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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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Tel. 489081-236

SUBJECT : Secondary school text books

6 February 1945

TO : Regional Education Officer, Southern Region.

1. Supplementing my 90/2.2/AC of 27 Jan., I have obtained the following information which modifies para 2 of a/m letter.

2. The Italian Press Bureau has no Naples Office and the Ufficio Stampa carries on its functions locally. Formal permission to publish any educational book can be obtained readily by you or by the publisher from the Ufficio Stampa of the Prefettura in Naples. Undoubtedly your recommendation will facilitate such permits. I suggest you discuss the procedure with the Ufficio Stampa.

3. As to paper, I am having about 20 tons of book paper transferred from Rome to Naples (exact quantity will be indicated later) for my educational books you approve. You may, if you can do so without slowing down the printing of elementary books, release paper now on hand, refunding it to your elementary supply when the paper being shipped from Rome arrives. To play safe, don't borrow more than 15 tons until you know the exact amount of the Rome shipment. 797

4. The price of paper is tentatively fixed at 50 lire per kilo for all books except the uniform series of elementary books, and may be sold at this price until further notice.

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Major, AEC
A/Director of Education.

P.S. The amount of paper indicated as 20 tons in para. 3 is now reported by Mr. L. White of Economics and Supply as 63 tons.

Payment for the paper is to be made to the Regional Supply Accountant in Naples, and copy of receipt sent to this Headquarters.

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TO : Regional Education Officer, Southern Region.
SUBJECT : Secondary School Text Books

27 January 1945

Reference your letter of 23 Jan.

1. At last I have been able to get a clear picture of the situation in regard to Naples printing of secondary school and university text books.
2. Authorisation to publish no longer has to clear through A FB or PWB. You, on the advice of your text book commissions, may authorize the publication of any educational book.
3. Allied paper for secondary school text books is not for the moment available in Naples. Printing will therefore have to be done on paper found by the printers.
4. I have arranged that when the next shipment of newspaper arrives (which may be any day) twenty tons will be allotted to the Education 3/C which will turn it over to you to allot to printers for educational books at your own discretion (at 17.5 lire per kilo). You will be responsible for the sale and collection of payment.
5. I am requisitioning from the United States for educational books, in addition to elementary school text books, 2000 tons of book paper. While I am requesting it for April, I doubt if it will arrive before July and it may take longer.
6. It may be possible to release, as a loan against this requisition, some of our elementary school text book paper. But until I know that the original needs for this paper are satisfied, I cannot do so. My present estimate is that by 1 March the current demands on our elementary school book paper will be met, and that some may be available for loan to you for other educational books.
7. Does this clarify everything for you?

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HEADQUARTERS
 SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED COMMISSION
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23 January 1945

SUBJECT : Instructions for Publications supervisor.

TO : Education Subcommittee
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1. At the Education Officer's conference in Florence, 5-6 January, the undersigned officer pointed out that the man placed in charge of paper and publishing in Naples by the Italian Government had been given all the files pertaining to his work by this office and by the Allied Publications Board but he had received no instructions as to his duties, responsibilities or method of procedure.

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2. This situation still obtains as of this date.

3. It is suggested that inquiry be made of the appropriate Ministry to see if the situation may be expedited.

4. It is suggested also that a copy of the order restoring this work to Italian hands be forwarded for the files. Verbal instructions only have been received to date.

For the Regional Commissioner:

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