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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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26 March, 1945

SUBJECT : French Institute in Florence.

Tel. 489021-236

TO : Liaison Division, AC
(Att: Capt. A.B. ARNOLDY).

Reference 108/104/EC(L) of 5 March.

1. In regard to application for authority for Andre, Tony and Pierre RONZY to travel to Italy to resume their work at the French Institute in Florence, this Subcommittee, with the concurrence of the Fifth Army Liaison Officer of Florence City and the Regional Education Officer in behalf of the Regional Commissioner of Toscana, hereby approves the application.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Colonel, AUS.
Director of Education.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Liaison Division
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Tel: No. 478001

Ref: 108/104/ED(L)

5 March 1945

SUBJECT: French Institute in Florence.

TO : Regional Commissioner
Toscana Region
(Attn: Capt. Sam Noe)
Regional Education Officer.

Dear Sam:

I refer to our conversation regarding the above subject.

A.F.H.Q. G-5 Section has written and telephoned me that an application has been made by SHAEF for authority for ANDRE, TONY and PIERRE RONZY, Secretary General and Director respectively of the French Institute in Florence, to travel to Italy.

This matter was referred to the French Representative on A.C. for comment, and I enclose a copy of his reply.

I would appreciate it if you would inform me whether their visit to Florence would be approved by the military authorities there.

Sincerely yours,

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A.B. ARNOLDY
Capt. Sp. Res. AUS

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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Tel. 49081-236

SUBJECT : Teacher for Lycee
Chateaubriand.

19 March, 1945

TO : Captain Arnoldy.

1. In response to your verbal request the Education Subcommittee has made inquiries at the Lycee Chateaubriand regarding the need for Mme. Marie Therese Missionier as a teacher there.

2. The director of the school states that Mme. Missionier is their regular teacher of drawing and history of art, and while they have found a temporary substitute they prefer having their own teacher.

3. The Education Subcommittee has previously investigated and approved the school, which is run by the French embassy. On principle this Subcommittee would recommend the admission of any teacher desired by the school if there were no specific grounds for objection. There being no known reasons for objecting to Mme. Missionier, and the Director of the school having requested her, this Subcommittee is glad to recommend that she be admitted to Italy to teach in the Lycee Chateaubriand.

CARLETON W. WASHBURNIE
Major, AUS
Director of Education.

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UNITED STATES ARMY COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub Commission
APO 394

AG/14022/PS.

25 November, 1944.

Subject : Entry into Italy - French Teachers.

To : ~~Public Safety Sub Commission~~

Education Sub Commission. ✓

1. G.3 Section .E.H.S., has intimated that G.2 Section .E.H.S., proposes to maintain refusal of entry to Italy in respect of :

M. and Mrs. SIMON
Andre SIMON
Mlle. MICHONIER
Mlle. G. CHIER

until the request for permission of similar British personnel to enter Italy has been decided.

Wm. C. Ballance May

for
JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel F.A.G.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub Commission.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub Commission
APO 394

ACG/14022/L/EC.

21 October, 1944.

Subject: Entry into Italy of French Subjects.

To: A.E.R.C., G.5. Section, APO 512.

1. Your letter G.5. 250.4.2., dated 24 September, 1944, refers.
2. The entry into Italy of Monsieur Francois Simon and his wife is considered justifiable, and it is recommended that their journey be facilitated.

Wm C. Ballance May

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

Copy:
Political Section.
(your letter of 15 October refers)
Education Sub Commission.
(your letter 25/eww/nc of 17 October refers)

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APO 394
Education Subcommittee

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17 October 1944

SUBJECT : Lycée Chateaubriand
TO : Political Section
(Att: Mr. Caccia).

1. Following your request, the Education Subcommittee has sent a member of its staff to the Lycée Chateaubriand to make a first-hand investigation.

2. This school, under the aegis of the French Embassy, is a very good school primarily for children with French parentage. It is now registering students and will open this month. The Education Subcommittee and the Minister of Public Instruction have given full consent to the reopening of the lycée.

3. The attached memorandum of 13 October describes the present status of the Lycée.

4. In view of the total situation, the Education Subcommittee recommends that the entry of M. Francois Simien into Italy, with his wife, be facilitated and expedited.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Major, A.U.S.
A/ Director of Education.

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LYCÉE CHATEAUBRIAND
9 VIA DI VILLA PATRIZI

Rome, le 13 Octobre 1944

Le Lycée Chateaubriand compte à l'heure actuelle 120 élèves. Il reçoit encore tous les jours et recevra de nouvelles inscriptions. Le chiffre de 150 élèves au moins paraît devoir être atteint prochainement.

Le Lycée comporte toutes les classes élémentaires et secondaires, de la Dixième à la Philosophie incluses, plus une classe de français pour les Etrangers, soit au total 12 classes.

Beaucoup de professeurs sur lesquels le Lycée compte, et qui lui ont été affectés par les Services d'Alger n'ont pas encore rejoint: certains ont pu être provisoirement remplacés par du personnel de fortune, en attendant leur arrivée, pour laquelle les démarches auprès des autorités alliées sont en cours. Néanmoins certains cours ont dû être provisoirement suspendus, en attendant également l'arrivée des professeurs.

Le Lycée ne dispose à l'heure actuelle que de 9 Professeurs ordinaires:

MM. GAGNERES:	Lettres classiques
GUIBERT:	Anglais
IVANOFF:	Allemand
PERONI:	Italien, anglais
l'Abbé GHESQUIERES:	Instruction Religieuse et Histoire
l'Abbé PERON:	Instruction Religieuse et Mathém.
Mlle THOMAS:	Cours des Etrangers
Mme PENSO-MORRAND	{ Classes Elémentaires
Mlle MOREROD	

et un Professeur occasionnel: M. LUMBROSO, Prof. de Physique et Chimie.

Le Lycée attend la venue de:

un professeur de Mathématiques :	M. SIMIEN
un professeur de Lettres classiques:	M. HOFFNER
un professeur de Philosophie:	M. ARRIGHI
un professeur de Dessin et Histoire de l'Art:	Mme MISSONNIER
(diplômée de l'Académie des Beaux Arts de Rome)	

Tous ces professeurs sont absolument indispensables à la bonne marche du Lycée. Les démarches nécessaires pour leur venue sont en cours auprès des Services français et alliés (S.M. et C.I.) tant à Alger qu'en Italie.

A titre d'indication, le Lycée Chateaubriand, qui, en 1939-40 ne comptait pas plus de classes que maintenant (12 classes), pour un effectif légèrement supérieur (180 élèves), avait 20 professeurs.

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TO : Education Sub-Commission

5 October 1944

FROM: Political Section

Before sending our comments to Colonel Chapman, could you let us know what is the present position at the French Lycee in Rome. Is it open? Is it providing any particularly good service? And what would be the effect of M. Simien's not being able to get permission to come to Rome?

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H. A. CACCIA

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

Your Ref: 123/262/CA.

25th September, 1944.

MEMORANDUM TO: Deputy Executive Commissioner (Col. Fiske)
Education Sub-Commission

SUBJECT: Visit of Andre GIDE to Italy

1. M. Gide is a very old, frail and distinguished Frenchman. Both on that account and because he is an ally, the Political Section would naturally wish to see his case considered as sympathetically as possible. But if you ask me whether the reorganisation of French schools and institutes is of "sufficient value to the war effort" for us to approve a visit, I can only say that we have not yet authorised anyone to come out on behalf of the British Council, precisely for the reason that the objects of the Council are for peace and not for war.

2. I do not see that M. Gide can claim preferential treatment and should be inclined to reply to A.F.H.Q. that he should not be allowed to visit Rome until permission has also been given for British Council representatives to come to Italy.

H. A. CACCIA
Vice-President, Political Section

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
Education Subcommittee

ED/HTR/ams

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25 September 1944

SUBJECT: Visit of Andre Gide
to Italy.

TO : Deputy Executive Commissioner.

1. Reference your letter, 143/262/CA.
2. This Subcommittee has no objection to the proposed visit of Andre Gide to Italy to reorganize French educational institutions.
3. It is not believed, however, that his visit at the present will contribute much toward winning the war.

H. T. Rowell

H. T. ROWELL
Lt. Col., CMP
A/Director of Education.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

24 September, 1944.

G-5 : 230.4-2

SUBJECT : Entry into Italy of French Subjects.
TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission,
APO 394.

1. Permission has been requested for the entry into Italy of Monsieur Francois SIMIEN and his wife Madame Mireille Simien, nee Galli.
2. Monsieur Simien desires to go to Rome to take up a position as professor at the French Lycee in Rome on a five year contract.
3. While there is no security objection to their entry, will you please determine whether it can be considered justifiable at the present time.

For the Asst. Chief of Staff. G-5

T.B. JACKMAN
Lt. Colonel.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R. C. & M. G. SECTION
APO 394

23 September 44.

REF : 143/262/CA.

SUBJECT : Visit of Andre Gide to Italy.

TO : Education Sub-Commission
Political Section.

1. The following request has been received from A.F.H.Q. :
 1. Permission has been requested for a visit to be paid to Italy by Monsieur Andre GIDE, of the Commissaire of Foreign Affairs in Algiers.
 2. The purpose of his journey is the reorganization of the French Schools and institutes which functioned in Rome before 1940.
 3. Decision on this case depends on whether the visit may be considered of sufficient value to the war effort and your views are accordingly invited on this point.
2. May we please have your comments.

Norman E. Fiske
NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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GOUVERNEMENT PROVISOIRE

de la

REPUBLIQUE FRANCAISE

DELEGATION à l'A.C.C.

ES/SM - n° 64

RC 1, le 28 Août 1944

GENERAL X. de SEVIN,
French Representative in A.C.C.

to the DIRECTOR of the
EDUCATION SUB-COMMISSION A.C.C. - H.C.
(attention: Major Washburne)

Subject: Reopening of French Lycée Chateaubriand.

Following the recent meeting that took place in between Col. SMITH, Maj. WASHBURN, Capitaine MISSONNIER and Lt de MOUE in view of reopening the Lycée Chateaubriand, it has been brought to the attention of this Section, that Monsieur DURY - Head of the Department of Education on the French Provisional Government, has seen during a flying visit to Rome, His Excellency Signor DE RUGGIERO, Italian Minister of Education.

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Allied Control Commission
Education Subcommittee
APO 394
Tel. 269

30 August 44

TO : GENERAL X. de Sevin
French Representative in A.C.C.
SUBJECT : Reopening of French Lycée Chateaubriand.

1. It brings great pleasure to this Subcommittee to know that there are no formalities in the way of reopening your excellent school in Rome, and we are delighted that you will proceed to reopen it.

T.V. Smith,
Lt. Col. AUS
Director of Education