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L.A. Sutton

Here's an old hangover from early A.M.G. days in Milan.

The story is that one of Col. Poletti's Italian Commissioners took it upon himself to sack the Superintendent of Archives (a certain Manganelli) & appoint [illegible] in his place.

Our Archives Officer would not allow this, & was triumphantly justified in the event, for Manganelli subsequently got a clean bill of political health from the Epuration Commission, & then proved to be very strong [illegible] the [illegible].

Col. Poletti's Commissioner [illegible] recognized this & [illegible] the Archives Officer had done [illegible] made no effort to change what [illegible] files looking old [illegible] that the Commissioner [illegible] nominated [illegible] man & continued to maintain as far as he [illegible] the man in office.

I suggest I clean [illegible] files with the attached letter. Do you agree please?

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I agree [illegible]

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION — RSS/40
APO 394
Rehabilitation for Democratic Fine Arts and Archives
(Tel. 400067, ext 442 & 254)

20/05/0/11 — 28 Feb 46

SUBJECT: Proposal to appoint a Commissary of the Archivio di Stato at Milano.

TO : The Commissary for the Ministry of the Interior in the North, via Giardino N.2, MILANO.

Reference is made to your letter dated 27 February 1946.

During July 1945 the Commissary for the Ministry of the Interior in the North proposed to place the Archivio di Stato at Milano under the control of a Commissary, and nominated Dr. Alessandro Cutolo to occupy this position.

The appropriate Military Government authority, however, was not in favour of this change, and the Archivio di Stato therefore remained under the control of the present Superintendent, Dr. Guido Sangiorgio. The nomination of Dr. Cutolo as Commissary did not, therefore, come effect.

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Major, A.M.G.
Director

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COMMISSARIATO AL MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO

COMMISSARIATO AL MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO
Protocollo N. 1891

Milano, li 27 Febbraio 1946
[redacted]
Via Giardino N. 1
N. [redacted]

Alla Sotto Commissione Alleata
Monumenti e Belle Arti

alla cortese attenzione del Magg. NELL

R O M A

Via Veneto

OGGETTO : Revoca nomina a Commissario degli Archivi di Stato di Milano del Dr. ALESSANDRO CUTOLO.

In occasione della chiusura della gestione Commissariale e per regolarità amministrative, si sarebbe grati a codesta Spett. Sotto Commissione se si compiacesse confermare quanto a suo tempo è stato stabilito cioè :

che l'A.M.G. dava parere favorevole a mantenere nella carica di Sovraintendente dell'Archivio di Stato di Milano il Dr. Guido Manganelli, e non riteneva opportuno nominare un Commissario, pregando quindi di considerare come non avvenuta la nomina di cui all'oggetto.

Si resta in attesa di cortese riscontro.

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IL COMMISSARIO AL MINISTERO
DELL'INTERNO DEL NORD

(Conte F.M. Annoni di Gussola)

Fm Annoni di G.

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L'avv.Gordini di Ladyrne' che a Palermo Settore in Angliano non si trovano più due non parte dei materiali. In maggior parte essi gli' erano trasportati a Brescia, nei locali di Villa Gentili, in via Cadorna, sede dei suoi uffici, e nel vicino edificio del Pio Istituto Tecnici, in via Giovanni Battista, nei locali della locale Camera di Commercio. Il trasporto era avvenuto per collaborazione del capitano Lavarone, e per ordine dell'avv.Gordini. In parte i locali di Palermo Settore, dell'ora occupati da truppe americane, non affittano nemmeno alcuno, ma possibilità di affittare nuovamente ad opera di personale di Palermo; ed in parte il materiale vi si trovava in condizioni di grande disordine, anche non in ordine, e sparso per terra e sui tavoli, e nei locali di deposito erano già penetrati ripetutamente soldati americani e persone estranee. Non si poteva dunque escludere che fossero già avvenute dispersioni di atti, ed il pericolo di una totale dispersione. L'avvocato Gordini aveva perciò provveduto a far raccogliere i documenti, anche dove si trovavano disseminati ed alla rinfusa, in mano ed in pacchi, ed a farli trasportare a Brescia ad ordinarli. I trasporti erano stati iniziati il 12 agosto, e continuati fino al 14; l'ultimo si sarebbe dovuto effettuare proprio nei giorni del nostro arrivo.

I sopralluoghi da noi compiuti nei Palermo Settori di Angliano i giorni 23 e 24 agosto, il primo insieme con l'avv.Gordini e del ragioniere, il secondo insieme col rag.Ferrari e con l'avv.Trombetti Alfio, delegato per il Commissariato per l'epurazione, confermarono lo stato di cose, quale si era stato descritto, e la fondatezza dei timori, che avevano spinto l'avv.Gordini ad affrettare il trasporto del materiale a Brescia. Sembrava quindi che il trasporto fosse chiamato anche per il resto del materiale rimasto sul posto. A proposito di sopralluoghi pel prossimo si lamentò l'assenza di rappresentanti degli atti d'accusa, in vista delle necessarie consultazioni per partecipare il trasferimento a Roma. In merito fu redatto il verbale di cui all'allegato a.

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Nella giornata del 24 agosto compiemmo un sopralluogo anche nel Palazzo Poliziotti in Corso [illegible]. Trovammo sostanzialmente che nella posizione delle cose nulla era mutato rispetto di quanto in maggio vi avevamo trovato il Comando. Non abbiamo potuto accertare se ed in [illegible] verificatisi dopo il allora [illegible].

Il giorno 25 erano affittati il trasporto a Brescia del materiale ancora rimasto a Angliano. Mentre si ultimavano le operazioni di carico, sopraggiunsero il Sig.Commissario Governativo, dal Comando Supremo Alleato, il [illegible], e tutte insieme, si misero opporre al trasporto, affermando che non erano di competenza [illegible] a Milano, che provvedevano la conservazione del posto dei materiali d'accusa sino all'arrivo della Commissione alleata di controllo. Ne chiesero la consegna' di [illegible] a Roma [illegible] delle circostanze, ed in gran parte già attuate in un periodo anteriore al nostro arrivo ed alle riunioni di Milano, il Sig.[illegible] ebbe [illegible] della sua opposizione.

Nella stessa giornata 25 agosto compiemmo, insieme col Comando, un secondo sopralluogo nel Palazzo Poliziotti, con confermo' la risultanza negativa del caso.

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E' da mettere in rilievo che, mentre i funzionari degli altri Ministeri rimasero sul posto, e quindi contribuirono alla salvaguardia degli atti e dei carteggi, quelli addetti all'ex Presidenza fuggirono quasi tutti dopo la caduta della pseudo Repubblica Sociale, abbandonando archivi ed arredi.

Tutto un concorso di circostanze, che spiega le infelici condizioni di conservazione, in cui trovammo gli atti negli archivi della Presidenza, di-

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LOMBARDIA REGION
APO 394

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1 September 1945

Subject: Unfinished Business of the Regional Archivist.

To: Director, Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Division, Lombardia Region.

1. The Regional Archivist previously arranged to have Dr. Maria Schellenbrid Buonanno, Direttrice della M. Biblioteca Nazionale Braidense, Milano, appointed custodian of a large collection of books stored in the Albergo Principe e Savoia and owned by the German government. In this collection were supposed to be 63 volumes belonging to the Archaeological Society of Como and which had been given to the Germans for transportation to subscribers in Switzerland. Today the Biblioteca Nazionale Braidense stated that only 25 of these volumes had been found in the part of the collection that has been examined. These volumes and any additional ones found should be turned over to Prof. Calderini of the Catholic University of Milano and president of the Archaeological Society of Como. If Prof. Calderini should so direct in writing, the volumes may be turned over to the Swiss consul in Milano for transmission to subscribers in Switzerland. All matters pertaining to this business have been agreed upon between the Regional Archivist and the Regional Property Control Officer whose files contain the necessary information. You will probably not need to take any action on the matter until approached by the interested parties.

2. It will be appreciated if you will render any possible aid to Dr. Schellenbrid and the Biblioteca Nazionale Braidense. She is a fine woman

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and is doing an excellent job in trying circumstances. Her predecessor, one Paolo Malli, has been trying to oust her in order to regain his former position. The case has been investigated carefully, and Malli's position is wholly unethical and unprofessional. No attention should be given to any statements or complaints made by him. The matter of his future employment should be settled by the Ministry of Education after this territory reverts to the Italian government.

3. It will further be appreciated if aid and assistance can be given to Dr. Guido Mangarelli, Soprintendente del R. Archivio di Stato, Milano. The six buildings formerly occupied by the Archivio di Stato have been badly damaged or destroyed by bombing. Most of the records in his custody are still evacuated in neighboring villages. The problem of housing is very acute in his case. There was previous difficulty in his case when Conte Armi, who has a position under Colonel Poletti's Receiver for the Ministero dell'Interno, appointed one Alessandro Cutolo as Dr. Mangarelli's successor. The Regional Archivist permitted the said Cutolo to remain in office one hour before firing him and returning Dr. Mangarelli to his position. No further trouble is expected from this quarter, but please see that Dr. Mangarelli remains in his position. The Commissario agli Archivi del Regno, Dr. Emilio Re, Ministero dell' Interno, Roma, is in full accord with this request. Dr. Mangarelli has been employed in archives work some 37 years, has always done excellent work, and is a gentleman of the highest type. He has been given a clean political bill of health by the local Epuration Commission.

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William D. McCain
Capt., CAC
Regional Archivist,
Lombardia Region.

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31 August 1945

AMGIL

Subject: D'Annunzio Papers and the Museo della Rivoluzione Fascista.

To: Civil Affairs Officer (Capt. David Goodman), Allied Military Government, Salò.

1. Prof. Ottorino Bertolini, delegato dal Governo Italiano per le operazioni di trasferimento a Roma della "Museo della Rivoluzione Fascista," will bring from Brescia to Salò papers of Gabriele d'Annunzio and Benito Mussolini which the undersigned removed from Villa Fulcirinelli early in May, 1945. Please permit Prof Bertolini to pack these papers for shipment to Rome with the "Museo della Rivoluzione Fascista."

2. In the building in Salò which contains the "Museo della Rivoluzione Fascista," but in another room, is a small quantity of papers pertaining to D'Annunzio and his relations with Mussolini. Please permit Prof. Bertolini to place these papers with the "Museo della Rivoluzione for shipment to Rome.

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3. These suggested arrangements will save the undersigned the trouble of making trips to Brescia and Salò to make special arrangements in regard to the D'Annunzio papers. Your kind co-operation will be more than appreciated.

William D. McCain
Capt., CAC
Regional Archivist,
Lombardia Region.

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31 August 1945

Subject: D'Annunzio Papers from Villa Feltrinelli.

To: Prof. Ugo Baroncelli, Director, Biblioteca Civica Queriniana, Brescia.

1. Please deliver to the bearer, Prof. Ottorino Bertolini, delegato dal Governo Italiano per le operazioni di trasferimento a Roma della "Casetta della Rivoluzione Fascista," the papers and books of D'Annunzio and Mussolini which were placed in your hands by the undersigned on 6 May 1945.

William D. McCain
William D. McCain
Capt., CAC
Regional Archivist,
Lombardia Region.

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MFA&A, Allied Commission.

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MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES DIVISION
LOMBARDIA REGION
APO 394

20113 1 August 1945

Subject: Monthly Report of Regional Archivist.

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

1. The Regional Archivist presented the Receiver for the Ministero dell'Interno Cross Firing Dr. Guido Mengarelli, superintendent of the Archivio di Stato of Milano, and replacing him with a somewhat undesirable character. Dr. Guido Tomelli was carried from Brescia to Bolzano and there installed as superintendent of the Archivio di Stato at the request of officials of Venezia Regione.

2. The Regional Archivist secured the appointment of Dr. Maria Schallembrit Bormano, Direttrice della R. Biblioteca Nazionale Braidense, as custodian of the deposit of "arms-owned books stored in the Albergo Principe e Savoia. The books were then carried to the Biblioteca Nazionale Braidense.

3. The collection of information on Italian government records and the records of fascist officials was continued. Special attention was given to the protection of records in the villages along Lago di Garda where the headquarters of the Fifth Army is located.

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4. One trip was made to Roma to confer with Major R.E. Bell and with Dr. Emilio Re, Commissario agli Archivi del Regno, concerning the plans for moving the evacuated records of the Italian government back to Rome.

/s/ William D. Rodale

/ t/ William D. McCain
Capt., CAC
Regional Archivist,

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To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

4. The Regional archivist prevented the Receiver for the Ministero dell'Interno from firing Dr. Guido Sanguinetti, superintendent of the Archivio di Stato of Milano, and replacing him with a somewhat undesirable character. Dr. Guido Quazzi was carried from Brescia to Bergamo and there installed as superintendent of the Archivio di Stato at the request of officials of Venezia Region.

2. The Regional archivist secured the appointment of Dr. Maria Ghislandri Bonomme, Direttrice della R. Biblioteca Nazionale Braidense, as custodian of the deposit of "gram-secret" books stored in the Alzaga Principe a Berna. The books were then carried to the Biblioteca Nazionale Braidense.

3. The collection of information on Italian government records and the records of Fascist officials was continued. Special attention was given to the protection of records in the villages along Lago di Garda where the headquarters of the Fifth Army is located.

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4. One trip was made to Roma to confer with Major R.S. Bell and with Dr. Emilio Re, Consigliere agli Archivi del Regno, concerning the plans for moving the evacuated records of the Italian government back to Roma.

/s/ William D. McCain

/ s/ WILLIAM D. MCCAIN
Capt., CAC
Regional Archivist,
Lombardia Region.

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MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS & ARCHIVES SECTION
LOMBARDIA REGION
APO 394

20111 20 July 1945

Subject: Superintendence of Archivio di Stato.

To: Director, Subcommission for Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives (Attention of Major J. R. Hall).

1. The attached article which appeared in the July 15 issue of Avanti! Organo del Partito Socialista Italiano, Milano, will indicate the reason life remains interesting up here. It is asserted that the article was written by one Louis T. Smith, who was formerly superintendent of the Libliteca Nazionale Braidense and who is now trying to oust the present superintendent. The main charges in question are the case that the Regional Archivist recently brought back to Milano. The main part of the "campo di concentramento" was produced by the writer of the article, so he was familiar with it. While he is trying to oust the present superintendent of the Library, he also finds time to criticize A. Ottolo, the gentleman who is trying to replace the superintendent of the Archivio di Stato.

2. Dr. Pablo Mangarelli reports verbally that the Epuration Commissions have his a clean bill of political health and that a document to that effect will soon be in his hands. Otherwise, the Irons has been permitted to remain static. It is possible that the first panel discussed Sunday was weakness only to extremes.

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William D. McCain
Capt., CAC
Regional Archivist,
Lombardia Region.

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Campo di Concentramento
alla Fraternita...

Le leggi razziali sono state abolite, ma gli scrittori ebrei sono ancora chiusi in un campo di concentramento. Almeno alla biblioteca di Urbra.

Alla Fraternita non tornati da qualche giorno i catalogni, che erano stati sfollati. Nel catalogo alfabetico per autori non esistono più le schede di più che trecento opere di autori ebrei. Queste schede si trovano invece raccolte insieme in scatole speciali chiuse, sul dorso delle quali esistono due o tre cartellino con questa avvertenza: "Opere escluse dalla lettura e dal prestito." Ora il cartellino è stato tolto, ma le schede sono ancora lì, a parte relegate in un campo di concentramento. Vi sono opere di Tarziliani, di Lorenzo, del vari Levi, di Ottolenghi, di Ludwig, di Zweig, di F. Werfel, ecc. ecc. Più di trecento opere, più di cinquanta autori. E non vi sono soltanto nella Fratellanza, le opere del Bergson e di altri scrittori tacciati di recente tendenza.

Prima che la direzione della Fraternita fosse affidata dal ministro Cottini all'attuale Direttrice, questo campo di concentramento non era nel catalogo.

Due cose ne pensa la Commissione di epurazione? Sulla Fraternita pesitano all'archivio di Stato.

E' tornato dalla Svizzera il prof. A. Cardini ex, Ecc., Nuova Antologia, Nuova Antologia, Nuova Antologia, e Nuova Antologia. E' certamente non molto tempo Democratico di primo, ma non ancora troppo attivo. Si dice che saprà alla Epurazione dell'Archivio di Stato.

Due cose ne pensa la Commissione di epurazione?

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"Unità" Organo del Partito Comunista Italiano, Milano, Mercoledì, 10 luglio 1945, p. 2.

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Information for Germanists Plan Arts and Archives
(Maj. [illegible], [illegible] A [illegible])

[illegible]/3/4/[illegible] 3 July 1948

Quartermaster for the Archives of the
Kingdom - Ministry of the Interior -

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Subject: Transmittal of Contract
Material.

As already reported in correspondence with this office, there were sent here for our disposal, early in May of this year, an unpublished collection of letters reported first among "papers from the Secretariat of Heinrich Himmler". While no precise information as to the circumstances of their discovery is available, it is reasonably sure that they came from the archives of Ellis Fulmerighi, Germany (Prov. Hessen).

This collection of 251 letters, which consists mainly of a correspondence between Francesco Ginori and L. Borland, is also passed in turn to you for your disposal, as earlier agreed.

The letters are arranged in numbered correspondence covering June 1 to 477. But in this series the following 26 serials are missing: 1, 2, 13, 24, 30, 144, 153, 150-171, 237. No information is presently available as to the whereabouts of the missing letters.

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[illegible], Operations
Directorate

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LOUISVILLE BRANCH
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28 June 1945

Subject: Records Pertaining to Walter Hasenfield.

To: Regional Headquarters, Louisville Region.

1. The attached message referring to records pertaining to Walter Hasenfield appeared in L'Unione, Italian All-Italian Language Daily, Milwaukee, 28 June 1945.

2. Mr. Walter Hasenfield and the Regional Headquarters are investigating this matter and hope to get information in regard to certain records mentioned by Walter Hasenfield when he was expelled.

/s/ William A. Nichols

/s/ William A. Nichols
Capt., Inf.
Regional Headquarters,
Louisville Region.

Enclosure Nil
Military Liaison Officer
Regional Headquarters, Louisville Region.

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COMO

Le fantastiche versioni dei fatti

di DONGO

Una smentita dei garibaldini

COMO, 27 Giugno.

Il Comando della 52 Brigata Garibaldi ci invia la seguente rettifica che pubblichiamo volentieri.

Si e' notata in questi giorni su numerosi periodici italiani una fioritura di articoli sulla cattura di Mussolini e dei suoi accoliti, come quella dei ... funghi dopo una notte di temporale. Tali articoli, ricchi di particolari piu' o meno [illegible], [illegible], piu' che altro, a far colpo sulla pubblica opinione, meritano una [illegible] smentita.

Il Comando della 52 Brigata d'assalto garibaldina "Luigi Clerici" che coi suoi uomini e' stato il solo ed autentico protagonista delle memorabili giornate della fine di aprile [illegible] e tempo opportuno tutta la congerie di articoli ed interviste non autentiche che si e' andata accavallando in questi giorni fino a giungere alla pubblicazione di un opuscoletto (di certo [illegible] da [illegible], Como) che in una [illegible] di pagine romanzesche ha citato nomi e fatti senza il consenso del nostro Comando. E poiche' il Comando della 52 e' il solo depositario degli importantissimi documenti, della esatta e controllata cronaca dei fatti, dei verbali firmati dai Comandanti e dai patrioti, delle fotografie [illegible] per uso storico, tiene dunque la smentita, gia' apparsa su questo [illegible], in attesa alla fine di "Mussolini e dei suoi. 2629

l'Unità, Organo del Partito Comunista Italiano, Milano, 28 Giugno 1945 (Anno XXII, N. 74).

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APO 394.

20411 25 June 1945

Subject: Inspection of Villaggio in LUCCHESIA.

To : Regional Commissioner, Northern Region.

1. The Regional Archivist, accompanied by Dr. Maria Bonfiglioli Guarnacci, visited the following places today:

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a. Local archives.

As far as could be determined from asking for information and from observation, the local archives of LUCCHIO, BORGO, BORGO, and the villages between these places suffered no loss or damage during the war.

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/s/ William D. McCain

/s/ William D. McCain
Capt., CAC.
Regional Archivist,
Lombardia Region.

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23 June 1945

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Subject: [redacted] Mobilization and Plans in North Africa.

To : Commanding Officer, Fire Arts and Ordnance

1. The attached list gives the names of members appointed by the Regional Mobilization, Lorenzo Bolton on 24 May and 1 June 1945 for the various mobilization and reconstitution in Mediterranean Region. The list of the Regional Mobilization was issued unofficially by the appointment of members for the mobilization. These members are charged with the reconstitution of all property, including machinery, under their jurisdiction. They will assume all the property, including machinery, on or before 30 June 1945. Those property will be useful to the Italian government in the period for the return of the records of the mobilization to Rome.

/s/ William H. Nichols

/s/ William H. Nichols
Major, GSC
Regional Mobilization
Mediterranean Region

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The following is a list of members appointed by the National Government under the provisions of Allied Military Government Instruction No. 8, 14 Sep 1943.

Designation of Post	Name of Minister
1. Ministry of the Interior	Dott. Guido Gonnelli.
2. Ministry of Agriculture and Forests.	Prof. Paolo Albertario.
3. Ministry of Industrial Production.	Prof. Roberto Bonghi.
4. Ministry of Finance.	Dott. Alfonso Fiaccadori.
5. Ministry of Public Works.	Avv. Piero Gatti.
6. Ministry of Public Education.	Prof. Fiorenzo Lupone'.
7. Ministry Without Portfolio Responsible to Administration.	Avv. Andrea Scardigli.
8. Under Secretary Responsible Political Force Reserve.	Dott. Giovanni Ravaglioli.
9. Under Secretary Responsible of the Ministry Without Portfolio Responsible to Administration.	Dott. Giovanni Ravaglioli.
10. [illegible]	Giorgio di Maestri[illegible] delle Ferrovie.
11. Under Secretary Accountable to Administration.	Avv. Piero Gatti.
12. Accountant of Rome.	Dott. Fernando Vittorio.
13. Commissioner Bologna Province.	Giuseppe Paolo Gaudioso.
14. Commissioner Ferrara.	Dott. Giuseppe Lucio Gamarelli.
15. Under Secretary Without Ministry.	Dott. Pierluigi Bonvicini.

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16. Applicants Shall Publicize Internacionales. — Prof. Roberto Langenbacher.

17. Opera Realizada Relacionada Derecho. — Dott. Tuyac Capelli.

18. Telemedicina al Milano. — Arch. Fabian Bertrand.

19. Acontecimientos Positivos de Poblados — Dott. Gustavo Pontis.

20. Salitre. — Dott. Pablo Tamburo.

21. Proyecto Salar Stocks. — Dott. Aldo Giuseppe Stanchi.

22. Construcción Filtro Desalitre. — Dott. Emilio Quevedo.

International Company. — Dott. Aldo Sandro Professeur Colombo.

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11 June 1945

Subject: Inspecting of Archives and Libraries in CREMONA & MANTOVA.

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardy Region.

1. The Archives Officer, accompanied by Dr. Carlo Guglielmotti Pecchenino, Secretary Gelle R.Biblioteca Nazionale and Soprintendente alle Biblioteche Gelle LOMBARDIA, inspected the following places on MAY 13:

a. Biblioteca Comunale, MANTOVA.

The Biblioteca Comunale of MANTOVA had a large deposit of books and manuscripts in Villa Brano, MONTAGNA (Comune di MONTAGNANA), but this has been returned safely to the library and is being operated. This extremely valuable library suffered no loss during the war. The richness of its collections is illustrated by the fact that it owns more than 1000 books printed before 1500 (see Cesare Ferrarini, Incunabulorum usus in Civica Bibliotheca Mantuana Alexandrino Catalogus, Mantua, MCMLXXVII). The librarian, Dr. Cesare Ferrarini, is presently having some difficulty with some sect of local committee for the removal of fascists. He has served the library for more than forty years and does not appear to be the type of man who would be engaged in fascist politics.

b. Biblioteca Governativa, CREMONA.

The Biblioteca Governativa of CREMONA, which includes the Biblioteca Comunale or Biblioteca Civica, is housed in the Palazzo Ugolani Dati along with the Archivio Comunale. The more valuable books in this large library, which has a total collection of over 300,000 volumes, were evacuated to Abbazia Pandolfina di Postida (PARMA) and have not been returned. Lesser valuable books were stored in basement rooms, but have now been replaced on the shelves and are available to the public.

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c. Rooms and boxes of Ugolani Parmeni, CREMONA.

Some of the offices formerly used by the Fascist propagandist, Roberto Parmeni, are at the present occupied by OIG personnel, acting on a report that the Parmeni library in these offices was being dispersed. The Archives Officer visited the offices and attempted to see the books. [illegible]

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[illegible] alle Biblioteche della LOMBARDIA, inspected the following places on May 13:

a. Biblioteca Comunale, MANTOVA.

The Biblioteca Comunale of MANTOVA had a large deposit of books and manuscripts in Villa [illegible], [illegible] (Comune di [illegible]), but this has been returned safely to the library and is being unpacked. This extremely valuable library suffered no loss during the war. The richness of its collections is illustrated by the fact that it owns more than 1300 books printed before 1500 (see Cesare Ferrarini, Incunabulorum quae in Civica Bibliotheca Mantuana asservantur Catalogus, Mantua, MCMXXXVII). The librarian, Dr. Cesare Ferrarini, is presently having some difficulty with some sort of local committee for the removal of Fascists. He has served the library for more than forty years and does not appear to be the type of man who would be engaged in Fascist politics.

b. Biblioteca Governativa, CREMONA.

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The Biblioteca Governativa of CREMONA, which includes the Biblioteca Comunale or Biblioteca Civica, is housed in the Palazzo Ugolani Dati along with the Archivio Comunale. The more valuable books in this large library, which has a total collection of some 100,000 volumes, were evacuated to Abbazia Benedettina di Pontida (BERGAMO) and have not been returned. Lesser valuable books were stored in basement rooms, but have now been replaced on the shelves and are available to the public.

c. Papers and books of Roberto Farinacci, CREMONA.

Some of the offices formerly used by the Fascist propagandist, Roberto Farinacci, are at the moment occupied by CIC personnel. Acting on a report that the Farinacci library in these offices was being dispersed, the Archives Officer visited the offices and attempted to see the books. The American civilian who had the key to the room in which the books are located was not present. The CIC will leave CREMONA on May 14 and some Italian Intelligence force will occupy the offices. The Archives Officer requested that the keys to the library be turned over to Capt. L.A. Sylvester, Provincial Legal Officer. He will return as soon as possible and take up the matter of placing the library in the custody of the Biblioteca Governativa of CREMONA. He carried away from the offices a small case full of manuscripts which were in danger of dispersal. These were placed in the custody of the Biblioteca Nazionale Braidense, MILANO, and an inventory will be secured later.

Copie to:
MFAA, Allied Commission.
Archives Officer, Emilia Region.
Legal Officer, Province of CREMONA.

/s/ William McCain
William D. McCain
Capt., CAC
Archives Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
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Subject: Inspection of Libraries and Archives in Brescia, Pavia.

11 June 1945

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

1. The Archives Officer, accompanied by Maria Gabellonerio Pescarmona, Ispettrice Sella R.Biblioteca Nazionale and Sovrintendente alle Biblioteche Sella Lombardia, inspected the following places on May 31:

a. Biblioteca Queriana, Chiari.

The Biblioteca Queriana, Via Giacomo G. Chiari (Brescia), has suffered no damage to its excellent collection of books its small archive, or its collection of art objects, some of the pictures had been taken from their frames and placed in a steel safe, but nothing had been evacuated. The explosion of ammo vehicles in a German ammunition train in December, 1944, knocked out a few windows in the building, but did not damage to the contents.

b. Il Vittoriale degli Italiani, Gardone Riviera.

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The "Il Vittoriale degli Italiani," a national monument built around the villa of Gabriele d'Annunzio in Gardone Riviera, contains an archive of approximately 200,000 pieces, a library of some 30,000 volumes, and a large and excellently arranged collection of newspaper and magazine clippings about this famous Italian writer. The place, under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Education, is supervised by an architect named Gian Carlo Maroni and is open to the public from 0900-1200 and from 1400 to 1800. The files of clippings are housed in a modern building at the main entrance, the archive is in a part of the modern addition to the villa, and the library is scattered throughout the fantastic villa itself. Nothing was evacuated from the place, but some of the more important papers were walled up for protection. They will be put back in the archive in the next few days. The superintendent stated that some fascist official has several years ago taken away some papers pertaining to the relationship between Benito Mussolini and D'Annunzio. He had been informed that these papers were burned in Rome. Since he had no inventory of what had been taken away, there was no way to determine if the d'Annunzio papers mentioned in the report of the Archives Officer on May 6 were those taken from the place. The monument is affiliated, and the villa proper is not open to the general public.

Villa Mussolini, Rome, Italy, Report of the following places on May 1:

*. Biblioteca Mussoliniana, Predappio.

The Biblioteca Mussoliniana, Via Vittorio F. Cavallotti (Predappio), has suffered no damage to its excellent collection of books its small archive, or its collection of art objects. Some of the pictures had been taken from their frames and placed in a steel safe, but nothing had been evacuated. The explosion of some vehicles in a German evacuation train in December, 1944, damaged not a few windows in the building, but did not damage to the contents.

*. Il Vittoriale degli Italiani, Gardone Riviera. 2623

The "Il Vittoriale degli Italiani," a national monument built around the villa of Gabriele d'Annunzio in Gardone Riviera, contains an archive of approximately 300,000 pieces, a library of some 50,000 volumes, and a large and excellently arranged collection of newspaper and magazine clippings about this famous Italian writer. The place, under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Education, is supervised by an architect named Gian Carlo Maroni and is open to the public from 0900-1200 and from 1400 to 1800. The files of clippings are housed in a modern building at the main entrance, the archive is in a part of the modern addition to the villa, and the library is scattered throughout the fantastic villa itself. Nothing was evacuated from the place, but some of the more important papers were rolled up for protection. They will be put back in the archive in the next few days. The superintendent stated that some fascist official has several years ago taken away some papers pertaining to the relationship between Benito Mussolini and d'Annunzio. He had been informed that these papers were burned in Rome. Since he had no inventory of what had been taken away, there was no way to determine if the d'Annunzio papers mentioned in the report of the Archives Officer on May 6 were those taken from the place. The monument is enclosed, and the villa proper is not open to the general public.

*. Villa Farlanca, Villa di Cardano.

Acting on information that Francesco Maria Barracu had some had offices in Villa Farlanca, Via Monte 1, Villa di Cardano, the Archives Officer visited the place and found it completely empty. A few scattered supplies and signs on the doors of various rooms indicated that it had once housed at least some offices of the Segreteria Particolare del Sottosegretario di Stato, Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri. The offices were apparently

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later moved to Villa Rattoni in BUSSIGNO (not GARGNANO, which was previously given as the location of Villa Rattoni). Civilians gave the information that Villa Carlenzo had been broken into by members of the Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale and by American troops, but they did not know whether anything had been found and taken away.

4. Biblioteca Civica Queriniana, Brescia.

Previous information had led to the belief that the destruction to the Biblioteca Civica Queriniana was greater than was actually the case. Apparently four rooms were destroyed by bombing and some 40,000 volumes were buried in the rubble. These seem to have been recovered and work is now being done on the books and fragments of books to restore them. Dr. Schellenberg clings to the idea that books have been taken from the library's deposit at LUSIZZO (see report of May 21), but the Archives Officer remains doubtful.

/s/ William J. Donain
/t/ William J. Donain
Capt., CAC
Archives Officer,
Lombardia Region.

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Pres. Allied Commission,
Archives Officer, Italia Region.

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HEADQUARTERS
MIXED MISSION A.M.G.

ARCO/1

9th June 1945

SUBJECT: Visits by Archives Officer to Milan and Turin;

TO : Director MFAA Sub-Commission, M.C. Allied Commission.

With permission from H.Q., this Region, and with consent of A.M.G. 5th Army, on 1st. June 1945 and consecutive days undersigned visited MILAN and TURIN.

(1) At MILAN most useful contacts were made with Captain McCain and Commendatore Ba. on questions connected with Repositz of Ministerial records in Northern Italy.

Though there are many such depositz in TURIN Region, the greater part of the material concerned is in LOMBARDIA Region. Apart from the reports on separate depositz, already made by Captain McCain, he will shortly be submitting recommendations and comments of a more general character. The line these will take was discussed, and undersigned is in complete agreement with Captain McCain's provisional conclusions.

Commendatore Ba is anxious for a further meeting in ROME at the beginning of July. At that time there will be difficult questions to be settled regarding removal of depositz etc., and the presence in ROME of both Archives Officers may be necessary for a prolonged period. In undersigned's view the progress of inspection work to date, and the fact that this has revealed wide areas where damage is very light, render it reasonable to suppose that, by the date mentioned, the bulk of necessary field work will be complete.

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If Director MFAA S/C is in agreement, any A.C.s concerned please be approached to release Archives Officers, on temporary duty or otherwise as may seem best for the purpose mentioned.

So far as undersigned is observed, Commendatore Ba has suggested that visits might be made en route to ROME to the opening of the exhibitions at LODI and SIENA on 23rd. June and 1st July respectively. This would involve leaving this Region on 20th. June.

(2) At TURIN undersigned discussed Archives questions with Captain S.E. Lehmann, the Superintendent (Conte Sarzani)

FIELD MISSION 3/MMO No. 1/85/16

With permission from S.O., this Region, and with consent of A.H.Q. 5th Army, on 1st. June 1945 and successive days undersigned visited FILAS and TOSIN.

(1) At FILAS most useful contacts were made with Captain Nichols and Commendatore Ra, on questions connected with deposits of ministerial records in Northern Italy.

Though there are many such deposits in TOSCAN Region, the greater part of the material concerned is in LOMBARDIA Region. Apart from the reports on separate deposits, already made by Captain Nichols, he will shortly be submitting recommendations and comments of a more general character. The line these will take was discussed, and undersigned is in complete agreement with Captain Nichols's provisional conclusions.

Commendatore Ra is anxious for a further meeting in ROME at the beginning of July. At that time there will be difficult questions to be settled regarding removal of deposits etc., and the presence in ROME of both Archives Officers may be necessary for a prolonged period. In undersigned's view the progress of inspection work to date, and the fact that this has revealed wide areas where damage is very light, render it reasonable to suppose that, by the date mentioned, the bulk of necessary field work will be complete.

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If Director SFAA S/G is in agreement, may S.O.s concerned please be approached to release Archives Officers, on temporary duty or otherwise as may seem best for the purpose mentioned.

So far as undersigned is concerned, Commendatore Ra has suggested that visits might be made en route to Rome to the opening of the exhibitions at LUCCA and SIENA on 29th. June and 1st July respectively. This would involve leaving this Region on 28th. June.

(2) At TRIESTE undersigned discussed archives questions with Captain R.T. Unthoven, the Superintendente (Conte Barozzi) and members of the staff. Visits were made to archives in six out of the seven provincial Capitals of FRIULI Region.

A detailed report has been forwarded to S.O. FRIULI Region with the request that, since the Region is still in 4th. Corps Area, he will submit copy through this channel to Director SFAA S/G.

/s/ R.I. Bell Major

/s/ Major R. I. Bell A.H.C.,
Archives Officer

Copy to:
Capt. N. S. Nichols, Archives Officer,
H.Q. LOMBARDIA Region A.H.C.

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Subcommission for Monuments Fine Arts and Archives

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9 June 1945

Subject: ARCHIVES - LUXEMBOURG.

To : M., LUXEMBOURG Region, for Archives Officer.

1. With reference to para. 3 your Monthly Report (2560/1 of 1 June 45), copy for information to this S/C), it would be appreciated if this S/C could be informed whether difficulty is being experienced in enforcing compliance with the terms of current instructions for the safeguarding of archives exploited by Ger. In particular are all archives proposed for sanctuaries being registered centrally?

2. It is hoped that you will be there press for rigid compliance, and any assistance this S/C may be in a position to give is at your disposal.

3. Copies of your excellent reports recently received are much appreciated. As requested copies of report by Dr. Duell will be sent, when complete, to LORRAIN and FRANCE.

For the Director:

[signature]
Lt. Col. [illegible]
Lt.Col., [illegible]
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Copy to:
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LOMBARDIA REGION
APO 394

GMG/C/A

6 June 1945

Subject : Concentration in MILANO of archives of the Ministero dell'Interno.

To : Regional Commissioner, LOMBARDIA Region.

1. The Archives Officer, at the request of Major B.C.Batemen Deputy Provincial Commissioner, MILANO Province, discussed with Conte Amoni di Sonvele Pier Maria, Deputy Commissioner for the Ministero dell'Interno, plans for concentrating all the archives of the Ministero dell'Interno now in north Italy. The plan of Dr.Emilio Gerani,Commissioner (Receiver) for the Ministero dell'Interno, and the Deputy Commissioner (appointee of the Regional Commissioner, LOMBARDIA Region) is to requisition a building in MILANO and to transport to it all the records of the Ministero dell'Interior that can be found in north Italy. There the records will be under constant guard until such time as they can be carried back to ROMA. The request for the building had been made to the MILANO Provincial Commissioner.

2. The records of the Ministero dell'Interno that are scattered in various buildings in and near VERONA certainly should be concentrated. The Archives Officer noted on June 5 that the villa he had inspected on May 31 at TRAVONTI had been taken over as a post office by an American army unit. Other records may be in danger from carelessness or from the requisitioning of buildings. The great mass of records in VALDAGNO (some 1200 boxes) would probably be safer under guard in MILANO. The wisdom of transporting the deposits in VERONA, which comprise some 3,800 to 3,000 boxes might be questioned. The Deputy Commissioner stated that no request for transportation would be made to the Allied Military Government, but that a request might be made for guards to accompany the records on their trip to MILANO.

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/s/ William D. McCain
/t/ William D. McCain
Capt., CAC
Archives Officer,
Lombardia Region

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Archives Officer, EMILIA Region,
ARC, Milano Province.

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Dante Ghedini of Venezia Giulia Zone, Deputy Commissioner for the Ministero dell'Interno, plans for concentrating all the archives of the Ministero dell'Interno now in north Italy. The plan of Dr. Emilio Ferreri, Commissioner (Receiver) for the Ministero dell'Interno, and the Deputy Commissioner (appointee of the Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region) is to requisition a building in MILANO and to transport to it all the records of the Ministero dell'Interno that can be found in north Italy. There the records will be under constant guard until such time as they can be carried back to ROMA. The request for the building had been made to the MILANO Provincial Commissioner.

2. The records of the Ministero dell'Interno that are scattered in various buildings in and near VERONA certainly should be concentrated. The Archives Officer noted on June 9 that the villa he had inspected on May 31 at TEGLIOLO had been taken over as a post office by an American army unit. Other records may be in danger from carelessness or from the requisitioning of buildings. The great mass of records in FALDASSO (some 1200 boxes) would probably be safer under guard in MILANO. The wisdom of transporting the deposits in VERONA, which comprise some 1,800 to 1,500 boxes might be questioned. The Deputy Commissioner stated that no request for transportation would be made to the Allied Military Government, but that a request might be made for guards to accompany the records on their trip to MILANO.

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/s/ William D. McCain
/s/ William D. McCain
Capt., CAC
Archives Officer,
Lombardia Region

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AFHQ, Allied Commission,
Archives Officer, ROME Region,
DPC, MILANO Province.

NARA, Date 3/3/2010

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LOMBARDIA REGION
APO 394

AG114/5/A

5 June 1945

Subject : Inspection of archives in MANTOVA Province.

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

1. Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri.

Previous reports have noted that the Presidenza del Consiglio del Ministri was located in Villa Bettoni. As a result of a call from the Allied Military Government of the Fifth Army, another inspection was made of the building. The headquarters detachment of the 5th Ordnance Group seems to have exercised care and intelligence in the treatment of the records. The owner of the Villa, Count Bettoni, now occupies a part of the building and locked doors shut off soldiers and other visitors from numerous rooms containing records. Count Bettoni is a partisan leader in the area and can be expected to help protect the records.

2. Partito Fascista Repubblicano.

Offices of the Partito Fascista Repubblicano were located in Alberge Milano and the house of a man named Benoni in MANTOVA. Employees of the Alberge Milano, MANTOVA, stated that employees of the Partito Fascista Repubblicano burned all their records before they left the place. The Benoni house (on the main highway into MANTOVA and is numbered 19) is now occupied by a military police company. Some six or eight boxes of records are in the basement of the building.

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/s/ William D. McCain
/t/ William D. McCain
Capt., GSC
Archives Officer,
Lombardia Region.

NARA, Record Group 260, Records of the U.S. Occupation Headquarters, World War II
Box No. 785246

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2. Partito Fascista Repubblicano.

Offices of the Partito Fascista Repubblicano were located in Alzano Milano and the house of a man named Demoni in MIRNESO. Employees of the Alzano Milano, MILANO, stated that employees of the Partito Fascista Repubblicano burned all their records before they left the place. The Demoni house (on the main highway into MIRNESO and is numbered 19) is now occupied by a military police company. Some six or eight boxes of records are in the basement of the building.

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Archives Officer,
Lombardia Region.

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HEADQUARTERS
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LOMBARDIA REGION
APO 394

2 June 1945

Subject: Weekly Report of Archives Officer.

To: Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

1. Inventories of Archives.

The Archives Officer, accompanied by Dr. Emilio Re, Commissario agli Archivi, Ministero dell'Interno, and Dr. Dante Mangarelli, Soprintendente del R. Archivio di Stato, LOMBARDIA Region, inspected a number of deposits of the records of the Italian government in BRESCIA, SALO', GARDNANO, VERONA, VALDAGNO, and GRENOBLE. Some four thousand cases of the records of the Direzione Generale di Pubblica Sicurezza, Ministero dell'Interno, were found in good order in VERONA and VALDAGNO. Another very important discovery was the archive (forty to fifty cases) of the Consulta Araldica in the collection of the records of the Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri in Villa Bettoni, GARDNANO. Another was the Teatro delle Rivoluzione Fascista in SALO'. Conferences were held with the superintendents of the Archivi di Stato in BRESCIA and MANTOVA. Conferences were held with Major M. S. Bell, Archives Officer, BELLI Region.

2. Special Problems.

The appointment by the Regional Commissioner of receivers for the ministries in north Italy has done much to solve the problems of the Archives Officer in regard to the records of the Italian government evacuated from ROME and those produced by the Repubblica Sociale Italiana. Some concern is felt about the safety of the records in villages on LAGO di GARDA where many buildings have been requisitioned by the Fifth Army.

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/s/ William D. McCain

/t/ William D. McCain
Capt., CAC
Archives Officer,
Lombardia Region.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LOMBARDIA REGION
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20151 1 June 1945

Subject: Monthly Report of Archives Officer.

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

1. Inspection of Archives of the Ministries.

The Archives Officer inspected records evacuated from Rome or produced by the Repubblica Sociale Italiana in BRESCIA, MONZA, SALO', SIRONE, LONATO, TREPONTI, MADESSO, GRUGNA, VERGELLA, and VALDAGNO. These included records of the Ministero della Giustizia, Ministero delle Finanze, Ministero dell'Interno, Corte dei Conti, Ministero degli Affari Esteri, Ministero della Cultura Popolare, Ministero della Produzione Industriale, Ministero dell'Africa Italiana, Consiglio di Stato, Avvocatura Generale dello Stato, Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri (including the archive of the Consulta Araldica), Istituto Nazionale di Cultura Fascista, Scuola della Rivoluzione Fascista, and Fascist officials (including Mussolini material in Villa Feltrinelli, the Mussolini Administration Building, and Palazzina Lessasio). From the standpoint of bulk, the greatest deposits inspected were those in VERGELLA and VALDAGNO of the Direzione Generale di Pubblica Sicurezza, Ministero dell'Interno, which comprised some 4,000 packing cases.

2. Inspection of Archivi di Stato and Other Local Archives.

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There are three Archivi di Stato in Lombardia. The Archivio di Stato at MANTOVA suffered no losses or damage during the war. The Superintendent, Prof. Mario Bodina, evacuated his more valuable archives to MONTAMARA and VALDAGNO, but returned one deposit during the month. The Archivio di Stato at BRESCIA suffered no losses or damage during the war. The Superintendent, Dr.Guido Pentenelli, evacuated his more important archives to ERBUSCO and ISEO. The two buildings, the Palazzo del Senato and the Palazzo Sant'Eustorgio, which housed the Archivio di Stato at MILANO were destroyed and their contents burned as a result of the bombing raids of August, 1943. The Superintendent, Dr.Guido Pangenelli, had evacuated great masses of his records to safe places in MONTEVECCHIA, MONZA, BERGAMO, and

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To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

1. Inventories of archives of the ministries.

The Archives Officer inspected records evacuated from Rome or produced by the Repubblica Sociale Italiana in BERGAMO, BORGIANO, GALLO', GARDONE, LOMATO, TRENTO, MANERBIO, GRENOBLE, TERZIGNO, and TIZZANO. These included records of the Ministero delle Finanze, Ministero delle Finanze, Ministero dell'Interno, Corte dei Conti, Ministero degli Affari Esteri, Ministero della Cultura Popolare, Ministero delle Partecipazione Industriale, Ministero dell'Africa Italiana, Consiglio di Stato, Avvocatura Generale dello Stato, Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri (including the archive of the Tribunale Speciale), Istituto Nazionale di Cultura Fascista, Centro delle Rivoluzione Fascista, and Fascist officials (including Mussolini material in Villa Feltrinelli, the Mussolini Administration building, and Palazzina Lombardia). From the standpoint of bulk, the greatest deposits inspected were those in TERZIGNO and TIZZANO of the Direzione Generale di Pubblica Sicurezza, Ministero dell'Interno, which comprised some 4,000 packing cases.

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5. In this it in regard to archives of the ministries.

The appointment by the Regional Commissioner of Receivers for the various ministries and other government agencies has done much to solve the problem of taking care of their records. The Italians now have custody of the records and will make detailed reports on them by 30 June 1945. The Italian government presumably will use these reports to make detailed plans for transporting the records to ROME. The Italians have done an excellent job in safeguarding these records and the losses appear to have been small. The real problems arise when allied troops move in and requisition buildings housing records. The Archive Officer will continue to give special attention to deposits in villages on the shores of LAGO DI GARDA. Apparently nothing can be done at the moment in regard to the vast amount of records carried off by innumerable intelligence and semi-intelligence agencies. Some definite policy should be determined for handling these records, great masses of which obviously have no permanent intelligence value. The Allied Nations might remind themselves at this point of the fact that they have been extremely critical of the Germans when they carried off contents of art galleries museums, libraries, and archives. Their intelligence agencies should be careful not to do the same thing in Italy.

6. Problems in regard to local archives.

The Archivi di Stato at VENEZIA and BRESCIA present no particular problems. The Superintendents are on the job and only need aid to transport their deposits back to their buildings. The real problem is the Archivio di Stato at MILANO. Both buildings are destroyed. The great deposits of records evacuated to the country have served no useful purpose for nearly two years and will serve none until they are again available for public use. As soon as money ~~is available for public works efforts~~ should be made to restore the Palazzo del Senato. In the meantime, space should be found for temporary use and the deposits should be brought back into MILANO. The other deposits evacuated from MILANO should also be returned as soon as possible. Local archives in most of the towns of LOMBARDIA appear to have suffered little and should be the exclusive problem of the Italians. The Archives Officer will probably give little attention to local archives in the future, but will spend some time in aiding librarians who have deposits scattered throughout the region.

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/s/ William D. McCain

/t/ William D. McCain
Capt., CAC
Archives Officer,
Lombardia Region.

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31 May 1945

Subject: Inspection of Archives in MILANO.

To : Regional Commissioner, LOMBARDIA Region.

1. Ministero dell'Interno.

The Archives Officer, accompanied by Dr. Emilio Re, Dr. Guido Mangianelli, and Dr. Guido Canali, an employee of the Ufficio Centrale degli Archivi di Stato Ministero dell'Interno, inspected the following offices of the Ministero dell'Interno on May 31:

a. Direzione Generale dei Culti.

The offices of the Direzione Generale dei Culti are located in the Scuole Elementari Cesare Arici, Via Ambrosoli 29, MONZIANO (a village near MILANO). The Archives contains a small quantity of records and books and other current records are in place in the various offices. Everything appears to be in excellent order.

b. Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile.

The offices of the Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile are located in the Scuole Elementari Cesare Arici, Via Ambrosoli 29, MONZIANO (a village near MILANO). A large quantity of records is in place in the Archivio and other records are in the various offices. The small library is intact. Nine wooden boxes of records evacuated from ROME have never been unpacked. The records of the Ufficio Centrale degli Archivi di Stato, an office of the Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile, are here in excellent order and under the special care of Dr. Guido Canali. The records and other property of the Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile are being looked after by one of its old employees, Ernest Holzer, who lives in the building. He also has the keys to the rooms occupied by the Direzione Generale dei Culti.

c. Direzione Generale degli Affari Generali e del Personale. 2614

The offices of the Direzione Generale degli Affari Generali e del Personale are located in Villa Comparini, Via Nazionale 1, TREZZANO (a village near MILANO). The Archivio contains a considerable quantity of records and other [illegible]

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The Archives Officer, accompanied by Dr. Emilio Re, Dr. Paolo Mangarelli, and Dr. Guido Cenali, an employee of the Ufficio Centrale degli Archivi di Stato Ministero dell'Interno, inspected the following offices of the Ministero dell'Interno on May 1:

a. Direzione Generale dei Culti.

The offices of the Direzione Generale dei Culti are located in the Scuola Elementari Cesare Ariel, Via Antarago 29, MONFIANO (a village near RIMINI). The Archives contains a small quantity of records and books and other current records are in place in the various offices. Everything appears to be in excellent order.

b. Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile.

The offices of the Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile are located in the Scuola Elementari Cesare Ariel, Via Antarago 29, MONFIANO (a village near RIMINI). A large quantity of records is in place in the Archivio and other records are in the various offices. The small library is intact. Nine wooden boxes of records evacuated from ROME have never been unpacked. The records of the Ufficio Centrale degli Archivi di Stato, an office of the Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile, are here in excellent order and under the special care of Dr. Guido Cenali. The records and other property of the Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile are being looked after by one of its old employees, Ernest Belzer, who lives in the building. He also has the keys to the rooms occupied by the Direzione Generale dei Culti.

c. Direzione Generale degli Affari Generali e del Personale. 2614

The offices of the Direzione Generale degli Affari Generali e del Personale are located in Villa Cassarini, Via Nazionale 1, TRESPONTI (a village near RIMINI). The Archivio contains a considerable quantity of records and other records are in the various offices. The keys to the building are in the hands of Dr. Alfredo Carrara, Via Trieste 49, VILLA (a village near TRESPONTI), who has been appointed by the Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale to look after the Villa and its contents.

d. Direzione Generale della Sanità Pubblica.

The offices of the Direzione Generale della Sanità Pubblica are located in the Istituto Tecnico Industriale, Via Santa Chiara 30, RIMINI. The Archivio contains a considerable quantity of current records and there are four boxes of unpacked records from ROME.

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Other records are in the various offices. These offices and their contents are in the custody of Dr. Giuseppe Sirviano, an appointee of the Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale, who can be found on the premises.

4. Corte dei Conti, Ufficio di Controllo Atti del Ministero dell'Interno.

The offices of the Corte dei Conti, Ufficio di Controllo Atti del Ministero dell'Interno, are located in the Istituto Tecnico Industriale, Via Santa Chiara 50, BRESCIA. The offices contain only a small quantity of records. They are in the custody of Dr. Giuseppe Sirviano.

5. Ragioneria Centrale del Ministero dell'Interno.

The offices of the Ragioneria Centrale del Ministero dell'Interno are located in the Palazzo Bargnani (Scuola Tartaglia), Via Carlo Alberto 8, BRESCIA. The offices of the Direzione Generale delle Dogane Ministero delle Finanze, are also in this building. The keys apparently are kept at the Guardia di Finanze. Since the day was a fèsta, we were unable to find the persons who held the keys and were unable to make an inspection.

6. Other Offices of the Ministero dell'Interno.

Information as to the location and condition of the following offices, which could not be inspected, was gathered from various sources:

i. Gabinetto, reported to have been in an Edificio Scuole in MADONNO, is supposed to have been moved to MILANO. The records are reported to be in the custody of the Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale in MILANO.

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ii. Direzione Generale Servizi Antincendi, reported to have been at PONTE DI LEGNO (BRESCIA), has been moved to Via Vincenzo Monti 5, MILANO.

iii. Direzione Generale Previsione Antincendi has been moved from the BRESCIA area to Via Durini 14, MILANO.

iv. Direzione Generale di Guerra is in ROE' VOLCIANO (a village near BRESCIA).

v. Direzione Generale Fondo per il Culto is located in CARPENEDOLO (a village near BRESCIA).

vi. Direzione Generale Demografia e Razza is located

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of Dr. Giuseppe Gleckman.

f. Ragioneria Centrale del Ministero dell'Interno.

The offices of the Ragioneria Centrale del Ministero dell'Interno are located in the Palazzo Sforzesco (Torre Tartaglia), Via Carlo Alberto 5, BRESCIA. The offices of the Direzione Generale delle Dogane Ministero delle Finanze, are also in this building. The keys apparently are kept at the Questo di Finanze. Since the day was a festa, we were unable to find the person who held the keys and were unable to make an inspection.

d. Other Offices of the Ministero dell'Interno.

Information as to the location and condition of the following offices, which could not be inspected, was gathered from various sources:

i. Gabinetto, reported to have been in an Edificio Scuole in MANTOVA, is supposed to have been moved to MILANO. The records are reported to be in the custody of the Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale in MILANO.

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ii. Direzione Generale Servizi Antincendi, reported to have been at POSTE DI LEGNO (BRESCIA), has been moved to Via Vincenzo Monti 5, MILANO.

iii. Direzione Generale Protezione Antiaerea has been moved from the BRESCIA area to Via Durini 14, MILANO.

iv. Direzione Generale di Guerra is in NON' VOLCIANO (a village near BRESCIA).

v. Direzione Generale Fondo per il Culto is located in CARPENEDOLO (a village near BRESCIA).

vi. Direzione Generale Demografia e Razza is located in COSTALUNGA (a village near BRESCIA). There were statements that probably some records had been moved to MILANO.

vii. Istituto Superiore Sanità Pubblica has offices in Piazza Martiri di Belfiore, BRESCIA, and also in COMO and PAVIA.

viii. Intendenza is located in Villa Orefici, Via Lake d'Oro 29, BRESCIA. This office, which contains a very small amount of records was inspected and reported on by the Archives Officer on May 5.

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ix. Centro Interministeriale Smistamento Corrispondenza, despite information given to the Archives Officer on May 5, seems to be in the Prefettura in BRESCIA.

2. Istituto Nazionale di Cultura Fascista, Presidenza Centrale.

The Archives Officer inspected the contents of three wooden boxes bearing the labels "Istituto Nazionale di Cultura Fascista, Presidenza Centrale" and found that they contained between 600 and 800 volumes of the library of that organization. The three boxes had previously been placed in the custody of Prof. Ugo Bernasconi, Civica Biblioteca Queriniana, Via Nazzini 3, when the offices occupied by the organization were turned over to him for the use of the library. It is strongly recommended that the collection of books be given to the Civica Biblioteca Queriniana, a library which suffered great losses in bombing raids of this war.

/s/ William D. McCain

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Subject: Inspection of archives in Lodi.

To: Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

1. The Archives Officer, accompanied by Dr. Emilio Re and Dr. Guido Mangarelli, stopped in Lodi on the afternoon of May 30 and visited the archivio comunale. Following a policy of permitting Italians to look after places where there is obviously no danger or loss, the Archives Officer had Dr. Mangarelli make the inspection. The Archivio Comunale, the archivio notarile, and other local collections had suffered no damage or loss during the war. The same was true for the Biblioteca Comunale. No apparent problems pertaining to archives exist in Lodi.

/s/ William E. Ewbank

/s/ William E. Ewbank
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Archives Officer,
Lombardia Region.

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30 May 1945

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Subject: Location of Archives in VARESE.

To : Regional Commissioner, LOMBARDIA Region.

1. The Archives Officer, accompanied by Dr. Guido Re - Commissario Sull Archivi del Regno, Ministero Dell'Interno, and Dr. Dotta Vaccarelli, Sopraintendente del R. Archivio di Stato, Milano, visited the Archivio di Stato at VARESE on May 27 and again on May 30. The Sopraintendente, Dr. Enrico Rosian, has returned to VARESE and seems to have everything in good order. On May 28 he brought back to the Archivio di Stato the Archivio Storico Comunale, which contains the Archivio Comunale, which records had been evacuated to Villa Grassi, some seven kilometers from VARESE. Dr. Rosian does not know when he will be able to bring back the remainder of his evacuated records, but is now attempting to make the necessary arrangements. No problems of any special significance were found at VARESE in regard to archives.

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/s/ William J. Vocatk
Capt., CAC
Archives Officer,
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31 May 1945

Subject: Inspection of Archives in BRESCIA.

To : Regional Commissioner, LOMBARDIA Region.

1. Ministero dell'Interno.

The Archives Officer, accompanied by Dr. Emilio Re, Dr. Emilio Bonguanelli, and Dr. Guido Canali, an employee of the Ufficio Centrale degli Archivi di Stato Ministero dell'Interno, inspected the following offices of the Ministero dell'Interno on May 31:

a. Direzione Generale dei Culti.

The offices of the Direzione Generale dei Culti are located in the Scuole Elementari Cesare Arici, Via Ambarage 29, MONTICHIARI (a village near BRESCIA). The Archives contains a small quantity of records and books and other current records are in place in the various offices. Everything appears to be in excellent order.

b. Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile.

The offices of the Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile are located in the Scuole Elementari Cesare Arici, Via Ambarage 29, MONTICHIARI (a village near BRESCIA). A large quantity of records is in place in the Archivio and other records are in the vast one offices. The small library is intact. Nine wooden boxes of records evacuated from ROME have never been unpacked. The records of the Ufficio Centrale degli Archivi di Stato, an office of the Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile, are here in excellent order and under the special care of Dr. Guido Canali. The records and other property of the Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile are being looked after by one of its old employees, Ernest Balzer, who lives in the building. He also has the keys to the rooms occupied by the Direzione Generale dei Culti.

c. Direzione Generale degli Affari Generali e del Personale.

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The offices of the Direzione Generale degli Affari Generali e del Personale are located in Villa Cesarini, Via Nazionale 1, TRAVONCI (a village near BRESCIA). The Archives contains a

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The Brescia Office, accompanied by Dr. Carlo De, Dr. Lelio de Rangenelli, and Dr. Guido Danelli, as employee of the Ufficio Centrale Degli Archivi di Stato Ministero dell'Interno, inspected the following offices of the Ministero dell'Interno on May 1:

a. Direzione Generale dei Culti.

The offices of the Direzione Generale dei Culti are located in the Scuole Elementari Cesare Ariel, Via Ambrosoli 29, MONTICHIARO (a village near BRESCIA). The Archives contains a small quantity of records and books and other current records are in place in the various offices. Everything appears to be in excellent order.

b. Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile.

The offices of the Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile are located in the Scuole Elementari Cesare Ariel, Via Ambrosoli 29, MONTICHIARO (a village near BRESCIA). A large quantity of records is in place in the Archivio and other records are in the various offices. The small library is intact. Nine wooden boxes of records evacuated from ROME here never been unpacked. The records of the Ufficio Centrale degli Archivi di Stato, an office of the Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile, are here in excellent order and under the special care of Dr. Guido Danelli. The records and other property of the Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile are being looked after by one of its old employees, Ernest Melzer, who lives in the building. He also has the keys to the rooms occupied by the Direzione Generale dei Culti.

c. Direzione Generale degli Affari Generali e del Personale. 2609

The offices of the Direzione Generale degli Affari Generali e del Personale are located in Villa Cancarini, Via Nazionale 1, TAVERNOLE (a village near BRESCIA). The Archivio contains a considerable quantity of records and other records are in the various offices. The keys to the building are in the hands of Dr. Alfredo Correra, Via Trieste 49, VIRLE (a village near TAVERNOLE), who has been appointed by the Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale to look after the Villa and its contents.

d. Direzione Generale della Sanità Pubblica.

The offices of the Direzione Generale della Sanità Pubblica are located in the Istituto Tecnico Industriale, Via Santa Chiara 50, BRESCIA. The Archivio contains a considerable quantity of current records and there are four boxes of unopened records from ROME.

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Other records are in the various offices. These offices and their contents are in the custody of Dr. Giuseppe Giordano, an employee of the Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale, who was be found on the premises.

4. Corte dei Conti, Ufficio di Controllo Atti del Ministero dell'Interno.

The offices of the Corte dei Conti, Ufficio di Controllo Atti del Ministero dell'Interno, are located in the Istituto Tecnico Industriale, Via Santa Chiara 50, BRESCIA. The offices contain only a small quantity of records. They are in the custody of Dr. Giuseppe Giordano.

5. Ragioneria Centrale del Ministero dell'Interno.

The offices of the Ragioneria Centrale del Ministero dell'Interno are located in the Palazzo Bernasconi (Scuola Tartaglia), Via Carlo Alberto 5, BRESCIA. The offices of the Direzione Generale delle Imposte Ministero delle Finanze, are also in this building. The keys apparently are kept at the Comando di Finanza. Since the day was a fêste, we were unable to find the person who held the keys and were unable to make an inspection.

6. Other Offices of the Ministero dell'Interno.

Information as to the location and condition of the following offices, which could not be inspected, was gathered from various sources:

i. Gabinetto, reported to have been in an Edificio Scuole in MILANO, is supposed to have been moved to MILANO. The records are reported to be in the custody of the Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale in MILANO.

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ii. Direzione Generale Servizi Antincendi, reported to have been at PORTA DI LEGNO (BRESCIA), has been moved to Via Vincenzo Monti 5, MILANO.

iii. Direzione Generale Protezione Antiaerea has been moved from the BRESCIA area to Via Durini 14, MILANO.

iv. Direzione Generale di Guerra is in ROE' VOLCIANO (a village near BRESCIA).

v. Direzione Generale Fondo per il Culto is located in CARPENEDOLO (a village near BRESCIA).

vi. Direzione Generale Demografia e Razza is located in MONTICHIARI (a village near BRESCIA). There were statements

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7. Ragioneria Centrale del Ministero dell'Interno.

The offices of the Ragioneria Centrale del Ministero dell'Interno are located in the Palazzo Margnani (Casella Tartaglia), via Carlo Alberto 8, BRESCIA. The offices of the Direzione Generale delle Dogane Ministero delle Finanze, are also in this building. The keys apparently are kept at the Guardia di Finanza. Since the day was a fèste, we were unable to find the persons who held the keys and were unable to make an inspection.

8. Other offices of the Ministero dell'Interno.

Information as to the location and condition of the following offices, which could not be inspected, was gathered from various sources:

i. Ratteria, reported to have been in an edificio Casella in MAGENTA, is supposed to have been moved to MILANO. The records are reported to be in the custody of the Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale in MILANO.

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ii. Direzione Generale Servizi Antincendi, reported to have been at PORTA DI LEGNO (BRESCIA), has been moved to via Vincenzo Monti 5, MILANO.

iii. Direzione Generale Protezione Antiaerea has been moved from the BRESCIA area to Via Durini 14, MILANO.

iv. Direzione Generale di Sanità is in ROE' VOLCIANO (a village near BRESCIA).

v. Direzione Generale Fondo per il Culto is located in CARPENEDOLO (a village near BRESCIA).

vi. Direzione Generale Demografia e Razza is located in CORTALONGA (a village near BRESCIA). There were statements that probably some records had been moved to MILANO.

vii. Istituto Superiore Sanità Pubblica has offices in Piazza Vittorio di Veltroni, BRESCIA, and also in COMO and PAVIA.

viii. Intendenza is located in Villa Orefici, Via Anna d'Oro 39, BRESCIA. This office, which contains a very small amount of records was inspected and reported on by the Archives Officer on May 5.

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6. Centro Internazionale Emigrazione Germanesimo. Despite information given to the Archives Officer on May 5, seems to be in the Prefettura in BRESCIA.

7. Istituto Nazionale di Cultura Fascista, Presidenza Centrale.

The Archives Officer inspected the contents of three wooden boxes bearing the labels "Istituto Nazionale di Cultura Fascista, Presidenza Centrale" and found that they contained between 400 and 500 volumes of the library of that organization. The three boxes had previously been placed in the custody of Prof. Ugo Baroncelli, Civica Biblioteca Querniana, Via Mazzini 1, when the offices occupied by the organization were turned over to him for the use of the library. It is strongly recommended that the collection of books be given to the Civica Biblioteca Querniana, a library which suffered great losses in bombing raids of this war.

/s/ William D. Redain

/s/ William D. Redain
Capt., CIC
Archives Officer,
Lombardia Region.

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27 May 1945

Subject : Inspection of archives in BRESCIA.

To : Regional Commissioner, LOMBARDIA Region.

1. Archivio di Stato.

The Archives Officer, accompanied by Dr. Emilio Re, Il Commissario agli Archivi del Regno, and Dr. Guido Rangonelli, inspected the Archivio di Stato in BRESCIA on May 27. The building, located at Via Moretto 40, suffered no damage from bombing attacks and the contents are safe. Dr. Guido Rangonelli, the Superintendent, moved blue ware valuable records to Villa Lenti in BERGAMO and to the village of ISEO. The deposits are safe and in good order. Transportation is needed to return the evacuated records to BRESCIA.

2. Archivio Comunale.

The Archivio Comunale was a part of the Civica Biblioteca Queriniana. The Director Prof. Ugo Baroncelli, stated that despite the fact that the library building was demolished and that 40,000 volumes had been buried in the rubble the archives had suffered little damage. The bulk of the records had been evacuated to LONATO (see report of May 23) and to NICOLINI. The deposits are safe in these places and in reasonably good order.

3. Archivio Notarile.

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Prof. Baroncelli stated that no records had been evacuated from the Archivio Notarile and that no losses or damage had been suffered.

/s/ William D. McCain
/t/ William D. McCain
Capt., CAC

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The Archives Officer, accompanied by Dr. Emilio Re, Il Soprintendente agli Archivi del Regno, and Dr. Guido Pantanelli, inspected the Archivio di Stato in BRESCIA on May 27. The building, located at Via Moretto 40, suffered no damage from bombing attacks and the contents are safe. Dr. Guido Pantanelli, the Superintendent, moved nine more valuable records to Villa Lechi in BRESCIA and to the village of IDRO. The deposits are safe and in good order. Transportation is needed to return the evacuated records to BRESCIA.

2. Archivio Comunale.

The Archivio Comunale was a part of the Civica Biblioteca Queriniana. The Director Prof. Ugo Baroncelli, stated that despite the fact that the library building was demolished and that 40,000 volumes had been buried in the rubble the archives had suffered little damage. The bulk of the records had been evacuated to LONATO (see report of May 23) and to BIRGOLINE. The deposits are safe in these places and in reasonably good order.

3. Archivio Notarile.

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Prof. Baroncelli stated that no records had been evacuated from the Archivio Notarile and that no losses or damage had been suffered.

/s/ William D. Sedale
/s/ William D. Sedale
Capt., CAC

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27 May 1945

Subject : Inspection of Archives in PROVINCE Province.

To : Regional Commissioner, LOMBARDIA Region.

1. Ministero della Cultura Popolare.

The Archives Officer, accompanied by Dr.Emilio Re and Dr.Guido Mengozzi, visited the Villa Aondei, SALO', where offices of the Ministero della Cultura Popolare had been located (see report of May 6). The Public Relations Service of the Fifth Army now occupies the building. No records remain, some were taken away by Captain N. L. Ciferelli, Documents Section, Fifth Army (see story in Stars and Stripes, 19 May 1945) and some had been taken by the Psychological Warfare Branch (Professors Bates and Dorton) to offices on the 4th floor of a building at Via Cesare Cantù 1, MILANO. Some of the publications had been taken by the Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale to the Municipio.

2. Administrative building of Mussolini.

This building is still guarded by Italians who seem to be under jurisdiction of the 5th Army Group. A more careful inspection verified the fact that the records of "Il Segretario Particolare del Duce" had been in the building. The books and papers that are scattered around the place should be gathered up and placed in a safe repository.

3. Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri.

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A more careful inspection of the records in Villa Bettoni disclosed the fact that between 60 and 70 boxes of the records of the Consulta Araldica are in the building. This office was a part of or under the jurisdiction of the Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri. The records are of the utmost historical significance to the Italians.

4. Centro Della Rivoluzione Fascista.

After considerable searching and lengthy conversations with Fausto Ludife (see report of May 6), Dr.Alberto Cesari, Via Cure del Lino 514, and Dr. Polese Ugero, Via Cure del Lino 551, the location of the Centro della Rivoluzione Fascista, a collection of great historical importance, was discovered. The collection is

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1. **Ministero Della Cultura Popolare.**

The Archives Officer, accompanied by Dr. Emilio Re and Dr. Emilio Sanguinetti, visited the Villa Aldini, Rome, where offices of the Ministero Della Cultura Popolare had been located (see report of May 6). The Public Relations Service of the Fifth Army now occupies the building. No records remain. Steps were taken away by Captain B. L. Cifarelli, Documents Section, Fifth Army (see story in Stars and Stripes, 19 May 1945) and some had been taken by the Psychological Warfare Branch (Professors Bates and Costa) to offices on the 4th floor of a building at Via Cesare Cantù 1, MILANO. Some of the publications had been taken by the Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale to the Municipio.

2. **Administrative Building of Carabinieri.**

This building is still guarded by Italians who seem to be under jurisdiction of the 15th Army Group. A more careful inspection verified the fact that the records of "Il Segretario Particolare del Duce" had been in the building. The boxes and papers that are scattered around the place should be gathered up and placed in a safe repository.

3. **Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri.** 2605

A more careful inspection of the records in Villa Battani disclosed the fact that between 40 and 50 boxes of the records of the Consulta Araldica are in the building. This office was a part of or under the jurisdiction of the Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri. The records are of the utmost historical significance to the Italians.

4. **Centro Delle Rivoluzione Fascista.**

After considerable searching and lengthy conversations with Maurizio Lodifo (see report of May 6), Dr. Alberto Cesari, Via Cure del Lino 514, and Dr. Paleo Ingaro, Via Cure del Lino 551, the location of the Centro Delle Rivoluzione Fascista, a collection of great historical importance, was discovered. The collection is locked in the Museo Lapidario e d'Arte, Caserta di Finanza, Piazza San Bernardino 9, MILANO. The keys are in the possession of a man named Sutti, a member of the Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale, who can be found at the Municipio.

/s/ William D. McCain
/t/ William D. McCain
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LOMBARDIA REGION
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24 May 1945

Subject: Weekly Report of Archives Officer.

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

1. Inspection of Archives.

The Archives Officer inspected the records of the Ministero della Produzione Industriale in Bergamo, deposits of books and manuscripts in Lonato, various buildings on Lago di Garda containing records of the Italian government, and collected data on the exact locations of the offices of the Ministero delle Finanze in north Italy.

2. Special Problems.

The Archives Officer has been handicapped by the transport situation, but the situation seems at present to be improving. The main problem at the moment in regard to the records of the Italian government and those produced by the recent Mussolini government is their protection from Allied military units which requisition the buildings which contain them. Where the offices and records are left in the custody of the Italians, no problems of any note seem to arise. There is also the problem of transport to remove the records to Rome, as well as transport to bring back local archives and book collections that were evacuated from such cities as Milano, Cremona, Brescia, and Mantova.

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/s/ William D. McCain

/s/ William D. McCain
Capt., CAC
Archives Officer
Lombardia Region.

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LOMBARDIA REGION
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21 May 1945

Subject: Inspection of Archives and Library Deposits in Lonato, Salo, and Gargnano.

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

1. The Archives Officer, at the request of Dott. Maria Gabellekbrid Buscanna, Direttrice della R. Biblioteca Nazionale Braidense and Sovrintendente alle Biblioteche della Lombardia, and Dott. Guido Sangenelli, Sovrintendente del R. Archivio di Stato, took them on May 21 to visit library and archive deposits in Lonato, Salo, and Gargnano.

2. Deposit of Civica Biblioteca Queriniana.

A large deposit of books and manuscripts from the Civica Biblioteca Queriniana, Brescia, is stored in the church of Sant'Antonio, Lonato. Four double rows of steel shelving about 24 feet long are full of books and bundles of manuscripts. A large number of books and bundles of manuscripts are piled on the floor. The deposit seems in fair condition, but should be moved back to Brescia as soon as possible. Some four hundred of the more valuable books are in a vault in the cemetery; these were not examined. There have been rumors that some of the books that were in this deposit here appeared on the market in Milano, but a casual inspection was insufficient to determine if there have been any losses.

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3. Library of Castello di Gesso (Rocca di Lonato).

The Castello di Gesso (Rocca di Lonato) is now occupied by the headquarters of the 23d Division (Italian) and was requisitioned by the British Internment of the Fifth Army. It was formerly occupied by elements of the 1 Flottiglia Mas (Commando Borghese). Part of the shelving and some of the books of the library of the

Inspection of Archives and Library Deposits
in Lonato, Salò, and Gargnano.

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

1. The Archives Officer, at the request of Dott. Carlo Cabellombris Bassanna, Direttore Sulla X, Biblioteca Nazionale Braidense and Sovrintendente alle Biblioteche della Lombardia, and Dott. Guido Sangiorgi, Sopraintendente del X, Archivio di Stato, took them on May 23 to visit library and archive deposits in Lonato, Salò, and Gargnano.

2. Deposit of Civica Biblioteca Queriniana.

A large deposit of books and manuscripts from the Civica Biblioteca Queriniana, Brescia, is stored in the church of Sant'Antonio, Lonato. Four double rows of steel shelving about 16 feet long are full of books and bundles of manuscripts. A large number of books and bundles of manuscripts are piled on the floor. The deposit seems in fair condition, but should be moved back to Brescia as soon as possible. Some four hundred of the more valuable books are in a vault in the cemetery; these were not examined. There have been rumors that some of the books that were in this deposit have appeared on the market in Milano, but a casual inspection was insufficient to determine if there have been any losses.

3. Library of Castello di Gesù (Gardone di Lonato).

The Castello di Gesù (Rocca di Lonato) is now occupied by the headquarters of the 213 Division (Italian) and was requisitioned by the British Government of the Fifth Army. It was formerly occupied by elements of the 1 Flottiglia Mas (Decimamas Battalion). Part of the shelving and some of the books of the library of the place, which apparently had been set aside by the former owner, Senator Ugo da Como, as a retreat for students, were reported to have been burned by members of the 1 Flottiglia Mas. The rooms of the library are now used as offices and sleeping quarters for men. The library is stored in the basement of the librarian's residence on the grounds and is sealed up, so that no inspection

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could be made. A medical doctor (Pope) interests himself in the protection of all deposits in Lunete.

3. Papers of Vito Cassolini, Island of Ischia.

The archives officer was informed by Countess Lavezzo Varghese that some books and papers of Vito Cassolini, a member of Benito Cassolini, had been left in her place of residence on the island of Ischia. The place had first been requisitioned by Vito Cassolini and now by the Fifth Army. If the books and papers, which she thought to be of no importance, were left by the Fifth Army, she would take care of them until they would be inspected by an employee of the Italian government.

4. Palazzina Lavezzo, Isola.

The room in the Palazzina Lavezzo containing the Cassolini property now have a sign to the effect that they are off limits and contain "Protected Italian State Property." The sign was placed there on May 21 by Captain Jervis Goodman, Civil Affairs Officer.

5. Villa Fabrizelli, Ischia.

Villa Fabrizelli is still guarded by members of the 150th Military Police Battalion. The two Italian officials inspected the place to see if anything had been overlooked.

6. Administration Building of Cassolini, Ischia.

The Cassolini Administration Building is still being guarded by civilians. As stated before, there seems to be nothing of importance left in the place.

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7. Villa Rettani, Ischia.

Despite the fact that Villa Rettani is a protected monument and bears proper signs to that effect, it has been occupied by the headquarters of the 5th Ordnance Group. The commanding officer, Lt.Col.C.E. Yentley, was exceedingly co-operative and more than willing to do anything to protect the records scattered throughout this building. He had taken all precautions possible and was having the boxes of records stored in rooms that were not to be occupied. He had issued orders to

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will take care of them until they could be inspected by an employee of the Italian government.

5. Palazzina Lombardia, Sale.

The room in the Palazzina Lombardia containing the Mussolini property now have a sign to the effect that they are off limits and contain "Protected Italian State Property." The sign was placed there on May 31 by Captain Doris Goodman, Civil Affairs Officer.

6. Villa Feltrinelli, Gargnano.

Villa Feltrinelli is still guarded by members of the 1304th Military Police Battalion. The two Italian officials inspected the place to see if anything had been overlooked.

8. Administration Building of Mussolini, Gargnano.

The Mussolini Administration Building is still being guarded by civilians, as stated before, there seems to be nothing of importance left in the place.

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7. Villa Fritzel, Gargnano.

Despite the fact that Villa Fritzel is a protected monument and bears proper signs to that effect, it has been occupied by the Headquarters of the 334 Ordnance Group. The commanding officer, Lt.Col.O.E. Yeadley, was exceedingly co-operative and more than willing to do anything to protect the records scattered throughout this building. He had taken all precautions possible and was having the boxes of records stored in rooms that were not to be occupied. He had issued orders to the 10 officers and 40 men who will live and work in the building that there is to be no "souvenir hunting." Officials from Rome should be sent to Gargnano as soon as possible to pick up these records and remove them. Col.Yeadley would like to have them out of the building for their own protection.

/s/ William D. McCain
/t/ William D. McCain
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22 May 1945

Subject : Inspection of archives in Bergamo.

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

1. Ministero delle Corporazioni Industriali.

The archives officer, following information that offices of the Ministero delle Corporazioni had been located in Bergamo, visited the town on May 22. These offices, which apparently were first the Ministero delle Corporazioni, then the Ministero dell'Economia Corporativa, and finally the Ministero delle Produzione Industriale, were housed in a large new state office building on Via Largo Alan near the Prefettura. The building is guarded by partisans and the keys are in the custody of an Italian. Both janitors were there, appointed by the Prefetto to look after the place and its contents. Every is good order. The locking of every room retards inspection of the contents, but certainly would deter looters and souvenir hunters. The numerous offices, which appear to have been left by workers who expected to return to their desks the following day, contain a vast quantity of records pertaining to the industrial resources and production of Italy. The archivio e protocollo del Ministero (room 61) was too securely locked for inspection. The small library of the ministry was in good order. The mail room contained undistributed mail. There was practically no evidence of destruction of records. Several offices contain records of the Corte dei Conti, Ufficio di Controllo per gli atti del Ministero delle Produzione Industriale. Some offices seem to contain some records of the Partito Fascista Repubblicano, Gruppo Fascista Repubblicano del Ministero dell'Economia

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Corporative (Produzione Industriale). The Provincial Commissioner, Lt. Col. P. Harley-Fletcher, is of the opinion that the Allied Commission should send an expert from the Industry Subcommission, accompanied by an Italian official from the appropriate ministry, to inspect these records and make recommendations for their use and eventual removal to Rome. The present guarding arrangements seem excellent, but the records should be returned to Rome as soon as possible.

2. Archives of Angelo Tarchi, Ministero per la Produzione Industriale.

The Archives Officer was informed by Lt. Col. P. Harley-Fletcher that he had taken certain records belonging to Angelo Tarchi, Ministro per la Produzione Industriale, from the villa in which Tarchi lived and stored them in the building occupied by the Ministero della Produzione Industriale. The Archives Officer, in the limited time at his disposal, did not find these records and will return to the building at a later date. The Provincial Commissioner realizes the value of such records and has been very careful to see that they have been safeguarded.

/s/ William D. Redain

/s/ William D. Redain
Capt., CAC
Archives Officer
Lombardia Region.

HEADQUARTERS
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21 May 1945

Subject: Records of the Ministero delle Finanze.

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardy Region.

1. Ministero delle Finanze, Milano.

With the aid of Dott. T. Tannucci, Capo di Gabinetto, Commissario alle Finanze (a title subject yet to approval), and Dott. Diego Spicelli, whose offices are at Piazza S. Alessandro 4, the following list of offices of the Ministero delle Finanze in Milano has been compiled. The offices, which are closed, all contain records that are in good order.

a. Ragioneria Generale dello Stato, Via S.Michele del Carso 25.
b. Comando Generale provvisorio della Guardia di Finanza S. L., Via Palestro, 14.
c. Provveditorato Generale dello Stato, Via S.Vittore, 14.
d. Direzione Generale Personali e Affari Generali, Via L. Ariosto 1.
e. Direzione Generale Imposte Dirette, Via S.Paolo 10.
f. Direzione Generale Tasse e Imposte Indirette sugli Affari, Via Tommaso 41.
g. Direzione Generale del Tesoro, Via S.Giani 8.
h. Direzione Generale Demani e Valute, Via Alberto da Giussano 18.
i. Direzione Generale Finanza Locale, Viale Bolzano 3.
j. Direzione Generale del Catasto e SS.TT. Erariali, Via Manin 27.
k. Ufficio Riscontro della Corte dei Conti per Conti l'Amm'ne Finanziaria, Via Carlo Pagano 65.

2. Ministero delle Finanze, Brescia.

The following offices, some of which were contained

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1. Ministeri delle Finanze, Milano.

With the aid of Dott. V. Tamassoni, Capo di Gabinetto, Commissario alle Finanze (a title subject yet to approval), and Dott. Diego Spinelli, whose offices are at Piazza S. Alessandro 6, the following list of offices of the Ministero delle Finanze in Milano has been compiled. The offices, which are closed, all contain records that are in good order.

a. Ragioneria Generale dello Stato, Via S.Michele del Carso 25.
b. Comando Generale Provvisorio della Guardia di Finanza i. i., Via Palestro, 14.
c. Provveditorato Generale dello Stato, Via S.Vittore, 14.
d. Direzione Generale Personali e Affari Generali, Via L. Ariosto 1.
e. Direzione Generale Imposte Dirette, Via S.Paolo 10.
f. Direzione Generale Tasse e Imposte Indirette sugli Affari, Via Tommaso 1.
g. Direzione Generale del Tesoro, Via S.Sisti 6.
h. Direzione Generale Demani e Valute, Via Liberto da Giussano 18.
i. Direzione Generale Finanze Locali, Viale Monza 5.
j. Direzione Generale del Catasto e S.T.T. Erariali, Via Monte 27.
k. Ufficio Riscontro della Corte dei Conti per Conti l'Amm/ne Finanziaria, Via Mario Pagano 25.

2. Ministeri delle Finanze, Brescia.

The following offices, some of which were mentioned in a previous report, are located in Brescia.

a. Direzione Generale Dogane e II.II, Via Carlo Alberto 2.
b. Direzione Generale Cassa Depositi e Prestiti ed Istituto Previdenza, Via dei Mille 21.
c. Direzione Generale Debito Pubblico.
d. Direzione Generale Pensioni di Guerra.
e. Direzione Generale del Demanio.

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3. **Ministero delle Finanze, Valtrasia.**

The office of the Ministero delle Finanze is located in Valtrasia, Province of Cuma.

4. **Amministrazione Autonoma Monopoli di Stato.**

/S/ William D. Nelson
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Archives Officer
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15 May 1945

Subject: Weekly Report of Archives Officer

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region

1. ARCHIVES IN MILANO

The Archivio di Stato was located in the Palazzo del Senato, a building that was hit repeatedly during the raids of 13 and 15 August 1943 and which burned for ten days. The more valuable archives had been evacuated to Varenna, Ancona, Gradisca, and Bergamo and are safe. Plans have been made with Comm. Dott. Guido Mengarelli, sopraintendente del R.Archivio di Stato in Lombardia and to make certain searches for private records of Fascist officials. The Archivio Notarile, located at Piazza del Mercanti 13, is undamaged and its unevacuated records are safe. Approximately 100,000 packages of its more valuable archives were evacuated to Bergamo. The Ospedale Storiche del Comune was housed in the Castello Sforzesco which was hit by bombs and partly burned. The more important records were sent to Pandria and are safe. The archivio Storico and the Biblioteca Trivulziana were also housed in Castello Sforzesco, but were evacuated to Pandria and suffered little loss.

2. ARCHIVES IN BERGAMO AND SALÒ.

Another inspection of Villa Faltrinelli, the Mussolini administration building, and Villa Bettoni was made. No records of any importance remain in Villa Faltrinelli or the Mussolini Administration Building in Bergamo. Villa Bettoni was used for the offices of the Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri and a great deal of records remains. The three buildings are being guarded under the supervision of the 1904th Military Police Battalion of the 15th Army Group. An inspection of the Palazzina Comunale at Salò disclosed that it contained crates of household goods and pictures, furniture, and crates of books belonging to Mussolini; no records were found and apparently none had been stored there.

/s/ William D. McCain

/t/ WILLIAM D. McCAIN
Archives Officer,
Lombardia Region

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The Archivio di Stato was located in the Palazzo del Tribunale, a building that was hit repeatedly during the raids of 11 and 19 August 1944 and which burned for ten days. The more valuable archives had been evacuated to Lucca, Parma, Montecatini and Ferrara and are safe. Plans have been made with Comm. Intl. Guido Mengarelli, Soprintendente del R.Archivio di Stato in Lucca and to make certain searches for private records of Fascist officials. The Archivio Notarile, located at Piazza dei Servanti 19, is undamaged and its unevacuated records are safe. Approximately 100,000 packages of its more valuable archives were evacuated to Barengo. The Ospedale Storiche del Comune was housed in the Castello Sforzesco which was hit by bombs and partly burned. The more important records were sent to Sondrio and are safe. The Archivio Storico and the Biblioteca Trivulziana were also housed in Castello Sforzesco, but were evacuated to Sondrio and suffered little loss.

2. Archives in Bergamo and Salò.

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/s/ William D. Redkin

/s/ WILLIAM D. REDKIN
Archives Officer,
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18 May 1945

Subject: Inspection of Archives in Milano.

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

1. Archivio di Stato.

The Archivio di Stato was located in the Palazzo del Senato at Via del Senato 10. The Archives Officer first visited this location on May 14 and was informed by the custodian of the ruins, Angelo Fabbri, that the building was hit by at least four high explosive bombs and numerous incendiaries during the night raids of 13 and 15 August 1943. The building and contents, including unevacuated archives, burned for ten days.

Before the bombings, the more valuable archives had been removed to the following places:

(a). A church in Sarzanate.
(b). Chiesa detta in Turba and outbuildings of the Palazzo Privio Belgioioso in Barate.
(c). Villa Greppi in Montevecchio.
(d). Teatro Comunale in Bernago.

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The Archives Officer was assured on May 14 by the custodian that all of the evacuated archives were safe and undamaged. On May 16 he was given the same information by Comm. Dott. Guido Mangenelli, sopraintendente del R. Archivio di Stato. Only a few hundred bundles of the more recent records that were not removed from the Palazzo del Senato were saved from the fire. These are now stored in an unburned portion of the building.

Dott. Mangenelli wishes to visit the Archivi di Stato in the Lombardia Region as soon as possible, and the Archives Officer will attempt to arrange transportation and will accompany him. Dott. Mangenelli is eager to assist in the search for any of the papers of Mussolini or any other Fascist leaders.

2. Archivio Alfredo Pallardi.

This collection was in the Archivio di Stato and is now safely stored in Villa Greppi at Montevecchio.

3. Archivio Notarile.

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The Archivio Notarile, located at Piazza del Mercanti 19, is undamaged. Approximately 100,000 packages or bundles of its records were evacuated to the Teatro Comunale in Bernago and are safe.

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4. Marchetti Stricker del Comune.

This collection was housed in the Castello Sforzesco, which was hit, by bombs and partly burned. The archivist, Dott. Leopoldo Marchetti, stated that practically the entire collection had been evacuated to a sanatorium in Somirio and was safe. Practically no loss was suffered in the fire. Dott. Marchetti would like to visit his deposit as soon as possible and would like to return it to Milano at the earliest opportunity. The Archives Officer will arrange for the visit and will make an effort to secure trucks for the return of the collection.

5. Archivio Storico and Biblioteca Trivulziana.

These two collections, under the supervision of Prof. Caterina Santoro, were housed in the Castello Sforzesco. She stated that practically all of both were evacuated to the sanatorium in Somirio and are safe. Practically no loss was suffered in the fire. She would like to visit the deposits and return them to Milano as soon as possible.

/s/ William D. McCain
Archives Officer, Lombardia Region

/s/ William D. McCain.

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Subject: Inspection of Archives in Milano.

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

1. Archivio di Stato .

The Archivio di Stato was located in the Palazzo del Senato at Via Del Senato 10. The Archives Officer first visited this location on May 14 and was informed by the custodian of the ruins, Angelo Pastori, that the building was hit by at least four high explosive bombs and numerous incendiaries during the night raids of 13 and 15 August 1943. The building and contents, including sequestrated archives, burned for ten days.

Before the bombings, the more valuable archives had been removed to the following places:

a. A church in Sovegnate
b. Chiesa detta in Turta and outbuildings of the Palazzo Privio Belgioioso in Merate.
c. Villa Greppi in Montevecchio
d. Teatro Comunale in Seregno

The Archives Officer was assured on May 14 by the custodian that all of the evacuated archives were safe and undamaged. On May 18 he was given the same information by Comm. Dott. Guido Mangonelli, Soprintendente del R.Archivio di Stato. Only a few hundred bundles of the more recent records that were not removed from the Palazzo del Senato were saved from the fire. These are now stored in an unburned portion of the building.

Dott. Mangonelli wished to visit the Archivi di Stato in the Lombardia Region as soon as possible, and the Archives Officer will attempt to arrange transportation and will accompany him. Dott. Mangonelli is eager to assist in the search for any of the papers of Mussolini or any other Fascist leaders.

2. Archivio Alfredo Pellardi.

This collection was in the Archivio di Stato and is now safely stored in Villa Greppi at Montevecchio.

The Archivio di Stato was located in the Palazzo del Senato 19. The Archives Officer first visited this location on May 14 and was informed by the custodian of the ruins, Angela Fabbri, that the building was hit by at least four high explosive bombs and numerous incendiaries during the night raids of 13 and 15 August 1943. The building and contents, including evacuated archives, burned for ten days.

Before the bombings, the more valuable archives had been removed to the following places:

A. A church in Bergamo
B. Chiesa detta in Torre and outbuildings of the Palazzo Brivio Belgioioso in Merate.
C. Villa Greppi in Montevecchia
D. Teatro Comunale in Barzago

The Archives Officer was assured on May 14 by the custodian that all of the evacuated archives were safe and undamaged. On May 18 he was given the same information by Comm. Dott. Guido Mangonelli, Sopraintendente del R.Archivio di Stato. Only a few hundred bundles of the more recent records that were not removed from the Palazzo del Senato were saved from the fire. These are now stored in an undamaged portion of the building.

Dott. Mangonelli wished to visit the Archivi di Stato in the Lombardia Region as soon as possible, and the Archives Officer will attempt to arrange transportation and will accompany him. Dott. Mangonelli is eager to assist in the search for any of the papers of Mussolini or any other Fascist leaders.

2. Archivio Alfredo Vallardi.

This collection was in the Archivio di Stato and is now safely stored in Villa Greppi at Montevecchia.

3. Archivio Notarile.

The Archivio Notarile, located at Piazza dei Mercanti 19, is undamaged. Approximately 100,000 packages or bundles of the records were evacuated to the Teatro Comunale in Barzago and are safe.

4. Raccolta Storiche del Comune.

This collection was housed in the Castello Sforzesco, which

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was hit by bombs and partly burned. The archivist; Dott. Leopoldo Marchetti, stated that practically the entire collection had been evacuated to a cemeterium in Sondrio and was safe. Practically no loss was suffered in the fire. Dott. Marchetti would like to visit his deposit as soon as possible and would like to return it to MILAND at the earliest opportunity. The Archives Officer will arrange for the visit and will make an effort to secure trucks for the return of the collection.

5. Archivio Storico and Biblioteca Trivulziana.

These two collections, under the supervision of Prof. Caterina Santoro, were housed in the Castello Sforzesco. She stated that practically all of both were evacuated to the cemeterium in Sondrio and are safe. Practically no loss was suffered in the fire. She would like to visit the deposits and return them to MILAND as soon as possible.

/s/ William J. McCain
Archives Officer, Lombardia
Region.

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3. Archive Stores and Libraries Circulation.

These two collections, under the supervision of Prof. Saturino Santos, were housed in the Castello Sforzesco. She stated that practically all of both were evacuated to the seminarium in Lombria and are safe. Practically no loss was suffered in the fire. She would like to visit the depositz and return them to MILAN as soon as possible.

/s/ William D. McCain
Archives Officer, Lombardia
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Subject: Transmittal of Documents.

To : Archives Officer (Capt. W.D. McGaie),
LOMBARDIA Region.

1. Herewith the MS. originals of two reports (MANTOVA, dated 3 May 45; MARCHAMO and SALO', dated 6 May 45) and three typed copies of each as you requested in accompanying memorandum of 7 May 45. Other copies have been retained here. In each case a copy has been passed to the Commissario per gli Archivi del Regno. It may be assumed that in general he will receive copies of your reports.

2. Forwarded also, for information and retention, an article from the Osservatore Romano of possible interest to you.

KENNETH T. MACKLIN
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HEAD QUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LOMBARDIA REGION

7 May 1945

Subject: Report on MFA

To : Director Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives
Subcommission Sq. A.C.

1. CREMONA. Visited on afternoon of 3 May together with and Public Works officers. All monuments are intact according to custodian of Museo Civico; this was also confirmed by Sig.ra Civile Director of the Museo Civico, Anna Pellami, a Fascist, has escaped. All art objects from museum (39 cases) had first been stored at PALVARETO. Later were moved to Milano (about 20 months ago). Examined inventory of these objects, which appeared to be in order.

2. MONTEBELLO. Superintendent Orsola (Mantova) advised that all art objects from Mantova deposited in the Villa Greco had been taken to Milano months ago. There are still books and archives stored there and these are reportedly intact.

3. BRESCIA. Visited 5-6 May. Inspected monuments with Prof. Ugo Baronselli, who is extremely able and cooperative. Copies of his reports on damages are included herewith. Most serious damages are the Ch. of S.S. dei Miracoli, which has lost its vaults and most of the aspels, but facade is almost intact thanks to the antiair protection. Repairs and clearance are well under way and it will probably be possible to restore this church. The Palazzo Salvadego received direct hits and the celebrated Loretto frescoes were somewhat damaged, largely by concussion since the windows had not been sandbagged. These have been detached from the walls and are now ready for backing; the work was done by an excellent restorer from Milano and seemed to me a very good job. Repairs and clearance are well under way in Brescia due to Prof. Baronselli's energetic efforts. Prof. B. has a complete photographic documentation of damages to monuments and he has provided us two copies of each photo for MFA archives.

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Art objects, books and archives from Brescia are stored in various places nearby; Prof. B. assured me that he knew that all these deposits are intact. We visited the deposit of books and archives in a villa at LONATO, which were in fairly good order considering that the villa had been occupied by the Repubblicani Nazi. The cathedral at LONATO is intact.

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4. SALO', GARDONE. Visited on 6 May, with Capt. McCain. No damages to monuments. All pictures and furnishings of value removed from Villa Bettoni by owner previous to its occupation by Fascist President del Cavaglio. The Villa will probably be requisitioned by 5th Army as rest center, to which I would see no objection. The owner is Col. Bettoni, who is commander of the Partisans in Brescia. Also visited Villa Feltrinelli, occupied

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by Vaseline as a residence; it is of no artistic value at all and has been requisitioned by 5th Army.

5. General, I hope to obtain permission to go to Palermo tomorrow for the day. It is rumored that Mr. will finally be permitted to move there on Thursday.

/s/ Perry S. Ott,

/t/ PERRY S. OTT, Lieut. USNR
Director, OPAS Division
ASC Lombardia Region

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Headquarters
Allied Military Government
Milan Region

5 May 1945

Subject: Inspection of Records of the Italian Government in Milan.

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardy Region.

1. [redacted]

Offices and records of the Ministero delle Finanze were supposed to be located at Via S. Gottardo Bottaglia 18 (Milan) : Forces Target No. 171. The archives officer, accompanied by two members of the staff of Captain William W. Gabbert, Milan : Force Commander, visited this location and interviewed Dott. Carello [illegible], Prima Presidente di Corte di Appello, Milan. Dott. [illegible] stated that no economic records of the Ministero delle Finanze had ever been in the building. They had been located in Via Mantova, but had been evacuated to Milan a month ago. Dott. [illegible] stated that some of the records of the Ministero delle Finanze were destroyed while being evacuated, but did not know any details. He had heard that a freight car of records had been destroyed. He explained that he had received no salary since April, 1944, and that the reason given for the failure to pay him was the destruction of records.

2. [redacted]

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The archives officer learned that the Contabilità di Liberazione Nazionale, Milan, had on 30 April appointed Dott. Giorgio Spinelli, an employee of the Ministero delle Finanze, to take charge of its records and affairs in Milan. He interviewed Dott. Spinelli and then ordered Capt. Gabbert to turn the various offices over to Dott. Spinelli. The Direzione Generale del Tesoro (Milan) : Forces Target No. 71 was located at Via dei Mille 6. Part of the records had been sent to [redacted] and others were packed in sacks for shipment, but a large quantity of the records were in place and undisturbed. Records of the Ministero delle Finanze in [redacted] will be found in the Crystal Palace (?) on Via Rivoli' Ghent. Records of the Direzione Generale delle Tasse di Guerra e Provvedimenti delle Tasse, except for portions sent to [redacted] are in the Istituto Fiscal, Via Goito 11 (Target No. 11). Records of the Direzione Generale delle Tasse, except for those in [redacted], are at Cesena (Target No. 11). Records of the Direzione del Catasto (Milan) were evacuated, except for those in [redacted]

1. [illegible]

Officers and records of the Ministero della Difesa were supposed to be located at the [illegible] Servizio della Motoglia [illegible] (Target No. 17). The archives officer, accompanied by two members of the staff of Capitano Gilles V. Roberts, [illegible] Force Commander, visited this location and interviewed Gent. Carlo [illegible], Prime Presidente di Corte di Appello, [illegible]. Gent. [illegible] stated that he evacuated records of the Ministero della Difesa had every been in the building. Some had been located on the Mezzalona, but had been moved to Milano a month ago. Gent. [illegible] knew that some of the records of the Ministero della Difesa were destroyed while being evacuated, but did not know any details. He had heard that a freight car of records had been destroyed. He explained that he had received no salary since April, 1944, and that the reason given for the failure to pay him was the destruction of records.

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The archives officer learned that the Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale, [illegible], had on 30 April appointed Gent. Diego Spinelli, an employee of the Ministero della Difesa, to take charge of the records and archives in [illegible]. He interviewed Gent. Spinelli and then arrived Capt. Roberts to turn the various archives over to Gent. Spinelli. The Direzione Generale del Tesoro (Target No. 7) was located at Via del Mille 6. Part of the records had been sent to Milano and others were packed in crates for shipment, but a large quantity of the records were in place and undisturbed. Records of the Ministero della Difesa in [illegible] will be found in the Esercito Italiano (1) on the Mezzalona' Giant. Records of the Direzione Generale della Pensioni di Guerra a Risarcimento delle Spese, the Cartellini (Target No. 11). Records of the Direzione Generale delle Zone, except for those in [illegible], are at Corso Magenta 30 (Target No. 12). Records of the Direzione del Carcere were a Fermanda, except for those in [illegible], are at Via Morselli 12 (Target No. 13). Records of the Direzione Generale delle Imposte are in the Palazzo Borghese, Via Cattolica 6 (Target No. 14). The records of the Direzione del Catasto e del Servizio Tecnico Centrale are at Via Delle Terme 108 (Target No. 15). The records of the Direzione del Demanio are at Via Tevere 17 (Target No. 16). The Italians appear to have done an excellent job in preserving all these records and should continue with that responsibility.

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1. [illegible]

The records of the [illegible] Force indicated that records of the Ministero dell'Interno might be found in the Regia Prefettura, Piazza Brescia (Target No. 1); the Albergo Brescia, Via Roberto 1 (Target No. 1); and in Villa Orefici. Apparently no records of the Ministero dell'Interno have ever been at target No. 1 or Target No. 9. Villa Orefici was finally located at Via [illegible] 2. The archives officer was informed by Lieut. Pietro Alessi, one of the employes present, that Prefetto Balloni had appointed Lawyer Liberto Barzini to take charge of the Villa and its contents. The Villa was guarded by the Carabinieri, an office established since the arrival of the Neapolitan government in this part of the country, and the Intermunicipal Center and Correspondence Clearing Office. The Italians seem to have the situation under control and need neither help nor interference. Other offices of the Ministero dell'Interno are located in Brescia and in surrounding villages, but a lack of time prevented the archives officer from visiting them.

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Archives Officer, Lombardia Reg.

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[illegible] of the Italian [illegible] speaking Lower Libya seemed to have shown of the [illegible] and the contents, but still not [illegible] [illegible] in Libya, [illegible] of the Allied [illegible] of the Allied government in some part of the country, and the Intercontinental Center and Correspondence Training Bureau. The Italians seem to have the situation under control and some neither help nor interference. Their [illegible] of the Malvinari Cell Library are limited to Derna and to surrounding villages, but a lack of this prevented the archives officer from visiting them.

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Archives Officer, [illegible] Sec.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
[illegible] REGION

2 May 1945

Subject: Inspection of Archives at MANTOVA.

To : Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

1. ARCHIVIO DI STATO

The Archivio di Stato is located at Via Roberto Ardigo' [illegible] (not Via Roberto Ardigo' 6, as stated in Brief Memorandum [illegible] on the Protection of [illegible]) adjacent to the Biblioteca Comunale. Dott. [illegible] Ferrarini, Director of the Biblioteca Comunale, stated that the more valuable archives of the Archivio di Stato had been evacuated by the director, Prof. [illegible], to Villa [illegible] near [illegible], [illegible] kilometers from MANTOVA. Dott. Ferrarini stated further that Prof. [illegible] was at Villa [illegible] in custody of the evacuated archives. There has been no damage to the evacuated archives, those remaining in the Archivio di Stato, or any other archives in MANTOVA. The custodian of the Archivio di Stato made essentially the same statements as Dott. Ferrarini. Transport should be provided as soon as possible to return Prof. [illegible] and his archives to MANTOVA.

2. ARCHIVIO [illegible]

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Dott. Ferrarini stated that the Archivio Comunale was a part of the Archivio Storico Gonzaga. This collection was evacuated to Villa [illegible], [illegible] kilometers from MANTOVA. These archives are safe and undamaged, according to Dott. Ferrarini, but they should be returned to MANTOVA at the earliest opportunity.

3. ARCHIVIO NOTARILE

The Archivio Notarile is located at Vicolo [illegible] 1 (an alley or passage connecting Piazza delle Erbe and Piazza [illegible]). The place was closed, but all information is that no archives were evacuated and that all are safe.

4. CHURCH ARCHIVES

The Cathedral of Santi Pietro e Paolo and the Palazzo [illegible] are located on Piazza Sordello. The Monuments and Fine Arts Officer was informed that some of the church records had been evacuated, but had been returned to MANTOVA.

1. [illegible]

The archive of State is located at Via Roberto Ardigo' 2; (but Via Roberto Ardigo' 6, as stated in Brief [illegible] [illegible] and lists in the Collection of Italian Archives) adjacent to the Bibliotheca Vaticana. Cont. Cesare Ferrarini, director of the Bibliotheca Comunale, stated that the most valuable archives of the Archivio di Stato had been evacuated by the director, Prof. Mario Lecis, to Villa Marchal near Fabriano (Ancona, 18 kilometers from Rome). Cont. Ferrarini stated further that Prof. Lecis was at Villa Marchal in custody of the evacuated archives. There has been no damage to the evacuated archives, those remaining in the Archivio di Stato, or any other archives in Rome. The evacuation of the Archivio di Stato made essentially the same observations as cont. Ferrarini. Transport should be provided as soon as possible to return Prof. Lecis and his archives to Rome.

2. [illegible]

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Cont. Ferrarini stated that the Archivio Comunale was a part of the Archivio Storico Capitolino. This collection was evacuated to Villa Lucca, seven kilometers from Rome. These archives are safe and undamaged, according to cont. Ferrarini, but they should be returned to Rome at the earliest opportunity.

3. [illegible]

The Archivio Notarile is located at Piazza Lorenzi 1 (an alley or passage connecting Piazza della Rotonda and Piazza Rondanini). The place was closed, but all information is that the archives were evacuated and that all are safe.

4. [illegible]

The Ministerial of Santi Pietro e Paolo and the Palazzo Venezia are located on Piazza Venezia. The Commerciale and Fine Arts Office was informed that some of the church records had been evacuated, but had been returned to Rome. No church records have been damaged or destroyed.

5. [illegible]

The Pantheon received one or more bomb hits, but no records were damaged.

6. [illegible]

No government offices were transferred from Rome to Naples, as far as can be determined, and no evacuated government have been found in the city.

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