VISITING AND HELPING INMATES.

Dear Comm. Carretta,

Now at last we can take deep breaths, after seven long months, spent among the anxiousnesses and numerous trepidations also for our families, because of all the grievous vicissitudes of which we had been particular actors, on account of all the barriers that had interposed themselves between us and our work, barriers that we surmounted by superhuman efforts.

Now that the anxieties are over and our families have begun again their usual tranquillities owing to the help of our friends the Allies, our liberators, I feel the duty of showing out all my admiration for the cooperation that you gave to our work and of sending you the warm thanks of the friends of the Committee of National Liberation, for your quick understanding, high spirit of patriotism, great cooperation with the work of the Committee in helping the political inmates and their families.

Dearest Commendatore, it is not up to me to praise you highly. God knows everything, He ^{sees} ~~saw~~ everything: God will compensate You for the services You rendered to our Country and men.

The President of the Committee
Signed: A. Strazzera - Perniciani.

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ATTACHED N. 3.

Rome, 8 June 1944.

To the Director of the Judiciary Prison "Regina Coeli", Rome.

Dear Director,

it would have been my pleasure and duty to come myself to thank You for what You have always done for us, political inmates, during this very sad period of nazi-fascist domination.

Unfortunately I am still in bed in the clinical Hospital of Prof. Bastienelli -and I'll be here for a while~~✓~~-but I don't want You to think that I've forgotten or that I did not attach the owed importance to your act on Friday night, when everybody was still under the terror of German reprisals and, with a spirit really patriotic and ^{an} humanitarian sense, You have rescued us from the transportation and... as for me, from the capital punishment, in all probability.

I beg Your pardon for my horrible handwriting and ~~the~~ order of this letter, but I still ~~lay~~ in bed and the fever is still at 29 degrees. I hope I'll soon be able to come myself and give You my best regards, and I assure You that I'll not fail to point out to the concerned persons Your behaviour, both during my eight months of imprisonment and during my last tumultuous hours.

Please accept my best regards.

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Signed: Carlo Emanuele Bodo, Capt. of Artillery.

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ATTACHED N. 4.

20 June 1944.

Dear Director,

I feel the duty to thank you warmly for what you were so kind as making for me.

I will never forget the work highly humanitarian and deeply generous that you did late in the night of the 31st of May 1944; as well as I will never be able to forget your eager shrewdness and quick and immediate decision of my sheltering into the Hospital, in the pressing danger.

May our Lord compensate you for so much boldness and human understanding and please accept, Mr. Director, the warm expression of my deep gratitude.

Signed: Capt. Fiorini Ferdinando.

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ATTACHED N. 5.

COMMITTEE FOR VISITING AND HELPING INMATES.

Rome, 10 July 1944.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

Having heard the circumstantial report of the President about the work of effective cooperation done by the Director of the Prisons of Rome, Mr. Carretta Great Officer Doctor Donato, during the period of the nazi-fascist oppression; knowing, with real pleasure, that the said officer showed a high spirit of patriotism in the favour of the political inmates and a human understanding, by intervening with his authority to favour the tasks done by the Committee of Prison Assistance and that therefore many profitable realizations have been got in the interest of the protection of the human liberty, the Committee for Visiting and Assisting Inmates

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upon bestowing, as it bestows in fact, a warm praise on Dott. Carretta because of his brave, patriotic and human action, and it issues His Excellency the President to communicate this order of the day to the concerned person.

The President of the Committee

Signed: A. Strazzera-Perniciani.

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ATTACHED N. 6.

CHRISTIAN DEMOCRACY.
CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

13 July 1944.
Piazza del Gesù 46.

To: The Committee of the National Liberation, Rome.

Subject: Director of Prisons "Regina Coeli".

With respect to the ordered purification of the personnel in the Prisons of "Regina Coeli", in order to avoid an eventual substitution of the Director Comm. Doct. Donato Carretta, we have the honor of signifying that he is a ^{first} rate official, gifted with high patriotic feelings. During the period of nazi-fascist persecutions, he gave bountiful assistance and help to all the political inmates, whom we signalized to him, risking many times to endanger his situation and his own freedom.

Because of these gifts and these particular merits of his, (instead of appointing a new director), we feel the duty to propose his confirmation in the office, that he so worthily holds.

for: The Working Committee

Signed: Restagno.

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ATTACHED N. 7.

To: The Committee of National Liberation, Rome.

I can certify that during the period of my imprisonment (20 November 1943 - 21 March 1944), the Director of "Regina Coeli", doct. Donato Carretta, did all what he could in order to relieve the conditions of myself and others, by favouring the work of assistance and help, that the companions of my Party and my own family excoagitated.

Truly yours

Signed: Carlo Muscetta,

Member of the Action Party,

Chief Reporter of the newspaper:

"L'Italia Libera".

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ATTACHED N. 8.

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS,
Delegation in Italy.

Rome; 26 Aug. 1944.

To: Comm. Doct. Donato Carretta,
Direction "Regina Coeli" Prison, Via della Lungara 29, Rome.

Dear Commendatore,

the moment of drawing up a conclusive report about the work done during the period September 1943- June 1944, for the purpose of assisting the numerous refugees living in Rome, this Delegation feels the duty to praise and thank You for the strict cooperation that You showed, and for the great facilities You granted us as often as we came to visit the prisons, allowing us always to give help, comfort and advice to the inmates.

Please accept, dear Commendatore, our best regards.

Le Délégué Adjoint du C.I.C.R.

Délégation Italie Centrale

Signed: Dott. A. Luvini.

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ALLIED MILITARY COMMAND
ROME REGION
APO. 394

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Public Safety Division

17th July, 1944.

Subject: Director of Regina Coeli Prison

To : Col. Charles Poletti, Regional Commissioner, Rome.

1. The Director of Regina Coeli Prison,

Dr. Donato CARRARA, has been removed from office to-day,
17th July, 1944.

J. R. POLLOCK
Lt. Col.
Chief, Public Safety,
ROME.

copy to Maj. Heath.

A.C.C. Public Safety Sub-Commission ✓
Maj. Leavenworth.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

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Acc/14201/4/PS(1)

11 February 1944

SUBJECT: Letter of ratification

TO : R.O.A.P.O., Region IV

1. The attached letter is forwarded to you for information and disposal.

[Signature]

WILLIAM C. KIRK
Colonel, Inf.
Chief, Public Safety
Sub-Commission

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ACC/14201/4/PS(2)

11 February 1944

SUBJECT: Transfer of guards to Lucera Prison

TO : R. C. A. F. C. Region IV

1. The following with regard to the assignment of guards is suggested by the Ministry of Justice, as per attached letter:-

Sorino Giovanni: Assigned provisionally to Lucera prison, from Ravenna.

Rotunno Francesco: Assigned provisionally to Lucera prison from Finale Liguera

2. We understand that both Ravenna and Finale Liguera are still in enemy hands.

3. If the above recommendations do not meet with your approval please notify this Headquarters immediately, other wise forwarding them to addresse for action.

Paul G. Kire
PAUL G KIRE
Colonel, Inf.
Chief, Public Safety
Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Legal Subcommittee

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9 February 1944.

ACC/L/4017

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Documents.

TO : Director, Public Safety Subcommittee, ACC.

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Herewith please find the following documents emanating from the Ministry of Justice and addressed to prison officials:

- 2D*
1. Letter no. 2716 of 15 Jan 1944 re assignment of Agente ROTUNDO FRANCESCO.
- 2C*
2. Letter no. 344 of 15 Jan 1944 re assignment of Agente SCRINO GIOVANNI.
3. Letter no. 568 of 24 Jan 1944 re authorization of certain expenditure.

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A. R. THACKRAH
Major.

for Chief of Staff.

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ACC/11201/3/13

7 February, 1944.

Subject : Pay of Guards at Lucera Prison.

To : HQAPO, Region IV.

1. The following action with regard to the re-enlistment and pay of guards at Lucera Prison is suggested by the Ministry of Justice, as per attached letters:

Caputo, Antonio, second enlistment, with authorized pay increase from 16 October, 1943.
 Cocola, Nicola, fifth enlistment, with authorized pay increase from 16 October, 1943.
 Colombo, Luigi, second enlistment, with authorized pay increase from 16 October, 1943.
 Sorrentino, Enrico, fifth enlistment, with authorized pay increase from 16 October, 1943.
 Capogrosso, Felice, fifth enlistment, with authorized pay increase from 16 January, 1944.
 De Novellis, Vincenzo, refused second enlistment, placed on one year's probation.
 Cellico, Mario, placed on probation for one year from 16 January, 1944.

2. If the above recommendations do not meet with your approval, please notify this headquarters immediately, returning the letter of authorization, otherwise forwarding them to addressees for action.

Paul G. Aire
 PAUL G. AIRE
 Colonel, Infantry,
 Chief,
 Public Safety Sub-Commission.

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