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ILLEGAL TRADING IN GOLD

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PUBLIC WELFARE WAR RELIEF SERVICES
ENDING IN GOLD

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MINUTE SHEET

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1	29 March.	-	-	War Relief Service, National Catholic welfare conference -

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.P.O. 394
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION
SECURITY DIVISION

REF : SD/350.1

29 March 1945

SUBJECT : War Relief Services, National Catholic Welfare
Conference

TO : A.C. of S., G-2 RAAC

1. A file relating to the above named organisation with office at 19 Via Buoncompagni is attached for your consideration.
2. The organisation appears to be Polish, but it is not known whether it is an officially recognised Welfare Organisation such as the Y.M.C.A., or whether the members have the status of aliens living in Italy.
3. The file shows that members are dealing in gold on a fairly large scale, but before deciding on a course of action, AFHQ request an investigation of the organisation.
4. Please return file in due course.

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

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION

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19 March 1945

SUBJECT: Suspected Illegal trading in Gold.

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission. ✓

1. We attach hereto copy of AFHQ letter of March 10, with reference to a certain organization known as:

"War Relief Services - National Catholic Welfare Conference".

2. We should be glad if you would let us have a report on this organization and as to the nationality of the people concerned with it.

3. Also, would you advise us what action (if any) you consider can usefully be taken in the matter.

W. Mak. J. K.
Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

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APO 512

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10 March 1945

SUBJECT: Suspected illegal trading in Gold.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Attached hereto are copies of Field Censorship Comment Sheets indicating that the persons named therein have been trading in gold coin between CAIRO and ITALY. The letters were all written on notepaper headed "War Relief Services - National Catholic Welfare Conference" which is shown to have an office of 18 VIA VONCOMPAgni, ROME. A copy of the letter heading is also attached. SIME CAIRO has been sent copies of the above.

2. The papers have been referred to FMG (American) at this HQ who replied that their C.I.D. had "investigative jurisdiction" only over American personnel and others who commit crimes against the U.S. in the absence of specific authorization. On reference to G-1 (British) at this HQ they replied that it did not appear that the case concerned members of the Polish Forces under British command or followers thereof, and asked for verification of the status of the personnel concerned.

3. There is no evidence to show that the people concerned are under command of the Allied Forces or are followers thereof or indeed how they got into the country, (though there is a reference in one letter to "II Echelon" and to a "Major HALADEJ"). It is requested therefore that you arrange for an investigation and advise what action (if any) you consider should be taken.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

/s/ D. S. Jackling
/t/ D. S. JACKLING
Colonel.

Incls: as above.

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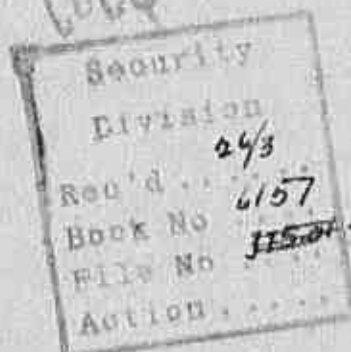
23 March 1945

SUBJECT : Suspected Illegal Trading
in Gold.

TO : Public Safety, Sub Commission. ✓

1. Reference is made to our letter of 19 March 1945 on the above subject. In connection with the same matter there are attached herewith the following:

- a) Copy of AFHQ letter dated 16 March 1945.
- b) Copies of the Field Censorship Comment sheets referred to in the above letter.



for *B. A. Simmons*
Joint Director
Finance Sub Commission

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18 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Suspected illegal trading in gold.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
APO 394

1. Reference your 13012/F dated 15 March and conversation Waters - Anderson of 18 March.
2. The papers are returned here-with for reference to your public safety sub-commission.

For Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

Section
APO 394
JUL
BELT
HEADQUARTERS
20 MAR 1945

Incl: as above.

H. Y. Anderson
H. Y. ANDERSON,
Lt. Colonel. RA

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