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4-3 12 Dec	number 58	Administrative Memorandum - AFHQ	Power Rehabilitation
4-9 2 Feb	5615	to WMA. M. Vaughan	Cases of Desquamation
10-11 2 Feb	5587	to Economic Section	Eviction with 6-5
12 18 Feb	5615	to Economic Section	Eviction through 6-5, AFHQ
13-14 22 Feb	5676	to Lt Col. Mackay	Memorandum from Lt Col. Mackay to Economic Section
15-16 23 Feb	5570	to Economic Section	AFHQ. Forwarding of Order for Control of Eviction
20-21 1 March	5529	to Chief of Division	Monthly Report
22 8 March	5615	to Hump Control	Requisitioned Hump Factories
23-24 5 April	5547	to 1st Pioneer Region	Procedure for desert and other control
25-26 7 March	n° 14	from AFHQ	Use of facilities for civil requirements
27-28 5 April	—	Comments to be made by	Ministry of I.C.L. on
29 9 April	5603	to I.C.L.	Admin in the field of the evacuation of
30-31 16 April	5575	to A.E.L.P.S., R.A.A.C., C.M.F.	Requisition of the plants
32 16 April	5706	to Fleet Base Engineer	Materials for Royal Navy base
33-34 16 April	5694	to A.E.L.P.S., R.A.A.C., C.M.F.	Release of Order to motive Material
35 16 April	5547	to One Commander R.A.A.C.	Unmentioned Requisitioning of Control
36 18 April	5587	to Economic Section	Correspondence

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

NRHM/ag

Tel. 237

1 May 1945

Ref. AG/5599/IND.

SUBJECT : Removal of Machinery from
Montecatini Works, Rieti.

TO : General Officer Commanding,
HQ 2 District, C.M.F.

1. It has been reported to this Headquarters that machinery is being requisitioned from the above-named works without reference to the terms of A.F.H.Q. Administrative Memorandum No. 14 of 7th March 45.
2. In particular, it has been stated by the owners that a water pump has been removed from the plant by 386 Works Section, R.E., for transfer to Naples.
3. The Rieti plant of the Montecatini Corporation is too badly damaged to be capable of reactivation in the immediate future, but much of this plant can be cannibalised for the purpose of reactivating other plants of the Corporation whose productive capacity is essential to the maintenance of supplies to the Armed Forces and to the Italian civil economy.
4. It would, therefore, be appreciated, if the above question could be inquired into and the necessary measures taken to see that no machinery is removed contrary to the terms of the above-quoted A.F.H.Q. Administrative Memorandum.

For the Chief Commissioner :

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Copy to :

AFHQ G-5 Section.
AFHQ G-1 American.
AFHQ G-4 British.
AFHQ, HAAC
Economic Section, AC.
Commerce Sub-Commission, AC.
✓ Capt. N.R.L. Macdonald. ✓

[Signature]
W. J. MASKREY
Lt. Colonel,
Deputy Director,
Industry Sub-Commission.

Agriculture Sub-Commission, AC.
Ministry of Industry, Commerce & Labour.

Tel. 237

NRLW/hh

Ref. AG/5694/IND.

2 May 1945

SUBJECT : Release of Automotive Material to
Produttori Ricambi Automobili from
Service Surpluses.

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission (M.F.L.A.)

FROM : Industry Sub-Commission.

1. The attached copy of this Headquarters letter, AG/5694/IND of 16th April 1945 to AFLRS, RAAC was forwarded by them to G-5 Section A.F. H.Q.

2. G-5, replying to Industry Sub-Commission direct state that no surpluses exist in Service stocks but state that supplies of Italian ball-bearings are now en route from North Africa, consigned to you.

3. It would be appreciated if you would examine the possibility of releasing a portion of this, and any other supplies you may have for distribution in view of the grave need which exists for repairing essential civilian transport vehicles.

(S) W. J. MASSEY

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Lt. Colonel,
Deputy Director,
Industry Sub-Commission.

Copy to : -
A.F.L.R.S., R.A.A.C.
Economic Section, A.C.
Transportation Sub-Commission, A.C.
Capt. N.R.L. Macdonald
Encl. : -
As per para 1 above.

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HEAD HEADERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APU 194
INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

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Tel. 237

2 May 1945

Ref. 10/5594/IND

SUBJECT : Allocation of Petrol and Issue of
Circulation Permits to Produzione
Ricambi Automobili

TO : Camera di Commercio

1. The attention of this Headquarters has been drawn to the fact that your Chamber has withheld the issue of petrol and licensing permits for the two Fiat and one Lancia-Aprilia cars employed by the above-named organization.

2. This Headquarters is keenly interested in the possibilities which this organization presents for the rehabilitation of the automobile industry, and recognises the necessity for its officials to be given facilities for personal transportation.

3. It would, therefore, be appreciated if your Chamber would inform this Headquarters as to your reasons for refusing to issue petrol and prolong licences which had been granted to the applicants, when such services were under Allied Commission control.

/s/ W. J. MASKREY

Copy to:-

Economic Section, A.G.
Transportation Sub-Commission, A.C.
Ministry of Industry, Commerce
and Labour.

W. J. MASKREY
Lt. Colonel,
Deputy Director,
Industry Sub-Commission.

Capt. M. R. L. Mardones ✓

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REF. AC/5615/IND.

18 April 1945

SUBJECT : Applications for De-requisitioning
of Industrial Facilities.

TO : Director, Agriculture Sub-Commission AC.

FROM : Industry Sub-Commission.

1. Correspondence dealing with applications for the de-requisitioning of tobacco factories and warehouses received by your Sub-Commission from the State Tobacco Monopoly has been passed to this Sub-Commission for necessary action.

2. The established procedure for de-requisitioning of industrial facilities is that all applications should reach this Headquarters through the medium of the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Labour.

3. This is for the reason that the most exact and full information must be given before any request can be addressed by this Headquarters to the appropriate Staff level.

4. An examination of the attached form of questionnaire which must be completed, together with the copies of correspondence forwarded to your Sub-Commission on the subject of de-requisitioning industrial plants should make the reasons for this canalisation abundantly clear.

5. In the two cases under review, the information supplied is totally inadequate to permit any approach being made at Staff levels.

6. The State Tobacco Monopoly has already been informed of this procedure, and had they complied with it in this, as in other instances much valuable time might have been saved.

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7. It is, therefore, requested that, should any other applications be received by your Sub-Commission from Ministries, public bodies, corporations or individual enterprises, dealing with de-requisitioning, that they be referred to the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Labour, for examination and screening before submission to Industry Sub-Commission for action.

(signed)

W. J. MASKREY, LT. COL.

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Copy to :

Economic Section, AC.

Finance Sub-Commission, AC.

Capt. V.R.I. Macdonald. ✓

V. S. VAUGHAN

Director,

Industry Sub-Commission.

1 Incl. :

Questionnaire as per
para 4 above.

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 27. Justification for de-requisitioning.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

NRLM/hh

Ref.AC/5587/IND.

April 1945

SUBJECT : Requisitioning and De-requisitioning
of Industrial Facilities in AC/AMG Territory

TO : Regional and Provincial Commissioners,
and Sub-Commissioners, A.C.

1. Requisitioning : Under Administrative Memorandum No 14 of 7th March 1945 (copy attached), policy on requisitioning and procedure for the de-requisitioning of industrial premises occupied by the Armed Forces is laid down.
To enable this procedure to be put into effect the responsibilities of the Italian Government, Allied Commission and the Armed Forces must be understood.

2. In the first place, no industrial facilities should be requisitioned by any Allied unit in AC/AMG territory without reference to the local AC/AMG representative.

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4. The guiding principle of Allied Commission's policy with relation to Italian industry is that every facility which can be made use of towards the successful prosecution of the war and the restoration of economic stability shall be so employed.

5. In consequence, when applications are received by AC/ANG regional or provincial officers from ~~the~~ Allied unit

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commanders who desire to requisition industrial facilities, the Industry officers affected must consider each case in the light of this over-riding principle and the degree of importance of the facility to the local or national economy.

6. At the same time it must be borne in mind that for one or a variety of reasons, it will often prove to be impossible to restore industrial facilities to even partial activity, under existing conditions, in which case there can be no objection to the projected requisition.

7. Among the factors which might prevent an industrial facility from being utilized for the ~~restoration of economic~~ ^{its original function} stability may be listed the following:

- a) Damage to building or plant of a nature which ^{is of such a nature that it is impossible to restore it to its original condition} cannot be made good during the war
- b) Inability to procure electric power or fuel
- c) The lack of even one essential machine or raw material which cannot be procured during the conduct of the war, either from local ^{sources or from the military authorities} available Allied sources.
- d) A shortage of labour of the type required to operate the facility.
- e) Inability to procure the transportation necessary for reactivation, either for ^{bringing in raw material and supplies to the plant} ~~the plant~~ ^{for fulfilling the} ~~the plant~~ ^{fixed goals}

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9. Thus where U.P.I.C. offices are functioning no representation should be made to AC/AMG Industry officers by

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industrialists until the case has been examined and carefully screened by the local U.P.I.C. office.

10. When, after having considered all the circumstances, it is decided by the AC/ANG Regional H.Q. concerned that the facility ^{ought} ~~should~~ not be requisitioned, and if, having so informed the Allied requisitioning authority, the reply is to the effect that the requisitioning is essential, ^{the requisitioning} ~~the authority~~ attention should be drawn to the terms of the above-quoted Administrative Memorandum (Para 4, sub-para (a) and Para 5, sub-para (a)) and the matter at once referred ^{to} ~~to~~ this Headquarters for examination, ~~together~~ ^{with all the relevant} facts by the AC/ANG Headquarters affected. The requisitioning authority should be notified, in writing, at the same time, of the action taken, and parallel action should be taken by the local U.P.I.C. office with the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Labour. This will enable a joint examination of the circumstances to be made between this Headquarters and the Ministry.

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quarters concerned not to oppose the requisitioning, and similar instructions will be issued by the Ministry to the local U.P.I.C.

12. It is ~~thus~~ desired to emphasize that ~~while~~ the strongest support will be given to all cases submitted to this Headquarters ^{where such cases} ~~which~~ are completely supported. ~~by the note,~~ ^{however} as each case will be subjected to examination at high Staff levels it is essential that the circumstances, as presented, must be capable of supporting the most careful scrutiny.

13. De-requisitioning. It is hoped that the above procedure will prevent the requisitioning of industrial facilities necessary to the war effort and to the civil economy, except where adequate military reasons exist.

14. Where applications are made for the de-requisitioning of industrial facilities, ^{these applications} ~~they~~ should first be examined and screened by the local U.P.I.C. office before the AC/ANG authority affected ~~is approached~~.

15. If, having considered all the circumstances, it is decided to take action for de-requisitioning, and if the matter is one which cannot be arranged by the local Town Major, application for de-requisitioning should be made to the Area or equivalent commander, and this Headquarters informed accordingly. At the same time the local U.P.I.C. office should inform the Ministry.

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16. Should the application be denied by the military authority, and should the circumstances warrant it, the matter will then be referred to this Headquarters with all the relevant details. Parallel action will be taken between the U.P.I.C. office and the Ministry.

17. Similar action will then be taken by this Headquarters as outlined in paras 10/12 above.

18. Should the situation be such as to warrant reference to this Headquarters, the most accurate information on all the relevant details must be furnished by both the AC/ANG and the U.P.I.C. office. As a guide in the preparation of the case, there is attached hereto a list of heads which is indicative of the type of information which should be included whenever practicable.

19. This Headquarters may be able to obtain a satisfactory settlement by application at the appropriate Staff level, but, if this is refused, the case will be submitted to the Industrial Coordination Committee of the Allied Force Local Resources (Italian) Board.

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21. For information and guidance, a short resume

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21. For information and guidance, a short resume of the history and functions of the I.C.C. is attached (Appendix III)

Distribution as for I.C.C.
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Questionnaire as per
para 18

Administrative Memorandum No. 14 etc., 7 March 1945
Resume of history and functions of ICC, APLR(I)B

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ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

APPENDIX "A"

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Appendix 3

The Chairman of the Industrial Coordination Committee is Rear Admiral ALBERT W. STONE, USNR.

The Industrial Co-ordination Committee is a Committee of the Allied Force Local Resources (Italian) Board, which met for the first time in December, 1944, when there was considerable difficulty in reaching agreement upon the Terms of Reference.

These were amended, and finally agreed, in the following form at a meeting held on 3 February 1945:

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Procedure for implementation of para 1 of these Terms of Reference were also agreed upon, as follows:

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The very existence of this Committee has produced a genuine spirit of cooperation between the Armed Forces and the Italian Civil Economy, as represented by the Allied Commission. The Minister of Industry, Commerce and Labour, Sig. Gronchi, was invited to the meeting held on 7 April '45 and gave his comments on Administrative Memorandum No. 14 and his suggestions for the future attitude of the Committee on policy.

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 22. Statement as to present productive capacity of entire facility giving due regard to feasibility of making repairs, availability of raw materials, power, transport & labour.
 23. Statement as to productive capacity of the portion of facility and equipment which it is proposed to de-requisition.

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24. Statement as to availability of substitutes for products/
by the facility. manufactured

25. Statement as to the nature of the military occupancy.

a. Number of men occupying premises.

b. Use to which facility is being put by military
authorities.

c. Statement as to portion of plant requisitioned
and machinery and equipment requisitioned.

d. Extent to which permanent damage is being done
to the facility by the occupation. *Particulars of previous applications for de-requisition, & results.*
26. *Particulars of previous applications for de-requisition (if any) and result.*

27. Justification for de-requisitioning.

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These were amended, and finally agreed, in the following form at a meeting held on 3 February 1945:-

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The very existence of this Committee has produced a genuine spirit of cooperation between the Armed Forces and the Italian Civil Economy, as represented by the Allied Commission. The Minister of Industry, Commerce and Labour, Sig. Gronchi, was invited to the meeting held on 7 April '45 and gave his comments on Administrative Memorandum No. 14 and his suggestions for the future attitude of the Committee on policy.

It is felt that the Industrial Coordination Committee will achieve much in helping to smooth out the difficulties ^{necessarily} differences of opinion which ~~must~~ arise between the interests of the Allied Military and those of the Italian Civil Economy, but the importance of presenting a complete and factual case, cannot be too strongly emphasized.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

April 1945

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SUBJECT: Use of Commercial Facilities for Civil Requirements.

TO : Regional and Provincial Commissioners and
Directors of Sub-Commissions.

1. This letter is written with reference to paragraph 4 of Administrative Memorandum No. 14 issued by the Allied Force Headquarters under date of 7 March 1945, a copy of which has been forwarded to you.

2. Attention is directed to the fact that under paragraph 4a of said Administrative Memorandum cases presented to the responsible Area, District, Base Section or Army Commander or other responsible military authority must be accompanied with a complete and factual justification. Likewise cases forwarded to this Headquarters for submission to an investigating sub-committee appointed by the Industrial Co-ordination Committee of the Allied Force Local Resources (Italian) Board under paragraph 4c of said Administrative Memorandum must be accompanied with a complete and factual justification.

3. As a guide in the preparation of the case, there is attached hereto a list of items which are ~~relevant~~ *indicative of the type of* information which should be included whenever practicable.

4. Cases forwarded to this Headquarters for submission to an investigating sub-committee appointed by the Industrial Co-ordination Committee of the Allied Force Local Resources (Italian) Board, should also contain a detailed statement as to the previous submission of the case to military authorities under the provision of paragraph 4a of said Administrative Memorandum No. 14, including a copy of the information furnished to the military authority and a copy of any written statements submitted in reply thereto by the military authority.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner

APD 394

Ref. AC/5615/IND.

April 1945

SUBJECT : Requisitioning and De-requisitioning
of Industrial Facilities.

TO : Regional and Provincial Commissioners
and Sub-Commissions, A.C.

Guiding policy on requisitioning and

1. Requisitioning Under Administrative Memorandum No. 14 of
7th March 1945 (copy attached) ~~the~~ procedure required for the de-re-
quisitioning of industrial premises occupied by the Armed Forces is
laid down.

~~2.~~ To enable this procedure to be put into effect the
responsibilities of the Italian Government, Allied Commission, and the
Armed Forces must be understood.

3. In the first place, no industrial facilities should be
requisitioned by any Allied unit in AC/AMG territory without reference
to the Regional or Provincial AC/AMG Headquarters.
Could be referred to the local "mayor" representative.

4. It will be the responsibility of all AC/AMG Industry
Officers to make contact with all Town Majors within their respective
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4. It will be the responsibility of all AC/AMG Industry Officers to make contact with all Town Majors within their respective areas in order to ensure that no misunderstanding exists as to this procedure.

5. The guiding principle of Allied Commission's policy with relation to Italian industry is that every facility which can be made use of towards the successful prosecution of the war and the restoration of economic stability shall be so employed.

6. It follows, therefore, that it is Allied Commission's aim to ~~restore~~ every industrial facility to the fullest activity possible under existing ^{circumstances} and ~~that~~ ^{only} when adequate military reasons exist for the occupation of industrial premises which might

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otherwise be restored to partial or full activity can Allied Commission give approval to such occupation.

7. In consequence, when applications are received by AC/ANG Regional or Provincial offices from Allied units who desire to requisition industrial facilities, the Industry Officers affected must consider each case in the light of these overriding principles ~~and~~ *state, and the degree of importance of the facility to the local or national economy.*

8. At the same time it must be borne in mind that because of one or many factors, it will often prove to be impossible to restore industrial facilities to even partial activity, under existing conditions, in which case no objection can be raised to the projected occupation.

It may be that for one of the following or similar reasons it is found to be impossible to restore industrial facilities, even to partial activity.

9. Among the factors which might prevent an industrial facility from being utilised for the purpose for which it was intended may be listed the following: *may be listed the following:*

a. Damage to buildings or plant of a nature which cannot be made good during the war.

b. Inability to procure electric power or fuel.

c. The lack of even one essential machine or raw

material which cannot be procured during the conduct of the war, either from local or available Allied sources.

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10. In the light of these considerations each case must, therefore, be examined, together with the degree of importance of the facility to the local or national economy.

11. To prevent loss of time which might result from the misinformed representations of industrialists to AC/ANG Regional or Provincial Headquarters in matters concerning the requisitioning of

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when such an organization exists

industrial facilities the closest contact should be maintained with

the local officials of the U.P.I.C., ~~and~~ all such cases should be

examined in collaboration with these officials, who must also bear in mind the above mentioned considerations. ~~And no case submitted should~~
such an examination has been made.

12. Thus no representation should be made to AC/ANG Industry

officers by industrialists until the case has been examined and care-

fully screened by the local U.P.I.C. office, ~~where such organization exists.~~

13. When, after having considered all the circumstances, it

is decided by the AC/ANG H.Q. ^{Ref} concerned that the facility should not

be requisitioned, and if having so informed the Allied requisitioning

officer, the reply is to the effect that the requisitioning will be

proceeded with, ^{his} attention should be drawn to the terms of the above

quoted Administrative Memorandum, and the matter at once referred to

this Headquarters for examination together with all the relevant facts

by the "C/ANG Headquarters affected. ~~The requisitioning officer~~

~~should, at the same time, be notified, in writing of~~

~~the action taken, and~~

14. ~~At the same time,~~ parallel action should be taken by the local U.P.I.C. office with the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Labour.

15. This will enable a joint examination of the circumstances

to be made between this Headquarters and the Ministry.

16. ^{By this HQ} If the circumstances warrant it, representations will then

be made by this Headquarters ^{to the local U.P.I.C. office} at the required Staff level, but if they

do not warrant it, the AC/ANG Headquarters concerned will be requested

by this Headquarters not to oppose the requisitioning, and similar

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DE-REQUISITIONING

17. It is hoped that the above procedure will prevent the requisitioning of industrial facilities necessary to the war effort, and to the civil economy except where adequate military reasons exist.

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18. ~~References~~ Where applications are made for the de-requisitioning of industrial facilities, they should first be examined and screened by the local U.P.I.C. office before the AC/AMG Headquarters affected is approached.

19. If, having considered all the circumstances it is decided to take action for de-requisitioning, and if the matter is one which cannot be arranged by the local Town Major, application for de-requisitioning should be made to the area or equivalent Commander, and this Headquarters informed accordingly.

20. At the same time the local U.P.I.C. office should inform the Ministry.

21. Should the application be denied by the military authority, and should the circumstances warrant it, the matter will then be referred to this Headquarters with all the relevant details.

22. Parallel action will be taken between the U.P.I.C. office and the Ministry.

23. Similar action will then be taken by this Headquarters ~~as~~ ^{AC} outlined in paras 15/16 above.

24. Should the situation be such as to warrant reference to this Headquarters the most accurate information on all the relevant details must be furnished with the application by both the AC/AMG and the U.P.I.C. office.

25. This information can be furnished if reference is made

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25. This information can be furnished if reference is made to the attached form of questionnaire which is intended as a guide.

26. If this Headquarters ^{is not the} ~~then decides to make an~~ application at the appropriate Staff level which ^{is} ~~is~~ refused, the case will be submitted to the Industrial Co-ordination Committee of the Allied Forces Local Resources (Italian) Board.

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22. This Committee may then decide to appoint an investigating Sub-Committee to examine and report on the circumstances to the Committee.

23. *amended made by the I.C.C.*
The ~~decision~~ then taken will be binding upon all parties unless an objection is lodged ~~with~~ by this Headquarters within 48 hours.

For information and guidance, a short resume of the functions of the I.C.C. is attached Appendix

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Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Tel. 237

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Ref. AC/5587/END

18 April 1945

SUBJECT : CorrespondenceTO : Economic Section, A.C.

FROM : Industry Sub-Commission, A.C.

1. Complaints have been made to this Sub-Commission recently regarding the delay in despatch of replies to letters sent down from your Section for the preparation by this Sub-Commission of the necessary draft replies.

2. In particular it has been stated that letters of acknowledgement should have been sent to the originating authority where technical investigations delayed replies.

3. The delays complained of resulted from the return by your Section to this Sub-Commission of the draft replies with suggestions for re-drafting. It is suggested that, when it is considered necessary to send such letters back for re-drafting, an acknowledgment of the original letter be sent from Economic Section forthwith. This can then be followed by the full reply, when finally approved.

Copy to:-

File 5587

W.J. MASKREY,
Lt. Colonel,
Deputy Director,
Industry Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

NRHM/hh

Tel. 237

16 April 1945

Ref. 65/5547/IND.

SUBJECT : Unauthorised Requisitioning of
Controlled Materials.

TO : Area Commander, R.A.A.F., U.M.F.

1. This Headquarters has been informed by the Minister of Industry, Commerce and Labour that controlled materials, as indicated hereunder, have been removed from the premises of the Societh Siderurgice Commerciale, 90, Via Regina Elena, Rome, by the units indicated under requisitions which have not been authorized by the Provincial Office for Industry and Commerce (S.P.I.C.).

2. 15 L-shaped iron bars, 50x10x5 m.m., wt. 247 kg. removed under Req. No 3253, dated 24th February 1945 by Supply Officer, 34 Station Hospital, A.S.O. 782..

3. 1 Hexagonal steel rod 27 m.m. wt. 34 kg.
5 Round iron bars 15 m.m. " 47 "
1 " " 25 m.m. " 25 "

removed by U.C.S Dist., 80 S.B.S. Req. No 08/508, dated 21 February 1945.

4. It is requested that the circumstances be investigated, and if substantiated, that the attention of the responsible unit commanders be drawn to the procedure established for the use by the Armed Forces of Controlled and Restricted Materials.

(signed)

For the Chief Commissioner:

W. J. MASKREY, LT. COL.

for W. S. VAUGHAN

Director,

Industry Sub-Commission

Copy to : -

A.F.M.S., Rome. ☒
Economic Section

Encl. : -

copy letter of Ministry of Industry,
Comm. & Lab., dtd 10 Apr. 45 (translation)

Copy to : -
Capt. N.R.L. Macdonald

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

NRHM/hh

Tel. 237

16 April 1945

Ref. AC/5694/IND.

SUBJECT : Release of Automotive Material to
Produzione Ricambi Autoveicoli from
Service surpluses.

TO : A.P.L.R.S., R.A.A.G., C.M.F.
(Attention: Maj. Braham)

1. Telephone conversation of even date Maj. Braham/
Capt. Macdonald refers.

2. This Headquarters has received a request for
assistance from the above-named organisation, which has a
programme for the manufacture and distribution of automotive
materials to the automobile industry under the supervision
of the Comitato Esperti Italiano.

3. Among the problems which require solution is
the procurement of the items listed hereunder for which there
is no local source of production, and which require to be
brought into Italy from Allied sources.

4. In view of the length of time required to bring
forward such imports, it has been suggested by this organisation
that surplus supplies may exist in Allied military stocks
in Italy, from which a part, at least, of the requirements
might be filled while awaiting the arrival of imported
materials.

5. Any assistance which can be given by your
Section in discovering whether surplus stocks among the

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Services would be greatly appreciated.

Bell & Roller Bearings for Motor Vehicles

Any standard sizes available.

Spark Plugs

5,000 No Champion type V-8 (14 m.m.)

2,000 " " " 8-12 (18 m.m.)

1,000 " " " B3-12 (18 m.m.)

6. It is confirmed that a bid will be submitted to the Engineering Materials Committee for the electric lamps required.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Capt. McDonald

W. S. VAUGHAN
Director,
Industry Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

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Tel. 237

15 April 45

Ref. AC/5706/IRB

SUBJECT: Materials Required by Royal Navy
from Stas. Gomma Sintetica - TERNI -

TO : Fleet Civil Engineer,
Staff of Commander - in - Chief, Mediterranean,
A.F.E.C.

1. Your FCE/115 of 10th April 1945, and visit of
Captain Robinson to this Headquarters refers.

2. The materials required are not controlled or
restricted and no release is required.

3. It will only, therefore, be necessary to comply
with current requisitioning procedure to secure the items
required.

For the Chief Co(signed)oner:

W. J. MASKEBY, LT. COL.

for

H. C. VAUGHAN

Director,

Industry Sub-Commission.

Copy to:

Commerce B/C.

Capt. N.L.R. Macdonald.

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Capt Macdonald

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INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCE
AND
INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

RHS/m

Tel. 337

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16 April 1945

Ref. RM/5575/100.

RECEIVED : Reactivation of De-registered
Industrial Plants.

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(3) : Allied Force Local Resources Section,
R.A.A.C., C.I.F.

1. Your RM/5575/15 of 26th March 1945 is received.

2. a) Manifattura Cotoniere Meridionale, Anagni.
The main plant is in operation. The work in progress in the de-regis-
tered portion is confined to the installation of the machinery removed
from Naples. The installation of textile machinery is very delicate,
and requires highly specialized technical supervision. In illustration,
the British textile machinery manufacturers, Latta, employed a special
team for installing the machinery they supplied to Italy pre-war. Thus
the date when production can be expected to commence is dependent upon
the period required for installation which cannot be estimated at present.

b) S. A. Brini, Naples, Naples.
This plant was completely destroyed and cannot recommence operation. The
purpose of the de-registration was to enable the removal of machinery for
use in other plants. This is proceeding.

c) Officine di Caserta.
Owing to the withdrawal of A.C. officers from Southern Region your
request for information has been passed to the Italian Ministry of In-
dustry, Commerce & Labour.

d) Stucky Flour Mills, Bari.
The plant was to commence operation within 60 days of the release of
the premises. The date for recommencement depends, therefore, upon
the date of release. For the same reason as in (b) above, we are unable
to give this date and the request has been passed to the Ministry.

e) Ilva, S. Giovanni Valdarno.
This plant may recommence in two or three months time.

f) Pirelli Tyre Factory, Livoli.
Production has been delayed by the refusal of A.C. to release the

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containers which were transferred from the plant to the Via Aerial works (under A.M.S. control). Other containers have been ordered from England and production will commence when they arrive. The expected date of arrival is not yet known by this Headquarters.

For the Chief Commissioner :

(signed)

W. J. MASKREY, LT. COL.
for

W. R. MURRAY,
Director,
Industry Sub-Commission.

Copy to :-
Domestic Section A.C.
File 35/3
Capt. N.R.L. Macdonald.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

HHS/f1

Tel. 837

9 April 1945

Ref. AC/5503/HHS

OGGETTO : Salvo di materiale per la
(oc. Anonima Pirelli)AL : Ministero dell'Industria del Commercio
e del Lavoro
(Attn.: Div. III)

1. Si rinviene la lettera di codesto Ministero protocollo
No. 0274 del 3 Aprile 1945.

2. Con riferimento al No. 4 della lettera di cui sopra, si
osserva che è necessario avere il nome esatto dell'Autorità che
ha effettuato la requisizione, specificando se sia inglese, ameri-
cana etc.

(signed)

W. J. MASKREY, LT. COL.

for

W. O. VAUGHAN

Director

Industry Sub-Commission

Copy to:-

Capt. W. R. L. Macdonald

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5 April 1945

GENERAL OUTLINE OF COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS TO BE MADE BY ITALIAN MINISTER OF INDUSTRY, COMMERCE & LABOUR, ON AFHQ ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM NO. 14 AT THE MEETING OF THE INDUSTRIAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE, AFLR(I) BOARD. 7 April 1945.

1. He will give his full approval to the general policy of the Plan, especially in respect of Northern Italy.

2. Can the requisition procedure contained in Administrative Memorandum No. 46 be brought to the knowledge of industries, firms and plants, so that knowing the proper procedure, they may protect themselves from abusive requisitions?

3. COMMENTS - Administrative Memorandum No. 46, as already explained to Prof. Saraceno, does NOT refer to requisitioning of plants, but sets out the procedure for reporting and obtaining "controlled" and "restricted" materials. This procedure is already well known to the Ministry of ICL who have been acting in accordance with it since 21 October 1944, when the blocking, reporting and demanding of controlled materials for civilian requirements in Italian Government Territory was first made their responsibility.

4. Referring to para 3a, meetings between the Military Authorities and the Allied Commission are to be held for establishing a plan for the utilization of local resources. Could the Ministry of ICL be consulted by AC as regards this planning?

5. Para 3b and 3c of Adm. Memo. N. 14 state that the Military Authorities will give instructions as to the carrying out of the plan. Could the Ministry of ICL be informed of these instructions so as to coordinate their own plans?

Comments - No objection - unless for security reasons.

6. As regards the procedure for derequisitioning, could a term within which the plant will be derequisitioned be established?

COMMENTS - This refers to para. 4 of Adm. Memo. N. 14. It is not clear how a definite time limit could be fixed seeing that no two cases involve the same amount of investigation and there is always the factor of finding alternative accommodations for the military.

7. As regards the action mentioned in para 4c, could a time limit be established also for this procedure?

COMMENTS - The time limit could be fixed as "before the next I.C.C. meeting".

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8. Certain exceptions are made only for tobacco and matches. The Minister thinks that perhaps they are favoured rather exaggeratedly. Couldn't these exceptions be extended to those plants producing essential supplies for the civilian population having first ascertained that these plants have the necessary raw materials?

COMMENTS - It is suggested that the Ministry should prepare a list of such plants for the consideration of the I.C.C..

9. The Minister thinks it would be advisable to take into consideration also past requisitions. He also considers it advisable to base the derequisitioning on the First Aid Program. The Minister has actually already made this plan and would like to discuss it.

COMMENTS - The Ministry of ICL is preparing a list of "past requisitions" (see Comments on Item 4 of the Agenda.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

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ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER

14)

7 March 1945.

USE OF COMMERCIAL FACILITIES FOR CIVIL
REQUIREMENTS

1. It is the responsibility of the Supreme Allied Commander to provide for the civil population of liberated territory that which is necessary to prevent disease and unrest. It is his policy to make the maximum use of local resources in providing for the essential civilian requirements.

2. The duty of all ranks of the Armed Forces in the discharge of the Supreme Allied Commander's responsibility to the civil population should be constantly present in their minds. All ranks must, even in the stress of active operations, remind themselves that whenever it is possible to achieve a military object by a choice of means otherwise equal, the method which damages least the essential needs of the civil economy is the method to be preferred and adopted. Care must be taken by the responsible commander that, except in definite emergencies, he neither occupies a premise that is essential to the civil economy nor dismantles, nor removes by purchase or requisition, the equipment therein. Except to prevent combat damage or destruction, or to meet the immediate operational needs, raw materials essential to civil economy will not be purchased, requisitioned or removed except by the procedures set forth in Section III, AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 46, 1944.

3. a. In the detailed planning for the occupation of an area, the military authority responsible for such planning and the Allied Commission, will consult as to the anticipated military and civil requirements in that area affecting local resources. The military authority will elaborate his plan so far as practicable to include any proposals agreed as the result of such consultation. Any such agreement must of necessity be tentative and adjustments made dependent upon the physical condition of the area when occupied and upon the military situation. So far as practicable the agreement should include definite facilities preserved by the military and definite facilities reserved for essential civil requirements. Facilities not so defined will not initially be reserved for either military or civil exploitation but are subject to further agreement as the need is recognized.

b. In sections of the country for which no definite military operational plan is considered necessary, instructions defining

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3. a. In the detailed planning for the occupation of an area, the military authority responsible for such planning and the Allied Commission, will consult as to the anticipated military and civil requirements in that area affecting local resources. The military authority will elaborate his plan so far as practicable to include any proposals agreed as the result of such consultation. Any such agreement must of necessity be tentative and adjustments made dependent upon the physical condition of the area when occupied and upon the military situation. So far as practicable the agreement should include definite facilities preserved by the military and definite facilities reserved for essential civil requirements. Facilities not so defined will not initially be reserved for either military or civil exploitation but are subject to further agreement as the need is recognized.

b. In sections of the country for which no definite military operational plan is considered necessary, instructions defining military requirements and those civil commitments for which the military assume responsibility will be issued by the military authority responsible for planning for the area as a whole, if so desired by Allied Commission. **8189**

c. In the case of property to be used by the military which Allied Commission has stated to be essential to the civil economy, the

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probable degree of development by the military and the estimated period of occupancy will be stated in the plan.

d. In the immediate execution of operational plans the decision of the Army or equivalent commander in operational command will govern. However, when Allied Commission is of the opinion that the use of the facility during military tenancy will cause undue harm to the civil economy, and local agreement cannot be reached, Allied Commission may, without interrupting the operational plan, call its immediate execution, inform the Army or equivalent commander that an appeal will be made, and submit such an appeal as indicated in paragraph 4 below.

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(1) The equitable allocations of factories, warehouses, and other commercial and industrial facilities including mines and space, and

(2) The control of their use and operation; the procedures set forth in paragraph 4 will be followed.

4. a. The Allied Commission may present its case and recommend action to the responsible Area District, Base Section or Army Commander, or other responsible military authority whether urgent operational need has been advanced by the military authority or not. Allied Commission will accompany their case with a complete and factual justification.

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c. Allied Commission then may submit the matter to an investigating subcommittee appointed by the Industrial Co-ordination Committee of the Allied Force Local Resources (Italian) Board, through AFIRS. The investigating subcommittee will investigate the case in detail and attempt to find some solution agreeable to the parties concerned.

d. If no such solution can be found, the subcommittee will submit the case to the ICC (Industrial Co-ordination Committee) with recommendations.

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judication, until definite action has been taken in accordance with these instructions.

- b. When a plant, mine or other commercial facility has been de-requisitioned to permit of its producing materials or services essential to civil economy, all machinery, fixtures, equipment and plant essential to such production, except that which may have been installed by the using Service, shall be exempt from subsequent requisition unless the facility itself is again requisitioned. Surplus materials, as declared under the provisions of Section III, AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 46, 1944, are subject to allocation as set forth in that memorandum.
- c. Plants, mines or other commercial facilities which may be declared not subject to requisition or which have been de-requisitioned under the provisions of this memorandum will be adequately posted by the local district base section, or army commander, or other responsible military commander, to prevent unauthorized entry or removal of protected equipment, fixtures, machinery and materials.
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By COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

/s/ C.T. Christenberry
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Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

NHLS/ag

Tel. 227

5 April 1945

Ref. AC/5547/IND.

SUBJECT : Procedure for Declaring and
Releasing Controlled Materials.
TO : Regional Commissioner,
Headquarters Piemonte Region, AND.

1. Your Pic/Com/21 of 15th March 1945 is subject.
2. The memorandum has been carefully read by this Headquarters and the general procedure set forth will, it is thought, give satisfactory results.
3. To enable urgent needs for the reactivation of industrial establishments in all regions to be met, however, it is considered that it would be desirable to furnish this Headquarters with inventories of blocked materials.
4. With reference to controlled industrial material, it is similarly recommended that Provincial Commerce Officers should exercise caution in excluding engineering supplies from availabilities, on the basis of U.F.I.C. claims that the industrial plants affected will be capable of reactivation within three months.
5. It may well be, as has been too often the experience of this Headquarters in the past that, owing to shortage of electric power, fuel, critical raw materials, transportation, or other factors, plants which would be in a position to operate, were it not for the lack of any one of these items, must remain idle, and as a result controlled materials remain

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frozen, which could be employed with advantage by industries in other areas.

6. Furthermore, where groups of factories belonging to the one firm are located at different points within liberated Italy the reactivation of these plants must be considered on an overall and not only on a regional or a provincial basis.

7. Instances of the above are state monopoly industries, fertiliser works, food processing and beet sugar plants, and textile (including rayon fibre) mills.

8. In such cases it may well be that, in order to achieve the total production possible within the limitations imposed by availabilities of power, fuel, transportation etc. cannibalisation may be necessary as between provinces or regions.

9. It is, therefore, desirable that the closest liaison be maintained with this Headquarters in order that maximum advantage can be taken of all available industrial resources to secure the maximum possible overall production to supply the needs of the Armed Forces and the civil economy.

By command of Rear Admiral STONE :

(signed)

W. J. MASKREY, LT. COL.
for V. B. VAUGHAN
Director,
Industry Sub-Commission.

Copy to :
Economic Section AC
Commerce Sub-Commission AC
Captain N.R.L. Macdonald.

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Tel. 237

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Ref. AC/5615/IND

8 March 1945

SUBJECT: Requisitioned Hemp Factories.

TO : Hemp Control, A.C.

FROM : Industry Sub-Commission.

1. Mention is made in the January 1945 report of Industry Sub-Commission of three hemp-processing factories in the Emilia Region, which are under military requisition.

2. The only factory on which particulars have been supplied which have enabled de-requisitioning procedure to be initiated is the Maccheria Savenetta.

3. If full particulars of the other two factories are furnished to me, giving the designations of the occupying units and requirements for reactivation (repairs to buildings, machinery, raw materials, power etc.) an examination will be made as to the possibilities for de-requisitioning.

Copy to:
Capt. N.R.L. Macdonald

N.R.L. MACDONALD
Captain,
Industry Sub-Commission

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Tel. 328

Capt. Macdonald

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1 March 1945

Ref.: AG/5529/IND

SUBJECT : Monthly Report.

TO : Chiefs of Divisions

FROM : Industry Sub-Commission

1. The Chief of Staff has pointed out that there is usually a certain lack of detailed information as to manufacturing progress in Industry Sub-Commission's monthly report, which tends to be too generalized and ^{not} sufficiently explicit.

2. It is desired therefore, that all Chiefs of Divisions indicate production figures for their specialities, stating in each case where increased production has been obtained.

3. In cases where lack of power, fuel, transportation or raw materials, or requisition of plant or premises (or other causes) has retarded or stopped production, the circumstances should be explained.

4. The request for submission of material for weekly or monthly reports by a certain date will be interpreted as a direct order (see attached copy letter 28 1.22 of 26 Febr. from Executive Director Economic Section).

Encl.:-

Copy letter as per
para 4.Lt. Col. M. J. MACKAY
Deputy Director,
Industry Sub-Commission

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EXECUTIVE COMMISSION

AND

ECONOMIC SECTION

100-1002

27 February 1945

Ref: 100-1002

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitreps and Monthly Reports

TO : Commerce S/C
 Agriculture S/C
 Finance S/C
 Food S/C
 Industry S/C
 Labor S/C
 U. S. S. S. S/C
 Transportation S/C

1. Serious inconvenience and delay is being caused by the failure of sub-commissioners to render weekly sitreps and monthly reports on time. Complaints are continually being received from the office of the Executive Commissioner in consequence.

2. In 100-1002 of 31 October 1944, you were instructed to forward weekly sitreps to this Section each Wednesday morning. In the case of monthly reports, 100-1002 of 4 January 1945, para 2, states that abridged reports will be submitted to the office of the Executive Commissioner not later than the 15th of every month. As the abridged reports often require editing in order to comply with the requirements of the Executive Commissioner, it is imperative that they are submitted to this Section not later than the morning of the 15th of every month.

3. Valuable time is continually being wasted on telephone calls and visits reminding sub-commissioners that the sitrep or monthly report is overdue. Could you please make sure that your sub-commission is organized in such a way that the prompt rendering of these reports becomes a standard routine.

HARLAN CLEVELAND,
 Executive Director
 Economic Section

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Tel. 237

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Ref. AG/5670/180

23 February 1945

SUBJECT : A.S.G. Toscana Region - Order for
Control of Materials.

TO : ~~Economic Section.~~

FROM : Industry Sub-Commission.

1. The attached copy of an order published under the authority of Col. F.A. Kirkwood, Regional Commissioner, Toscana Region, A.S.G. is brought to your notice.

2. This order, if put into effect, will cause the Montecatini Ribolla mine, the source of the best coal available in Continental Italy, to close down (vide our AG/5625/71/180 of 16 Feb.).

3. In addition the Monte Imbate mercury mine has received orders for 25 bottles of mercury from SGO. AN. Terni, and for 6 bottles from Air Force Sub-Commission A.C. for the Italian Air Force, which it dares not deliver. Mercury was de-controlled by Ministerial Decree within the last ten days.

4. Reports of other interruptions to industrial re-activation are considered almost inevitable if the order remains in force.

5. It is recommended that action be initiated by this Headquarters to have the order rescinded ^{or amended} without delay.

Copy to:- File 5547

~~Air Force~~ ^{A/C}
Mining Division.

Incl.:-

Copy of Order as per
para 1 above.

Conv to: Capt. N.R.L. Macdonald.

W.S. VAUGHAN

Director,

Industry Sub-Commission

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TRANSLATION

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INDUSTRY AND AGRICULTURE

S I E N A

ORDER OF THE ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT FOR CONTROL OF PRODUCTS

Copy of the following Regional order No.7 of Regional Headquarters of Tuscany's AMG to be respected by persons concerned :

" With a view to obtain the greatest benefit out of local resources, both for waging war on the common enemy and for an early re-nesting of Italian economy, it is necessary to make an inventory of certain items and facilitate the control over their distribution and use.

I, ROBERT KIRKWOOD, Colonel, F.A. United States Army, Regional Commissioner, Tuscan Region

ORDER

Art. 1° - Block of products

Any amount of products, specified further on, are, from now on, blocked and can not be moved, traded or in any way disposed of, without an order of the Allied Military Government.

Art. 2° - Declaration on existing products

Every manufacturer, trader or merchant (if absent, his local representative) who owns or possesses or enjoys some sort of control over the specified products, must draw a complete list (in three copies on forms provided by the Mayor), specifying the type and quality of the goods he owns or possesses or controls, as well as the address where they are to be found. Such a list must be delivered to the Mayor of the Comune in which the person concerned is, at present, residing, inside five days from the date of publication of this order in that Comune. The Mayor must immediately forward the inventory to the Provincial Commissioner of the Allied Military Government (through the medium of the Chamber of Commerce Industry and Agriculture)

Art. 3° - Declaration on industrial plants

Whoever owns or controls a factory or means of production of any of the specified products, must draw up a full account containing: the spot where the factory or means of production are situated, the

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type and capacity and the present state with regard to the starting of work.

Such an account must be handed over, inside the same period of time, to the Mayor of the Comune, who must see it is forwarded to the Provincial Commissioner of the Allied Military Government (through the medium of the Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture)

Art. 4° - Sanctions

Whosoever will not respect the dispositions of this order, or else will, in any way, transgress on them, shall be liable, if found guilty by an Allied Military Court, to be imprisoned, fined or both according to the Court's decision and the goods may be confiscated.

Art. 5° - Date of effect

This order becomes executive on the day of its publication in each Comune.

FOLLOWS ANNEXED LIST

ROBERT KIRKWOOD

Colonel, F.A. United States' Army

Regional Commissioner, Tuscany Region.

First publication in the Comune of Abadia S.S. January 20th 1945

All firms, factories, traders, etc. who are active and who's amount of materials, therefore, vary, in addition to the declaration prescribed by order No.7 of Regional A.M.G., must, every month, present to this Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture another up to date declaration on the materials. This declaration must be delivered inside the 5th day of the month successive to the one it refers to.

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T R A N S L A T I O N

Enclosure No.1

L I S T

1) IRON MONGERY

Bolts
Nuts
Pad-locks
Chains
Hinges
Locks
Screws
Pins, springs
Tools (shovels, spades,
pick-axes and and axe)
Accessories, lubrications
Steel, iron wire
Tools for repairing vehicles

2) INGOTS AND PIGS OF THE
FOLLOWING CATEGORIES

Aluminium
White metal
Brass

3) SCRAPS AS FOLLOWS

Metallic scraps
Non metallic gaskets for
brakes

4) MANUFACTURED AND HALF-
MANUFACTURED METALS AND
ALLOYS

Iron Angles
Cold rolled sections
Wire ropes
Piping-joints
Steel angles
Semi-finished steel products
Machines and tools steel
Steel rods
Tubes
Tin plates in sheets
Wire welding electrodes

5) HEAVY STEEL PRODUCTS

Piping
Structural steel sections
Beams
Trusses

6) CHEMICAL PRODUCTS

Nitric Acid
Sulphuric Acid
Ammonia idroxide
Aceton
Ammonium Sulphate
Cresol
Carbonium Tetrachloride
Ferminol
Xylene
Glycerine
Formaloin
Copper Sulphate
Calcium Chloride
Triticum
Caustic Soda
Methylic Alcohols
Sodium Arseniate
Brine
Calcium Carbide
Sodium Carbonate
Carbon Bisulphide

7) RADIO SETS AND SIMILAR
PRODUCTS

Radio sets
Radio tubes
Projection apparatus
Bench lathes and tools
Telephone wire

8) ALL PHOTOGRAPHIC MATERIAL
AND CAMERAS9) COPYING MATERIAL

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9) (Copying Materials)

Maps
Carbon Paper
Inks (for copying only)
White and black paper
(for copying only)

10) ELECTRIC MATERIAL

Wire
Bulbs
Motors
Portable electric generators
Plugs
Batteries
Transformers
Insulators

11) INDUSTRIAL GASES
CYLINDERS AND CONTAINERS

Acetylene
Oxygen
Freon
Anhydrous Ammonia
Ammonia

12) NON FERROUS METALS

Aluminium
Antimony
Brass
Copper
Chrome
Lead
Quick Silver
Nickel
Molybdenum
Monel metal
Tin
White metal

13) LUMBER AND WOOD PRODUCTS

Bridge materials
Structural material

Ply wood
Railway sleepers
Manufactured timber

14) NON-MANUFACTURED LIGHT
PRODUCTS

Cotton and Manilla ropes
Card-board
Paper
Cotton Rope
Linen thread
Celluloides
Rolled paper
Rough glass and panes
Hemp

15) VARIOUS

Cement
Corrugated sheets
Leather and all leather products
Canvas
Asphalt
Large concrete tubes
Phosphate rock
Paint, enamel and similar products
Sewing machine
Tanning Products

16) OFFICE MATERIAL

Typing machines
Adhesive tape

17) EQUIPMENTS FOR THE PRODUCTION
OF THE ABOVE PRODUCTS
AND OF THE FOLLOWING ONES

Ice
Preservation in cold storage
Textiles
Oxygen
Acetylene
Ammonia

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Ref. AG/5676/IND

22 February 1945.

SUBJECT : Comments on Memo from Comitato Esperti Italiani + First Aid to Italy.

TO : Deputy Director, Industry Sub-Commission.

FROM : Capt. N.R.L. Macdonald.

1. The memorandum is, in my opinion, an honest attempt to consider the overall picture of rehabilitation of Italian industry, limited only by the capacities of those responsible for its production.

2. If intended for publication, or communication to the Allied Governments, the statement that the plan envisages industrial reactivation as covering only the second half of 1945 would imply that little or no reactivation has been carried out within Liberated Italy since the landing of the Allied Forces : in other words that Allied Commission has been able to accomplish nothing.

3. It is obvious that, if Italy is to attempt to emerge from its economic morass, the creation of external credits by the stimulation of exporting industries will be essential to enable the importation of essential industrial input requirements. The extent to which the heavy requirements to enable industrial rehabilitation can be met from credits established by Italian exports is, however, debatable.

4. It is A. C. experience that the first essential service to be re-established is transportation, and, to this end, that every transport agency capable of serving minimum requirements must be pressed into service. However, even though every available facility for rolling stock, road transport vehicle, and type manufacture and repair could be employed (which, owing to requisition by D.W. and D.W.E. they cannot be), there would still remain a wide gap between transport demands and physical means of catering for them.

With the almost certain destruction of the railway vehicle work shops and motor vehicle plants in the north

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it is therefore, necessary, in my opinion to accept the necessity for supplying a part of this deficiency, at the least, from Allied sources, if the Allies are to agree on the principle that the greater the measure of Italy's economic recovery the smaller will be the strain on Allied resources.

5. While the memorandum, as the production of a group of Italian industrial experts, does not convey confidence in their ability to execute much in the way of rehabilitation if the execution of the plan is as loosely carried out as it has been conceived, it does emphasize that a prerequisite to any rehabilitation programme is the release from military occupancy of essential industrial premises to enable reactivation with the minimum of delay.

Copy to:

File 5650

Capt. Macdonald ✓

N.R.L. MACDONALD

Captain,

Industrial Coordination Officer,
Industry Sub-Commission.

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Tel. 237

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Ref. AC/5615/IND.

18 February 1945

SUBJECT : Action through AFHQ G-5 Sec. regarding requisitioning and de-requisitioning.

TO : Economic Section.

FROM : Industry Sub-Commission.

1. There would appear to be some misapprehension with regard to the requests made by Industry Sub-Commission to AFHQ G-5 Section through Economic Section.

2. If reference is made to the attached letter AC/5587/IND of 2 February 1945 from Industry Sub-Commission to Economic Section and to the information copy of Col. Denmore's letter ES/5.06 of 3 February 1945, it will be seen that a difference in view-point exists.

3. Mr. Cleveland's agreement to the policy contained in Industry Sub-Commission's letter, of making use of AFHQ G-5 Section when urgent action is required at a high staff level cannot be put into effect if the policy expressed in Par. 2 of Col. Denmore's letter is followed.

4. It was clearly stated in Par. 2 of Industry Sub-Commission's letter that the value of going through G-5 channels lies in its ability to prevent destruction or requisitioning, particularly in forward areas. This has already proved valuable in several cases.

5. It was never Industry Sub-Commission's intention to confine requests to this channel, but it is submitted that where the circumstances call for immediate action, the value of utilising AFHQ G-5 should not be overlooked.

6. This was the conclusion reached at the Industry Staff discussion with Col. Butterworth which led to the first requests being made to G-5 in early January.

1 Incl. :
As per para 2 above.

Copy to :
[Capt. W. R. L. Macdonald]

W. E. VAUGHAN
Director,
Industry Sub-Commission.

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Tel. 237

NRLM/dg

Ref. AC/5587/IND

2 February 1945

SUBJECT: Liaison with G-5, AFHQ on questions relating to the re-activation of Italian industry.

TO : Economic Section, A.C.

FROM : Industry Sub-Commission.

1. In reply to your 12.05/ES of 27th January 1945, it was not the intention of Industry Sub-Commission to place the interpretation on this Liaison which is conveyed by your letter.

2. Instances frequently occur requiring intervention at a high level to prevent destruction or requisition of industrial materials or plant without incurring the delays attendant upon submission of the case to a Sub-Committee of I.C.C.

3. Examples of the value of this function are:

(a) Destruction of S.M.I. non-ferrous smelting furnaces at Leghorn by 3106 Ord. Co. U.S. Army. The report came to Industry Sub-Commission too late to save the furnaces, but the rest of plant was saved through telephoned report to G-5.

(b) Protection of Flax factory at Viterbo from destruction and unauthorized removal of equipment G-5 again acted on telephoned request from this Sub-Commission.

(c) Protection of essential machinery and processing material for sugar factory at Cesena. The same procedure prevented the removal of generators and other machinery, limestone bags, etc. which would have greatly delayed the reactivation of the plant.

4. It is also of interest to note that in two of the cases submitted to G-5, more action has been taken by the

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responsible military than even before; in one of these cases the result has been the release of the Tannin factory at Atripalda.

5. Thus, while the procedure of submitting cases to I.C.C. will be followed where conflict between military and civilian requirements has occurred, it is felt that action through G-5 should be available in cases of urgency until a satisfactory basis of operation has been reached by which I.C.C. can produce the result required.

W.S. VAUGHAN
Director,
Industry Sub-Commission

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Tel. 237

NRBS/NS

Ref. AC/5615/IND

2 Feb 45

SUBJECT: Situation of Cases for De-requisitioning
of Industrial Premises.

TO : Director Industry Sub-Commission.

FROM : Capt. E.R.G. Macdonald.

1. Herewith is a statement of the situation with regard to the cases for de-requisitioning of industrial premises of which there are approximately fifty at the present date:

(i) S. A. Stucky, Bari, Flour Mills. Occupied by 500 A.O.D. & 29 F.S.B.O. (B). Special case prepared and submitted to G-5, AFHQ at request of Col. Butterworth. Representations made by G-5 to Q. (Main) AFHQ, resulted in a personal inspection by G.O.C. 3 District, from which a report was made to G-5, indicating that there was serious doubt as to whether the plant could be re-activated, and requesting that a factual survey by an A.C. industrial expert, Lt.Col. S.W. Archibald A.C., is now carrying out this survey and expected to furnish his report within the next few days.

(ii) S.A.R.C.O. Rome, occupied by 199 D.I.D.(B). After much correspondence relating to A.C. requests for derequisitioning an amicable settlement was reached between Brig. Alban Low, R.A.A.C., R.E.M.E., Mr. W.B. Vaughan, Director, Industry Sub-Commission A.C. and the owners, by which 199 D.I.D. retained possession of the plant, alternative premises were found for the owners, and sufficient machinery to enable them to operate was released by R.E.M.E.

(iii) Soc.Ligure per l'Industria dell'Acido Tannico, Atripalda (Avellino), Tanning Extract Factory. Occupied by Canadian Kit and Disposal Unit, 2 Adv. Field Punishment Camp. A special application was prepared for A.F.H.Q., G-5 Section at the request of Col. Butterworth on 10th Jan. 1945, previous requests for derequisitioning

having been refused by H.Q., A.A.I. G-5 made application to Q (Maint) 13th Jan.45. Q (Maint) replied 15th Jan.45 stating that the factory itself could be released but asking whether 2 Adv. Field Punishment Camp might retain possession of the grounds. On 22 Jan.45 the Regional Commissioner, Southern Region, A.C., was asked to investigate the possibility of operating the factory under these circumstances. A reply is awaited.

(iv) Soc. Italiana Rueping, Via Taddeo da Sessa, Naples. Wood processing plant occupied by 38 Vehicle C. (B). After continued failure to secure a release of the premises from the British Directorate of Works, a special application was prepared for A.F.H.Q., G-5 Section, on 10 Jan.45 at the request of Col. Butterworth. Representations made by G-5 to Q (Maint), A.F.H.Q. asking for the release of the premises. G-5 replied on 25 Jan.45, stating that Q (Maint) had agreed to the release of the factory itself, but not the grounds. The owners were requested by Industry Sub-Commission on 29th Jan.45 to make every effort to ascertain whether the plant could function, even if only partially, under these circumstances. A reply is awaited; should this be to the effect that the conditions imposed render operation impossible, this case will be ready for submission to the Industrial Co-ordination Committee

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ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM)

12 December 1944

NUMBER 58)

POWER REHABILITATION

AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 43, 1944, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

1. The function of power rehabilitation having been transferred to control of AFHQ the following will govern:

2. a. The Chief Engineer, AFHQ, will

- (1) Exercise staff supervision of power rehabilitation activities
- (2) Recommend rehabilitation policies
- (3) Coordinate power rehabilitation activities of the various agencies concerned.

b. Electrical Reconstruction Committee.

- (1) The Central Electrical Board, Italy, is dissolved. There is hereby created an Electrical Reconstruction Committee (Italy), with membership as follows:

Chief Engineer AFHQ (Chairman)

Representatives of: AC, AAI, PBS, District No.3, MRS (Italy), and RN.

It is requested that AC, AAI, PBS, District No.3 MRS (Italy), and RN advise AFHQ of re representatives selected for membership.

- (2) The Electrical Reconstruction Committee will:

- (a) Meet at the call of the Chairman. 6163
- (b) Recommend studies for determining power requirements as may be required.
- (c) Recommend study of and preparation of plans for power rehabilitation as may be required.
- (d) Review AC plans for power rehabilitation, correlating them with the requirements and make recommendations as to extent and nature of rehabilitation.
- (e) Recommend designation of agency to perform

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specific construction work of rehabilitation, when necessary.

(f) Make such other recommendations regarding power rehabilitation as it deems necessary.

c. The AC will:

- (1) Furnish Secretariat for the Electrical Reconstruction Committee
- (2) Be responsible for planning power rehabilitation throughout Italy
- (3) Maintain liaison with AAI and keep informed as to existence and condition of power plants and probable rehabilitation needs in operational areas
- (4) Ascertain power requirements from AAI, PBS, Districts (Br), and other sources
- (5) Submit plans for rehabilitation to the Chief Engineer for consideration and approval of the Electrical Reconstruction Committee
- (6) Using Italian labor and local materials, direct, administer and supervise construction work of rehabilitation and operate the power systems except these projects specifically assigned other agencies by AFHQ and except as provided in Paragraphs 2d (2) and 2e (1)
- (7) Will issue all orders necessary to implement the program to Italian Power Companies or other civilian agencies.
- (8) Keep the Chief Engineer, AFHQ, advised of its activities.

d. AAI will:

- (1) Cooperate with AC in determining existence and condition of power plants and probable rehabilitation needs in the operational area.
- (2) Insofar as practicable initiate, construct and operate such power installations within the operational areas as it considers necessary, 6162 coordinating with plans of AC
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e. (RS (Italy), PBS, and Districts (Br) under command AFHQ will:

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- (1) Initiate, construct and operate such power installations as are required locally for their own activities.
- (2) Undertake such general power rehabilitation projects as may be specifically assigned by AFHQ.
- (3) Cooperate with AC and AAI and render them such aid and assistance as is practicable within available means and without detriment to their own operations.
- (4) Advise the Chief Engineer, AFHQ, of any power rehabilitation work undertaken.

(3) Orders to implement plans will be issued through normal staff channels in respect to work for which military agencies are to be responsible.

(4) The agencies mentioned above will furnish the required personnel from their own allotments.

By command of Field Marshall ALEXANDER:

C.W. CHRISTENBERRY,
Colonel, AGD,
Acting Adjutant General.

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