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FIFTH ARMY - LOMBARDIA REGION

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18 JUNE 1945

ROUTINE

RESTRICTED PD

PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS PROPOSED LABOR CONVENTION OF DELEGATES OF  
CAMERA DEL LAVORO TO BE HELD IN MILAN TWENTY FOUR AND TWENTY FIVE  
JUNE PD

PARA TWO PD FIFTH ARMY CHA REQUEST REGIONAL COMMISSIONER LOMBARDIA  
REGION FROM ALCON HEADQUARTERS CITE ALCON PARK

PARA THREE PD ALCON REQUESTED THAT PERMISSION BE GRANTED TO HOLD  
MEETING IF FIFTH ARMY APPROVE PD

PARA FOUR PD REQUEST NOTIFICATION WHETHER FIFTH ARMY APPROVE AND  
IMPOSITION OF CONDITIONS THAT FIFTH ARMY MAY DECIDE TO IMPOSE PD

PARA FIVE PD MEETING WOULD COMPRISE TWO HUNDRED PROPERLY APPOINTED  
DELEGATES OF VARIOUS CAMERA DEL LAVORO IN NORTHERN REGION AND WOULD  
NOT MEET NOT BE OPEN TO GENERAL PUBLIC PD

PARA SIX PD THE ORGANIZERS ARE THE GENERAL CONFEDERATION OF ITALIAN  
LABOR WHO GUARANTEE THAT QUESTIONS TO BE DISCUSSED WOULD BE GENERAL  
LABOR QUESTIONS AND WOULD EXCLUDE PARTY POLITICS PD

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AMG 5TH ARMY - LOMBARDIA REGION

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ADVISE FROM ALCON HEADQUARTERS CITY SOLAN PAPER

PARA TWO PD ALCON REQUESTED THAT PERMISSION BE GRANTED TO HOLD  
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NICHOLAS FLOWERS  
CWO USA  
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2 JUNE 1945

ROUTINE

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PARA ONE PD REFERENCE BUDGETS REGIONAL AND PROVINCIAL LABOR OFFICES PD  
PARA TWO TO COLONEL THOMAS LAKE CMA ARMO FIFTH ARMY CMA FROM ALCON  
HEADQUARTERS CITY AGLAS PAREN

PARA TWO PD IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT BUDGETS BE STRICTLY IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH LABOUR SUBCOMMISSION MEMORANDUM SIX APRIL NINETEEN FORTYFIVE  
REFERENCE LOVE SUGAR CHARLIE SLANT EIGHT ONE CMA DASH ONE ONE NINE  
THREE PD

PARA THREE PD RECRUITING PROBLEMS APPRECIATED BUT SALARIES MUST  
BE IN LINE WITH ITALIAN GOVERNMENT STANDARDS EXISTING IN AREA PD

PARA FOUR PD POSSIBILITY OF REVISING GRADES UPWARD BEING EXAMINED  
WITH ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD

PARA FIVE PD IN ADDITION IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT SOME ITALIAN  
GOVERNMENT DECREES INCREASING SALARIES OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES  
WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN NEAR FUTURE PD

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NICHOLAS PIERRE  
Adjutant Assistant

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AMG FIFTH ARMY

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22 MAY 1945

ROUTINE

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PARA ONE PD REFERENCE YOUR CABLE TWO ZERO FIVE NINE OF TWO ONE  
MAY BE TEMPORARY DUTY FOR BE PERS WITH AMG FIFTH ARMY PD  
PARA TWO PD REQUEST UNABLE ASSIGN BE PERS PD  
PARA THREE PD REQUEST FURTHER PARTICULARS OF SURVEY PROPOSED TO  
BE CONTINUED PD

LABOUR SUBCOMMISSION

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NICHOLAS FIGUEROA  
CWO USA  
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HEADQUARTERS  
AMG FIFTH ARMY  
A.P.C. 464 U.S. ARMY

SECRET

WDH/kr  
30 April 1945.

REFERENCE: 61/1

SUBJECT : Move of HQ AMG Fifth Army.

TO : See Distribution.

1. HQ AMG Fifth Army less S.C.A.O. (at Bologna) and Executive Officer (at Fifth Army C.P.) will move to new location in area MODENA on 1st May 1945.

2. Detail of location will be with SCAD Bologna City, P.C. Modena Province, and Traffic Control Post at east entry to MODENA.

3. Telephone communications will be through Lightning Rear and numbers will be notified later.

4. Urgent messages can be left with AMG Local Resources Section, telephone Lightning Rear 166.

W.D. Hayne

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W.D. HAYNE,  
Major, RA,  
Admin-Officer.

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| Chief Clerk                |                 |         |

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AMG 5TH ARMY

27 APRIL 1945

ROUTINE

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PARA ONE PD THIS IS TO ADVISE YOU THAT COLONEL JAMES  
BARBOCK LABOUR OFFICER IS TO BE ON TEMPORARY DUTY WITH  
FIFTH ARMY PD

PARSH TO AMG FIFTH ARMY CMA ATTENTION LABOUR OFFICER CMA  
FROM ALCON HEADQUARTERS CITY AGLAR PARSH

PARA TWO PD FOR A TEN DAY PERIOD EFFECTIVE TWENTY SEVENTH  
APRIL PD

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NICHOLAS PIGMEINO  
CWO USA

ADJUT. ASSISTANT

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## INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

LABOUR

Originator's Reference: 9419  
 Date/Time of Origin: APR 142000B

**SECRET**

Message Centre No: 2/7588  
 Date Time Rec'd: APR 150800B  
 Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: AMG 5 ARMY CITE OUR 965  
 TO : HQ AICOM

**ACTION****SECRET**

Ref your 5023 policy set forth in telegram has been discussed with 5 Army Labor Control and AMG Labor Officers 5 Army and opinion is that the wage reduction set forth will interfere seriously with 5 Army operations. It has been the practice for 5 Army service units to carry forward several thousand civilian workers most of whom have been with Army for long time and have been trained in Army technique. These civilians have replaced military personnel and have in numerous instances become indispensable. If now told that the next move forward means reduced wages it will seriously affect morale and will cause inestimated number to leave Army employment. Request application of policy to 5 Army area be deferred pending further study.

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Action - Labour (2)  
 Info - A/President  
 Chief Commissioner  
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 File (2)  
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AND 5TH ARMY FOR ATTENTION OF LABOUR OFFICER

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8 APRIL 1945

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SUBJECT IS RATES OF WAGES TO BE APPLIED FROM ARMED FORCES WAGES SCALE TO CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF ARMED FORCES IN NORTHERN ITALY THAT IS TO SAY NORTH OF TOSCANY REGION BOUNDARY PD

PARA TWO AND 5TH ARMY FOR ATTENTION OF LABOUR OFFICER FROM ALCON SITE AGLAS

PARA ONE

PD IT HAS BEEN DECIDED IN PRINCIPLE THAT THE RATES AT PRESENT PAID SHOULD NOT BE AUTOMATICALLY CARRIED FORWARD SINCE THIS WOULD CONTRAST TOO SHARPLY WITH WAGES STANDARDS BELIEVED TO BE APPLICABLE IN NORTH PD

PARA TWO PD COST OF LIVING RATES MUST NOT BE PAID BUT BE ADDED TO BASIC RATE

UNTIL AUTHORITY IS RECEIVED PD THEREFORE FIRST STEP ON ENTRY INTO NEW

TERRITORY MUST BE ASCERTAINMENT OF LOCALLY PREVAILING RATE WHICH SHOULD BE TAKEN AS THE WAGE AGREEMENT RATE IN FORCE ON OR ABOUT THIRD APRIL TO AVOID RECOGNISING OTHER RECENT BREAKAWAY IN RATES PD

PARA THREE PD THERE ARE FLAT RATE FAMILY ALLOWANCES AS CUSTOMARY FOR ARMED FORCES WAGES SCALE BASED ON NOTIONAL FAMILY OF MAN WIFE TWO DEPENDENTS AND WORK OUT THE WAGE PACKET PD

FIND IN ARMED FORCES WAGES SCALE TAKE THE NEAREST SIMILAR RATE AND FOR THIS PURPOSE REFER TO SARDINIA RATE OR RICELY RATE OR APPROPRIATE POINT IN MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM

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AMG 5TH ARMY FOR ATTENTION OF LABOUR OFFICERS

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8 APRIL 1945

CONFIDENTIAL  
PRIORITY

FIXED FOR RAILROAD AND INCREASE RATE SO FIXED TO APPLY PD

PARA FOUR PD ON NO AGENCY APPLY RAILROAD PRESENT MAKING WITHOUT ADEQUATE  
JUSTIFICATION WHICH WILL NOT REPEAT NOT INCREASE SHORTAGE OF LABOUR BECAUSE  
HIGH RATES DO NOT PROMOTE ECONOMIC ADMINISTRATION LABOUR PD

PARA FIVE PD IN THIS WAY IT IS HOPE TO AVOID SITUATION THAT PRIVATE INDUSTRY  
IN NORTH WOULD COMPLAINT TO RAISE RATES BECAUSE AROUND WORKING INTERESTS NEW  
STANDARDS PD

PARA SIX PD ON THE CONTRARY ARMED FORCES WILL FOLLOW LOCAL STANDARDS AND  
PRINCIPLE OF UNIFORM RATE FOR ALL UNITS OF ARMED FORCES IN ALL DISTRICTS  
WILL DISAPPEAR THERE WILL BE VARIOUS RATES FOR DIFFERENT DISTRICTS PD

PARA SEVEN PD EMPLOYING UNITS MUST OF COURSE RECEIVE PROPER INSTRUCTIONS  
FROM RESPECTIVE HEADQUARTERS AND THIS MESSAGE IS TO ADVISE YOU OF THE  
PRINCIPLES ESTABLISHED BY HIGHEST AUTHORITY WHICH WILL BE TRANSLATED INTO ORDERS  
BY AMG PD

PARA EIGHT PD ALSO FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND HOPE TO MAINTAIN PRICE AND  
CURRENCY CONTROL TO JUSTIFY REDUCTION OF PRESENT RAILROAD STANDARDS IN SOME PD

LABOUR SUPERVISOR

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 NICHOLAS PIERRE  
CMA USA  
ASSY ADJUTANT

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September 8/12

COLONEL THOMAS LANE  
LABOUR OFFICER AND 5TH ARMY

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16 MARCH 1945

ROUTINE

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PARA ONE FR STATE EMPLOYEES WILL BE REVIEWED TO RECEIVE  
AT NEXT PAY DAY THE CARD PANK BONUS UNLESS BY THAT DATE THE  
CONSOLIDATED SALARY SCHEDULE IS OPERATIVE FR

PARA TWO COLONEL THOMAS LANE LABOUR OFFICER AND FIFTH ARMY  
FROM ALONG WITH ADLAD BARRER

PARA TWO IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE LATTER WILL APPLY FR  
CHRISTMAS BONUS WILL BE PAYABLE IF RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENT  
DEPARTMENTS APPLY FOR PERMISSION TO PAY IN AND FURNISH FR

LABOUR SUBCOMMISSION

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NICHOLAS FLOKING  
CWO USA  
Asst Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
FIFTH ARMY  
APO 484

*Miss Sullivan*  
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*M. B. Bain*

ASB/Kr.  
8 March 1945.

MEMORANDUM:

SUBJECT: Disturbances.

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1. At 3.30 a.m. there came to this office Captain Moffit of the Labor Division, Florence City, Fifth Army A.M.G. who gave the following account of a conversation between Colonel Lane and the two secretaries of the Camera di Lavoro of Florence Province, and the two representatives of the Communist and Socialist parties. The two secretaries told Colonel Lane that the following incidents which had occurred recently had aroused the local members of their parties. Last Sunday night a bomb, supposedly a hand grenade, had exploded in the Communist headquarters in Via Cavour at about 11.20 hours, nobody was hurt but the workers think that the Italian police are showing little interest in the apprehending of the offenders in the interest of the workers. Last week there was posted in Florence by persons unknown to AMG a number of posters on walls in Florence showing pictures of Hitler, Mussolini, King Victor Emmanuel and the Prince of Piedmont with the inscription that these four were responsible for the present troubles in Italy. An effort is being made to get hold of one of these posters.

2. During last week a person unknown set out and tore down the posters. There is currently running in Florence, a play, the name of the theatre and the address of this Captain Moffit will ascertain from Colonel Lane. In the course of this play some character asserts that all the Italian people are responsible for Italy's troubles. This likewise is affecting the senses of the Italian workers.

3. The workers are likewise concerned by the escape of General Motta. In the light of all these incidents the workers wish to have a half-hour strike. Colonel Lane assured the two secretaries that a half-hour strike would not correct any of these grievances and suggested instead they apply for permission to hold a meeting.

4. Colonel Lane suggests, though this was not mentioned by the secretaries, that word may have got around among the radical groups that the Prince of Piedmont was to visit Florence and this

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was thought to be responsible for the desire to create a disturbance of some sort.

5. A telephone call to General Truscott's villa disclosed that there was ample military police protection for the environs and in view of the private character of the visit it was not thought that to sound a general alarm would be necessary.

ARTHUR E. RUTHERLAND, Jr.

Lt. Colonel, CAC.,  
Executive Officer.

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## HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 324

LABOR SUB-COMMISSION

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TEL : Ext. 204

15 February 1945

REF : LSC/201 - 812

SUBJECT: Use of Workers Social Insurance Cards (SI-1) (SI-2)  
November 1944TO : Lt. Col. Lane, Senior Labor Officer  
AMG - 5th Army

1. Reference is made to your letter addressed to Captain Wilson, Assistant Labor Officer of the 5th Army under date of 13 January 1945, recommending that forms SI-1 and SI-2 be used for accident as well as other forms of insurance.

2. There appears no reason for making any change in the system currently existing for accident claims of civilians employed by Allied Forces. This system, in operation for over a year with satisfactory results, consists in an injury report furnished by the Unit to the injured worker. Standard report forms have been issued both by the D.L. (Br) and F.D.S. No additional burden as regards work injuries has been imposed by the issuance of SI-1 and SI-2 cards.

3. Neither SI-1 or SI-2 could be used satisfactorily in work injury cases, for they contain no information useful in determining whether or what amount of compensation should be paid. SI-2, indeed, is intended only for third person claims involving marriage, birth of a child or sickness of a dependent. SI-1 is an employment record form, not an injury report form. It is probable that a shift to a new procedure regarding work injuries would require additional action, perhaps legislation, by the Italian Government.

4. The foregoing comments are the result of discussions with the Director General of Infortuni and with the Insurance Department of the Finance Sub-Commission, which agencies concur in these views. It is felt that questions of this kind, which are national in scope, might be submitted for resolution at higher level rather than adopt an expedient agreed to between Regional Offices and local Italian authorities.

W. H. BRAINE

W. H. BRAINE  
Director  
Labor Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION

Cross Reference Sheet

File: LSC/P12  
Subject: Payment of Labour Office Personnel  
Date: 7 February 1945  
To: Labour L/e  
From: AMG. Vth Army  
Documents Filed: LSC/411

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LABOR DIVISION AMG 5TH ARMY

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Estimate of figures derived from reports as of 19 January follows.

Heavy workers midshift meal. 29350. Soup meal, 210. Employees not partaking of either, 2000.

Number of employees fed 3 meals per day from Army stocks, 5400.

Employees prefer new Army menus, providing 1 or 3 meals per day, to heavy worker ration as provided for from ALCOM stores.

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INFO: A/President

Chief Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS  
FIFTH ARMY  
APO 66, U.S. ARMY

REFERENCE: 206/1

17th January 1945.

SUBJECT : Payment of the Indennita di Disagiatissima  
Residenza.TO : P.C. Florence,  
P.C. Pistoia,  
P.C. Lucca.

1. Reference is made to Article 10 of D.L.L. No. 328 of 18th  
November 1944, contained in the Gazzetta Ufficiale issue No. 86.

2. The "Indennita di Disagiatissima Residenza" is approved  
for the Communes of Florence, Pistoia and Lucca only. In no case  
however will it be paid for any period during which the "Indennita  
di Bombardamento" is paid.

/s/ Edgar Erskine Hume

EDGAR ERSKINE HUME,  
Brigadier General, G.S.C.,  
Senior Civil Affairs Officer,  
A.S.G. Fifth Army.

Copy to:

P.C. Toscana.  
S.C.A.G. Florence City.  
H.Q. Allied Commission - Labor Sub-Commission.  
H.Q. Allied Commission - Finance & -Commission.

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