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EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM

NUMBER 1)

ALLIED MILITARY RELATIONS WITH SAN MARINO

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1. The Allied Commission's responsibility for maintaining liaison with the Republic of San Marino is vested in the Regional Commissioner, Emilia Region. Accordingly, the Region has assigned a Resident Political Liaison Officer at San Marino. This officer is the only accredited representative and agent of the Allied Commission with the Government of San Marino.

2. It is directed that all AC/AMG personnel having official business with the Republic of San Marino conduct such affairs through the Resident Political Liaison Officer.

For the Chief Commissioner,

M.S. RUSH,  
Brigadier,

Executive Commissioner

MUSEUMS FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Subcommission for Monuments Fine Arts and Archives

20170/MFAA

5 October 1944

Subject: Monuments, SAN MARINO

To : Political Section

Forwarded, as of possible interest to your  
Section, are two copies of a recent report of inspection  
of Monuments in SAN MARINO.

r Major Weston, 28 Sept 44.

*28 Oct 44*  
ERNEST T. DE WALD 3853  
Major Res. Spec.  
Director

SUBJECT - Inspection of monuments, SAN MARINO

HQ 1<sup>ST</sup> BATTALION  
28 September 1944

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TO: SCIO, 1<sup>ST</sup> BATTALION

1. Recent summary of inspection made today at San Marino. In view of the political point involved, it is assumed that the FMA Officer acted in this instance purely as an observer. Comments were discussed with Major Zervudach, the Political Liaison Officer now at San Marino for A.G.

2. Cathedral. Known locally as the Pieve. Relatively modern building attached to the older structure reportedly containing the Chapel of San Marino. No damage. A small detail of troops is quartered in an adjacent room with consent of the church.

3. Francesco. The only truly old building among the listed monuments of San Marino. No damage.

4. Palazzo del Governo. Modern building. No damage except some breakage of windows.

5. Museo and Biblioteca Governmenti. Director is Dott. prof. Odoardo Butti, an energetic gentleman who has worked in the museum for over 50 years. All present information is derived from him and from his nephew, the architect Carlo Wilson REPTI. According to them, the museo suffered a direct hit by air bombardment at 1100 hrs on 26 June 1944. Much of the building is demolished. Of five rooms and one corridor occupied by the library, the corridor was destroyed and all the other rooms damaged to some degree. About one-third of the books are said to have been destroyed. The remainder have been systematically worked on; inventory is still being checked. Fortunately, at the time of the bombardment, some 61 paintings had already been removed to safer vaults of the Government; they are still in their minor paintings remained, excepting a Guercino and two small works of a Roman school, which were being worked on by the restorer Russo REPTI, and which were seriously damaged. The museum's numismatic collection was recovered from the debris by the Director. The work of recovery and of housing in the ruined portion of the museum has gone on since June and continues with the interest and aid of the Government. It was suggested to the Director (and to Major Zervudach) that, when the inventories have been completely checked, it would be a matter of scientific interest to the Subcommission on MFA to have a copy of the Director's final report and lists. The question of finance and organization did not arise.

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NORMAN T. NEWTON,  
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The Air Raid Against San Marino

Following the air raid of the 26th of June, carried out by Anglo-American bombers against the territory of the Republic of San Marino, the San Marino Secretary Foreign Affairs states:

1) The consequences of the air raid carried out on the 26th of June by Anglo-American bombers against the territory of our Republic are much more serious than could have been supposed during the first moments of terror. A cluster of bombs struck transversally.... damaging the XVth Century Town Hall, the museum and other buildings. Other bombs fell in the streets of the town and in the fields where workmen and countrymen were working. The number of casualties has grown from thirty-five to fifty-seven. Thirty-nine San Marino citizens were killed while the eighteen other casualties were members of the Italian colony which had taken shelter here, in consequence of the war. The Regency of the Republic has declared three days' public mourning:

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