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DISTURBANCES, STRIKES, SOUTHERN REGION
AUG. - OCT. 1945

MINUTE SHEET

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TO: Executive Commissioner.

The attached memorandum, from which I read extracts at your meeting this morning, is forwarded as requested to you. You may wish to show it to the Chief Commissioner.

15 Sep 45
Civil Affairs Section.

MD

R. CASH, Brig.,
VP. CA Section.

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100 OCT 1945

(Translation Sk)

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CC.RR. GENERAL COMMANDER
Liaison Office

14602/7 Oct. 9, 1945

N. 777/2 R.P.

SUBJECT : Barletta (Bari) -Soldiers of S.Marco Battalion
devastated the Office of the juvenile Section
Socialist Party -

Herewith transmitted is cable n. 150/49
dated 9 Oct., forwarded by CC.RR. at Barletta :

" On October 8, about 18,00 hrs., in Barletta (Bari) few
soldiers of S.Marco Battalion located there, pointed
out that a caricature-frame of His Majesty the King
was hung on the extern wall of a/m office.

They asked somebody present in the locality to draw
back the frame, giving ten minutes of time to obey
the order. A little later, as the soldiers found the
caricature still there, they destroyed it, devastated
the locality and took off the red flag which was then
left in the street.

Afterwards they went to the adjacent Socialist Section
destroying the outside sign and breaking up the glasses
at the entrance.

Representatives of socialist and communist Parties with
numerous people went then to the Commissario of the
Commune to protest, threatening a general strike.

The Commander of Battalion intervened, deploring incident
and promising to take provisions against responsible
persons to be identified.

The exponents of aforesaid Parties decided, after a meeting,
to limit their protest and just send wires to Ministry
of War and other Political Authorities.

Public order is all right. "

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for the GENERAL COMMANDER a.p.s;
THE VICE GENERAL COMMANDER
Leonetto TADDEI



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Ott. 1945
Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali
UFFICIO SERVIZIO - SITUAZIONE E COLLEGAMENTI

N. 777/2 di prot. R.P.

Roma, li 9 ottobre 1945

Risposta al

del

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Allegati n.

OGGETTO: Barletta (Bari) - Militari del Battaglione S. Marco devastano la sede della sezione giovanile del Partito Socialista.

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione per la Pubblica Sicurezza -

R O M A

Trascrivo il seguente fonogramma n. 150/49 in data 9/10/45
ottobre della compagnia carabinieri di Barletta (Bari):
"Ore 18 circa otto corrente Barletta (Bari) pochi militari Battaglione San Marco di stanza detta città avendo notato esterno sede sezione giovanile partito socialista quadro affisso predetta sezione con caricatura S.M. il Re invitavano giovani presenti locale ritirare quadro dando tempo 10 minuti per ottemperare richiesta. Poco dopo predetti militari avendo rilevato ancora presenza quadro lo distruggevano, devastavano locale et asportavano drappo rosso bandiera abbandonandolo poscia sulla strada. Successivamente si portavano contigua sezione giovanile partito socialista distruggevano insegna esterna et rompevano vetri ingresso. Seguito incidenti recavansi presso commissario comune esponenti partiti comunista et socialista con numerosi aderenti scopo protesta minacciando attuazio-

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ne sciopero generale. Intervenuto comandante predetto Battaglione deplorava incidente assicurando provvedimenti carico responsabili da identificare.

Esponenti detti partiti et camera lavoro riunitisi successivamente decidevano limitare protesta at invio telegramma Ministero Guerra et altre autorità politiche.

Ordine pubblico normale. """"

P. IL COMANDANTE GENERALE a.p.s.
IL VICE COMANDANTE GENERALE
- Leonetto Taddei -



Recd 6/10/45
0920/45

(Translation M.C.)

CO. RR. GENERAL COMMAND

Rome 4 Oct. 1945

Situation and Liaison Office

N°IC45/4

SUBJECT: Naples - " LA MARCA " Band.

At " Ponte Saraceni " di Terzigno (Naples) at 6 p.m; of 28 of last September, three men of the ARMA and an urban guard, were engaged in a shooting fray with three evil-doers among which the noted bandit LA MARCA, who favoured by nature of the ground, succeeded in making his escape; the others were arrested.

RAJO Alfredo, PRISCO Vittorio and AVINO Antonio were more or less seriously wounded.

RAJO Alfredo, died that same evening.

- ccc -

In communes of Marigliano, Saviano, S. Giuseppe Vesuviano Ottaviano, S. Gennaro Vesuviano, Terzigno, Palma Campania and Nole, during night of 30th of last September, the ARMA accomplished a vast police raid, in order to capture entire "LA MARCA" band, which has for some time terrorized the inhabitants of aforesaid communes.

44 men of band were seized, as well as 40 others for accepting and concealing stolen goods, and for illegal detention of fire-arms and ammunition;

800 persons were held up, questioned and then released;

The 160 houses raided brought about the sequestration of a large quantity of Allied material, besides an American car two motorcycles, allied and German hand-grenades and numerous rifles and pistols.

In shooting fray with Alfieri Umberto, one of band's worst element - the pitch dark favoured his escape.

TO No casualties among police

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Vice Commander
Leonetto Taddei

Recd 6/10/45
0920 hrs



Laudate regem

Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali

UFFICIO SERVIZIO - SITUAZIONE E COLLEGAMENTI

N. 1045/4 di prot.

Roma, li 4 ottobre 1945

Risposta al

del

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Allegati n.

OGGETTO: NAPOLI - Banda "LA MARCA".

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA =

Sottocommissione per la P.S. =

R O M A

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In "PONTE SARACARI" di TERZIGNO (NAPOLI), ²⁴ ~~26~~ del 28 settembre scorso, tre militari dell'Arma, insieme con un vigile urbano, impegnarono conflitto a fuoco con tre malfattori, tra i quali il noto bandito LA MARCA, che, favorito dall'ascidentalità del terreno, riuscì a darsi alla fuga, mentre gli altri due furono arrestati.

Nella circostanza, rimasero accidentalmente feriti in modo più o meno grave certi RAJO Alfredo, PRISCO Vittoria e AVI NO Antonio.

Il RAJO, in serata, decedette.

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Nei Comuni di MARIOLIANO, SAVIANO, S. GIUSEPPE VESUVIANO, OTTAVIANO, S. GENNARO VESUVIANO, TERZIGNO, PALMA CAMPANIA e NO LA, nella notte sul 30 settembre scorso, l'Arma eseguì in for

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se una vasta operazione di polizia, allo scopo di catturare i componenti della nota banda "LA MARCA", che da tempo terrorizza quelle popolazioni..

- = Arrestate 44 persone tra componenti della banda e fortissimi indiziati o favoreggiatori, nonché oltre 40 per ricettazione di materiale vario di provenienza furtiva, e per detenzione abusiva di armi e munizioni;
- = fermate, controllate e rilasciate 800 persone;
- = eseguite 160 perquisizioni domiciliari che fruttarono il sequestro di notevole materiale dell'Amministrazione Militare e Alleata, nonché un autocarro americano, due motociclette, bombe a mano tedesche e alleate, numerosi fucili e pistole.

Inoltre, un pattuglione impegnò conflitto a fuoco con il temibile ricercato, appartenente alla banda, certo ALPIERI Umberto, il quale, favorito dall'oscurità, riuscì a sottrarsi alla cattura.

Nessuna perdita tra i militari operanti.

p. IL COMANDANTE GENERALE a.p.s.
IL VICE COMANDANTE GENERALE
-Leonetto Taddai-



HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub Commission
APO 394

14602/7
6 Oct. 45

TO : Colonel John W. CHAPMAN
Director Public Safety Sub Commission A.C.

Telephone message received at 12.30 hrs from
Lt. Col. White CA Section to Lt. Col. Wilson Police
Division:

UNRRA Refugee Camp, CABBAREA, near Bari (Jewish).

52 Area asked AFHQ to use Allied troops to
quell riot in above camp as Allied lives and property
in danger. AFHQ refused, on grounds that Allied troops
in area were Polish. Signal sent to Taranto for British
Armoured cars and British troops to proceed to camp and
intervene. No further information to date.

L.A.E. Eddings
L.A.E. Eddings, Capt.

LARE/pl

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(Translation Sk)

PERSONNEL - RESERVED

-9 OCT. 1945

CC.RR.GENERAL COMMAND
Liaison Office1^o Oct. 45

N. 737/16 R.P.

TO ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety S/C - Rome

SUBJECT : Lecce - Disorders.-

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Following letter 737/14 R.P. dated 28 Sept.:

In Lecce, the public order may be considered restored. On the 27 all the categories of workers retook their normal activities.

However people of most of the communes of the Province is deeply displeased because the economic and alimentary situation, the latest owing to the very poor production of grain.

The Consultore Carlo NAURO, come back from Rome, is trying to tranquillize the people on whom the directive personnel of the Chamber of Labor have lost any authority having done promises that they cannot keep as for example the redoubling of the daily's bread ration.

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1	DIRECTOR	11/10
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THE GENERAL COMMANDER
Brunetti

RISERVATO PERSONALE

Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali

UFFICIO SERVIZIO - SITUAZIONE E COLLEGAMENTI

N. 737/16

di prot.

R.P.

Roma, li

1° ottobre 1942

Risposta al

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OGGETTO:

Lecce - Disordini.

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

- Sottocommissione per la Pubblica Sicurezza -

R O M A

Ha seguito al foglio n. 737/14 R.P. del 28 settembre scorso.
In Lecce, l'ordine pubblico può ormai considerarsi ristabilito.
Il 27 detto tutte le categorie dei lavoratori ripresero le
loro normali attività.

Permane, però, vivo malcontento fra la popolazione della maggior
parte dei comuni della provincia a causa del disagio economico
e alimentare, dovuto quest'ultimo alla scarsissima produzione dei
cereali.

Il consultore Carlo MAURO, rientrato da Roma, svolge opere per-
suasive per tranquillizzare gli animi della popolazione, sulla
quale i dirigenti della camera del lavoro hanno preso ogni auto-
rità, avendo fatto delle promesse non attuabili, quale, ad esempio,
il raddoppio della razione pane giornaliera.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
- Brunetto Brunetti -

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub Commission
APO 394

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14602/7
6 Oct. 45

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L.A.E. Eddings
L.A.E. Eddings, Capt.

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- 1 See cable WB/48 dated 7 Oct from
to Bari. See 128A
 - 2 Incident exaggerated. No hostility to
Allied personnel. No killed. 2 wounded.
troops withdrawn after no action.
Incident was merely a brawl with 5
pistol shots fired between Greeks and Polish Jews
 - 3 Action by Dis. Persons to move 65 Greeks
elsewhere.

9¹²/₂₅ Oct.

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ALCOM LO BARI

ALCOM HQ FOR EXECUTIVE COMMA JPTD CIVIL AFFAIRS SECT, DISPL PERSONS
AND REFUGEES SC P SAFETY SC 52 AREA INFO 54 AREA**SECRET**

Incident UNIAA between camp BARTA GEMARA 3205690 much exaggera-
tion. Small between Greek and Polish Jews. 5 pistol shots fired.
No killed & wounded. No hostility to Allied personnel. Troops
withdrawn. Recommend transfer 65 Greeks elsewhere. Camp commandant
agrees.

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Action - Disper
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: G 104 Message Centre No: G 269
 Date/Time of Origin: OCT 6/1710A Date Time Rec'd: OCT 7/1030A
 FROM: 52 AREA Precedence: IMPORTANT
 TO: DISTRICT ALCOM FOR DISPER ALCOM BATH INFO: 30 TOWN MAJOR

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CONFIDENTIAL.

Subject is riot at AG camp for displaced persons SANTA CESAREA on 5 October.
 For some time the inmates of this camp of several nationalities have been dividing
 themselves into rival factions. A clothing parade yesterday provided suitable
 opportunity for start of dispute. Fighting broke out fists and stones mostly being
 used but a few shots were fired. Riot ceased 2200 hours. 3 people hospitalized
 This morning camp was searched by our gcn for arms with no result. Lt ARMD CS
 withdrawn 1600 hours today. Comd of camp apprehensive lest one of the injured
 should die and further riots break out. believe he has requested AG to provide
 15 as temporary gcn for camp

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ACTION : PUBLIC SAFETY

INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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HEADQUARTERS
 OCT 7/6

No action
 necessary by P. Safety

7 OCT 1945

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: *10/45*Message Centre No: *C 252*Date/Time of Origin: *OCT 6/1216A*Date Time Rec'd: *OCT 7/0915A*Precedence: *OF PRIORITY*FROM: *ALCOM TO RARI*TO: *RA ALCOM FOR EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER INFO: CIVIL AFFAIRS SEC, DISPLACED*
PERSONS AND REMIGRES SUB COM, PUBLIC SAFETY SUB DA AREA

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52 Area report serious riot occurred UNRA CAMP CESAREA LIBYA 2000 hours
5 October. As lives of Allied personnel reported in ^{danger} light and vehs
despatched from THABTO. Details follow when available

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ACTION: PUBLIC SAFETY SC

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10 OCT. 1945

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ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Riot at S. Casarea Accommodation Centre E No.

TO : Executive Commissioner, A.C. (2)

7 October 1945

The following information received from Colonel HARTLEY
1030 hrs. 7 October :-

The disturbance was a matter between Polish and Greek
Jews. There was no feeling against Allied Personnel and no attempt to
molest Allied Personnel. Col. HARTLEY has advised that 65 Greeks be moved
to another Camp.

During disturbance two persons injured situation in hand
and troops returned to TARANTO.

I will fly to LEGGE to-morrow and will meet Lt.Col.KERR.



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CONFIDENTIALALLIED ~~CONTROL~~ COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

FILE No. _____

TO :

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and will give whatever assistance we can with regard to supplying
other refugee personnel for police duties and general help regarding
Camp discipline.

For the Director:

(Ffolliott)

C.F. FOLLIOTT,
Lt. Col.,
Deputy Director.
D.P. & R.S.C.

Copy to: G.A. Section, A.C.
UNRRA (Italy).

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1	DIRECTOR	<i>11/13</i>
2	DEPUTY DIRECTOR	<i>12/13</i>
	EXEC. OFFICER	<i>11-10</i>
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all quiet now
Dr.

DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

ALLIED COMMISSION

10 OCT. 1945

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

8 OCT. 1945

SUBJECT: Riot S. Casarea Acc. Centre.

FILE No. 6 OCT. 1945

TO : Executive Commissioner, A.C. (2)

6 October

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The following report phoned from Disper Rep. No. 1 Transit Camp Bari at 1620 hrs, 6 October is forwarded for information :-

"The riot was caused during a clothing distribution. It was started by a Greek Jew and a Polish Jew who were Group Leaders. This trouble started in the clothing store. It was stopped by Lt. Col. Kerr closing the store and turning everyone outside. 300 people waiting outside immediately started to riot. Lt. Col. Kerr called his Camp police who are mainly Greeks but they refused to co-operate. Lt. Col. Kerr did not regard the situation as very serious until shots were fired and 2 or 3 of the police were injured. Lt. Col. Kerr then called for assistance from H.C. 52 Area who despatched Allied troops. Col. Hartley, A.C. Liaison



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Please see file 2419

DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION
ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

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FILE No.

TO :

194

Officer Bari is at present at S. Cesarea investigating.

All is quiet but further trouble may be expected. The Allied troops are still on the scene."

Written confirmation of the above verbal report has been mailed by Lt. Col. Kerr to this H.Q.

For the Director:

Copy to:- C.A. Section, A.C.
U.N.R.R.A. (Italy).

R. C. Brown
R. C. BROWN
Lt. Col.,
O.I/c AUSA.

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TO		DATE	TIME
1	DIRECTOR	11-5	11-10
2	DEPUTY DIRECTOR	11-5	11-10
	EXEC. OFFICER	11-5	11-10
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	SECURITY		
	CHIEF CLERK		

Now all quiet
[Signature]

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub Commission
APO 394

AC/14602/7/PS

12 Oct. 45

SUBJECT : Operation against Armed Bands - NOBA
TO : Commanding General CC.RR

1. As you know the operation carried out at NOBA on Saturday 23 Sept. 45 by Carabinieri and Military Police proved to be highly successful.

2. The Commissioner for Naples Comune AMO has written to this Headquarters highly commending Lt. Col. Camillo NESOLI, Commander of the Naples Legion and Major Mario MARTINO, Commander of the Gruppo Mestero Naples. The letter also mentions all officers and men who took part in this operation and who worked tirelessly throughout the night of 29-30 Sept. Special mention should be made of the good work of the contingent of CC.RR sent from Rome to Naples at short notice and who took part in the operation.

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JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, JAGD
Director

EJW/pl

C. H. Section

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6th October, 1945REF/3629/ELTo: Chief Commissioner.

11602/7 PM

Colonel Hartley Aole Earl reports that last night a riot broke out in the USRAA refugee camp at Casarea. 52 Area asked permission to use troops to quell the riot as Allied lives were endangered. AFHQ refused permission to use local troops who were Poles and so Armoured Cars were sent from Taranto. They have not yet returned.

Further information will follow.

Displaced Persons report that Casarea Camp is mostly Jewish but there may be some Yugoslavs. (There are 6).

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BRIGADIER
Executive Commissioner

Copy to: G.A.S.
D.P. & R S/O
UNRRA

This is now closed.

No disorder

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TO	10/10
1. Director	12/12
2. Deputy Dir.	9-10
3. AFHQ	
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NAPLES COMMUNE
APO 394
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

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Ref: 9.5

14602/7

Date 5 Oct. 1945

SUBJECT:

Speech by NITTI in the S. Carlo Theatre.

TO:

Headquarters, Allied Commission.
(Attn: Public Safety Sub-Commission).

1. On the 3 October 1945 at 1030 hours, in S. Carlo Theatre the ex President of the Council Francesco Saverio NITTI made a speech which was transmitted also to the Galleria Umberto I°.

2. In the Theatre were present about 3500 persons, and it is calculated that in the a/m Galleria there were about 2000.

3. At the end of the speech, from a box in the fourth row, leaflets against the monarchy were thrown down, meanwhile when NITTI was leaving, leaflets for the monarchy were being distributed.

4. No incident.

For the Commissioner:

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F. P. Luciani
F.P. LUCIANI
Major, A.C.,
S.C.A.P.O.

FEL/jag.

Please initial reverse side.

ROA

-6 OCT. 1945

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MEMORANDUM

3636/80

2nd October, 1945

Subject: Public SecurityTo: Chief Commissioner

You may remember NOIA -- an unsavoury town near Naples.

The GCRN (aided by SIG FSO) raided the town on Saturday in a well designed operation in order to round up 3 gangs of criminals noted for murder brigandage etc.

They rounded up 44 gangsters, 40 others "wanted".

They detained 150 people for enquiries.

They found the ring leader of one gang Momo Orieto wanted for murder of an Allied Officer, himself murdered by his "friends" that morning.

They collected an allied military truck and other vehicles and a quantity of arms, munitions etc.

A good party.

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/s/ H. S. LUSH.
 BRIGADIER
 Executive Commissioner

Copy to: V.P., C.A.S.
 Pub Safety Sub Commission

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NAPLES COMMUNE
APO 394
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

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Ref: PS/ 7.1

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Date 5 October 1945

SUBJECT: Operation against Armed Bands - Nola Area.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
(Attn: Public Safety Sub-Commission).

1. In an effort to eliminate the cause of numerous complaints of banditry and crime in the Nola Area and arrest the notorious LA MARCA gang, of which the much-sought-for MANZI Aniello was one of the leaders, a meeting was held at this Office on 25 September 1945, attended by the S.C.A.P.O., the A.P.M. 56 Area and the Commanders of Naples Legion and Gruppo Esterno CC.RR., at which a definite plan of operation was laid on.

2. This plan called for the closing off of that area of Naples Province in which this gang was known to operate and reside, and the combing of that area by the largest possible force of CC.RR.

3. The plan went into operation at 2400 hrs, Saturday 2404 29 September, at which time, 20 trucks, provided by 56 Area, carrying 600 CC.RR. and 20 British M.Ps, left Naples, and on arrival at the designated area, 64 road blocks were set up and manned by the M.Ps and 192 CC.RR. With the area thus closed off, 408 CC.RR. and officers bombed the area for the next 12 hours with the following results :

160 houses searched.

44 members and supporters of the LA MARCA Band arrested.

40 other criminals arrested.

MANZI found dead; shot on the morning of 29 September prior to the raid, when he attempted to extort 2 million lire from 2 brothers named DI SOMMA.

Considerable Allied and Italian material seized including 2 American 6 x 6 trucks.

In addition to above, 800 persons were stopped, investigated and released.

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4. Copies of various reports, received from Legion Hq CC.RR. since the raid, are inclosed and include: the preliminary report of the operation, the criminal record of MANZI, a list of those arrested, and a list of material seized.

5. At this time I desire to commend Lt.Colonel Camillo MEOLI, Commander of Naples Legion CC.RR.; Major Mario MARTINO, Commander of the Gruppo Esterno Naples Legion CC.RR. and all other officers and men who took part in this operation and who worked tirelessly throughout the night of 29-30 September to make this raid the success it has proven to be, and request that CC.RR. General Headquarters Rome be so satisfied.

For the Commissioner:

F.P. Luckman
F.P. LUCKMAN
Major, A.C.,
S.C.A.P.O.

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Copies to:

Hq 3 District (Attn: D.P.M.)
Hq 56 Area (" A.P.M.)
Hq Naples Legion CC.RR.
Hq P.B.S. Southern District (Attn: P.M.).

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TERRITORIAL DEBITION OF THE ROYAL CARABINIERI OF NAPLES
Service "Nico"

File N. 559/18

Naples, 30 Sept. 1945

SUBJECT: Checking service for the elimination of LA MARCA gang.

Aiming at the elimination of the famous "LA MARCA" gang, which for a long time has been terrorizing the population of the Communes around Vesuvius, on the night of September the 30th about 600 Carabinieri of this Legion with 6 Officers led by Major MARTINO (Commander of the External Group of Naples) raided the area of the Communes of Marigliano, Saviano, S. Giuseppe Vesuviano, Ottaviano, S. Gennaro Vesuviano, Pozzuolo, Palma Campania, and Nola in the Province of Naples. Having been blocked by means of 64 control posts the whole area was therefore combed by strong patrols. Forty four people were arrested because it was ascertained they were either members or supporters of the famous LA MARCA's gang. Forty more criminals were arrested as receivers of various Allied and Italian stolen goods or as illegal concealers of weapons and munitions. 800 people were stopped, controlled and soon after released. Hundred and sixty houses were searched and abundant Allied and Italian material confiscated, an American truck, 2 motorcycles, many German hand grenades and many rifles and pistols included.

One of the patrols led by Maresciallo Maggiore MARCIANO Alessandro stationed at SAVIANO, was engaged in a fight with ALFIERI Umberto a wanted dangerous member of the a/m gang. Because of the darkness ALFIERI succeeded in escaping. No military personnel injured.

Though those who have been arrested and by means of information collected enquiries will proceed with the purpose of identifying and arrest the other members of the gang.

IL T. COLONNELLO COMANDANTE
- Cecilio Meoli -

TRANSLATION

TERRITORIAL LEGION OF THE ROYAL CARABINIERI OF NAPLES
Service Office

File n. 559/30

Naples, 2 October 1945

SUBJECT: MANZI Aniello.

The well known and dangerous criminal MANZI Aniello di Francesco and di Grassi Bianca, born at Quindici on the 16 August 1919, was killed on the 29 Sept. 1945 near Castellammare di Stabia by brothers DI SOMMA Agostino and Catello, who he was trying to blackmail imposing them the payment of 2 million lire.

Audacious, violent and heartless he started his criminal activity when he was only 15 years old.

The following penal records appear against him :-

- 1) G.Istruttore of Avellino 31.12.1934 aggravated theft, not to 940 proceeded against him because the fact did not constitute a crime;
- 2) Pretore Lauro 1.6.1938, absolved for insufficient evidence for libidinous acts;
- 3) Pretore Lauro 20.2.1939, absolved for not having committed the fact, for threat with arms;
- 4) Pretore Lauro 11.3.1939, sentenced to 15 days imprisonment and 300 Lire fine, for theft;
- 5) Pretore Lauro 1.4.1939, absolved for withdrawal of the accusation, for injuring;
- 6) Pretore Lauro 23.10.1939 sentenced to 15 days imprisonment and 50 Lire fine, for armed threat, carrying of firearms and omitted denunciation;
- 7) Pretore Lauro 31.10.1939 withdrawal of accusation, for voluntary injury;
- 8) Tribunale Avellino 17.5.1945 absolved for not having committed the fact, for aggravated theft.

On the 7 June 1944 he killed ex British Lieut. BAKER by shooting him, while together with CAETA Caterina, he was in the vicinity of Nola.

On the 7 April 1945 he committed an extortion of 50,000 Lire against SIMONETTI Salvatore in Palma Campania.

On the 4 May 1945 he killed FABI Giuseppe.

He was only responsible of a double killing, by shooting of RUBINACCI Salvatore and CARBONE Michele, and premeditated attempted killing of MANZI Domenico, SIMONETTI Salvatore and RUBINACCI Andrea.

On the 25 June he killed RIFULCO Giuseppe.

MANZI belongs to a family of criminals. One of his brothers, called Enrico was sentenced by the Court of Assises of Avellino on the 22.11.1935 to life imprisonment, because responsible of double killing for purpose, in Ospedaletto d'Alipholo; he died in prison on the 15 December 1936. Another brother, called Diego was a dangerous criminal.

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Another brother, called Giovanni for some years is living in the U.S.A. An uncle on his father side died in a lunatic asylum.

MANZI lived always without working and by the violence.

His character is impulsive, arrogant, woman chaser and he is a gambler. He did not belong to any political party.

IL T. COLONNELLO COMANDANTE ff.

- Camillo Neoli -

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TERRITORIAL LEGION OF THE ROYAL CARABINIERI NAPLES
Service Office

List of names of persons arrested in the operation from
29 to 30 September 1945.

MEMBERS OF "LA MARCA" GANG

- 1) PIZZI Angelo di Carmine and di Meone Angela, born in 1923 at Piazzolla
- 2) ALFIERI Francesco di Luigi and di LA MARCA Antonietta, born in 1920 at Saviano
- 3) LA MARCA Luca fu Salvatore and fu LA MARCA Maria, born in 1908 at Piazzolla
- 4) GOLA Amelio fu Francesco and fu Prudence Lombardo, born in 1888 at Ottaviano
- 5) LA MARCA Aniello fu Antonio and di Saviano Maria, born in 1904 at Ottaviano
- 6) LA MARCA Antonio di Aniello and di Oriolo Rosa, born in 1924 at Ottaviano
- 7) MENGORIO Francesco fu Luigi and di d'Ascoli Rosa, born in 1911 at S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 8) FERRARA Pasquale di Nicola and fu Siano Giovanna, born in 1914 at Palma Campania, resident at S. Gennaro
- 9) LA MARCA Francesco fu Salvatore and fu LA MARCA Maria, born in 1914 at Piazzolla, resident at Ottaviano
- 10) CATAPANO Gennaro fu Raffaele and di Priore Carmela, born in 1888 at S. Gennarello di Ottaviano
- 11) CUTOLO Ciro fu Pasquale and fu Iovino Teresa, born in 1882 at Ottaviano
- 12) LORIS Alfredo, unknown parents, born in 1902 at Naples, resident at Ottaviano
- 13) LA MARCA Raffaele di Aniello and di Oriolo Rosa, born in 1927 at Ottaviano
- 14) TURCHENTI Luigi fu Alessandro and di Crisci Carmela, born in 1903 at Naples, resident at S. Giuseppe Vesuviano
- 15) MARTINO Luigi di Giuseppe and fu Napolitano Caterina, born in 1895 at Saviano
- 16) MUKZIANO Antonio di Gaetano and di Luisa Viola, born in 1921 at S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 17) AMMATURO Giovanni fu Giuseppe and di Liguori Rosa, born in 1920 at S. Gennarello di Ottaviano
- 18) PARATTINI Flavio, unknown father and di Parattini Clelia, born in 1899 at S. Giuseppe Vesuviano
- 19) BOSCIA Vincenzo fu Francesco and fu Iervolino Lucia, born in 1887 at S. Giuseppe Vesuviano
- 20) GIULIANO Antonio fu Francesco, aged 43, from S. Gennaro Vesuviano

- 2) LA MARCA Francesco di Luigi and di LA MARCA Antonietta,
born in 1920 at Saviano
- 3) LA MARCA Luca fu Salvatore and fu LA MARCA Maria, born in
1908 at Pizzocolla
- 4) OCIA Amelio fu Francesco and fu Prudentia Lombardo, born in
1888 at Ottaviano
- 5) LA MARCA Aniello fu Antonio and di Saviano Maria, born in
1904 at Ottaviano
- 6) LA MARCA Antonio di Aniello and di Oriolo Rosa, born in
1924 at Ottaviano
- 7) MENSICIO Francesco fu Luigi and di d'Ascoli Rosa, born in
1911 at S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 8) BURARA Pasquale di Nicola and fu Siano Giovanna, born in
1914 at Palma Campania, resident at S. Gennaro
- 9) LA MARCA Francesco fu Salvatore and fu LA MARCA Maria,
born in 1914 at Pizzocolla, resident at Ottaviano
- 10) CAMARANO Gennaro fu Raffaele and di Prione Carmela, born
in 1888 at S. Gennarello di Ottaviano
- 11) CUNOLO Ciro fu Pasquale and fu Iovino Merese, born in
1882 at Ottaviano
- 12) IORIS Alfredo, unknown parents, born in 1902 at Naples,
resident at Ottaviano
- 13) LA MARCA Raffaele di Aniello and di Oriolo Rosa, born in
1927 at Ottaviano
- 14) TURCHETTI Luigi fu Alessandro and di Grisci Carmela, born
in 1906 at Naples, resident at S. Giuseppe Vesuviano
- 15) MARTINO Luigi di Giuseppe and fu Napolitano Caterina,
born in 1895 at Saviano
- 16) NUNZIATO Antonio di Gaetano and di Luisa Viola, born in
1921 at S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 17) AMATURO Giovanni fu Giuseppe and di Liguori Rosa, born
in 1920 at S. Gennarello di Ottaviano
- 18) BARATTINI Flavio, unknown father and di Berattini Clelia,
born in 1899 at S. Giuseppe Vesuviano
- 19) BOCCIA Vincenzo fu Francesco and fu Terrolino Lucia, born
in 1887 at S. Giuseppe Vesuviano
- 20) GIULIANO Antonio fu Francesco, aged 43, from S. Gennaro
Vesuviano
- 21) D'ANDREA Domenico di Lorenzo, aged 19, from Scario and
resident at Poggioreale

RECEIVERS OF STOLEN GOODS, SUPPORTERS AND PERSONS IN
ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF FIREARMS

- 22) NAPPI Alberto fu Giuseppe and di d'Avino Emilia, born in
1924 at S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 23) SAVIANO Francesco fu Fortunato and di Aliperti Maria, born
in 1927 at Ottaviano

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- 24) IERVOLINO Umberto di Salvatore and di Nappi Antilia, born in 1917 at S. Gennariello di Ottaviano
- 25) NUZZIATA Raffaele fu Francesco and di Ambrosio Giuseppe, born in 1900 at S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 25) LA MARCA Vincenzo fu Gennaro and fu Mirebile Gaetana, born in 1900 at S. Gennariello Ottaviano
- 27) LA MARCA Bonifio Salvatore di Biagio and di La Meroa Concetta, born in 1895 at Piazzolla
- 28) PIZZA Carmine fu Giacomo and fu Speranza Vitale, born in 1894 at Saviano, resident at Piazzolla
- 29) SAVIANO Fortunato fu Domenico and fu Menichini Giovanna, born in 1897 at Ottaviano
- 30) LA MARCA Salvatore di Francesco and di Alois Giuseppina, born in 1921 at Piazzolla
- 31) ALLOCCA Stefano di Michele and di Malinconico Concetta Maria, born in 1925 at S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 32) SAVIANO Gabriele fu Domenico and fu Menichini Giovanna, born in 1892 at Ottaviano
- 33) FRANZESI Salvatore di Aniello and di Bosone Michelina, born in 1920 at S. Gennaro
- 34) LA MARCA Antonio di Giovanni and di Giammento Francesca, born in 1926 at S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 35) FRANZESI Mario di Aniello and di Bosone Michelina, born in 1911 at S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 36) BIRULCO Raffaele di Pasquale and di Federico Rachele, born in 1920 at S. Gennariello di Ottaviano
- 37) MAIONE Filippo fu Raffaele and fu Toppa Arcangela, born in 1904 at Bruscianno and resident at Saviano
- 38) SUBRIANELLI Salvatore fu Francesco and Ripoli Assunta, born in 1914 at Naples
- 39) TURANO Giuseppe fu Antonio and fu Giamante Filomena, born in 1895 at Ottaviano
- 40) RUOME Mario unknown parents, born in 1916 in Naples and resident at Ottaviano
- 41) NOTARO Giuseppe di Luigi and di Morecini Lucia, born in 1911 at Saviano
- 42) FUSCO Michele fu Giacobbe and di Nappi Raima, born in S. Gennaro Vesuviano, in 1904 and resident at Marigliano
- 43) LAMACCONI Fiore fu Alfonso and di Capasso Concetta, born in 1915 at Saviano
- 44) NOTARO Francesco fu Andrea and fu Giuliano Carmela, born in 1899 at Saviano
- 45) IOVINE Andrea di Carmine and di Cutolo Luisa, born in 1909 at S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 46) ROMANO Domenico di Biagio and di La Meroa Emilia, born in 1929 at Piazzolla
- 47) ROMANO Biagio fu Aniello and fu Tuccillo Carmela, born in 1903 at Piazzolla
- 48) SAVIANO Domenico di Fortunato and di

- born in 1921 at Piazzolla
- 31) ALLICOLA Stefano di Michele and di Malinconico Concetta Maria, born in 1925 at S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 32) SAVIANO Gabriele fu Domenico and fu Menichini Giovanni, born in 1892 at Ottaviano
- 33) TRANZESE Salvatore di Aniello and di Bosone Michelina, born in 1920 at S. Gennaro
- 34) LA MARCA Antonio di Giovanni and di Giannetto Francesca, born in 1926 at S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 35) FRANZESI Mario di Aniello and di Bosone Michelina, born in 1911 at S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 36) RIVULO Raffaele di Pasquale and di Federico Rachele, born in 1920 at S. Gennariello di Ottaviano
- 37) MAIONE Filippo fu Raffaele and fu Toppe Arcangelo, born in 1904 at Brusolano and resident at Saviano
- 38) SURRIANILLI Salvatore fu Francesco and Ripoli Assunta, born in 1914 at Naples
- 39) TURANO Giuseppe fu Antonio and fu Giannette Filomena, born in 1895 at Ottaviano
- 40) FRUME Mario unknown parents, born in 1913 in Naples and resident at Ottaviano
- 41) NOTARO Giuseppe di Luigi and di Morecchini Lucia, born in 1911 at Saviano
- 42) FUSCO Michele fu Giacchino and di Nappi Rubina, born in S. Gennaro Vesuviano, in 1904 and resident at Marigliano
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- 47) ROMANO Biagio fu Aniello and fu Tuccillo Carmela, born in 1903 at Piazzolla
- 48) SAVIANO Domenico di Fortunato and di Aliperti Maria, born in 1925 at Ottaviano
- 49) COLUCCIETILO Giuseppe fu Giovanni and fu Napolitano, born in 1905 at Saviano
- 50) AUDINO Mario unknown father and di Audino Nicolina, born in 1913 at Naples and resident in Ottaviano
- 51) TUTANO Michele di Giovanni and di Teresa Giuseppa, born in 1900 at Nola
- 52) LA PIETRA Michele fu Pasquale and fu Nunziata Romano, born in 1897 in Ottaviano
- 53) SERRICO Raffaele fu Saverio and fu Quercia Filomena, born in 1878 in Scisciano

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- 54) LA MARCA Agostino di Giovanni and di Giamunto Francesca,
born in 1916 in S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 55) FERRARO Vincenzo fu Antonio and di Prisco Caterina, born
in 1910 at S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 56) BUFALO Davide fu Gaetano and di Franzese Luisa, born in
1928 in Ottaviano
- 57) D'ARCO Michele fu Mario and fu Tuccilli Filomena, born
in 1903 in Ottaviano
- 58) ROSELLI Aniello di Angelo and fu Prisco Filomena, born in
1901 in Tufino, resident in Avello
- 59) ALBERTI Sotardo fu Carmine and di Milata Antrosina, born
in 1900 in Saviano
- 60) TERVOLINO Giuseppe fu Aniello and fu Romano Giuseppina,
born in 1908 in Ottaviano
- 61) MONTA Antonio di Giuseppe and fu Schettino Carolina, born
in 1901 in Marigliano
- 62) LOMBARDI Giuseppe di Santo and fu Napolitano Giuseppina,
born in 1906 in Marigliano
- 63) TUFANO Nicola di Saverio and di Giamunto Arcangela, born
in 1888 in Ottaviano
- 64) FRANZESE Leonardo fu Francesco and di Tufano Maria, born
in 1916 in Saviano
- 65) ISERNIA Gennaro fu Antonio and di Nicola Grazia, born in
1914 in Palma Campania
- 66) MUNZIATA Francesco di Santolo and di Munziata Anna, born in
1924 in S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 67) LAURI Pasquale fu Francesco and Pizze Consiglia, born
in 1911 in Piazzolla
- 68) ARIANA Pietro fu Giuseppe and fu Cuomo Cresla, born in
1891 in Somma Vesuviana
- 69) SAVIANO Giovanni fu Santolo and di Menesio Maria, born
in 1901 in Ottaviano
- 70) LA MARCA Raffaele di Giovanni and fu Maddalena Giovannina,
born in 1893 in Piazzolla
- 71) ROMANO Michele fu Giuseppe and di Iovine Carolina, born
in 1920 in Scisciano
- 72) SANTANIELLO Crescenzo fu Raffaele and fu Spiesio Rosa,
born in 1902 in Saviano and resident in Somma Vesuviano
- 73) LA MARCA Tobia di Biagio and di La Marca Concetta, born
in 1897 in Piazzolla, Villa "Albertini"
- 74) LA MARCA Salvatore di Tobia and di Tufano Maria, born in
1925 in Piazzolla, Villa "Albertini"
- 75) TUFANO Giuseppe fu Aniello and di La Marca Caroline, born
in 1925 in Piazzolla, called "Fagliaccone"
- 76) TUFANO Carmine fu Antonio and di Romano Maria, born in
1899 in Piazzolla, Villa "Albertini"
- 77) TUCCILLI Gennaro fu Carmine and fu Tuccilli Nunzia, born

- 59) ALBERTINI Solardo in Carmine and di Diletta Amorosina, born in 1900 in Saviano
- 60) IERVOLINO Giuseppe fu Aniello and fu Romano Giuseppina, born in 1908 in Ottaviano
- 61) MONTE Antonio di Giuseppe and fu Schettino Carolina, born in 1901 in Mariolino
- 62) LOMBARDI Giuseppe di Santo and fu Napolitano Giuseppina, born in 1906 in Mariolino
- 63) TUFANO Niccolò di Saverio and di Giannetta Arcangela, born in 1888 in Ottaviano
- 64) FRANCESCHI Leonardo fu Francesco and di Tufano Maria, born in 1918 in Saviano
- 65) ISERNIA Gennaro fu Antonio and di Nicola Grazia, born in 1914 in Palma Campania
- 66) NUNZIATA Francesco di Santolo and di Nunziata Anna, born in 1924 in S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 67) LAURE Pasquale fu Francesco and Piza Consiglia, born in 1911 in Piazzolla
- 68) ARIANA Pietro fu Giuseppe and fu Guomo Orsola, born in 1891 in Somma Vesuviana
- 69) SAVIANO Giovanni fu Santolo and di Menorio Maria, born in 1901 in Ottaviano
- 70) LA MARCA Raffaele di Giovanni and fu Massacca Giovannina, born in 1893 in Piazzolla
- 71) ROMANO Michele fu Giuseppe and di Iovina Carolina, born in 1920 in Seisciano
- 72) SANTANIELLO Crescenzo fu Raffaele and fu Spisato Rosa, born in 1902 in Saviano and resident in Somma Vesuviano
- 73) LA MARCA Tobia di Biagio and di La Marca Concetta, born in 1897 in Piazzolla, Villa "Albertini"
- 74) LA MARCA Salvatore di Tobia and di Tufano Maria, born in 1925 in Piazzolla, Villa "Albertini"
- 75) TUFANO Giuseppe fu Aniello and di La Marca Carolina, born in 1925 in Piazzolla, called "Pagliaccione"
- 76) TUFANO Carmine fu Antonio and di Romano Maria, born in 1899 in Piazzolla, Villa "Albertini"
- 77) TUCCILLI Gennaro fu Carmine and fu Tuccilli Nuncia, born in 1902 in S. Gennaro Vesuviano
- 78) D'AMEROSIO Savato di Antonio and fu Allocca Fortuna, born in 1916 in Piazzolla
- 79) CERCIELLO Francesco fu Nunzio and fu Romano Carmela, born in 1874 in Somma Vesuviano and resident at Piazzolla
- 80) GIULIANO Raffaele fu Gennaro and di Amatucci Maria Grazia, born in 1927 in Piazzolla
- 81) ALLOCCA Luigi fu Felice and fu Tufano Maria, born in 1901 in Piazzolla
- 82) FOGGIA Vincenza fu Domenico and fu Ianzera Maria, born in 1884 in S. Paolo Bel Sito

IL T. COLONNELLO COMANDANTE II.

- Camillo Meoli -

Naples, 2 October 1945

TRANSLATION

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119E
 TERRITORIAL LEGION OF THE ROYAL CARABINIERI OF NAPLES
 SERVICE OFFICE

LIST of the arms, ammunition and various articles seized
 during the operation made from the 29 to 30 Sept. 1945

War rifles	N.	2
Hunting rifles not handed as per Prefect Decree	"	19
Automatic pistol "Beretta", cal. 9	"	4
" " various calibres	"	2
Double barrelled ancient pistols	"	2
Allied hand grenades	"	3
Italian " "	"	23
Case of ammunition for German rifle	"	1
Cartridges for Tommy gun	"	115
Field blankets	"	9
Hospital blankets	"	2
Mattress covers	"	3
Allied tyre	"	1
Various Allied clothing	"	1
Allied inner tube	"	1
American sacks of rubber, package	"	1
Allied amperometer	N.	127
Cloth	N.	37
Khaki cloth	N.	2
American trucks, 6 wheels	"	2
Motor cycles	"	1
Bay horse with carriage	"	1

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Naples, 2 October 1945

IL A. COCONTELLO COMANDANTE
 - Camillo Meoli -

(Translation M.C.)

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CC. RR. GENERAL COMMAND
 Situation and Liaison Office
 N° 737/9 R.P.

Rome 27 Sept. 1945

Rome 27 Sept. 1945

To: ALLIED COMMISSION
 SUB COMMISSION OF P.S.

R O M E

SUBJECT: Lecce - Disorders.

Ref. to N° 737/5 R.P. dated 26th Sept. 1945

On morning of 25th inst., at Lecce, demonstrators attacked a lorry of the "S. MARCO" Battalion and succeeded in taking possession of three automatic muskets and 120 cartridges.

These fire-arms were also used in the attempt to force open chief entrance of Prefecture.

The General Commander

BRUNETTO BRUNETTI

TO		
1 DIRECTOR		
2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR		
3 CHIEF OF		
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Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali

UFFICIO SERVIZIO - SITUAZIONE E COLLEGAMENTI

N. 737/3

di prot. R.P.

Roma, li 27 settembre 1945

Risposta al

del

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Allegati n.

OGGETTO: Lecce - Disordini.-

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA -

- Sottocommissione per la P.S. -

R O M A

Va seguito al foglio n°737/3 R.P. in data 26 settembre 1945.-

Si precisa che il mattino del 25 corrente, in Lecce, ²³⁹⁵ i dimostranti assalirono un autocarro del Battaglione "S. Marco" al momento dell'arrivo e rinascirono ad imponenti carichi di tre moschetti automatici e di 120 colpi.

Anche queste armi furono usate nel tentativo di forzare l'ingresso nella Prefettura.-

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
- Brunetto Brunetti -

Brunetti

25 OCT. 1944 (Translation D.S.)

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CC.RR. GENERAL COMMAND
Situation and Liaison Office

Rome 26 Sept. 1944

N.737/5 R.P.

To ALLIED COMMISSION
SUB COMMISSION OF P.S.

SUBJECT: LECCE - Disorders.

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R O M E

Reference to letter No 637/3 R.P. dated 25 Sept. 1944.

The CC.RR. Commander of Lecce communicates the following:

On the 25 inst in the morning a crowd of some 10,000 persons gathered before the Prefecture Headquarters sending a representative commission to discuss.

While the demonstrators' requests were being examined in the Prefecture Cabinet, the Carabinieri, headed by a Commander of Company were disarmed by the crowd that discharged against the agents appointed to watch the Prefecture front-door the weapons they had taken from the Carabinieri. Then they dragged to the local Lega Muratori Office the disarmed Carabinieri and Captain Giuseppe Vaccarello and released them later on returning them only a part of their weapons. The Captain received bruises on his face owing to blows. Besides the demonstrators after having forced the front door were about to break into the court-yard and the offices of the Prefecture. The soldiers at first answered firing in the air with a view to intimidate the demonstrators and then to avoid greater damages discharged some shots against them.

Some intimidating shots penetrated into the Prefecture hall. Three civilians died and several were wounded according to first reports.

200 soldiers belonging to the S. Marco Battalion arrived from Trani as reinforcement requested by the Prefect. The situation is still very serious. The Prefect ordered curfew from 1900 to 0530 hrs and the closure of all public entertainments until new orders should be given.

TO	DATE
DIRECTOR	26/9/44
DEPUTY DIRECTOR	26/9/44
EXEC. DIR.	26/9/44
POLICE	26/9/44
LEG. & ADM.	26/9/44
FIN. & A.	26/9/44
TELE. & S.	26/9/44
SECURITY	26/9/44
CHIEF CLERK	26/9/44

The General Commander
BRUNETTO BRUNETTI

27 SET. 1945



Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali

UFFICIO SERVIZIO ~~SITUAZIONE~~ E COLLEGAMENTI

N. 737/3 di prot. R.P.

Roma, li 26 settembre 1945

Risposta al

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OGGETTO: Lecce - Disordini.-

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA - Sottocommissione per la P.S. -

R O M A

Fa seguito al foglio n° 737/3 R.P. del 23 settembre 1945.

Il comandante del Gruppo CC.RR. di Lecce comunica le seguenti precisazioni:

Il mattino 23 corrente numerose folla assediate al circa 10.000 persone assediavano pianzetta antistante Prefettura inviando una commissione per discutere. Mentre si procedeva nel Gabinetto Prefetto et esaminare richiesta folla disarmava cordone carabinieri comandate da Capitano comandante con pagnia et con armi tolte carabinieri operava contro agenti che presidiavano portone ingresso. Carabinieri et Capitano Vaccarella Giuseppe disarmati venivano trascinati locale ex de loge muratori et successivamente rilasciati con restituzione parziale armi. Capitano riportava sensazioni al viso per pugni. Inoltre folla fermata portone stava per invadere cortile interno Prefettura et uffici. Militari rispondevano con armi sparando al scopo intimidazione prima et successi-

veniente per evitare maggiori danni sparavano qualche colpo
sui dimostranti. Nonostante colpi intimidatori penetravano
entro Prefettura. lamentosi uenere tre morti finora accer-
tati fra civili anche diversi feriti. A richiesta Prefet-
to giunti da Brani 100 militari Battaglione 5. Marco. Situa-
zione persona molto grave. Prefetto haet disposto fino a
nuovo ordine soprintende da ore 19 et ore 2.30 et chiusura
locali pubblico spettacolo.""

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
- Brunetto Brannetti -

Brannetti

TRANSLATION S.D.

Rome, 28 September 1945.

CC.RR. GENERAL COMMAND

No 737/12 R.P.

ALLIED COMMISSION
PUBLIC SAFETY S.C.R O M E

SUBJECT : LECCE - Disorders.

Despatch dated 27 September 1945, sent by the CC.RR.
Legion of BMK:

"Up to-day 27 September 2100 hrs no new incident took place at LECCE although the situation is still full of tension. Even the funerals took place without any incident. The Committee of Liberation, received by the Prefect, asked him the intervention of political authorities to ascertain events and their causes. Carabinieri and troop reinforcements remain there."

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X	DEPUTY DIRECTOR	11/1 3/10
	CHIEF OF STAFF	11/1 3/10
	POLICE	
	CC. R.R.	
	PERSONNEL	
	ADMINISTRATION	
	SECURITY	
	CHIEF OF STAFF	

The General Commander
/s/ Brunetto Brunetti

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Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali
UFFICIO SERVIZIO - SITUAZIONE E COLLEGAMENTI

N. 737/12

di prot. R.F.

Roma, li 28 settembre 1945

Risposta al

del

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Allegati n.

OGGETTO: Lecce - Disordini.

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

- Sottocommissione di P.S. -

R O M A

Trascrivo il seguente fonogramma della Legione CC.RR. di Bari in data 27 settembre corrente:

""Fino ore 21 oggi, 27 settembre, nessun nuovo incidente a Lecce, sebbene animi permangono tesi. Anche funerali svoltisi senza incidenti. Comitato Liberazione ricevuto da Prefetto. Habet chiesto intervento personalità politiche per accertare fatti et cause. In luogo restano adeguati rinforzi carabinieri et truppa.""

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Brunetto Brunetti)

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TRANSLATION S.D.

Rome, 28 September 1945.

CC.RR. GENERAL COMMAND

TO A.C. PUBLIC SAFETY

No. 737/14 R.P.

SUB COMMISSION

SUBJECT : LEOCE - Disorders.

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Reference to letter 737/12 R.P. dated 28 September 1945.

Despatch dated 27 inst. by the CC.RR. of LEOCE:

"Yesterday 26 and to-day 27 inst. all ranks of workers continued strike. Also banks are closed. Funerals of victims of well known riots took place this morning (27) without any incident. yesterday the Prefecture appointed an Enquiring Commission headed by Inspector of P.S. GALATA. avv. SPINELLI, Vice President of Provincial Committee of Liberation, deputy Attorney General, was invited to join the a/m Commission. The a/m magistrate accepted before many representatives of Parties and Masses. This morning while works were to be commenced, avv. SPINELLI, calling on the Prefecture together with members of the Committee of Liberation, reported that the a/m Committee had telegraphed Premier Parri in order that the inquest should be carried out by political personalities and by people not belonging to the internal administration, and by Carabinieri. That is to prevent the conclusions might be considered to be partial. Consequently he renounced the appointment. Police bodies are carrying on their investigations. There is still great tension in the situation owing to inciting assets against Prefecture Authorities by riotous people. The Chamber of Labour and Left Parties declare they have lost the control on their members. New incidents are not foreseen for the moment."

TO	INT	DATE
DIRECTOR	<i>[initials]</i>	2/10
DEPUTY DIRECTOR	<i>[initials]</i>	3/10
EXEC. OFFICER	<i>[initials]</i>	3-10
POLICE		
LIC. 2-10-1		
PROSECUT		
ADJ. OFFICER		
SECURITY		
CHIEF CLERK		

the General Commander
/s/ Brunetto Brunetti.

RISERVATO PERSONALE

Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali

UFFICIO SERVIZIO - SITUAZIONE E COLLEGAMENTI

N. 737/14

di prot. R.P.

Roma, li 28 settembre 1945

Risposta al

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OGGETTO: Lecce - Disordini.

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

- Sottocommissione di P.S. -

R O M A

Fa seguito al foglio 737/12 R.P. in data odierna. 23

Trascrivo il seguente telegramma del Gruppo CC.RR. di
Lecce in data 27 corrente:

""Ieri 26 et oggi 27 tutte categorie lavoratori hanno con-
tinuato sciopero. Anche le banche sono chiuse. Funerali vitti-
me noti incidenti hanno avuto luogo stamane 27 senza inconve-
nienti. Ieri 26 Prefetto habet nominato commissione inchiesta
sui fatti presieduta ispettore P.S. GALATA et invitato par-
tecipare detta commissione vice presidente comitato liberazio-
ne provinciale avvocato SPINELLI sostituto procuratore Regno.
Predetto magistrato accettava presenza larga rappresentanza
partiti et popolo. Stamane mentre dovevansi iniziare lavori,
avvocato SPINELLI, presentatosi Prefetto insieme componenti
comitato liberazione, riferiva che quel comitato avevatelegra-

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fato Presidente Parri affinché inchiesta fosse espletata da personalità politiche et da elementi estranei amministrazione interna et carabinieri. Et ciò per evitare che esito potesse ritenersi non obiettivo, declinando, quindi, incarico. Organi di polizia proseguono indagini per loro conto. Situazione rimane tesa per attività sabbellatrice contro autorità prefettizia da parte elementi facinorosi in corso di identificazione. Camera del Lavoro et partiti sinistra dichiarano aver perduto controllo sui propri iscritti. Non si prevedono per ora ulteriori incidenti.""

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Brunetto Brunetti)

Brunetti

BEST COPY POSSIBLE

3 FIVE AM

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1 October 1945

URGENT

URGENT PD

FOLLOWING REPORT FROM RAPID AND POLICE SAFETY OFFICER STATED

PAUSE TO 3 FIVE AM. FROM ALICE SITE AFTER DARK

ALL AREA WERE SEARCHED SATURDAY NIGHT AND SUNDAY MORNING RATHER
 ONE SIX THREE HOUSES IN AREA WERE LA MARCH GARD HAVE OPERATED
 TO NIGHT 1945 THIS ADDRESS WAS FROM WHICH FOUR FOUR MEMBERS OF
 ORGANIZATION OF GANG WERE JAILED TO FOUR MORE OTHER CRIMINALS
 AND POSSESSION OF ALIEN PROPERTY AND WEAPONS AND ALSO ALSO JAILED
 TO ONE AMERICAN TRUCK AND TWO HUNDREDS OF CIGARETTES WITH QUANTITIES
 OF CIGARETTES AND ALSO AND ALSO WERE JAILED TO BODY OF MARCH 23-3
 ARRIVAL ONE MEMBER OF GANG DISCOVERED IN AREA PD HE HAD BEEN
 STABBED MORE ONE TWO ON ONE FIVE HOUSE BEFORE BY PERSONS UNKNOWN
 NOT PROBABLY TO BE PART OF HIS OWN GANG PD DETAILED REPORT WILL
 FOLLOW ON URGENT PD

DEPT:

Chief Commissioner
 Sup. Commissioner T.P. GA Sec
 P.D. Officer.

Public Safety 1/3

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T.P. HORNSTADT Maj.

G.P. HORNSTADT

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Asst Adjutant

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1 October 55

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SECRET PG

PAGE ONE TO THE FOLLOWING SIGNAL WAS RECEIVED FROM SOURCE IN DATE PG

FROM TO AREA 8 FIVE FROM AREA CITY AREA PAGE

PAGE TWO TO OPERATIONS IN AREA AND MOVING HAS RECEIVED REPORT

TO POPULATION NEXT TO AREA IN AREA THE CAPTURE OF AREA ROAD

THE AREA ALSO STAYS THE REPORT TO MOVING NEXT OF MOVING PG

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PAGE THREE TO SITUATION AREA AREA PG

INFO. AREA :

Chief Commissioner
Exec. Commissioner
Civil Affairs Sec.

Public Safety 3/3

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C. J. LANGE
1955
Asst. Adjutant.

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 12/43
 Date/Time of Origin: SEP 1320/29

Message Centre No: E/9478
 Date Time Rec'd: SEP 291300Z
 Precedence: IMPORTANT

FROM: ALCOM TO BART

TO: HQ. ALCOM FOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER HQTD CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION PUBLIC SAFETY SUB
COMMISSION, 52 AREA INFO 54 AREA

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED.

Para 3 Situation LECCE normal.
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ACTION

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ACTION: P. Safety 30
 INFO: Chief Commissioner
 & Commissioner 2
 CA Sec
 File 2
 Fleet

DEPT. QUARTERS
 30 SEP 1945

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TO	INT	DATE
DIRECTOR		
DEPUTY DIRECTOR		
EXECUTIVE		
POLICE		
IND. & MISC.		
PERSONS		
ADJ. OFFICER		
SECURITY		
CHIEF CLERK		

RESTRICTED

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 42 LB

Date/Time of Origin: SEP 281700A

Message Centre No: F-9372

Date Time Rec'd: SEP 290900A

Precedence: IMMEDIATE

FROM: ALCOM LO BARI

TO: HQ ALCOM FOR EXEC COMM RPTD CIV AFFAIRS SECT ECON SECT P SAFETY SC
LABOUR SC 52 AREA AC LIAISON OFFICER NAPLES INFO HQ 54 AREA

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Additional notes LECCE incident.

1. Trouble on 24 began with strike of masons union in protest at cost of living. Camera del Lavoro organised procession in which joined workers of Tobacco Factory and MIl Salvage Depot and bank clerks.

2. Demands made to Prefect were first double bread and oil ration second total blocking of wine export to effect exchange for foodstuffs and goods from north intra bakeries to be requisitioned and managed by workers cooperative fourth intensified action against black market.

3. Prefect LECCE has informed Ministry of Interior that Committee of Liberation requests visit of political personality to investigate.

4. No truth in rumour of disorders BARI.

Dist

Action - P Safety

Info - Chief Commissioner

- Exec Commr 2

- POLAD A

- POLAD B

- CA Sect

- Econ Sec 2

- File

TO	INITIALS	DATE
DIRECTOR		
DEPUTY DIRECTOR		
EXEC. DIR.		
POLICE		
CC. & S.		
PRISON		
ADM. OFFICER		
SECURITY		
CHIEF CLERK		

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G FIVE AFHQ

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28 September 45

PRIORITY

SECRET PD

THE FOLLOWING IS THE GIST OF A VERBAL REPORT MADE BY THE PREFECT OF LUGOR TO AG LO BARI AND RECEIVED BY THIS COMMISSION BY CABLE LOVE BAKER SLANT FOUR ONE OF SEPTEMBER TWO SEVEN PD
PAPER TO G FIVE AFHQ FROM ALCON SITE ACPST. PAREN

ON TWO FOUR SEPTEMBER FIVE ZERO ZERO ZERO PEOPLE FORMED PROCESSION IN PROTEST AT HIGH COST OF LIVING PD ON ARRIVAL AT PREFECTURE PERMISSION GIVEN SEND UP DEPUTATION INTERVIEW PREFECT PDD BUT MOB BROKE THROUGH CORDON AND ENTERED COURTYARD AND PREFECTS OWN OFFICES PD SOME WANTON DAMAGE DONE TO FURNITURE PD CHIEF DEMANDS WERE FIRST INCREASE FLOUR RATION SECOND INCREASE OIL RATION THIRD ESTABLISHMENT OF BART C. SYSTEM WITH NORTH ITALY INSTEAD OF PAYMENTS IN CASH FOR EXPORTS FROM SOUTH PD PREFECT MADE RATION CONCESSIONS AND CROWD DISPERSED PD FOLLOWING DAY TWO FIVE ZERO TWO FIVE CROWD ESTIMATED SEVEN TO TEN THOUSAND FORMED PROCESSION PD ON ARRIVAL OUTSIDE PREFECTURE SUCCEEDED IN DISMANTLING ONE CARABINIERI OFFICER AND ABOUT FIVE GUARDS WHOM THEY LED AWAY PD THEY THEN TRIED REMOVE LIGHT AUTOMATIC FROM GUARD WHO LOST WITS AND OPENED FIRED KILLING TEN CIVILIANS PDD NUMBER OF WOUNDED AND INJURED UNKNOWN BELIEVED SMALL PD CORN ARMoured VEHICLE THEN FIRED OVER HEADS OF CROWD PD

ON TWO SIX SEPTEMBER NO INCIDENTS PD

FUNERAL TAKES PLACE TO DAY INCIDENTS FEARED PD

REINFORCEMENTS OF CORN AND FIRST BATTALION SAN MARCO REGT SHN

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LECCE PD VIRTUALLY ALL BUSINESS AND SHOPS CLOSED SINCE TWO FOUR
PD AGITATION IN GALATINA LECCE PROVINCE BUT NO INCIDENTS PD
PREFECTS REPORT ENDS PD

NEW SUBJECT CMA THE FOLLOWING IS FURTHER CONTENTS OF LOVE BAKER
SLANT FOUR ONE OF SEPTEMBER TWO SEVEN

ALL QUIET BRINDISI PD STRIKE OF ONE FIVE FIVE ZERO ZERO BANK
CLERKS OWING HIGH COST KIVING TARANTO CAUSED BANKS CLOSED THERE
TWO FIVE PD PREFECT TARANTO FEARS FURTHER INCIDENTS PD
TROUBLE IS ENTIRELY ECONOMIC OWING SCARCITY AND GREAT PRICE OF
UNCONTROLLED FOODSTUFFS PD POORER CL SEED CANNOT BUY SUFFICIENT
OIL VEGETABLES MEAT OR WINE PD

Int. Dist: Chief Commissioner
Executive Commissioner
C.A. Section
Economic Section

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Public Safety Sub-Com.

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F.P. HOELSCHER Maj

G.J. LEONE
CWO USA
Asst Adjutant

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G FIVE AFHQ

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29 September 45

ROUTINE

SECRET PD

DURING SEPTEMBER CABLES WERE RECEIVED RELATIVE TO THE PUGLIE AREA
AS FOLLOWS

PARTH 20 G FIVE AFHQ FROM ALCON CITE ACPST PAREN

SEPTEMBER TWO FIVE PD FROM LO BARI NUMBER FOX SLANT NINE ONE FOUR
ZERO PD CROWD OF SEVEN THOUSAND ASSEMBLED OUTSIDE PREFETTURA LEOCE
PD SHOTS WERE FIRED RESULTING IN THREE CASUALTIES PD

SEPTEMBER TWO SIX PD THE CARABINIERI COMMAND CONFIRMED THE LEOCE
INCIDENT BUT ENLARGED BY STATING TEN THOUSAND PEOPLE DEMONSTRATED
IN LEOCE CMA STORMED THE PREFETTURA AND DISARMED GUARDS PD POLICE
IN BUILDING SHOT OVER HEADS OF CROWD PD IN ATTEMPT TO DISARM A 2305
GUARD CMA HE FIRED HIS RIFLE AND THREE DEATHS RESULTED PD NO TROOPS
WERE USED PD

SEPTEMBER TWO EIGHT PD FROM LO BARI NUMBER FOX SLANT NINE THREE TWO
RIGHT PD ALL QUIET LEOCE THROUGH TWO SEVEN PD FUNERALS TOOK PLACE

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WITHOUT INCIDENT PD FEELING STILL TENSE BUT POPULATION VERY
ORDERLY PD ADEQUATE RESERVES OF GCR AND TROOPS PD
FOX NINE THREE SEVEN TWO OF TWO EIGHT SEPTEMBER LO BARI ADDITIONAL
NOTES
TROUBLE ON TWO FOUR BEGAN WITH STRIKE OF MASONS UNION IN PROTEST AT
COST OF LIVING PD CAMERA DEL LAVORO ORGANISED PROCESSION IN WHICH
JOINED WORKERS OF TOBACCO FACTORY AND MILL SALVAGE DEPOT AND BANK
CLERKS PD
DEMANDS MADE TO PREFECT WERE FIRST DOUBLE BREAD AND OIL RATION SECOND
TOTAL BLOCKING OF WINE EXPORT TO EFFECT EXCHANGE FOR FOODSTUFFS AND
GOODS FROM NORTH THIRD BAKERIES TO BE REQUISITIONED AND MANAGED BY
WORKERS COOPERATIVA FOURTH INTENSIFIED ACTION AGAINST BLACK MARKET
~~XXXXXXXX~~ PD PREFECT LECCE HAS INFORMED MINISTRY OF INTERIOR THAT
COMMITTEE OF LIBERATION REQUESTS VISIT OF POLITICAL PERSONALITY TO
INVESTIGATE PD NO TRUTH IN RUMOUR OF DISORDERS BARI PD
PARA NO CABLES FROM MATERA OR MINERVINO MURGE DURING SEPTEMBER PD

DIST : Chief Commissioner
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U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D.C.
APR 10 1963

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Originator's Reference:

Date/Time of Origin: SEP 2 25153.0

Message Centre No: F/9140

Date Time Rec'd: SEP 27 1000A

Precedence: IMMEDIATE

FROM: ALCOM LO BARI

TO: HQ ALCOM FOR EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER REPE CIVIL AFFAIRS SEC PUBLIC
SAFETY SC 52 AREA INFO 54 AREA.

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Verbal report received from CC/HR BARI that crowd of 7000 assembled outside Prefettura NENGE today.

Shots were fired resulting in 3 casualties.

Confirmation with more detail to follow when available.

TO	INIT	HA
DEPUTY DIRECTOR	21/7	
EXEC. OFF	21/7	
POLICE	21/7	
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27 SEP 1945

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

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26 September 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO : C.A. Section.

27 SET 1945

1. This Sub-Commission has received the following report of the Lecce incident from the C.G., CC.RR.

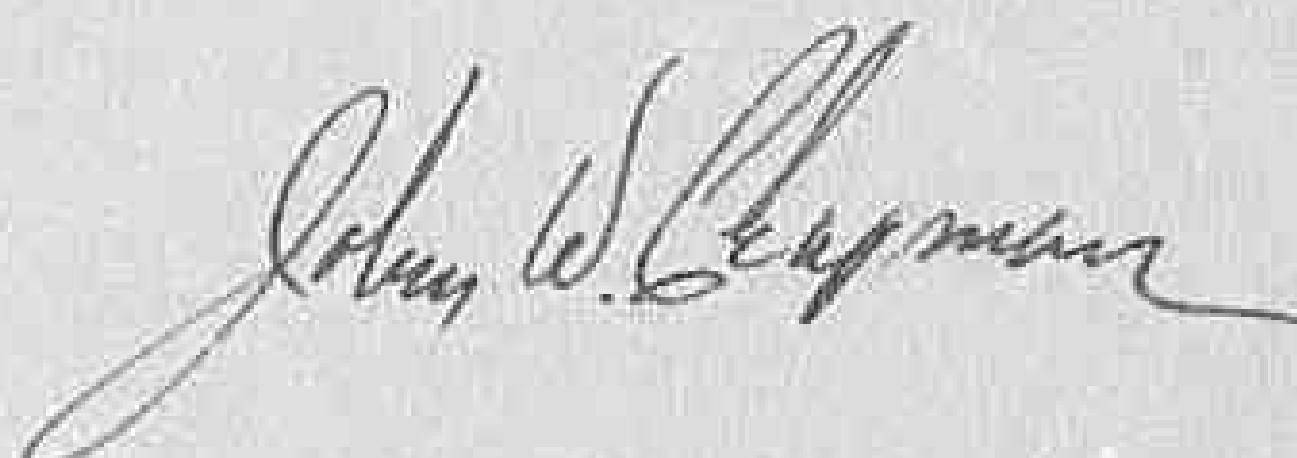
"This is to inform you that in Lecce at ten o'clock this morning (25 September) 10,000 people demonstrating against the high cost of living, stormed the Prefectura, disarming the guards who were guarding the outside of the building.

"The police force, inside the building at that time, shot their muskets at the crowd.

"According to the news at this time, three of the demonstrators were killed."

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2. It will be noted that no mention is made of the use of troops.



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

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Noted To future please send
copies to CC & CC.RR. of
these reports

Noted
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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P/Safety

Originator's Reference: BB/41Date/Time of Origin: SEP 28 1559AMessage Centre No: P/9228Date Time Rec'd: SEP 28 1600Precedence: IMMEDIATE**SECRET**FROM: ALCOM BO. HARRTO: HQ ALCOM FOR EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER CIVIL AFFAIRS SEC PUBLIC SAFETY SC 52 AREA INFO 54 AREA.**SECRET.**

All quiet LECC through 27. ✓

Funerals took place without incident. Feeling still tense
but population very orderly. Adequate reserves of UOPRA and troops.

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HEADQUARTERS

28 SEP 1945

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Carabinieri Command

25 September 1945

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Lecce, Disorders

This is to inform you that in Lecce at ten o'clock this morning, 10000 people demonstrating against the high cost of living, stormed the Prefecture, dispersing the guards who were guarding the outside of the building.

The police force, inside the building at that time, shot their machine guns at the crowd.

As of this writing, three of the demonstrators were killed.

Commanding General

Brunetto Brunetti

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RISERVA

Comando Generale dell'Arma dei Carabinieri

UFFICIO SERVIZIO - SITUAZIONE E COLLEGAMENTI

25 SET. 1945
ANNORIT

N. 637/3 di prot. R.T.

Roma, li 25 settembre 1945

Risposta al

del

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Allegati n.

OGGETTO: Lecco - Disordini.

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

- Sottocommissione per la Pubblica Sicurezza -

R O M A

In Lecco, stamane 25 corrente, alle ore 10, una massa di circa 10 mila dimostranti contro il caro vita assaliva il palazzo della Prefettura, disarmando la forza pubblica, che presidiava l'esterno dell'edificio.

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Le forze di polizia, che si trovavano all'interno, fatte segno a colpi di arma da fuoco, rispondevano con colpi di moschetto.

Secondo notizie finora giunte, si deplorano 3 morti fra i dimostranti.

Riserva di ulteriori comunicazioni.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
- Brunetto Brunetti -

Col. Fontana

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NAPLES COMMUNE
APO 394
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

25 SET. 1945
Annex 9.5

Ref. 9.5

SUBJECT

Date 22 Sept 45

Strike of the Postal Employees.

TO

Headquarters, Allied Commission
(Attn: Public Safety Sub-Commission).

1. On 21 Sept 1945, 2000 employees of the Italian Postal service went on strike for economic reasons. Approximately 1000 left the P.O. Building and marched to the Prefettura but dispersed without incident.

2. This has no connection with the German PW situation.

For the Commissioner:

TO	DATE	INITIALS
DIRECTOR	22 Sept 45	F.F. LUCKMAN
DEPUTY DIRECTOR		Major, A.C.,
EXEC. OFFICER		S.C.A.P.O.
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ADJ. GENERAL		
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PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION

MEMORANDUM

12 September 1945

TO : Civil Affairs Section.

Reference: Letter IB/65.a of 10 September 1945.

1. The information contained in Colonel Millers letter confirms a verbal report which was made to me a few days ago by a resident of Bari.
2. This informant, who is the owner of properties in Puglie, told me that the communists are fomenting disturbances in the area. He also stated that the Jugo-Slav partisans who have concentrated in that area are assisting the organization and arming of the communists and other dissident elements. He further stated that the Carabinieri and other police are so poorly armed and equipped that they are quite helpless even in small disturbances. He asserted that the attitude of all public officials was one of appeasement and that concessions were continually being made resulting in loss of governmental authority. He consulted me in the hope that I could do something to adequately arm the police and give them enough transport so that they could meet the threats.
3. It will be recalled that at the time of the incidents at Minervino Murge and Andria the central government sent Scocciamarro and the Minister of Labor to those localities who settled the trouble temporarily by conceding to all of the demands of the rioters including cancelling orders for police reinforcements and ordering the release of self confessed criminals whom the C.C.R.R. were holding.
4. I am just now in receipt of a report from one of my security officers to the effect that rumours are presently being circulated in Rome that some elements of the Communist and Socialist Parties are planning some kind of demonstration, probably similar to the Colosseum-Quirinale demonstration which followed the Roatta escape, with the object of forcing the removal of Dott. Luigi Ferrari, the present director General of Public Security.

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5. My security officers further report that the two parties a/m are deliberately attempting to undermine the police system by false accusations and ridicule in the press and elsewhere again with the object of forcing out the various heads of police planning to replace them with persons who will collaborate with these parties during the period of the elections.

6. It is to be noted that "L'Unita" and "Avanti" have both reinstituted attacks against the police, against Ferrari, Director General of Public Security and against Morazzini, Inspector General of Public Security.

7. The High Commissioner for Sanctions against Fascism is following the footsteps of his predecessor in using epuration and threats of epuration as a means of removing officials in Ministries and in the provinces who are not sympathetic to either the Communist or Socialist Parties. At the same time ardent Fascist who have joined either of the parties have been white washed and set into public office.

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

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You may wish to read this at the VP EC meeting

13 SEP 1945

William H. Hall

12 SEP 1945

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ALLIED COMMISSION
LIAISON OFFICE
BARI

Tel. 14152

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10th September, 1945

Ref : LB/65.a

SUBJECT : CC.RR. Report.

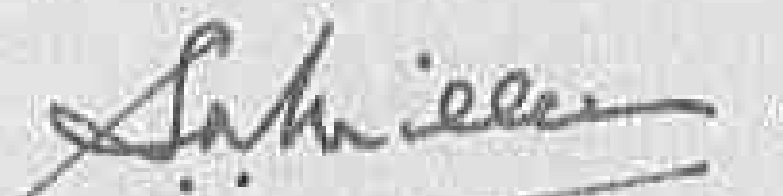
TO : V.P., Civil Affairs Section, (2 copies)
HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION,
C.M.F.

1. To-day I have received verbal reports from Officers of the CC.RR. in BARI to the effect that information reaching them from many sources indicate that a general rising is being prepared to take place later in September.

2. Communists, partisans and ex-soldiers are alleged to be secretly arming and holding meetings in out-of-the-way places.

3. There may be no truth in these rumours, but on the other hand if similar information has reached you from other parts of the country then the story received by me to-day might well marry up with other reports.

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S. W. MILLER, Colonel,
Liaison Officer, A.C.,
BARI.

Copy to : Executive Commissioner,
HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION,
C.M.F.

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Confirming telephone conversation LUSH/HAMBLEW information available at AFHQ that armed demonstrations with Communist support may be held in NAPLES before end September with 23 September as likely date.

Responsibility for maintaining law and order rests initially with NAPLES AMG using civil forces at this disposal. AMG Commissioner NAPLES has been instructed to call on ALCOM ROME for additional civil police forces if necessary and will at once confer with ALCOM on situation. ALCOM will take action with Italian Government to assure such timely civil assistance as situation demands. Except to protect their activities Allied Forces will give consideration to aiding Civil Government only at specific request of Italian Government.

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ACTION: EX COMMISSIONER #
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31 AUG 1945

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Ref: 3629/121/EG

Tel: 478603

30 August 1945.

SUBJECT: Civil Disturbances.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters,
Attn: G-3 Ops.

1. With reference to the disturbances which took place in the MATERA area on 1 and 2 August 1945, the Allied Commission Liaison Officer at BARI has reported the following.

2. The Prefect and Carabinieri have taken a strong line and arrested the following men:

LOIZZO Domenico

- Secretary of the Communist Party at FERRANDINA.

ASPRIMONTE Domenico

- Communist leader at FERRANDINA.

RICCIARDELLI Giuseppe

PETRONE Vincenzo

PALIOTTA Pasquale

- alleged to be concerned in the murder of CAPUTI Vincenzo at FERRANDINA.

and 27 men responsible for the disturbance.

3. Of the 49 prisoners released from the MATERA prison on the 1st August 1945, 16 have been re-arrested and 7 have returned.

For the Chief Commissioner:

TO	
DIRECTOR	
DEPUTY DIRECTOR	
CHIEF OF STAFF	
CHIEF OF POLICE	
CHIEF OF GENDARMERIE	
CHIEF OF MILITARY POLICE	
CHIEF OF CIVILIAN POLICE	

R. W. KEMBLE

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: G-5, AFHQ.

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23 AGO, 1945

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ALLIED COMMISSION
LIAISON OFFICE
BARI

Tel. 14152

Ref : LB/65.b.

SUBJECT : Civil Disturbances.

TO : V.P., Civil Affairs Section (2 copies),
HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION,
C.M.F.

20th August, 1945

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I would like to bring to notice the commendable fact that the Prefect and Carabinieri of MATERA have taken a strong line following the recent disturbances there, and arrested the following men:-

1. LOIZZO Domenico - Secretary of the Communist Party at FERRANDINA.
 2. ASPAGMONTE Domenico - Communist leader at FERRANDINA.
 3. MICCIARDELLI Giuseppe } alleged to be concerned
PETRONE Vincenzo } in the murder of CAPUTI Vincenzo
PALLOTTA Pasquale } at FERRANDINA.
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S. W. Miller

S. W. MILLER, Colonel,
Liaison Officer, A.C.,
BARI.

Copy to : Executive Commissioner,
HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION,
C.M.F.

(copy returned by C.M.F.)

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 HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION,
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ALLIED COMMISSION
LIAISON OFFICE
BARI

Tel. 14152

31 AUG 1945

Ref : LB/65.b.21.

28th August, 1945

SUBJECT : Civil Disturbance - MATERA.

TO : HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION, C.M.F.
(for Executive Commissioner).

Herewith the Prefect's personal report on the recent events at MATERA which might be of interest to you and the V.P., Civil Affairs Section.

S.W. Miller
S. W. MILLER, Colonel,
Liaison Officer, A.C.,
BARI.

TO	DATE
☒ DIRECTOR	3/9
☒ DEPUTY DIRECTOR	3/9
☒ EXEC. ADJ.	3/9
☒ POLICE	3/9
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IL PREFETTO DI MATERA

CONFIDENTIAL

Matera 24 agosto 1945

Gentilissimo Colonnello,

approfittando della benevolenza e della cordialità usatami nei rapporti che ho avuto con lei in questa sede, mi permetto ragguagliarla anche direttamente sugli spiacevoli avvenimenti di Matera e di Ferrandina.

A mio avviso sui gravi fatti avvenuti hanno influito anche fattori economici (alto costo della vita, mancanza di adeguati generi alimentari, vestimenti ecc., dovuti anche alla presenza della truppa polacca a Matera): ma essi hanno costituito la scintilla, la causa occasionale, su cui hanno fatto leva i partiti estremisti.

La Provincia di Matera, costituita nella grande maggioranza da lavoratori agricoli,

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COLONNELLO MILLER

A.C. LIAISON OFFICER

B.A.R.I.

(3061)



IL PREFETTO DI MATERA

CONFIDENTIAL

- foglio 2 -

che vivono in condizioni assai retrogradi si presta molto facilmente a delle speculazioni di carattere politico.

Di questa situazione hanno approfittato i dirigenti del Partito Comunista e delle locali Camere del Lavoro, costituite in prevalenza da elementi iscritti allo stesso Partito, e che si occupano più di questioni politiche che singolari. - Essi, attraverso una campagna subilatrice, e promettendo concessioni irrealizzabili sempre ai fini di ottenere proseliti nel loro Partito, hanno esercitato malefica influenza sulle masse popolari, suggestionate anche dai disordini verificatisi nella limitrofa provincia di Bari, e che secondo l'opinione pubblica non sarebbero stati adeguatamente repressi.

Comunque, a Ferrandina le operazioni ²³⁴⁵politiche, abilmente condotte dall'Arma dei CC.RR., hanno conseguiti ottimi risultati; essendo stati arrestati ben 38 correi, fra cui i dirigenti

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IL PREFETTO DI MATERA

CONFIDENTIAL

- foglio 3 -

della sezione Comunista e della Camera del Lavoro.

Non altrettanto può dirsi per Matera, ove, per l'opertà dei cittadini, non si sono potute raccogliere prove sufficienti per procedere all'arresto di coloro che in voce pubblica designa come i principali responsabili come mandanti.

Ad ogni modo, seguo attentamente la situazione per poter adottare tutti i provvedimenti necessari per raggiungere la più completa rinormalizzazione.

Mi auguro comunque che l'azione repressiva e preventiva che sta svolgendo, unitamente agli organi di polizia, possa evitare il ripetersi di questi spiacevoli avvenimenti e sia di ²³aiuto per coloro che sono tuttora malintenzionati.

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IL PREFETTO DI MATERA

CONFIDENTIAL

- foglio 3 -

Mi è gradita l'occasione per rinnovarle i
sensi della mia profonda stima e deferenza.

Cordiali saluti.

(avv. A. De Dominicis)

Avv. De Dominicis

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TRANSLATION**CONFIDENTIAL** 86B

Dear Colonel,

I want to send you, if you kindly allow me to do so, a personal report on the disturbances at MATERA and FERRANDINA.

Economy has influenced them (high cost of living, lack of food, clothing etc. also due to the presence of the Polish troops at MATERA); but it was only occasional reason for the disturbance, of which the extremist parties are responsible.

The Province of MATERA is a very easy ground for political influence, because the many agricultural workers live generally in very bad conditions.

The leaders of the Communist party and the Camera del Lavoro, mostly formed of elements interested on political questions more than on sindacal ones, have taken advantage of the situation.

They, with promises they could not keep, influenced people and a disturbance took place suggested also by the one at in BARI Province which, in the public opinion has not yet been adequately repressed and settled.

Anyhow at FERRANDINA the Police operations led by the CC.RR. have already given excellent results. 38 responsible people have been arrested amongst whom leaders of the Communist Party and of the Camera del lavoro.

At MATERA on the contrary it has proved impossible to take strong action as nobody wants to give evidence against the responsible persons.

Anyhow, I try to follow the course of the events in order to be prepared to take action when and where necessary to normalize the situation.

I wish our work will be successful and will avoid further incidents and will convince the responsible men to give up their bad activity.

I take this chance to express again my respect and deference to you.

Kind regards

/s/

the Prefect of MATERA.
DE DOMINICIS.

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To Public Safety for
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ALLIED COMMISSION
LIAISON OFFICE
BARI

Tel. 14152

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Ref : LB/65.c/1 8th August, 45

SUBJECT : Civil Disturbance - Monte S. ANGELO.

TO : V.P. Civil Affairs Section,
HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION, C.M.F.

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elCivil Disturbance at MONTE S. ANGELO

It has now been ascertained that about 200 persons (chiefly small farmers) protested against the cattle tax.

A few rowdy elements however took advantage of this meeting and burnt the offices of the Registro and the Dazio before police reinforcements arrived in the town to restore order.

TO	INIT	DATE
Executive Commissioner	SWM	7/10/45
Chief of Staff	SWM	7/10/45
Colonel	SWM	7/10/45
Major	SWM	7/10/45
Captain	SWM	7/10/45
Lieutenant	SWM	7/10/45
Staff Sergeant	SWM	7/10/45
Corporal	SWM	7/10/45
Private	SWM	7/10/45

S. W. Miller
S. W. MILLER, Colonel,
Liaison Officer, A.C.,
BARI.

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HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION, C.M.F.
HQ, 54 Area.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
LIAISON OFFICE
BARI

Tel. 14152

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Ref : LB/65.c //

8th August, 45

SUBJECT : Civil Disturbance - Monte S. ANGELO.

TO : V.P. Civil Affairs Section,
HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION, C.M.F.14602
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S. W. Miller

S. W. MILLER, Colonel,
Liaison Officer, A.C.,
BARI.

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Copy to

Executive Commissioner,
HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION, C.M.F.
HQ, 54 Area.

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REPORT received from Col. Miller, AS Liaison Officer at BARI.

Received 0900 hrs on Wednesday, 6 Aug 45.

Situation at Monte S. Angelo now normal.

Risk was against the payment of taxes.

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Copy to: Public Safety Sub-Commission,
Executive Commissioner.

Letter to: A.F.H.Q.

TO	INITIALS	DATE
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EXEC. OFFICER	22H	7-8
POLICE	HW	10/8
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 ALLIED COMMISSION
 LIAISON OFFICE
 BARI

Tel. 14152

-7 AUG 1945

Ref : LB/65.e.

5th August, 1945

SUBJECT : Civil Disturbance, -

MATERA Province.

TO : Executive Commissioner,

HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION, C.M.F.

14602.

Recd 08/1400
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- d) the allocation of uncultivated grounds to labourers
- e) lastly a dole of 200 Lire a day to each unemployed person.

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2. The crowd then commenced the destruction by fire of the following buildings and offices:- Dazio, SEPRAL, UPSEA, Consorzio A-grario, Conciliazione, together with furniture and records contained in them.

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6. On 2nd August the presence of the GARIBOLDI Regiment and the CG.RR. reinforcements had a deterrent effect in MATERA, but the trouble had then spread to FERRANDINA where some 1,500 rioters (50 of whom are reported as armed) had cut communications and destroyed the Ufficio Annonario, the UPSSEA and the Pretura;

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Para. 6 cont'd.

Of 6 alleged fascists arrested by the leaders of the Socialist and Christian Democrat parties, one named Vincenzo CARUTI, aged 63, ex Podesta of the town, was first shot and wounded and afterwards killed by the crowd. This is the only case of its kind reported.

7. The disposition of the 300 Carabinieri and 700 men of the GARIBALDI Regiment in the area is as follows:-

<u>MATERA</u>	-	CC.RR. Garibaldi R.	284 250
FERRANDINA	-	CC.RR. Garibaldi R.	60 250
MONTECAGLIOSO	-	CC.RR. Garibaldi R.	12 50
PISTOCCI	-	CC.RR. Garibaldi R.	12 50
IRSINA	-	CC.RR. Garibaldi R.	12 50
Mobile patrol	-	CC.RR. Garibaldi R.	20 50

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I. This disturbance took place suddenly and without warning.

2. There cannot be sufficient police in any town to meet such abnormal circumstances.

3. It follows there should be a highly mobile central police reserve to cope with such emergencies.

4. In the present case 10 hours elapsed between the request for and the arrival of police reinforcements. MATERA is but 30 odd miles away.

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5. Twelve Italian tanks sent to the Commandant, CC.RR. Bari, nearly a month ago, are lying idle, as neither crews, petrol nor ammunition have yet been made available for them.

The effect of tanks on morale is known, and they would have been invaluable in this and previous disturbances. Can action please be taken to put this matter right?

6. The 25 trucks promised as a priority for Internal Security duty have not yet arrived. The need for them is shown in this and in previous reports.

S. W. Miller

S. W. MILLER, Colonel,
Liaison Officer, A.O.,
BARI.

Copies to : V.F., Civil Affairs Section, (2) (16 PS)
HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION, C.M.F.
HQ, 52 Area.

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Report received from Col. S.W. Miller, AG Liaison Officer, Bari.

Received 0945 hrs on Tuesday 7 Aug 45.

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"Fragmentary reports received last night that unknown number of people rioted yesterday at Monte S. Angelo (Foggia Province) and set on fire the Offices of the Registrar of Births, Marriages and Deaths and Tax Collections and surrounded the Municipio.

"First Carabinieri reinforcements already reached Monte S. Angelo.

"Further particulars when known."

"p.s. Monte S. Angelo is an isolated village 3,000 feet high and I cannot think much will come from this disturbance."

TO: Executive Commissioner
Public Safety Sub-Commission.

When they get that 5
"high" anything
can happen. sure.

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Amendment to Report from L.O. Bari received on 3 Aug 45.

Number of rioters:

Instead of "100 rioters" insert "800 rioters".

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 994
CIVIL AIRFARMS SECTION

Ref: 4/35 W/CA.

7 AUG 45.

SUBJECT: MATRIL - ASSIGNMENT.

TO: AFM, C-5 Section.

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Reference our letter 4/35 W/CA dated 3 August 45.

- 1 Reference para 3 - Report received on 3 Aug 45. - sub para 4. Please amend to read - "The number of rioters is estimated to be 800."

FOR THE CHIEF OF COMMISSION:

G. R. Bonham 353
C. R. OFFICER, Brig., 2.61
VI CA Section.

Copy to: Executive Commissioner
Public Safety Sub-Commission
Col. S. T. Miller,
Ad Liaison Officer
BAND.

TO	
DIRECTOR	<i>8/8</i>
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NAPLES COMMUNE
APO 394
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

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8/9.5

Date 1 August 1945

SUBJECT: Disorder at Municipio, Naples.

TO: Headquarters, Allied Commission
(Attn: Public Safety Sub-Commission).

1. During the past 2 days, 30, 31 July, small groups of ex PWs from Germany have gone to the Prefettura, the Municipio, offices of E.C.A. and the residence of King Vittorio Emanuele, demanding work, money and relief. No disorders occurred on those 2 days.

2. At about 1030 hours 1 August 1945, approximately 400 of these ex PWs, many of whom do not reside in Naples Commune, stormed the Municipio and forced their way to the entrance to the office of the Sindaco on the 2nd floor, breaking a door enroute.

3. The Sindaco received a delegation of 4, spoke to them for a short time and convinced them that this was not the proper manner by which to obtain the results they desired.

4. Leaving the Sindaco's office, these 4 spoke to the main group, who again became disorderly, accusing the 4 of having sold them out to the Sindaco.

5. However, with a small number of police, and in the presence of the undersigned, quiet was restored by 1100 hours and most of the crowd of 400 departed.

6. A meeting of the Prefect, Sindaco, Questore and Commanding Officer, CC.RR. Naples Legion has been scheduled to draft a plan to prevent further such disorders and to assist the ex PWs.

7. The situation at the Royal Household is quiet. No complaints have been received from there today.

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8. Only the one door at the Municipio has been damaged, no one has been injured or arrested. The situation at the moment is quiet but will be attentively watched.

F. P. LUCKMAN
Major, A.C.,
S.C.A.P.O.

TO		
DIRECTOR	<i>Sw.</i>	<i>6-18</i>
DEPUTY DIRECTOR	<i>Sw.</i>	<i>7-8</i>
CHIEF OF	<i>Sw.</i>	<i>6-8</i>
ADVISOR	<i>Sw.</i>	<i>7-8</i>
CHIEF CLERK		

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 4/35 H/CA.

SUBJECT: MATERA.

TO: AHC, G-5 Section.

3 AUG 45

The following telephone reports have been received from Allied Commission Liaison Officer BARI:

- 1 Report received on 1 Aug 45. - "Reports just received from Quarters of rioting in MATERA; Municipality and Food Offices burnt down. All telephonic communication with MATERA is out. Have informed Carabinieri and reinforcements are en route from BARI. Commander 52 Area informed and he is ascertaining situation from Polish Headquarters located in MATERA.

"Riots believed to be a protest against Provincial Orders regarding the amassing of grain but there is no proof of this and it is not certain when verification can be obtained.

"Developments will be reported from time to time."

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- 2 Report received on 2 Aug 45. - "MATERA - quiet last night. Large crowds tried to seize all mills and grain stores. Demands are abolition of ration and free permission to buy and sell own grain.

"Crowd broke into the prison and released some 50 prisoners some of whom have already returned. Others refused release.

"150 CC.IR. reinforcements are already in the area. Italian Government have authorized 2 Companies to move from TRIESTE to MATERA today. They are fully armed and the situation is believed to be in hand.

"There has been no shooting or bloodshed."

See Report received 3 Aug 45.

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- 3 Report received on 9 Aug 45. - "MANTUA quieter. Since trouble at FERRANDIA, where communications are out, and reported burning of buildings.

"500 Garibaldi Troops plus 250 Carabinieri are already there and are able to restore order.

"Sig. SCHERBA (Minister of Communications) is expected to arrive from Rome to speak at MAGGIATA today.

"The number of rioters is estimated to be 100. They are unarmed as far as is known.

"The report that the Municipio was destroyed was untrue. Only the outbuildings were involved."

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER,

O. D. Benham *1/6/51*
 O.D. BENHAM, Brig.,
 VP of Section.

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Copy to: Executive Commissioner,
 Public Safety Sub-Commission,
 Col. E.W. Miller,
 A.G., Liaison Officer,
 BARI.

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Telephone message from COLONEL MILLER.

Received 1600 hrs. 1 August 45.

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Col. Miller will report developments from time to time.

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2 August 45

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TO : CG Room 800
NA. C. Pub Saf. ~~NAIA~~

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A.D. BRUHAM-CARTER
Lt Colonel,
for VP CA Section

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