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ALLIED POLICE MISSION FOR ITALY
MAY-DEC. 1945

CA Section:

Draft letter as of 11 A submitted for signature of Exec. Comm.

As regards Min. st. Please note the copies of the letter which I requested and which came to me on the 28th and 29th bearing your initials under date of 26 Nov. You will also note that the EC's office did have copies as I suggested. My C.S. did not deal with the matter because it was when at least one copy was.

30 Nov. 45-

Shapeman
L.H. - B.F.P.

Minute Sheet.

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To: C. A. Section:

Reference SB para 3 and request for recommendations at 5-A.

1. P.S. SK does not recommend the imposition of a Police Mission by Peace Treaty.
2. This SK is not in position to determine the reactions of the Italian Govt on this subject.
3. This SK does not recommend appointment of a mission under SAC MED's present authority.
4. What is needed is not a Police Mission but equipment. Until adequate equipment is given to the police forces a police mission would be useless. If the police forces are given adequate equipment a police mission is not necessary.

12 Sept 1945.

Chapman
Col. R.S.D.

PS.

EC is writing a letter on his 3626/EC. You will receive a copy EC has seen your minute.

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over file for.

CA 5
 13 SEP. 1945

H. W. H. H.

CA Section.

Have you any record of letter referred to in 9A. If
 not possibly EC will know.
 27 Oct 45

PS. Enquiry has been made of the message center and of
 the conference EC. neither has any record. Your CC.

It would save time to the matter these enquiries started
 the record has made this enquiry before he saw the other

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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- 5 NOV 1945

5 November 1945.

Ref: 3626/195/EC.

SUBJECT: Allied Police Mission.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters.
Attn: G-5 Section.

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I enclose copy of letter addressed to the Italian Prime Minister
by the US Ambassador on the question of an Allied Police Mission.

For the Chief Commissioner:

MSL/JG.

Copy to: Polad (A)
Polad (B)
CA Sec (2)
Land Forces S/C

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Rome, October 30, 1945.

My dear Mr. President,

I have the honor to communicate with you concerning the possibility of the establishment in Italy of an Allied Police Mission. I should like to inform you that my Government has now indicated that it believes that if the maximum benefit is to be derived from such a Mission, it should of course commence its endeavours at an early date. My Government is further of the opinion that the benefits that would accrue to all the democratic forces in Italy, through the strengthening of Italy's forces of internal security, might have been sufficiently apparent to the Italian Government that the Council of Ministers would have approved a request to the Allied Governments for the establishment of a Police Mission. In conclusion, my Government has pointed out that a fundamental factor in Italy's desire which she has expressed for the improvement of her international status would be her unequivocal assumption of the full responsibility of maintaining order, as well as giving to the Italian people a guarantee for the free exercise of democratic rights.

Believe me, my dear Mr. President,

Yours very sincerely,

(Sgd) ALEXANDER KIRK.

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Professor Ferruccio Parri,
President of the Council of Ministers,
R O ME.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
AFC 512

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G-5: 014.12

13 December 1945

SUBJECT: Provision of a Police Mission to Italy

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
A.F.C. 394

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C.C.

Reference your letter AG/L/650/PS of 1 December subject as
above.

Further developments in this matter must await 13 Corps reply
to AFHQ signal FX 55557 of 5 December.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL NORMAN:

TO		
DIRECTOR	13/12	13/12
DEPUTY DIRECTOR	13/12	13/12
EXEC. OFFICER		
POLICE	14/12	14/12

A. L. HANSEN
A. L. HANSEN
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AS/4680/TS

1 Dec 45

SUBJECT: Provision of a Police Mission to Italy.

TO: Allied Force Headquarters,
Chief of Staff, APO 512, US Army.

Reference is made to para 5 of your letter dated 10 Nov 45, subject as above.

- 1 It is estimated that on the completion of the proposed hand-back to Italian control of the Northern Regions (less Udine), there would be available 2 Lieutenant Colonels and 9 Majors, all of whom are British police officers. Neither of the Lieutenant Colonels has the qualifications specified in PAR 1086 of 5 Nov 45.
- 2 The first commitment for surplus police officers is to complete the Public Safety staff for Venezia Giulia. When that has been done it is possible that there may be a few captains available. The requirements for Venezia Giulia are not yet clarified.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

E. H. BROWN Lt Col,
A/VP CA Section.

Distribution: C-5, AFHQ
Chief Commissioner
Exec. Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AEC 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 3626/209/EC

24 November 1945

SUBJECT: Provision of a Police Mission to Italy

TO : CA Section

Copy of the attached letter, which you have seen, is forwarded with copies of your minutes on it. May a draft reply please be prepared.

EBB *he* *capt*

for Chief Staff Officer
to Executive Commissioner

TO	DATE
X DIRECTOR	34/11
X DEPUTY CHIEF	
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X POLICE	34/11
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ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Chief of Staff

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10 November 1945

SUBJECT: Provision of a Police Mission to Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Reference is made to your letter No. 3626/191/AC of 31 October 1945.
 2. The Supreme Allied Commander has taken note of the contents of the U.S. No. 6884 of 10 October 1945.
 3. This Headquarters fully appreciates the need for a thorough reorganization of the Italian Police Forces and agrees that this can best be achieved by means of an Allied Police Mission. This view has, however, been made clear to the Combined Chiefs of Staff in Paragraph 3 of this Headquarters Signal HAF 1077.
- It is not, therefore, proposed to take further action in the matter unless, either directions on the subject are received from the Combined Chiefs of Staff or the Italian Government decide, as suggested in the U.S. Ambassador's letter, to invite the Allies to provide a mission.
4. In the meantime preliminary arrangements will proceed for the execution of the alternative plan, whereby officers with police experience are to be attached to MMIA for duty with the Carabinieri.
 5. You will be now have seen this Headquarters signal HAF 1086 of 5 Nov 45, in which a firm proposal is submitted to the Combined Chiefs of Staff for the attachment of 17 British police officers to MMIA. Information is requested as to how many, if any, of the appointments set forth in para 2 of HAF 1086 you consider could be filled by officers now serving under the Allied Commission, who could be made available on the completion of the proposed hand-back to Italian control of the Northern regions (less UDINE and possibly BOLZANO).

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

/s/ A. D. WARD
A.D. WARD
Major General
Chief of StaffDISTRIBUTION:

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CA Section

Ref. para 5 of 201 and para 2 of 197.

There will be no Lt. Col. available having the qualifications stated.

The two Majors (SO 2) would be available after the hand-back of Northern Regions.

The availability of other officers is still in doubt. Our first commitments are to Venezia Giulia and the Liaison Groups. We have just started losing police officers under Class "B" releases. If this continues our position will be most uncertain.

British police officers were given leave for the specific purposes of being commissioned for Civil Affairs. Their posting to MMIA may jeopardize their positions at home. This point should be cleared at once.

17 Nov 45

/s/ Chapman
Col, DPS

Min. 204

~~Exo~~ Section

Ps had previously stated that 10 officers would be available after providing for Venezia Giulia but apparently officers upon whom we were counting are now being claimed under Class "B" release. If this continues - as it may well do - may we not lose all British police officers. For Class "B" is a release by groups of employment. It may be desirable to make representations to the Home Office to arrange that requests for Class "B" releases should not be made in the case of police officers with Allied Commission.

If Police Officers are to be retained after Allied Commission comes to an end then consent to their transfer will have to be obtained and the safeguarding of their careers would be taken up at the same time. While Allied Commission continues these officers would still be on the strength of AC even if attached to MMIA and their position vis-a-vis their careers would not be changed.

18 Nov 45

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/s/ F H White
Lt. Col.



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10 November 1945

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BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

DISTRIBUTION:

Chief Commissioner
Polad (A)
Polad (B)
CA Sec (2)
Econ Sec (2)
Land Forces S/C
Navy S/C



/s/ A.D. WARD
A.D. WARD
Major General
Chief of Staff

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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R. L. Hamblen

G-5: 014.12

23 November 1945

SUBJECT: Provisions of a Police Mission to Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
A.P.O. 394.

1. Reference this Headquarter's letter dated 10 November, subject as above.

2. It is requested that you submit the information requested in paragraph 5 of this letter under reference as soon as possible.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A. L. Hamblen
A. L. HAMBLEN
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

TO	INITIALS	DATE
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Ref: 3628/49/NO.

SUBJECT: Allied Police Mission.

TO : G-5 Section, A.P.H.Q.

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I refer to your G-5 OIA-12 of 5 September 45.

1. I much regret that my two letters under reference, which were not consistent, should have caused confusion. It would have been better if I had indicated that part of the first letter was cancelled by the second.

2. The question of the establishment of a Police Mission being made one of the conditions of the Peace Treaty is a matter on which I do not feel competent to judge. I am, however, convinced that the matter should be raised in the discussions on the Peace Treaty and that it should either be one of the conditions of the Treaty itself or that the Italians should be imposed as a condition of the signing of the Peace Treaty to request and accept such a Mission in an exchange of letters between the Italian and the Allied Governments.

3. As I stated in my letter dated 25 August 45 the Prime Minister believes that such an arrangement would be acceptable to the Italians and with so far as to say that it might be made a condition of the Peace Treaty itself. Some politicians would regard it and say we have capital out of it, but there is little doubt that the officials in authority would welcome a Mission and the mass of the people would favor it.

4. I do not recommend the opening of a Mission under Sacconi's present authority. You will notice from my letter of 25 August that the Prime Minister stated that it would not be well received as such and I agree that an imposition in these circumstances would be resented as an complete imposition to the principles of Patti 457 and would give the Mission itself a bad start. I do not think the Prime Minister would be able, even if induced, to play down any tendency on the part of the Italians to say that Sacconi is going against his policy of leniency toward Italy, as stated in your letter of 3 September.

5. I think it would be quite proper if I were authorized to inform the Prime Minister that the establishment of a Police Mission would be imposed in some form or other as a result of the Peace Treaty and if steps were taken at once to assemble this Mission and discuss its terms of reference. It might even be possible if some news of this were to leak out from London currently in order that we could test Italian reaction.

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3. As I stated in my letter dated 25 August 43 the Prime Minister believes that such an arrangement would be acceptable to the Indians and would go far as to say that it might be made a condition of the Peace Treaty itself. These politicians would request it and try to make capital out of it, but there is little doubt that the officials in authority would welcome a Mission and the mass of the people would follow it.

4. I do not recommend the signing of a Mission under Board's present authority. You will notice from my letter of 25 August that the Prime Minister stated that it would not be well received as such and I agree that an imposition in these circumstances would be regarded as an complete imposition to the principles of PAF 457 and would give the Mission itself a bad start. I do not think the Prime Minister would be able, even if induced, to play down any tendency on the part of the Indians to say that England is going against his policy of leniency toward Italy, as stated in your letter of 5 September.

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For the List of Contributors:

Cc: To : Polads A & B.
Civil Affairs Section.
Public Safety Div.-Col.

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For the Chief Commissioner:

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Copy to: Colada A & B
Civil Affairs Section
Public Safety Sub-Com.

Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner.

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NAMES SUGGESTED FOR PROPOSED POLICE MISSIONBRITISH OFFICERS:

Colonel	DOHERTY	now in U.K.
Lt. Col.	FRANCIS	" " "
Lt. Col.	ROWLESON	" " "
Lt. Col.	WALTERS	
Lt. Col.	WILSON	
Lt. Col.	WILCOX	? Now in Austria.
Lt. Col.	RICHARDSON	
Major	HARVEY	

AMERICAN OFFICERS:

Colonel	SNOOK	now in Austria
Colonel	WILSON	now in Germany
Major	COWAN	
Major	HUGHES	
Major	LUKMAN	
Capt.	ZITTEL	
Capt.	MILLER	

List of possible officers for Allied Police Mission.
 Copy left with Ex. Comm. 18/9. Ruby Officers.
 in this theatre were being considered at the moment

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MC

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Ref: 3626/EG.

7 Sept. 45.

Subject: Allied Police Mission.

To: Pol. Ad. (A) VP, Civil Affairs Section.
Pol. Ad. (B)

Attached for your information and comment is a copy of a letter received from Chief of Staff, G-5, on the above subject.

Would you please let this office have your recommendations as to how we should reply to the queries in para. 3.

For Chief Commissioner.

1. Sparkle

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Encl.

— Copy to Public Safety Sub-Commission. —

TO	INIT	DATE
DIRECTOR	ME	10/7
DEPUTY DIRECTOR	ME	10/10
EXEC. OFFICER	ME	8-9
POLICE	ME	10/1
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

C-5 SECTION

AFO 512.

C-5: GL4.12.

Subject: Allied Police Mission.

To: Headquarters, Allied Commission,
AFO, 334.

Reference is made to your 3626/EC of 25 August and your 3626/133/EC of 31 August.

1. The following facts and considerations now emerge in connexion with the provision of an Allied Police Mission to Italy :-

a) Military Aspect.

- 1) A police mission would help to increase the efficiency of the OGP and this in turn would assist the Italian Government in maintaining law and order.
- 2) If (1) above was successful, then fewer Allied troops would be required in Italy.

b) Italian Government aspect as indicated by Prime Minister Parli.

- 1) He would personally welcome the police mission.
- 2) He feels that the present Government couldn't invite a purely Anglo-American police mission, and that the Communist element of the present government would insist on Russian representation.
- 3) He believes that after the elections, when the Communist party will probably be in opposition, it may be possible for the Government to ask for an Anglo-American Police mission.
- 4) Presumably as an alternative to (3), he considers that such a mission could be offered by the Allies and accepted by the Italians as a condition of the Peace Treaty or as a

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5) He feels that should an allied police mission be imposed upon the Italian Government under the Armistice terms, it would not be well received since this step would be in conflict with the general policy of holding the Armistice terms in reserve.

c) Allied Commission Aspect.

1) In your letter 3626/MC of 25 August, you state that it is presumed that no action should be taken at this stage in regard to the organization of such a mission.

2) In your letter 3626/133/MC of 31 August, you state that the matter should not be allowed to rest and suggest that the acceptance of a police mission may have to be included as one of the clauses of the Peace Treaty.

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2. It appears that if the CORR is to be depended upon for internal security, increased efficiency and possibly complete reorganization is necessary. No other solution than a Police Mission has been offered.

3. In view of the fact that it is difficult to reconcile your two letters referred to above it is requested that you restate your views to cover the following specific points:

a) Do you recommend the imposition of a police mission on the Italians by including such a provision in the Peace Treaty?

b) What would be the reaction of the Italian Government to such an imposed mission?

c) Do you recommend the appointment of a mission under SACRED's present authority?

4. If you agree the desirability of a police mission, please consider the practicability of approaching Professor Parri with the viewpoint that both he and SACRED realize that the appointment of such a mission is in the best interests of Italy; that in your view the most desirable line of action would be for SACRED to appoint such a mission and for him (Parri) to play down any tendency on the part of the Italians to say that SACRED is going against his policy of leniency toward Italy.

5. No future action will be taken at AMHQ pending the results of your talk with Professor Parri, or if it does not take place, pending your further remarks and recommendations.

(Sgd). A.L. HAMMILL,
Brigadier, General, G.S.C.,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

Copy to G-3.

V.P. L.A. Section. 3A/4A 0 4A

I am returning the document on
Greek Police Mission.

Confirming conversation with you -
no action will be taken on Allied Police
Mission until conversations with British
Government are completed.

22 Aug. 1945

22 AUG 1945

John W. Chapman
Colonel, Director
Public Safety S/C.

cc - B K-16 attached as your file. Wickham S/H-

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Letter (TOP SECRET) 3626/EC
of 25 Aug 45 in strong box.
JWB.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

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V. P. C. AS

I think this will help you
in determining terms of reference
for Allied Police Mission - which
please refer to me for C.C. before
despatch.

NS 15/8

Director Public Safety S/C ✓
To Sec.

The position as I have been informed verbally is.

- I have since found out that the papers are not C.C. so no action is required by you.
- (1) That the President of the Council, Sir Boris Lashev, asked for his views on the proposed Police Mission to the 4984. Under the agreed because take the next step. But I have seen no papers in the connection so will you please confirm what is the position?
 - (2) We have asked the Group AFHP for particulars as to the formation of the Greek Mission. The attached may contain all we require.
- NS The attached has been returned to P.O. (B). MC. 18/8

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May 28, 1945.

Section 2.

(R/9193/1918/19)

Copy No. 100

Sir R. Leeper to Mr. Eden. - (Received 28th May.)

(No. 293.)

Sir,

With reference to paragraph 1 of my telegram No. 1167 of the 12th May 1945 on the subject of the police, Gendarmerie and prison services mission, I have the honour to transmit herewith copies of my letter of the 8th May to the President of the Council, together with copies of the latter's reply (see paragraph 3 of my telegram under reference).

I have, etc.,

R.A. LEEMER.

ENCLOSURE 1.

Letter dated 8th May from His Majesty's Ambassador to the Greek Prime Minister about the Police, Gendarmerie and Prison Service Mission.

THE Greek Government requested His Majesty's Government to send a mission to Greece to reorganise the Gendarmerie, police and prisons services. As has already been made known to the Greek Government, His Majesty's Government is anxious to afford every assistance towards the re-establishment of the Greek State services in general and the forces of law and order in particular. In consequence Sir Charles Wickham, the present Inspector-General of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, visited Greece in March to enquire into the position and to give his views to His Britannic Majesty's Government as to the status and powers of such a mission. His Majesty's Government have

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R.A. LEEVER.

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2. In the past there have been two missions to the police under Sir Frederick Halliday and Colonel Cooke which covered a continuous period of ten years and an investigation into the organisation and administration of the gendarmerie by Mr. Rigg of the Royal Irish Constabulary. As a result of that experience as well as of further consideration by Sir Charles Wickham, His Majesty's Government suggest that the head of the mission and through him his officers should have full powers of organisation, administration and training in the police, gendarmerie and prisons service which would include appointments, promotions, and transfers, but that they should act in an advisory capacity only on police and gendarmerie action outside the normal daily routine of duties. It is considered by Sir Charles Wickham that the gendarmerie,

although an armed force, should be essentially a police force. It is wholly incompatible with this condition that it should have any connexion with the army or that the army should exercise any control over it, direct or indirect. The ministerial authority for its organisation, administration and operation should rest solely with the department of Government charged with the maintenance of law and order, namely the Ministry of the Interior, which already controls the police. (This essential reform was strongly urged by Mr. Rigg.) His Majesty's Government would urge that this centralisation of the authority of the Ministry of Interior over the gendarmerie should be accepted and confirmed by any legislation or decrees necessary to implement it.

3. As the number of officers in each rank or grade in the gendarmerie and police should not be in excess of the actual numbers required or of the approved establishments, it is suggested that no further appointments to the active lists of the two forces should be made either from officers on the retired list, the unemployed list or from any other source until the mission is established and in a position to review the number of officers necessary to undertake the duties of the various ranks and grades.

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- (f) The cost of cars, including the maintenance and the provision of drivers. Realising the difficulty in providing suitable cars His Majesty's Government would make available from British army sources sufficient vehicles on repayment.
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- (h) The sea passages for families of officers who desire to join them in Greece and also the cost of return passages for such families when the officer relinquishes his appointment in the mission.
- (i) Free medical and hospital expenses with choice of hospital and doctor.
- (j) A subsistence allowance to cover out-of-pocket expenses for officers travelling in duty. It is suggested that this should be on the same scale as subsistence allowances payable to foreign service officers.
- (k) Provision of an adequate number of interpreters.

It is not possible for His Majesty's Government to indicate the cost of the above items against which no estimate has been placed, but it is clear that both Governments would be paying considerable and something like equal shares towards the cost of the mission.

5. It is suggested that, for administrative convenience, the British authorities should in the first place pay cash benefits set out above under the liabilities to be undertaken by the Greek Government, and then be reimbursed by the Greek Government. The benefits in kind would be provided by the Greek Government direct.

6. Finally it is suggested that contracts for service should be for two years I would be grateful to hear from your Excellency as soon as possible whether the Greek Government agree the above proposals.

R.A. LEEPER.

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As the reorganisation of these services is a matter of urgency, the Greek Government will be glad if His Majesty's Government will expedite the arrival of the mission in Greece at the earliest possible moment.

Believe me, &c.

P. VOULGARIS.

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