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MARESCIALLO MAGGIORE SALERNO, CCRR
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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission

File 2A

AGC/14760/30/PS.

20 April, 1944.

SUBJECT : Maresciallo Maggiore SALERNO, CO. RR. at
Tricase.

TO : Commanding General CO. RR.

1. The attached papers complain of the manner in which Maresciallo SALERNO, stationed at Tricase, has carried out his duties.
2. It is suggested that in view of the friction between the Maresciallo and the Allied Security Services it would be wise to transfer him to another district. No doubt you will note the allegation of inefficiency contained in the report.

Paul G. Kirk
PAUL G. KIRK, Major
Colonel Inf.,
Chief Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION 2. HEADQUARTERS

Your ref _____

OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL POLICE OFFICER

My ref P S 19Subject Carabinieri.15th April 1944

TO : Chief, Public Safety Subcommittee, A.C.C.
Kear Headquarters. APO 394.

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I enclose copies of correspondence for
your information which has been forwarded to R.C.
& M.G. Section by the Executive Officer, Region 2,
for HQ No 2 District.

Roxhead

Captain.

Regional Police Officer.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

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Ref :- A/36/4I I4 April 1944
Subject :- Maresciallo Maggiore SALERNO CC.RR., Tricase
To :- Vice President R.C. & M.G. Section
Copy to :- HQ. No.2 District, BARI (Reference your CMF 2022/13
GSI dated 12-4-44)

The enclosed request for the removal of the a/m
official is forwarded and recommended.
For the Regional Commissioner.

E.G. Fricker, Major
Executive Officer
Region 2

Subject:- SALERNO Maresciallo Maggiore CC RR at TRICASE.

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HQ 2 District CMF
2022/13 GSI

ACC Region 2

Copy to:- 71 Sub Area
409 FSS

12 Apr 44

1 Attached is a report from O.C.409 FSS on a/m
Maresciallo of CORR.

2 The TRICASE area is considered by this HQ to
be extremely important from a Security point of view, and
it is essential that the Carabinieri be absolutely reliable.

3 In view of the non-co-operative spirit displayed
by SALERNO it is requested that the Italian authorities
be asked to remove the man out of the area at the earliest
opportunity and this HQ informed when this replacement is
effected.

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L. Rumanal Capr
Major General,
Commanding.

Subject:- SALERNO Maresciallo Maggiore CC RR at TRICASE

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409FS/PS.

To:- G.S.I.(b)
HQ No.2 District, CMF.

Maresciallo SALERNO was asked by FS to get certain information regarding the CORTESE family in LUCUGNANO and also about the BACCILLI family in SPONGANO. He promised to do this but when asked for it a week later he said that he had not had time. FS left the matter for another week and then asked him again, but he had not got the information. He offered no excuse and gave the impression that he had no intention of getting it.

He informed FS that there was to be a raid on the LUCUGNANO - SPECCHIA - MIGGLIANO district on the 18 Feb 44. The object of the raid was to search for an illicit w/t set. FS asked to be allowed to attend the raid. SALERNO agreed, but allowed FS to go away with the wrong impression of the time, with the result that when FS arrived they found that the raid had been completed. FS then asked to attend the next raid on 25 Feb 44. SALERNO said that the time appointed was 1100 hrs. When FS arrived at the rendezvous they found the raid almost over and were only able to see the raid at MIGGLIANO which was conducted most inefficiently. Nothing was found.

On another occasion in the presence of four witnesses (LIO, ZIFFO, ARGHIRO, and SCUFOLA) the Maresc, stated:- "When the English and Americans go away these peasants who are making trouble today will have to settle accounts with us." These remarks have received so much publicity that there is a general impression in the Maresciallo's area that the CC RR are not co-operating with the Allies.

Maresciallo SALERNO has control of a large area, and an important one viz. the whole of the area EAST of the MAGLIE-LEUCA road SOUTH of SPONGANO inclusive and also SPECCHIA and the area SOUTH WEST of ALESSANO. It is believed by FS that much better supervision could be obtained if SALERNO were moved at least to another area where he would be unknown and this is recommended. Elsewhere he would be removed from the control of the wealthy families by whom he has apparently been influenced in TRICASE. He does not appear to be efficient and there is evidence to show that he is of anti-Allied sympathies.

3 Apr '44

(sd) Lt.
O,C.409 Field Security Section.

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Forward C.I.

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