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UNRRA & ALLIED
ITALIANS
DEC. 1945 - MAY 19

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CORPS OF WAREHOUSE WATCHMEN & PROTECTION OF
UNRRA & ALLIED STORES & STORES HANDED OVER TO
ITALIANS
DEC. 1945 - MAY 1946

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Food & Agriculture (Att. May Bureau)

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W. and J. Nelson
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Z. and J. Nelson.

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AT 16A & copy of a note I sent
to Gen. Sec. on the matter.

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For Carbury
V.O.C. 95

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION,
APO 394,
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION.

Ref: ES/5.08

17th May, 1946

To: Acting Vice President,
Economic Section.

With reference to the attached letter from G.5 AFHQ on the subject of the Italian Government taking over all US surplus property, I have the following suggestions:

As regards the question of placing Security Guards on the property available for take over, the responsibility for this appears to rest with the Italian Ministry of War.

This appears in AFHQ letter of 15th December 1945 and letter to the Ministry of War of 22nd December 1945 - copies are at 40 and 43 respectively in the attached Public Safety File AC/12331/RS. You do not appear to have had copies of these letters.

I do not know whether the Minister of War or his representative would be prepared to attend meetings with representatives of the US Army, UNRRA, FLO and ARAR or similar meetings and take decisions as to the receiving of such stores and placing guards over them. There may be other circumstances involved besides those of security.

If you have a contact in the Ministry of War you may be able to find out whether that Ministry will assume paramount interest in the matter.

If you cannot get a quick and definite answer by this means I suggest that the Chief Commissioner should send a letter to the Prime Minister asking him to nominate a Ministry and suggesting that it might be the Ministry of War in view of their responsibility for providing guards. There is plenty of ammunition in paragraph 5 of the AFHQ letter which should bring a quickly reply from the Prime Minister.

MC
M. GARR, Brigadier,
VP. CA. Section

ADPS seen
RL
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SUBJECT: Guards on Guard Duty.

LAND POTOTS SUB-COM., AC. (INDIA)

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977-2674

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TO THE CITY :

Ref your 110243/II dated 24 Apr 46.

1. The question of the employment by Military HQ of civilians armed on the authority of the Ministry of the Interior, in addition to civilians guarding depots of materials handed over by the ARMS and armed on authority of ARMS, has been considered by this HQ in conjunction with Civil Affairs Sub-Commission of A.C.
2. The situation as it stands is considered to be unsatisfactory. It has therefore been recommended to AFHQ that ALL civilians employed as guards on any form of Military HQ or installation, and who require to carry arms, should come within the provisions of this HQ O/14 dated 27 Dec 45 as amended by W O/14 dated 12 Jan 46.
3. Pending decision by AFHQ, please forward to this HQ as soon as possible (a) an approximate statement of total number civilian guards armed on authority of the Ministry of the Interior and employed by the Military (b) details of these guards.

In the meantime such guards already employed by 7 Territorial Command may remain employed as at present.

4. It is requested that no new guards should be armed on authority of Ministry of the Interior.
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Major General,
M. I. A.

028/5084

Copy to : ~~ALL OTHER CLERK~~
APPLD COMMISSION (for Civil Affairs)
7 British Liaison Unit

Internal:

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SUBJECT: ITALIAN GUARDS : Armed Civilian

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LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C. (MIA)

C/14

Apr 46

TO : ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS (G-3)

Telephone conversation Lt. Col. SOUTHEY (G Ops MIA) - Lt. Col. FOSTER
(G-3) ARHQ morning 29 Apr refers.

1. Your AF370.094 GCF - 0 dated 15 Dec 45 laid down conditions under which civilians might be armed as guards for ITALIAN Military and Civil Dumps.
2. A number of such armed civilian guards has since been authorized. It has now come to light that in addition to the foregoing, the ITALIAN Military Authorities are employing unspecified numbers of civilian guards (on HQs, Magazines, Ord stores etc.) armed on the authority of the Ministry of the Interior treated as Public security agents and neither reported to, checked, screened or controlled by MIA nor any other ALLIED authority.
3. Such action by the ITALIAN Military Authorities appears to evade the ceiling laid down for the ITALIAN Interim Army and the provisions of your above quoted letter, and seems in every way undesirable. This view is shared by Civil Affairs Sub Commission, A.C., who agree with this HQ in recommending that the restrictions in your AG 370.094 GCF-0 dated 15 Dec 45 be extended to cover all armed civilians employed by the ITALIAN Military for whatever purpose. Such extension would ensure that a record was maintained of how many of these armed civilian guards are in existence, that the number of them is limited and that the arms with which they are provided are controlled and kept to a minimum.
4. Your ruling is requested.

ARCS/rr

Major-General,
MIA.

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TO	DATE
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DEPUTY DIRECTOR	
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Major-General,
MIA.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

Ref. ES/15.05/2

15 February 1946

SUBJECT: Pilferage

TO : Ministry of the Interior
Italian Government
Rome

14327

1. It is understood that the Federazione dei Consorzi Agrari has approached the Ministry of the Treasury on the problems arising from lack of adequate guard service at dock warehouses as well as the necessity for additional guard personnel to guard the movement and storage of imported foodstuffs (Ref. Federazione's letter to Ministry of Treasury of 18 January 1946).

2. The Allied Commission, as well as UNRRA, has received an increasing number of reports of organized thefts from warehouses and from trains and trucks carrying imported foodstuffs throughout Italy. As much of this stolen foodstuff reaches the black market to the detriment of the Italian economy and at expense of the ration system of the country, it is felt that the Ministry of the Interior, in collaboration with the Ministry of Treasury should give this problem their most urgent consideration.

3. This office would appreciate information of the decision reached on this matter by the Italian Government as well as the steps proposed to be taken to alleviate the difficulties experienced by the Federazione and expressed in their letter of 18 January 1946.

4. It is therefore suggested that you should take this matter up with the Ministry of the Treasury to whom this office has already written along the same lines as to yourselves, and who have been informed that you will no doubt contact them.

Harlan Cleveland

HARLAN CLEVELAND
Acting Vice President

cc :- Public Safety S/C (Civil Affairs), AC ✓

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TRANSLATION D.S.

MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
General Direction of P.S.

Rome 11 February 1946

Police Division - Sec. 3^a
N° 10/10571 - 10.000To: ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety S/CR O M ASUBJECT : Bari - Surveynance at the stores of Consorzio Agrario
and U.N.R.R.A. -

With reference to our letter n. 10/10571/10.000 dated January 27 ult, it is communicated that the continual surveynance at the warehouses of the Consorzio Agrario in the Province of Bari, is performed as follows by special sworn agents:

- 1) - Each of the 10 Stores depending on the Consorzio Agrario Provinciale in the city is controlled by two agents; the 25 stores situated in the province are supervised by one or two agents in accordance with their importance;
- 2) - the 6 Stores, depending on the Federazione Italiana Consorzi Agrari are supervised by 46 agents; the 9 Stores situated in the province are controlled by 18 agents.

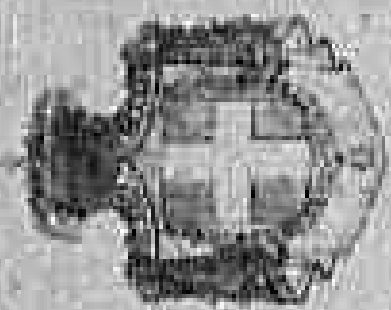
Besides it is informed that 11 persons have been denounced and arrested as responsible for the theft of 23 quintals sugar from the Depot of the U.N.R.R.A. in Bari - Via Putignani 236, whilst 6 more persons have been denounced as accomplices.

The stolen goods have been almost completely recovered.

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FOR THE MINISTER
/s/ Ferrari

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Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

Roma, 11 febbraio

1946

AZZ. ON. COMMISSIONE ALEMATA

Sottocommissione per la P.S. =

Direzione Polizia Scr. 3°

Prot. V.F. 10/10571 Allegato

10.000

ROMA

Prospetto al Foglio del
Scr. 4°

OGGETTO Bari-Vigilanza ai depositi del Consorzio Agrario e della
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A seguito del foglio in data 27 gennaio u.s., di pari numero, si informa che la vigilanza fissa, a mezzo di guardiani particolari giurati, ai depositi del Consorzio Agrario in provincia di Bari, viene effettuata nel modo seguente:

- 1) = marazzini dipendenti dal Consorzio Agrario Provinciale nella città, n. 10 con due guardie ciascuno; n. 25 nella provincia, tutti vigilati con una o due guardie a seconda dell'importanza;
- 2) = marazzini dipendenti dalla Federazione Italiana Consorzi Agrari; n. 5 in Bari sorvegliati da 16 guardie; e 9 in provincia vigilati con 18 guardie.

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La refurtiva è stata recuperata nella quasi totalità.

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Direzione Polizia Loc. 3°
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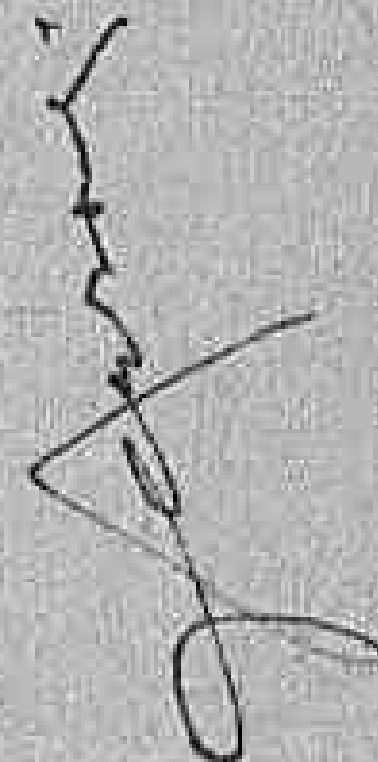
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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
 General Direction for P.S.
 Police Div. - Sec. III
 No. 10.10571/10000
 Ans. to AC/ 14331 PS
 OF 9/1/46

ROME - 27 JAN. 1946

TO: ALLIED COMMAND
 PUBLIC SAFETY S.C.
 ROME

TO	INIT	DATE
DIRECTOR		1/18/46
DEPUTY DIRECTOR		1/18/46
ADJ. OFFICER		1/18/46
SECURITY		1/18/46
CHIEF CLERK		1/18/46

SUBJECT: Vigilance at the U.N.R.R.A. and Consorzio Agrario Stores.

The Prefect of Bari, in view of numerous thefts of Allied foodstuffs - imported and to be eventually distributed to the civilian population, and stored up in the U.N.R.R.A. and Consorzio Agrario Provinciale Centres - has arranged, prior agreement with the Allied Commission Officers at Bari, with the Questore and the Commanders of the CC.RR. external and internal group, and with the R; Guards of Finance, a special surveillance service at these stores.

Since the 20 Dec. '45, special patrol squads, composed of CC.RR., Guards of Finance and P.S. Agents, have been ordered to inspect all the stores in the town during the night. This vigilance is carried out together with two sworn guards placed to do duty at each store.

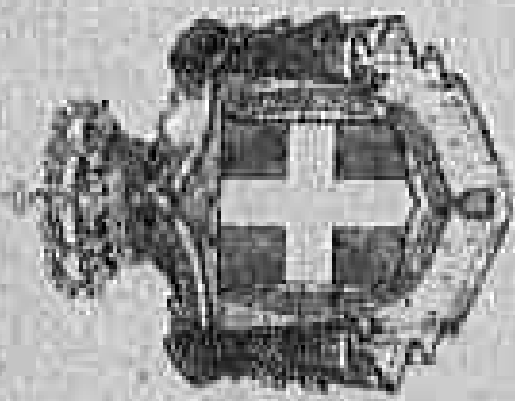
The orders to intensify this vigilance, have been also issued - by the same Prefect - to the communes of the Province.

To adequately arm the sworn guards, the Ministry of War has been requested to furnish 50 muskets.

We confide that, with these extra and more vigorous measures taken, the thefts be eliminated.

For the Minister
 Ferrari

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Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA
Divisione Polizia = Sezione 3^a

Roma 27 gennaio 1946

n. IO. IO571/I0000

a nota 9.I. I946 n. AC/I4331 PS.

Oggetto : B A R I = vigilanza ai depositi di merci del Consor=
zio Agrario e dell' U.N.R.R.A. -

ON. COMMISSIONE A L L E A T A
Sottocommissione per la P.S.

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Roma 27 gennaio I946

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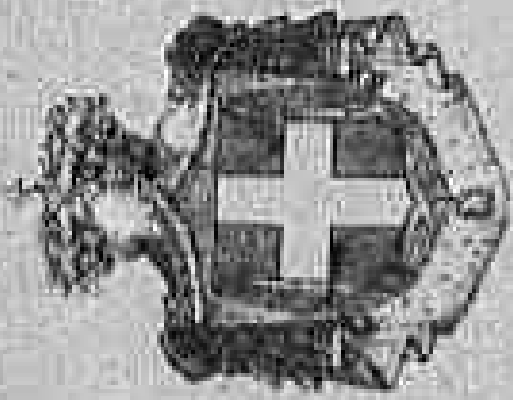
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Per poter armare adeguatamente i guardiani giurati sono stati già richiesti n.50 moschetti al Ministero della Guerra.-

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Ministero dell'Interno

Roma

Si confida che, con l'adozione di tali nuove e più rigorose misure, i furti di detto materiale possano essere eliminati.-

PEL MINISTRO

Scavini

SUBJECT: Guerrilla of Storms handed over by the ALLIES

LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C. (MILIA)

6/14

12 JAN 16

DISTR: See below

As a result of a submission by Public Safety Sub Commission A.C. that certain ambiguity existed in this HQ letter 0/14 of 27 Dec 15, the following amendments should be made to that letter:

(a) para 2(a)(ii) line two,

after "they may cover fire"

insert: "on ALLIED personnel".

(b) insert new para 2(a)(iii):

"When COMR and Civil Police are employed on normal patrol and police duty, they may open fire on civilians in such circumstances as are laid down by existing ITALIAN regulations on this subject".

(c) REAMEND sub para 2(a)(iii) and (iv) so 2(a)(iv) and (v) respectively.

AMCS/abc

To: Ministry of War

Info: AMCS

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Public Safety Sub Commission

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for Major General
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Recording of Stories handed over by the ALLINS

LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C. (MIL)

2/14

12 Jan 16

Date : See below

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- (a) para 2(a)(ii) line two, after "they may open fire" insert: "on ARMED personnel".
- (b) insert new para 2(a)(iii):
"Both CRR and Civil Police are employed on normal patrol and police duty, they may open fire on civilians in such circumstances as are laid down by existing IMA/IC regulations on this subject".
- (c) REPEATER sub para 2(a)(iii) and (iv) as 2(a)(iv) and (v) respectively.

AKS/abc

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Major General
M. I. A.
11/11/16
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To : Ministry of War

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478427

AC/14327/PS

9 January 1945

SUBJECT : Guarding of Stores handed
over by the Allies.

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA).

1. Reference your G/14 of 7 January 1946.
2. We agree with your proposed amendments to
G/14 of 27 December 1945.

JWC/as

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, JAGD
Director.

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SUBJECT : Guarding of Stores handed over by the Allies

LAND FORCES SUB COM A.C. (MHA)

G/11

7 Jan 46

TO : Public Safety Sub Com, A.C. 

Ref your AC/14327/PS of 3 Jan 45.

1. Your point is appreciated.
2. It is suggested that para 2 be amended as follows :
 - (a) para 2(d)(ii) line two,
after "they may open fire"
INSERT: "on ALLIED personnel".
 - (b) INSERT new para 2(d)(iii):
"When CORR and Civil Police are employed on normal patrol and police duty, they may open fire on civilians in such circumstances as are laid down by existing ITALIAN regulations on this subject.
 - (c) ~~RENUMBER~~ sub paras 2(d)(iii) and (iv) as 2(d)(iv) and (v) respectively.
3. Your views are requested.

ARCS/abc

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Major General
MHA

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel: 489081-365

9 January 1946

AC/14331/PS

SUBJECT : Corps of Warehouse Watchmen.

TO : Director of P.S.,
Ministry of Interior.

1. Reference your 12.15011/10000 dated 6 Jan. 46.
2. The following report has been received from the A.C. Liaison Officer BARI:

"Pilfering of Allied foodstuffs imported for civilian consumption and raiding of warehouses of the FEDERAZIONE CONSORZI AGRARI and CONSORZIO AGRARIO PROVINCIALE by armed bands are reaching such proportions in BARI Province that special measures are being planned to protect the supplies.

Additional Carabinieri and Guardia di Finanza and Questura Agents are being allocated to the task, but their numbers are not sufficient to provide adequate protection.

It is therefore proposed to form a special corps of warehouse watchmen to be recruited by the CONSORZI concerned, from ex-soldiers and ex-carabinieri carefully screened by the Questura.

The size of this Corps will be 200, of whom 100 will be on duty at any one time

In view of the fact that the corps will have to deal with armed gangsters, it is desired to arm it with muskets or rifles. The Prefect of BARI is therefore asking application to "MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO, Direzione Generale Pubblica Sicurezza, ROMA" for the allotment of 100 muskets or rifles from the Italian Army.

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It is planned to keep the weapons, when not in use, in a central armoury under control of the Carabinieri. Furthermore only men trained in the use of the rifle would be recruited."

3. Forwarded for your information and such action as you may deem necessary.

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, JAGD
Director.

PJW/tm

Copy to:- L.O. Bari
(Your L3/3 dated 21 Dec. 45).

P.S. c/e
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Ref. E 5/15-05/2

SUBJECT: Pilferage

TO : Acting Vice President

NAME	DATE
DIRECTOR	1/15/1
DEPUTY DIRECTOR	1/15/1
ADM. OFFICER	1/15/1
SEC. OFFICER	1/15/1
CHIEF CLERK	1/15/1

17 GEN 1946

8 January 1945



Reference your 10/1.32 of 21 December 1945.

1. A meeting was held at 9:00 p.m. on 7 January to discuss the pilferage of imports of supplies. Representatives of the following organizations were present:

USDA
 USA
 USF
 USIA

Supply Group
 Transportation 3/5
 Food & Agriculture 5/5
 Civil Affairs Section
 International Consular Agency

2. The losses. It appears that losses through pilferage arise in all of the following places: (a) From the ship during unloading; (b) from the ship to the warehouse; (c) in the warehouse; (d) in distribution from the central warehouse to the provincial establishments.

3. Losses during unloading. The USA/USF representatives advised that there are losses during unloading. The representatives did not have statistics to show these losses quantitatively at the location. Rather they were prepared to discuss the matter in general terms and point to several incidents of removal of various items of cargo as well as certain items of vessel equipment.

4. Losses from ship to warehouse. The representatives presented a set of figures covering the period 1 March to 30 June 1944. The losses were in absolute figures and were of modest proportions with the exception of sugar where a loss of 90 tons was indicated.

5. Losses in the warehouse. The representatives presented statistics to show the losses at various warehouses through incidents of theft. The quantities at this point as cited were not large. However, some significance might be attached to the fact that the losses cited resulted from known incidents of pilferage; for example, where the wall was broken. A subsequent check was made at the warehouse. This procedure might not disclose smaller but substantial continuing losses.

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6. Issues between central warehouses and internal distribution points. Federations has statistics covering these issues which, by themselves, are not large figures. These statistics like the others are somewhat old.

7. Further Information.

(a) Federations agreed to bring their statistics up to date and to summarize them. Federations was requested to make their statistics comprehensive for the whole of Italy.

(b) Mr. Frodin agreed to obtain from port captain a report on losses in the ports.

(c) DIA was requested to undertake to obtain more precise information.

8. Correcting the conditions. In order to reduce pilferage it is manifest that additional armed guards will be necessary. The limiting factors the provision for armed guards are: (a) failings on the armed forces, (b) the provision for clothing, arms, and equipment, and (c) the cost.

9. (a) Federations agreed to review their statistics, bringing them up to date and preparing a summary statement showing the losses throughout the whole distribution channel.

(b) Federations agreed to prepare recommendations for guards showing the numbers and locations at which additional guards are necessary.

(c) Public Safety agreed to review this requirement and present the matter to the Minister of Interior.

(d) DIA representation asked a recent approval from AFSA permitting a formation for a special guard group, for another purpose, with no limitation on the size of the group but limiting weapons to a non-automatic type and to about one-third of the strength of the group to be organized.

(e) DIA stated that the distribution of Italian troops for this guard purpose would be a matter for the Italian Government to decide. He followed that DIA would recommend against so diverting Italian troops because of the necessity for their receiving military training.

10. After receipt of additional data and a clearer statement of the numbers of personnel, arms, etc. required the Allied Commission should prepare a recommendation to the Italian Government that it take steps to allocate present forces or organize additional forces to handle this problem.

CHARLES F. HAYES
Colonel, AG
Chief, Supply Group

cc: UNRRA
NSA
Supply Group
Food & Agri. S/C
Transportation
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AFSA
Federations Committee
Agri
Civil Affairs Section ✓
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

SA
file

Tel : 478427

AG/14327/PS

3 January 1946

SUBJECT : Guarding of Stores handed
over by the Allies.

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission (MILA).

1. Reference is made to your C/14 dated 27 December, 1945, subject as above.
2. Your attention is particularly invited to para. 2 (d). Sub-paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) have been lifted out of their proper context without compensating adjustment in the text with the result that sub-para (ii) is completely wrong. As it stands Italian police are forbidden to open fire against anyone except Allied personnel. The original directive from which the sub-paragraphs were lifted was a directive limited to the use of firearms against Allied personnel and is not of general application.

JWC/ae

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, JAGD
Director.

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ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

TO :

: Public Safety

Director	
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FILE No.	
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It seems to me that para 2(a) has been taken away from its context and does not make sense.

The letter reads under 2(c)(ii) ^{that} CCRR + Intl. Police cannot open fire when attacked by an armed Italian. 2(d) is copy of an AFHQ letter which I believe from its heading applied only to opening fire on Allied troops. This is not clear ~~is it~~ attached. Will you take up with M.M.I.A. MC 28/XII.

SUBJECT: Guarding of Stores handed over by the Allies.

LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C. (MIA).

6/14.

27 Dec 45.

TO : Distn below

Ref your 224826/11 of 12 Nov 45.

1. I am in agreement with you on the necessity of guarding effectively the stores now being handed over to you but I am not authorised to discuss the question of placing or retaining under arms any personnel in excess of the 205,000 authorised for the ITALIAN Army (including C.R.R.), in MIA Directive No. 1 of 2 Nov 45.

2. AMHQ however, have now given permission for the employment of civilian guards to safeguard the stores involved, with the following provisos:

- (a) That the number of guards to employed is kept to a minimum consistent with efficient guarding.
- (b) That guards carry arms only while they are on duty. That the arms with which guards are equipped do not exceed one per man on duty at any one time, and that these weapons are held as "port" stores.
- (c) That all guards wear some easily recognizable badge or insignia.
- (d) That the authority of these guards to make arrests or use their fire arms while on duty shall be clearly defined and conform to the general lines of that accorded to the Carabinieri. The general authority accorded to the C.R.R. is as follows:

(1) When Carabinieri and Civil Police are employed as properly constituted guards, patrols and sentries, on such duties as guarding dumps, property, buildings, etc. they may open fire on thieves or suspected thieves after direct challenge in the following circumstances:

- (1) Every attempt must have been made to apprehend the thief or suspected person.
- (2) There must be no other effective way of stopping that person.
- (3) There will be no following up in order to shoot beyond the immediate area to be guarded.

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(ii) When Carabinieri and Civil Police are employed on normal patrol and police duty, they may open fire only in the following circumstances: **3222**

- (1) When attacked by an armed Allied soldier in circumstances which render the use of firearms essential in self-defence.
- (2) When attacked by an unarmed Allied soldier and the attack is of such a character that retreat is impossible and that resort to firearms is necessary to safeguard their lives.
- (3) When an armed Allied soldier is making an attack with firearms on a third party.



*2) It is - when cells & lock keys are employed
in normal patrol police duty, they may
open fire on civilians in such circumstances
as are laid down by existing British regulations
on this subject.*

(iii) Automatic fire will not be used. Automatic weapons capable of firing single shots may however be used as single-shot weapons.

(iv) In no circumstances will fire be opened against women members of the Allied Forces.

(e) That this HQ be kept informed for transmission to the Allied Commission, of the numbers, locations and types of weapons employed by such guards.

(f) That the arms with which such guards are equipped are supplied from ITALIAN resources, and that such guards are not equipped at the expense of the ITALIAN Army or Carabinieri.

(g) That BEFORE any such guards are actually on duty, this HQ is informed, for transmission to the Allied Commission, to AFHQ, and to all Allied Military personnel in the neighbourhood of the depots, of full details of the distinctive insignia adopted in accordance with sub para (c) above.

(h) That such guards will not go on duty until confirmation has been given to you by this HQ that all those mentioned in sub para (c) above have in fact been duly informed.

3. Your reply is awaited.

AFHQ/156

L. Browning

Major General.
M. H. I. A.

To : Ministry of War.

Info : AFHQ
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Public Safety Sub Comm.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

PUBLIC SAFETY
15 December 1945 4C

AG 370.691 GGT-0

SUBJECT: Use of Armed Civilian Guards for Italian Military and Civil Dumps

TO: Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
APO 394

1. Reference is made to MMIA letter 50/47/2, dated 23 November 1945,
.. subject: "Italian Guards for Dumps of Equipment now being handed over to the
Italian Government".

2. This headquarters approves the request by the Italian ministry of war
to employ civilian guards to safeguard the stocks of military and civil material
now being handed over to the Italian Government, subject to the following
conditions:

- a. That the number of guards so employed is kept to a minimum con-
sistent with efficient guarding.
- b. That guards carry arms only while they are on duty. That the arms
with which guards are equipped do not exceed one per man on duty at any one time,
and that these weapons are held as "post" stores.
- c. That all guards wear some easily recognizable badge or insignia.
- d. That the authority of these guards to make arrests or use their
fire arms while on duty shall be clearly defined and conform to the general
lines of that accorded to the Carabinieri. (AFHQ letter AG.338.3. - C-0 of
2 Nov refers)
- e. That the Allied Commission be kept informed of the numbers,
locations, and types of weapons employed by such guards.
- f. That the arms with which such guards are equipped are supplied
from Italian resources, and that such guards are not equipped at the expense of
the Italian Army or Carabinieri.

3. In order that Allied Military personnel in the neighborhood of the
dumps may be informed, please insure that AFHQ receives full details of such
distinctive insignia as may be adopted in accordance with paragraph 1c above
before the scheme is implemented.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

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Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General



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21 December 1945

SUBJECT : Arms for corps of warehouse watchmen

TO : HQ Allied Commission
for Civil Affairs Section

1. Pilfering of Allied foodstuffs imported for civilian consumption and raiding of warehouses of the *OPERAZIONE CONSORZI AGRARI* and *CONSORZIO AGRARIO PROVINCIALE* by armed bands are reaching such proportions in BARI Province that special measures are being planned to protect the supplies.

2. Additional Carabinieri and Guardia di Finanza and Questura Agents are being allocated to the task, but their numbers are not sufficient to provide adequate protection.

3. It is therefore proposed to form a special corps of warehouse watchmen to be recruited by the *CONSORZI* concerned, from ex-soldiers and ex-carabinieri carefully screened by the Questura.

4. The size of this Corps will be 200, of whom 100 will be on duty at any one time.

5. In view of the fact that the corps will have to deal with armed gangsters, it is desired to arm it with muskets or rifles. The Prefect of BARI is therefore asking application to "MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO, Direzione Generale Pubblica Sicurezza, Roma" for the allotment of 100 muskets or rifles from the Italian Army.

6. It is planned to keep the weapons, when not in use, in a central armoury under control of the Carabinieri. Furthermore only men trained in the use of the

TO : HQ Allied Commission
for Civil Affairs Section

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7. The Commander 54 Area supports the plan provided the arrangements in para 6 above are carried out.

8. It would be much appreciated if HQ Allied Commission could lend support to the Prefect's request, and impress upon the Italian Authorities concerned the necessity for immediate action.

Wm. R. Bentley
for M. S. Hartley, Col.
Liaison Officer
AC BARI

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COPIES TO : Office of Executive Commissioner

: Economic Section

: Public Safety Sub Commission

: AC Transportation Section, BARI

: G 54 Area

: Prefect of BARI

: Dr. De Pascale, BARI.

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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
Direction General Public Security
Police Division - Third Section

10.16011/10000

6 January 46

SUBJECT : Vigilance over UNRRA goods.

TO : Public Safety S/C A.C.

This Ministry has never stopped paying particular attention on the necessity of assuring an accurate and diligent control over goods coming from UNRRA.

On this subject, necessary dispositions were given a while ago, to the Prefects of the ports of Civitavecchia, Castellammare di Stabia, Livorno, Genova, Bari and Ancona, where wheat and other goods are unloaded by UNRRA, so as, not only to assure the service, particularly heavy during the landing operations, but also during the transportation of said goods and foodstuffs from the ports to the relative stores, in order to avoid, and eventually stop immediately any attempt of pilferage.

Particularly for the port of Naples, owing to the great number of ships which unload large quantities of goods of all kinds, MMIA was approached in order to have them put at disposal, for the service of supervision in said port, an adequate number of Italian soldiers, meanwhile the Prefect of Naples was also approached so as to have him dispose of necessary means for an adequate vigilance, the exact number of soldiers necessary has been asked (Officers and N.C.O.s included), so as to have MMIA dispose eventually.

Lastly, to avoid engaging a large number of agents, owing to the actual conditions of public order, to sufficiently guarantee the goods of UNRRA, the Competent Delegation of the Italian Government has been asked to take an interest in examining the possibility of appointing an adequate number of sworn guards, for the supervision of the ports and stores, where the various goods, furnished by UNRRA are kept.

The appointment of said agents should be made by the prefects within whose jurisdiction the ports and stores for supervision are, and this would only be given to persons worthy of trust and able to carry out the delicate and important charge.

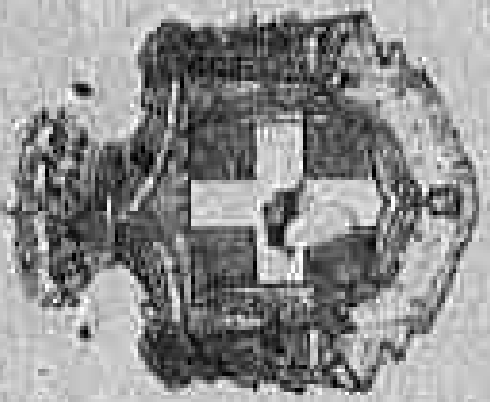
Thus, an adequate service of supervision would be assured integrating and completing the service actually being done by agents only.

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For the Minister
/s/ Ferrari.

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Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLA PUBBLICA SICUREZZA

DIVISIONE POLIZIA - SEZIONE TERZA

M. IO. IGOMI/10000

Roma 6 gennaio 1946

OGGETTO: Vigilanza sulle merci dell'U.N.R.A.A. -

AL COMANDO DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

- Sottocommissione per la I.S. -

ROMA

Questo Ministero non ha mancato di portare la sua particolare attenzione sulla necessità di assicurare un oculato e diligente servizio di controllo sulle merci, provenienti dall'America, in distribuzione in Italia per conto dell'U.N.R.A.A. -

A tale scopo sono state, già da tempo, impartite opportune disposizioni ai Prefetti aventi giurisdizione sui porti di Civitavecchia, Castellammare di Stabia, Livorno, Genova, Bari ed Ancona, dove vengono sbarcati grano e merci varie fornite dall'U.N.R.A.A. al fine, non solo di assicurare il servizio, particolarmente intenso, durante le operazioni di sbarco, ma, bensì, anche durante il trasporto delle merci e dei generi alimentari dai porti al relativi magazzini di deposito, per poter prevenire, ed, eventualmente, reprimere, prontamente ogni tentativo di sottrazione. -

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per disporre in conseguenza.

Allo scopo, infine, di non impegnare un numero eccessivo di agenti, data le attuali condizioni dell'ordine e della sicurezza pubblica, per garantire sufficientemente le merci di proprietà dell'U.N.R.R.A., si è interessata vivamente la competente Delegazione del Governo Italiano, perché esamini la possibilità di nominare un adeguato numero di guardie giurate, per la sorveglianza dei porti e dei magazzini, dove vengono custoditi i vari generi forniti dall'U.N.R.R.A..-

La nomina di detti guardiani dovrebbe avvenire a cura dei Prefetti entro la cui giurisdizione si trovano i porti e magazzini da sorvegliare e verrebbe concessa solo a persone le quali diano completo affidamento di poter assolvere, in pieno, il delicato ed importante compito loro affidato.-

In tal modo, verrebbe assicurato un adeguato servizio di sorveglianza, integrandosi e completandosi il servizio attualmente svolto dai soli agenti.-

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Economic Section

- 4 GEN 1946

4 January 1945

Ref. ES/1605

MEMORANDUM:

SUBJECT : Pilferage

TO : UNRRA
War Shipping Administration
Ministry of War Transport
Federazione Consorzio Agrari
(Attn. Dr. Mizzi)
M.M.I.A.
Supply Group, Economic Section
Transportation S/C
Food S/C
Civil Affairs Section

Recd 0950 hrs
5 Jan 46

Pilferage
Suitable
Representative
TJ

1. The addressees are invited to attend a conference on the subject of pilferage to be held in Room 54, 1st floor, Allied Commission, at 1500, Monday, January 7th.

2. The purpose of the conference is to review the serious pilferage problem, in connection with imported supply, existing in Italy with the view of discovering means and methods of more effective control. The following subjects will be discussed:

- a) What is the extent of pilferage on supply coming under the jurisdiction of the conferees?
- b) What types of supply are especially subject to pilferage?
- c) Where is pilferage especially prevalent?
- d) What are the existing provisions for the control of pilferage?
- e) What additional provisions are recommended?

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What are the limiting factors in making additional provisions?

(Signed)

CHARLES W. WALTON

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Chief, Supply Group

1. Attended 7-
2. Further meeting
in 1 week.

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