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SUBJECT:-- Records of Internees

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RE ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Ref:-- FIIPOT ADV 79

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G-2, F.B.S.
G-2, R.A.A.O.

Copy to:-- G-2, A.F.H.Q.
Security Branch, AGO
271 PW Camp

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1. It has been reported that, in the majority of cases, the only information available at 271 PW Camp in respect of the internees examined there, is that contained in the "arrest slips". Such information is usually very brief and makes it difficult for a proper review of the cases to be made.

2. It is realized that in a number of cases, brief particulars are adequate, as for instance when a person is interned by reason of having held some high Fascist Party appointment, such as that of Federal Secretary. In such cases, the person is expected more or less automatically, the reason is stated briefly on the arrest slip, and probably no report is compiled.

3. In many cases, however, longer reports are made on the individuals, and possibly also files or dossiers are compiled. In such cases it is most desirable that this information should be made available to the reviewing officers at the internment camp, and you are requested to ensure that such records are, whenever possible, forwarded to the camp in accordance with this HQ instruction of even number dated 3 Mar 44.

W.D. Gibson Lt-Col

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1. It has been reported that, in the majority of cases, the only information available at 971 PW Camp in respect of the internees confined there, is that contained in the "arrest slips". Such information is usually very brief and makes it difficult for a proper review of the cases to be made.
2. It is realized that in a number of cases, brief particulars are adequate, as for instance when a person is interned by reason of having held some high Fascist party appointment, such as that of Federal Secretary. In such cases, the person is arrested more or less automatically, the reason is stated briefly on the arrest slip, and probably no report is compiled.
3. In many cases, however, longer reports are made on the individuals, and possibly case files or dossiers are compiled. In such cases it is most desirable that this information should be made available to the reviewing officers at the internment camp, and you are requested to ensure that such records are, whenever possible, forwarded to the camp in accordance with this HQ instruction of even number dated 3 Mar 44.

W.D. Gibson *Br-68*
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Brigadier,
BGS(I).

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SUBJECT: - Security Policy at 371 W Camp

INTERNAL

500.2

RE ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Ref: - FILIPOT NOV 79

1401/7/001(0)

Commandant 371 W Camp

Copy to: OSI, 2 District

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1. There are two points of security policy affecting the 371 W Camp which it is desired to bring to your attention.
2. Firstly, it is understood that Donna Rosa LAURICCI is employed at the camp in a capacity which gives her access to confidential documents concerning the internees.

If this is in fact true, will you please take immediate steps to rectify the position, as under no circumstances should such documents be open to perusal by other than Allied personnel on the staff of the camp. It is certainly most undesirable that a German national, who was until recently an internee herself, should be given any opportunity of reading documents of this nature.

When we agreed to your suggestion that this woman be employed as a wardress, we assumed that she would concern herself solely with matters affecting the discipline and welfare of the inmates of the women's wing of the camp.

3. The second point concerns the AGC security officer who is attached to your staff for the purpose of advising and assisting in the review of cases.

In view of this officer's security experience and background, it is desired that he should always be consulted before recommendations for release are submitted.

CW.
C. HIRSCH
Brigadier,
OSI(1).

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CONFIDENTIAL.SUBJECT: Review of Civilian Internees.Weekly Report.

37I P.W.CAMP, C.M.F.

3 Aug 44.

1. There are now 2,001 Civilian Internees in the Camp and of these 88 are women. During the past two weeks arrivals have decreased and releases are increasing. The releases are steadily increasing and though the official release figure still stands at 717, approximately another two hundred have been released but have not yet been included in the certified return which is only compiled fortnightly.

2. Practically all the old standing cases have now been reviewed, one exception is the Sicilian cases which were previously reviewed by I District 2nd Review Board held at Catania and when it was decided that the 130 odd cases sent to 37I P.W.Camp, would represent the hard-core of the Sicilian security problem. The Commandant of 37I Camp has repeatedly expressed his dissatisfaction at this decision which I have conveyed to him, although I must agree that a number of cases investigated here have not shown that high standard of Security internment that would have been expected in view of the length of time that they have been interned and the fact that the cases have already been reviewed twice.

3. The outstanding release of the week has been the release of GUGGENHEIM Renato on the authority of A.A.I. through the medium of P.B.S. The release of outstanding personalities causes a considerable amount of interest amongst the Internees in the Camp, and has definitely caused a considerable amount of speculation. It is interesting to study reactions of the remaining Internees, I am of the opinion that the release of outstanding and famous personalities at the present stage of the War should only be done after very careful consideration has been given to their cases not only in the light of their security danger which is of course of prior importance, but the damage to the Allied reputation amongst the poorer section, which are inclined to think that if you are wealthy enough release may possibly be engineered.

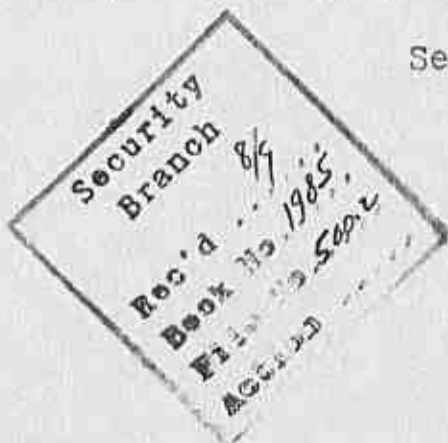
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(F.G.GEACH)

Capt.

Security Branch A.C.C. Attached 37I P.W.Camp.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SECURITY BRANCH
A.P.O. 394

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Ref : SB/500.2

5 September 1944


Subject : Civilian Internees

To : Civil Affairs Branch

1. Reference your 312/74/CA of 31 August 1944.

2. I have taken the matter up with Lt. Col. Gibson, GSO I (b) HQ. AAI who informed me that the site of the new camp has been selected and the camp is in course of construction by "A" Branch, HQ. AAI.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:


JOHN A. MCKAY,
Major,
Security Branch

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
P.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

Phone:
478898

REF : 312/74/CA.

31 August 44

SUBJECT : 371 P.W. Camp.

TO : Security Branch.

1. There are forwarded to you for attention letter G-5: 383.7-15 of 27 August 44, received from AFHQ, along with copy letter sent by AFHQ to AAI, dated 21 August 44.

2. These letters indicate that 371 P.W. Camp will shortly be filled to capacity and that an additional camp is required. This is a matter for AAI, to deal with but AFHQ suggest we might be able to assist in the selection of a site within the area mentioned. AAI, will no doubt handle the matter themselves but you might raise the point with them and ascertain in what way we can be of assistance.



Norman E. Fiske

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel,
Deputy Executive,
Commissioner.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

27 August, 1944.

28 AUG Recd

REF : G-5:383.7-15
SUBJECT : Accommodation - Civilian Internees
TO : H.Q. Allied Control Commission
(Att: R.C. & M.G. Section)

1. Attached is a copy of letter A.A.I. 3064/10/A(0) dated 12 Jun '44.
2. It is suggested that you might be able to assist in the selection of a site within the area named having in mind the particular requirements of the proposed installation.
3. Will you address any comments to A.F.H.Q. G.1 (Br.) quoting CR/3529/G1(Br) with copy to G-5.

For the Asst. Chief of Staff G-5:



W. Driffeld White
W. DRIFFIELD-WHITE, Major, G.L.

Copy to: G.1 (Br.) A.2.

*Mr. Brown,
I say something about this
this morning on a paper file
re this. Could I have it?
Please say
30/8.*

y/c 31/8

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CONFIDENTIALSUBJECT: Accommodation - Civilian Internees.

H.Q. ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tel. FILPOT Ext. 226

3064/10/A(0)

21 Aug 44.

A.F.H.Q.

Reference this HQ letter 3055/A(0) dated 12 Jul 44 concerning accommodation of civilian internees.

1. 371 PW Camp will shortly be filled to its maximum capacity and it has become necessary to provide an additional camp to meet further requirements.
2. As a temporary measure, 30 Reception Camp has been made available for the purpose. It is proposed to locate this Camp in area ORVIETO - PERUGIA - TERNI and a recce has been ordered accordingly.
3. This Camp cannot be made available as an internee camp indefinitely. It is therefore requested that you will give early consideration to the provision of a replacement in order that the Reception Camp may be employed for its proper function.
4. It is regretted that it is not possible at present to suggest any compensating decrease in establishment to off-set any increase necessitated by the formation of a new unit.

(sgd.) ??? Col. T. WELCH.
for General
Commander-in-Chief.

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