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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
LABOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

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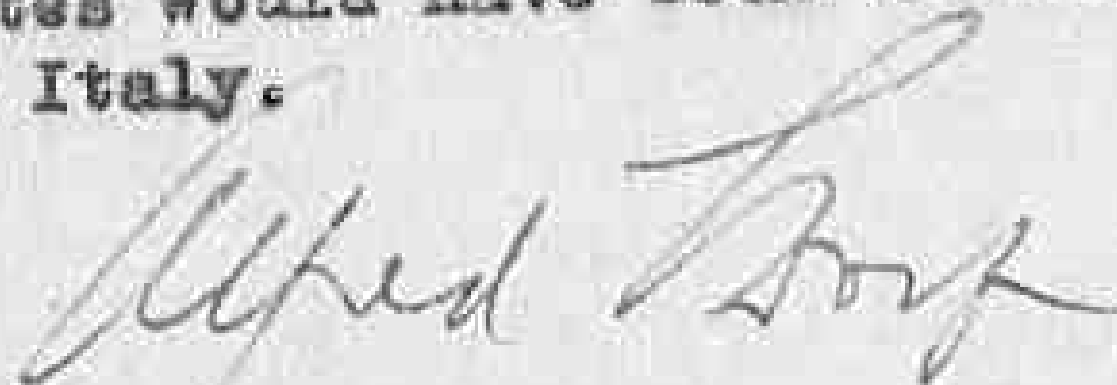
18 November, 1944

SUBJECT: Transport used by American, British and Soviet
Delegates.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters
G. 5 Section - APO 512.

Pursuant to your letter of 31 October 1944, hereto attached, advise that the four motor vehicles, two American and two British, provided for the use of the American, British and Soviet Labor Delegates, have this day been released and returned to their respective units.

This Office is indeed thankful for your kind assistance in supplying the aforementioned transportation, without which the Labor Delegates would have been unable to accomplish their mission in Italy.



ALFRED L. DORF
Captain Q.M.C.
Executive Officer

Copy to:

- 2 - 204 Car Co (A) - McGarry #39249214 - Salchma
 - 1 - 559 Car Co (A) - Hancock #5721807
 - 1 - 358 GAP Car Co (B) Brown #203596
- 1004 Phil Transp Co.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 210.482-38

31 October 1944

SUBJECT: Transport used by the American, British and Soviet Labor
Delegates..

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

It is desired that the Motor Transportation Provided for
the use of the above labor delegations be returned to the respective
units from which obtained immediately upon release by the Soviet
Delegation and report submitted to this Headquarters when this has
been accomplished.

For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:



F. J. Slaughter
F. J. SLAUGHTER,
Captain, A.G.D.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
LABOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

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JRS/as

Phone 489081 Ext 204

7 November 1944

Ref: 091. 4472

SUBJECT: Expenditures made by Officer
conducting Soviet Labor Delegation Tour.

TO : Hq. Commandant
Attention Lt. Parquette.

Attached documents represent unavoidable expenses incurred by Major E. Seidluna in connection with the Soviet Labor Delegation tour, in amount totalling L. 7293.

The expenditures were absolutely justified inasmuch as provision had to be made for accommodation of military personnel in situations where official accommodation was unavailable. These expenditures have my approval and are considered to be reimbursable.

Junius K. Smith
Colonel USMC
Acting Director,
Labor Sub-Commission.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
LABOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

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31 October 1944

SUBJECT: Expences in respect of Soviet Labor Delegation
Tour.

TO : A/Director Labor Sub-Commission.

FROM : Officer Conducting Soviet Delegation.

Report above Subject

1. I am attaching herewith a detailed account of unavoidable expences in connection with the Soviet Labor Delegation Tour, together with such receipts as it was possible for me to obtain at the time.

2. As the Tour often involved staying the night in towns where accomodation for military personnel were unavailable, I have defrayed the relative expences in connection with the arrangements made for the EM/OR Drivers attached to the party.

3. May arrangements please be made for this account to be submitted, through channels, for approval of refund.

Total Sum involved 7293 Lira.

E. Scicluna Maj
E. SCICLUNA Major
ACC Labor Sub Commission
O i/c Soviet Labor Delegation
Tour.

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SOVIET LABOR DELEGATION TOUR (2 Oct. - 31 Oct.)

Expenses incurred by Officer conducting party.

	Lire
& 5 days at Excelsior Hotel Naples (A)	2500
& 4 days at Too H., Bari (B)	400
& Accomodation at Br. Officers Club	
Albergo Imperiale Bari	400
and meals for Official Guest (G ₁) and (G ₂) .	215
* Food and Accomodation for	
three drivers at San Severo	690
& Accomodation and Breakfast for	
three drivers at Potenza (D)	360
& Repairs to Car N° 119925 at Agrigento (E) . . .	408
* Carriage fares at Palermo	200

Total Lire 5173

& Receipts Attached

* Receipt not available

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SOVIET LABOR DELEGATION TOUR (27 Oct. - 4th Nov.)

Expenses incurred by BM/OR Drivers on return journey from
Palermo to Rome

	<u>Lira</u>
Repairs to tyres between Palermo - Messina	50
Hotel Expenses and Caraging at Reggio Calabria	290
Sojourn at Cosenza for 3 Drivers	1180
Hotel Expenses for 3 Drivers at Formia	500
Hotel Expenses for 1 driver at Sala Consiliara (S.M. Salerno)	100
Total	2120

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION

REF :091.4472

Tel. 489081
4 November 1944

SUBJECT: Trade Union Congress in Rome
Vehicle placed at disposal of
Labor Representatives

TO : Capt. D.L. BETHAM Regional Labor Officer
HQ Southern Region

FROM : Maj. E. SCICLUNA Officer i/c
Anglo-American Labor Delegation Tour.

Ref. your LL/222/59 d/d 23 Oct.44 on above
subject.

1. There is no action I can take or any advice I can offer in connection with the settlement of the A/C for vehicles placed at the disposal Labour delegates from the Southern Region to the T.U. Congress in Rome. The facts outlined hereunder, however, should shed light on the matter.

2. The Director Labor Office, Naples (Avv. Cifarrelli) is not correct in stating that (a) Major Scicluna invited and urged Labor Leaders of the "Camera Confederale del Lavoro" of Naples to attend the Congress in Rome; (b) Maj. Scicluna discussed or decided with the Labour Leaders the question of transportation to the Congress. He is correct in saying that no charge was made for any transportation made available by A.C.C. for Labour Leaders attending the Congress.

3. The question of enabling Labour Representatives to attend the Rome Congress was first raised

by the Anglo-American Delegation at the highest possible level at AF HQ? It was then decided that A.C.C. should be responsible for providing this transport and Lt.Col. Jackman was asked to get me to make arrangements with Regional Commissioners both for providing the transport as well as for working out the schedule and itinerary. I subsequently saw Col. Temperley together with Mr. Walter Schevenels, Chairman of the Anglo-American Delegation, and Col. Temperley sent out the relative instructions to provide such transport.

4. The Congress in Rome was sponsored by the Anglo-American Delegation, who considered it essential to convene as wide a representation of organized labour as possible. The "Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro" issued the necessary instructions for the Congress and in view of transportation difficulties the Anglo-American delegates undertook to bring their pressure to bear on the provision of the requisite transport. I am quite convinced that at no time were the "Camera del Lavoro" concerned given to understand that the expenses for the W.D. Transport provided would devolve on them.

J. Lichnamaj

E. SCISLUNA Major

AOC Labor Relations Officer

Officer i/o Anglo-American
Delegation Tour

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LABOR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 334

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23 October 1944

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SUBJECT: Soviet Labor Delegation

TO : Economic Section

Further details regarding the tour of
the Soviet Labor Delegation are as follows:

At Messina	October 24 - 25;
At Agrigento	October 26 - 27;
Lv. Agrigento for Cagliari, Sardinia, by special plane	October 28;
Lv. Cagliari for Rome by plane,	October 31.

JUNIOR R. SMITH
Colonel, AMC
Acting Director
Labor Sub-Commission

Copies to:

Brigadier Lush
Liaison Section
G-5 AFHQ

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

TO: ACC SARDINIA RPTD ACC LABOUR SC ROME

INFO - ACTION 8955

FROM: MAJOR SCICLUNA

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 71/24

CLASSIFICATION: IN CLEAR
PRIORITY

REFERENCE No:

PRECEDENCE:

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: OCT 41015A OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

Soviet Labour Delegation visiting SARDINIA is subject. Four Russian delegates and 2 Italian Labour Co-Federation delegates and Major SCICLUNA ACC conducting officer arriving CAGLIARI air port approximately noon of 28th Oct. Transportation accommodation and feeding arrangements required till morning 31st October.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO: HQ ACC LABOUR SC

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 74/24

FROM: MAJOR SCICLUNA

CLASSIFICATION:

REFERENCE No:

PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: OCT 241015A OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

CONFIDENTIAL. Soviet Labour Delegation itinerary in SICILY will now be as follows 24 and 25 Oct at MESSINA 26 and 27 at AGRIGENTO 28 Oct departure for CAGLIARI by special aircraft. Delegation air bound direct from CAGLIARI to ROME on 31 October please arrange transport LITTORIO air port at 1100 hours. PASTORE of BARI replaced DIVITTORIO on departure from BARI for POTENZA COSENZA REGGIO CALABRIA SICILY and SARDINIA.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO: ACC BARI, ACC CATANZARO, ACC TARANTO, HQ ACC FOR LABOUR SUBCOMMISSION FOR INFO
SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 98/19
FROM: HQ SOUTHERN REGION ACC CLASSIFICATION:
REFERENCE No: SR/402 PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: OCT 191652A OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

CONFIDENTIAL. Following cable received from PALERMO.

"Subject is Labour Delegation from SOVIET RUSSIA. Please inform Major SCICLUNA no ACC personnel at AGRIGENTO. Doubtful whether hotels can accomodate and in any case only civilian feeding arrangements available. Suggest AGRIGENTO be omitted from tour. Signal decision earliest possible."

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MAJOR SCIOLUNA SOUTHERN REGION BARI

ACC HQ

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ROUTINE

LABOR SUB COMMISSION

RESTRICTED SIGNAL FROM SARDINIA STATES ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THIRTYEIGHT
OCTOBER BEING ARRANGED PAREN TO MAJOR SCIOLUNA SOUTHERN REGION BARI FROM ACC
HQ LABOR SUB COMMISSION SIGNED STONE PAREN BUT THAT QUOTE MAJOR SCIOLUNA AND
DELEGATES MUST BRING BEDDING UNQUOTE PD NO COMMENT TO MAKE SIGNED JUNIUS R
SMITH COLONEL ACTING DIRECTOR LABOR SUB COMMISSION

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Lt. MONTAGUT
1st LT, AGD
ADJUTANT

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SARDINIA REGION

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17 October 1944

To : Labour Sub-Commission, H.Q. A.C.C.
Attention : Colonel J.R. SMITH.

SUBJECT : Russian Labour Delegation.

REFERENCE : HQ/1013

With reference to your 4478 of 7th October and 4817 of 14 October, arrangements are in hand for the reception of Major SCICLUNA and the 4 Russian labour delegates on 31st October.

The High Commissioner has also been informed.

Accommodation in CAGLIARI is limited as it was largely destroyed by bombing. Major SCICLUNA and the delegates must bring with them bedding and mosquito nets are also advisable.

J.A.C. Pennyquick

JACP/ejh

J.A.C. PENNYQUICK.
Colonel.
Regional Commissioner.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO: HQ ACC

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 92/17

FROM: ACC SARDINIA REGION

CLASSIFICATION:

REFERENCE No: ACC 441

PRECEDENCE:

PRIORITY

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: OCT 17 1614Z

OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

RESTRICTED. Your 4817 dated 14 Oct noted. Accommodation for 31 Oct being arranged. Major SCICLUNA and delegates must bring bedding.

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TO: REG COMMISSIONER SICILY RPTD HQ ACC FOR LABOR SUBCOMMISSION
SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: N10/17
FROM: MAJOR SPICOLUNA ACC
CLASSIFICATION:
REFERENCE No: BZ/RT/42
PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: Oct 16 1540 OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

RESTRICTED. Reference your signal regarding accommodation for Soviet Labor Delegation the answer to your questions is as follows. Firstly, 3 Italian delegates will make own arrangements. Secondly, accommodation or feeding arrangements not required between MESSINA and AGRIGENTO.



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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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APO 394

File 4472

15 October 1944

SUBJECT: Soviet Labor Delegation Tour.

TO: A/Director Labor Sub-Commission

FROM: Major E. Scicluna, Labor Relations Officer

1. In connection with above subject, refer copy of my letter to Provincial Commissioner, Taranto, dated 13 October, and my previous report dated 7 October, 1944.

2. According to your instructions to summarize our conversation of even date in an aide-memoire, I am herewith outlining the highlights of my observations during the present tour. I am expressing certain opinions with the reservation that future experience only can afford the opportunity of testing them fully.

3. The tour has, to my mind, been organized with a view to furthering the spread of Soviet ideals and creating a spirit of confidence and respect for Soviet Russia rather than as an opportunity for the Soviet delegates to see the conditions of the working classes and to study the trade union organization in liberated Italy. This is confirmed by the fact that the absence of Lizzadri in Naples has been the occasion for this demagogic tactic to be adopted not only by the delegates themselves, but more particularly by Di Vittorio. Colassanti (representing Grandi), joined the party at Naples, but he is treated as a "necessary impedimentum", a cumbersome adjunct that can be ignored when present and that can be discarded if and when opportunity presents itself. Colassanti is not informed and certainly never consulted over the question of the delegation's plans or activities. He was forgotten (deliberately, I dare say, by the circumstances in which it occurred) at Foggia, and if he succeeded to re-join the party it was only because he managed to hitch-hike his way to the next stop. He was again ditched at Manfredonia, when I went back to pick him up.

4. Special meetings have generally been arranged in advance by the Provincial Secretary of the Communist Party, and undoubtedly by prior order of Di Vittorio. Speeches delivered in the various places vary in their content according to the locality and the directives given by the Provincial Secretary. At Naples, for example, addresses were more guarded and certainly not full of invective and provocation of class hatred. Outside of Naples, on the other hand, in the smaller centers, the addresses of Di Vittorio have been more directly aimed at Communist propaganda and though the message is substantially the same, the form changes as occasion demands. This change of front, I suggest, is not unconnected with the

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fact that speeches received publicity in a place like Naples but not in the smaller towns, notwithstanding the presence throughout the tour of the Editor-Manager of "La Voce" which is published in Naples and circularized throughout the South.

5. The original plan of going direct to Bari and visiting towns from there was abandoned the moment we reached Naples. I was only advised on our departure from Naples that we were not headed for Bari but rather for Foggia, where we would sleep that night. Instead of reaching Bari on 10 October, we eventually got there on the night of Friday the 13th, having visited Lucera, San Severo, Serracapriola, Manfredonia, Cerignola, Canosa, Barletta, Andria and Ruvo. The whole tour had been planned when we left Rome, but I was not given access to this information and I was never told any more than just our current day's plan. It is significant that this period which appears as just BARI on the schedule coincides with (a) the period that Di Vittorio was expecting to be alone with the delegation, and (b) that part of Southern Italy which has always been a hot-bed of Communism, particularly notorious being San Severo and Cerignola, which is the birth-place of Di Vittorio.

6. The delegation is accompanied by the Editor of "La Voce" (ostensibly an organ of workmen's organizations but run by a warm Communist) but the Provincial Secretary of the Communist Party (change of guard takes place as we cross over from one province to another), and by the Provincial Secretary of "Camera del Lavoro", who so far has always turned out to be a Communist.

7. On our arrival the crowd is generally waiting at the entrance of the village, sometimes with a band of musicians, invariably with a number of Soviet flags, and sometimes exclusively that flag and no other. The singing of "Bandiera Rossa" is the order of the day. I have had occasion to notice that the Communist Party is regimented in all these places, organized in squads, catering for a women's section and a juvenile section. In Andria the procession was organized in some form of squads, judging by the orders given by the organizer as soon as the cortege went out of alignment as the crowds surged around them. Red shirts, red symbols of all sorts and Soviet labor badges were in great evidence amongst the cheering crowd, particularly everywhere between Foggia and Bari.

8. I am excluded from attending any of the sessions held in the Camera del Lavoro, but I am led to believe that Di Vittorio makes it a point of preaching complete sabotage of the Labor Offices, as well as direct action and agitation as the best means of achieving the economic and political aspirations of the working classes. When it was pointed out that ACC was still supporting the Labor Offices (Regional and Provincial Labor Offices set up by AMG and recognized by the Italian Government), that these offices were responsible for compiling the lists of persons entitled to workmen's benefits, and when mention was made that there have been occasions when agitators were threatened with imprisonment, Di Vittorio's answer was as follows:

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"(1) The Labor Offices must be ignored and all their activities must be taken over by the Camera del Lavoro;

(2) The Confederation of Labor would find some other means of establishing the rights of individual workmen to get their due benefits;

(3) There was no reason why one should not face imprisonment -- we have all gone through it -- but if and when you are faced with the predicament, just ask the Prefect to give you an interview and remind him that it is quite all right for you to be put in jail while he is powerful enough to do so, -- later when we are powerful we shall put him in jail for a change."

9. On October 19 Lizzadri is likely to rejoin the party and I dare say this open Communist momentum will have to be slowed down. The last meeting to be arranged without Lizzadri is scheduled at Taranto -- so I expect FOTALLI may have something to say about it. Colassanti was planning to withdraw when Lizzadri arrives, but I expect he may change his mind in view of his experiences. In spite of his lack of forcefulness, Colassanti appears to be determined to bring the whole affair to the attention of Grandi. He considers that Di Vittorio and his party have unmasked themselves on this occasion but I doubt whether he has as yet realized that by unity of trade union organizations the Communist elements are meaning absorption and not fusion. In various addresses it has been made quite clear that the Camera del Lavoro is regarded as (a) the melting pot in which every political tendency will be unobtusively assimilated, and (b) the center from which action must spring in the attainment of immediate objectives.

D. SCICCHUNA,
Major,
ACG Labor Relations Officer,
O i/o Soviet Labor Delegation Tour

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

7 October 1944

SUBJECT: Tour Soviet Labor Delegation

TO: A/Director Labor Sub-Commission

FROM: Major E. Scicluna, O I/c of Tour

1. Information following is excerpted from report above referred to, as submitted by Major Scicluna on 7 October:

"...3. I saw Lt. Col. Jackman at Caserta and discussed the following points:

a. Military Escort. I gave Lt. Col. Jackman details about the initial misunderstanding respecting military escort for the tour and we discussed my future attitude during the tour. I submitted the itinerary and informed him of possible changes (with a view to curtailment) which the Delegation was intending to make.

b. Air Transportation Palermo-Sardegna, Sardegna-Rome. He is putting the matter up for a special plane in order to facilitate curtailment of tour's duration."

"...4. I brought Col. Temperley into the picture with reference to the circumstance in which the Soviet Delegation is travelling in Southern Italy. I made arrangements with Col. Temperley for:

a. Hotel accommodation at Bari.

b. An officer or a trusted nominee of Provincial Commissioner (Bari) to take over from me during my absence from Bari, when reporting to Rome as intended.

c. The Head of the Delegation to pay him an official visit.

d. A further conference tomorrow in order to issue orders for Hotel accommodation at Cosenza and Reggio.

5. On arrival yesterday, the Delegation went to a press conference (where a number of local workmen's representatives were also present) at the offices of the newspaper "Voce".

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"To-day the Delegation paid a visit to:

- a. the Port (without military escort), all arrangements having been made by the Camera del Lavoro. They addressed a number of workmen (approx 300);
- b. visited a steel factory, where they addressed the workmen (over 1000);
- c. visited a small Cotton Industry;
- d. were received at the Communist Party Headquarters and
- e. held a conference with labor leaders of the Camera del Lavoro.

I personally did not attend any of these engagements as I was neither notified nor invited. They continue to be very courteous, but evasive and reticent thus maneuvering me into a position of 'splendid isolation'. I have not considered it opportune to force myself on to them, but I may have to alter my attitude if they do not respond better to my present methods. So far I have been relying on second hand information in order to keep track of their activities. I gather that at 1000 hrs tomorrow they are holding a mass meeting at the Teatro Politeama. I will be attending this public meeting, unless I have trouble over my lost car in which case I have made arrangements to obtain a report on the meeting.

6. Di Vittorio and Liassari (but not Grandi) are escorting the Delegation. The latter will be returning to Rome on Tuesday 10th Oct and he has had occasion to remark to me this evening that soon 'it will be an All-Communist picnic for a while'. He will not re-join the Delegation until the 19th Oct, but in order to preserve some 'balance of power' he is trying to work in Colasanti (Gen Sec of the Demo Christian Labor organizations in Naples), as a nominee of Grandi."

"...5. May I suggest that ACC HQ inform POTALI of the Russian Delegates' visit to Taranto. I am not in a position to state when this visit is likely to be arranged during the Bari sojourns but I believe that Oct 19 and 20 are being devoted to Matera and Potenza and Oct 15 to Bari, so that the Taranto visit should be some time between Oct 12 and Oct 14 or Oct 16 and Oct 18. I think it essential to inform POTALI not only in view of their protest over the Anglo-American Delegation but also because I find (to my surprise) that the Soviet Delegation was able to enter the Port area on a visit, without any military escort. I am still not in a position to say whether proper permit had been obtained from P.S.S. I will be able to inform you of this later."

Junius R. Smith,
Colonel, QMC
Acting Director,
Labor Sub-Commission.

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REGIONAL COMMISSIONER AGO SARDINIA CASLIANI

AGO HQ

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14 Oct 1944

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LABOR SUB COMMISSION

RESTRICTED REFERENCE OUR SIGNAL FOUR FOUR SEVEN EIGHT OCTOBER
SIX PAREN TO REGIONAL COMMISSIONER AGO SARDINIA CASLIANI FROM AGO HQ
PAREN PLEASE AFFORD MAJOR SICILIA ALL FACILITIES IN MAKING NECESSARY
ARRANGEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE TOUR AND ALSO ASCERTAIN THAT NO
PERMISSION IS GRANTED FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS TO BE HELD AT TIMES THAT
WOULD INTERFERE WITH THE NORMAL WORKING HOURS OF THE ESSENTIAL SERVICES
PD SIGNED JUNIUS R SMITH COLONEL ACTING DIRECTOR LABOR SUB COMMISSION

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E T MONTANT

1st LT AGO
ASSISTANT

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REGIONAL COMMISSIONER ACC SICILY PALERMO**ACC HQ****4816****14 OCT 1944****RESTRICTED****ROUTINE****LABOR SUB COMMISSION**

RESTRICTED REFERENCE OUR SIGNAL FOUR FOUR SEVEN EIGHT OCTOBER SIX PAREN TO REGIONAL COMMISSIONER ACC SICILY PALERMO FROM ACC HQ PAREN PLEASE AFFORD MAJOR SCICLUNA ALL FACILITIES IN MAKING NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE TOUR AND ALSO ASCERTAIN THAT NO PERMISSION IS GRANTED FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS TO BE HELD AT TIMES THAT WOULD INTERFERE WITH THE NORMAL WORKING HOURS OF THE ESSENTIAL SERVICES PD SIGNED JUNIUS R SMITH COLONEL ACTING DIRECTOR LABOR SUB COMMISSION

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L T MONTANT**1st LT AND
ADJUTANT**

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REGIONAL COMMISSIONER SARDEGNA REPEATED TO MAJOR SCICLUNA AT
ACC BARI

ACC HQ LABOR SUB COMMISSION
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LABOR SUB COMMISSION

RESTRICTED RUSSIAN LABOR DELEGATION VISITING SARDEGNA IS
SUBJECT PAREN TO REGIONAL COMMISSIONER SARDEGNA REPEATED TO MAJOR
SCICLUNA AT ACC BARI FROM ACC HQ LABOR SUB COMMISSION SIGNED STONE
PAREN PARTY OF FOUR RUSSIAN DELEGATES AND THREE ITALIAN TRADE UNION
OFFICIALS AND MAJOR SCICLUNA ACC LABOR SUB COMMISSION WILL REQUIRE
STAY NIGHTS OF TWENTYEIGHT CMA TWENTYNINE CMA THIRTY OCTOBER AT
CAGLIARI PD TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES DURING THEIR STAY IN SARDEGNA
WILL ALSO BE REQUIRED PD PLEASE SIGNAL THIS HQ REPEATED MAJOR SCICLUNA
ACC BARI WHETHER YOU CAN MAKE THESE ARRANGEMENTS PD MAJOR SCICLUNA
WILL SIGNAL YOU DIRECTLY THE TIME AND PLACE OF ARRIVAL AT CAGLIARI
IN ORDER THAT TRANSPORTATION BE MADE AVAILABLE AT AERODROME

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L T MONTANI

1st LT AGD
ADJUTANT

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POTALI
NAVY SUB COMMISSION TARANTO
ACC HEADQUARTERS

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12 OCTOBER
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ROUTINE
LABOR SUB COMMISSION

PROPOSED VISIT OF RUSSIAN DELEGATION TO TARANTO IS
SUBJECT PAPER TO POTALI NAVY SUB COMMISSION TARANTO FROM ACC
HEADQUARTERS SIGNED STONE PAPER WILL YOU PLEASE KEEP IN TOUCH
WITH PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER AT TARANTO LT COL TURNER COLK
WITH WHOM MAJOR BOGOLUBA OFFICER IN CHARGE OF RUSSIAN DELEGATION
TOUR NOW AT BARI WILL COMMUNICATE BY TELEPHONE AS TO PROPOSED
DATE OF VISIT SIGNED JUNIUS R SMITH COLONEL ACTING DIRECTOR LABOR
SUB COMMISSION

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J T MONTANT

1st LT ACC
ADJUTANT

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO: ACC SICILY RPTD HQ ACC FOR LABOUR SC

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 75/9

FROM: HQ SOUTHERN REGION ACC

CLASSIFICATION: IN CLEAR

REFERENCE No: SR/337

PRECEDENCE: NONE

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: OCT 091447A OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

Russian Labour Delegation visiting SICILY is subject. Party 4 Russian labour delegates and 3 Italian trade union officials and 3 Allied drivers and Major SCICLUNA ACC will require stay night of October 24 at MESSINA night of Oct 25 at AGRIGENTO and nights of Oct 26 and 27 at PALERMO. Please signal Maj SCICLUNA at ACC BARI rptd HQ ACC LABOUR SC whether you can make suitable arrangements for accommodation. Also notify earliest possible Maj SCICLUNA at ACC BARI rptd HQ ACC names of hotels. Party providing own transport. Itinerary for your information being forwarded SIGNED SCICLUNA.

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SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. Army

9 October 1944

Subject; Russian Labour Delegation's visit to Taranto.

To : A/ Director Labor Sub-Commission. ✓

From : Maj E. Scicluna O i/c Russian Delegation Tour.

Reference above subject.

1. I have suggested you signal FOTALI informing him of the Russian Delegations visit.
2. May I suggest you inform FOTALI to keep in touch with Provincial Commissioner Taranto (Lt Col Turner-Cole), to whom I will communicate by telephone the date of this proposed visit, as soon as I have definite information.

E. Scicluna Maj.

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O i/c Russian Delegation Tour.

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WILL COMMUNICATE WITH YOU DIRECTLY REGARDING FURTHER DETAILS SIGNED JUNIUS R
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APO 394

7 October 1944

SUBJECT: Tour Soviet Labor Delegation
TO: A/Director Labor Sub-Commission
FROM: Major E. Scialuna, O i/c of Tour

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SUBJECT: Tour Soviet Labor Delegation.

TO : A/Director Labor Sub-Commission.

FROM : Major E. SOIGLUM, O I/c Tour.

1. There is nothing to report in connection with the journey from Rome to Naples (Departure 1230 hrs, arrival 1800 hrs). Accommodation for the Delegates at the Excelsior Hotel, Naples, was found satisfactory, but none was available for the drivers. I made arrangements for the three drivers to return to their respective Coys for the night, the two Americans at Caserta and the British driver at Vomero.

2. The British driver was not allowed to report back this morning. A telephone message reached me instead, informing me that the car had been sent to the workshop, as it was requiring attention. After contacting personally O I/c RASC Coy, attached to 92 Gen. Hospital, who was responsible for these orders, I brought the matter to the notice of Lt. Col. Jackman and it was arranged that he would not take action until I had been definitely informed as to whether the car was being made available again. The Commissioner ACC, Southern Region supplied me with the necessary transport to proceed to Caserta in the afternoon.

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7. With regards to Hotel accommodation in Sicily and Sardegna:

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10. I am intending to report back to Rome on Oct 13 or 14 unless you notify me to the contrary through ACC Provincial Commissioner Bari (Lt Col. Orwood).

S. SCIOLOUNA,

Major.

ACC Labor Relations Officer.

C 1/6 Soviet Labor Delegation Tour

7 Oct 44.

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RESTRICTED**ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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TO: HQ ACC FOR LABOR SC FOR COL SMITH

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No:

FROM: HQ SOUTHERN REGION FOR SCICLUNA

CLASSIFICATION:

REFERENCE No: SR/325

PRECEDENCE:

PRIORITY

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: OCT 071612A

OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

RESTRICTED. Some changes are likely in schedule of tour. Will notify you in due course but meanwhile notify by cable Regional Commissioner SICILY that Major SCICLUNA will communicate directly to him the hotel accommodation required as well as the dates and places where it is required. Tour proceeding satisfactorily.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 934

6 October 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

SUBJECT: Russian Labor Delegation.

The actions of the Russian Delegates have been very cagey and aloof since their arrival in Rome 2 weeks ago, refusing our assistance though using transport we furnished them, which they agreed to use after very much persuasion. They have however been in very close contact with the Secretaries of the CGIL, particularly Mr. Di Vittorio, the Communist member.

On October 4, Mr. Di Vittorio gave Major Scicluna a copy of a proposed itinerary for a trip through Southern Italy, Sicily and Sardinia. We proceeded to make arrangements for transport (using the same transport furnished by AFHQ for use previously for American and British Delegates), hotel accomodation, ect. As late as 6.45 P.M. October 5, these arrangements were apparently satisfactory to the Russians. At that hour Di Vittorio telephoned Major Scicluna that they would not need the transport nor Major Scicluna's services, but were proceeding on their own, apparently having made arrangements for transport through civilian channels. Major Scicluna at once telephoned the Secretary of the Legation who stated he would take the matter up and telephone Major Scicluna later - which he did at 10.45 - stating that the matter stood without change, that they had no occasion to use - and insisted - either government transport nor Major Scicluna, and were leaving at 8 o'clock Friday morning. 262

Major Scicluna contacted the writer, and the two Officers repaired to the Grand Hotel and after much difficulty by phone, had a personal interview with the Secretary at about midnight. I insisted rather firmly that the Allied Government had approved their entrance into the country and that we were under military instructions to carry through in serving them in a manner similar to what had been done with the American and British Delegations; that I was under strict military orders from Brigadier Lush that they defer the journey until the matter would be discussed by themselves, by Major General Susloparov, who is the Russian Liaison Officer with ACC, Major Scicluna and myself in Brigadier Lush's office. Friday morning at 9.30 (I had phoned Brig. Lush at 11.30 P.M. Thursday, explaining the situation whereupon he agreed with me that an issue should be made of the matter, that I should arrange for the above mentioned meeting, making contact with General Susloparov through Lt. Col. Enoch Brown, Liaison Officer ACC, and his aid Capt. the Lord Ransfurley). The Secretary stated he would make every effort to arrange for their presence at the meeting.

As future background it may be noted that I had called Col. Jackson G-5 HQ regarding the proposed trip of the Delegates and the possible implications by reason of Di Vittorio being along. Col. Jackson stated that we must proceed in the same manner as with the other delegations, he suggesting that we contact the political section

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ACC. I conferred with Mr. Caccia and Mr. Schott both of whom agreed we must go on with our original plan. Mr. Caccia insisted that I see Captain Stone. I arranged for an interview at 3.30 on Thursday afternoon with Capt. Stone but was later informed to meet Brigadier Lush. I informed the Brigadier of the situation and suggested that instead of attaching Major Scicluna for the entire 5 weeks proposed that he accompany the party as far as Bari and then return with a report and for further instructions. The Brigadier agreed to this proposal. I left a copy of the itinerary with him. (A Copy of the itinerary was submitted to the Liaison Section, which in turn wrote a letter of details to G-5 AFHQ, Thursday October 5.)

Friday morning I made contact with Brigadier Lush stating I had set the time for 9.30 whereupon he stated that he had a Chief of Staff meeting and would have them wait until 10.15. In the meantime however, I had arranged through Col. Brown that General Susloparov and his Aide Lt. Commander Grishchinsky for them to meet Brigadier Lush at 9.30. They appeared outside Brigadier Lush's office at the appointed time whereupon they were told to return at 10.15.

I appeared at the Gran Hotel at about 9.05 and met Major Scicluna to learn that as far as he knew the Delegation was to meet him at 9.20 and come over to the meeting. At 9.25 a phone call from their room informed us that they were not going to the meeting since General Susloparov had phoned them to stay put, that it was not necessary for them to appear and that he would clear the matter with Brigadier Lush.

Meeting in Brigadier Lush's office at 10.15 - present: Major General Susloparov, Brigadier Lush, Colonel Smith, Lieutenant Commander Grishchinsky, Major Scicluna and Captain the Lord Ransfurley. The Brigadier insisted that the party must go by military transport accompanied by Major Scicluna as this was in conformance with instructions from higher military command - that it was prudent to do so since if they proceeded in civilian cars alone they would have extreme difficulty in securing petrol, permit clearances and so forth. General Susloparov agreed, stated that Mr. Tarasov, head of the Delegation, had only wanted to avoid any inconvenience on the part of the military since Officers were scarce, they did not want to have undue display and had meant to proceed quietly and unostentatiously on their own without troubling the military authorities, that he had no intention of slighting our wishes in the matter and had every desire to maintain amicable relationships. The meeting terminated with the statement of General Susloparov that he would proceed at once to the Grand Hotel in company with Major Scicluna, that he would personally introduce the latter to the Delegates and instruct them to proceed as we had arranged.

My personal reaction is that they were merely trying to carry out their program of closely guarded and unobserved actions,

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playing along only with the Communist Di Vittorio, and certainly to avoid surveillance by the military authorities. On the side of Di Vittorio there can be no question that he is using this junket as an excellent means of building up his party's fences in areas he has not yet been able to reach, and actually he can now do so under what will appear to be official Government and military approval.

I sent Major Albright last night to secure the views of the Italian Government with respect not only to the position of that Government relative to the free movements of the Russian Delegation in Italian territory but also the Italian Government views regarding the selection of CGIL Secretaries to accompany the party. Major Albright secured an O.K. from Minister Gronchi blessing the entire proceedings.

Junius R. Smith
Colonel Q.M.C.
Acting Director, Labor Sub-Commission.

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JUNIOR R SMITH COLONEL
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

5 October 1944

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SUBJECT: Itinerary of Soviet Labor Delegation

TO : His Excellency, the Minister of Industry, Commerce and Labor

Sir:

As you are aware, the Soviet Labor Delegation, after a two-week stay in Rome, is planning to leave tomorrow morning, 6 October 1944, for an extended trip of four or five weeks, covering such points as Naples, Foggia, Bari, Cosenza, Reggio, Messina, Catania, Agrigento, Palermo and Sardinia.

We are informed that Messrs. DiVittorio, Grandi and Lizzadri, of the C.G.I.L. will accompany this Delegation, singly or in a body.

It is desired to learn what is the position of your Government with respect to the free movements of the Delegation in territory now administered by the Italian Government, as well as your views regarding the designation of the three Secretaries of the C.G.I.L. as additional members of this party.

Very truly yours,

Junius R. Smith
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Colonel, Q.M.C.
Acting Director,
Labor Sub-Commission

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*Obtained by
Albinger in Grandi's file
6 p.m. - Oct. 5/44
(Grandi was present
at the time)*

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Joint Statement of the Five Trade Union Representatives (Britain, U.S.A. and I.F.T.U.) on conclusion of their visit to Italy

Agreement to Act Jointly

On the 28th of August, 1944, the five following Trade Union representatives met at the British Embassy:

Mr. Walter Chavencels - International Federation of Trade Unions
Mr. Will Lister - British Trade Union Congress
Mr. Thomas O'Dwyer - British Trade Union Congress
Mr. Luigi Antonini - American Federation of Labor
Mr. Giorgio Seldeszi - Congress of Industrial Organizations

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Mr. Luigi Cattolani
Mr. George Baldanzi - Congress of Industrial Organizations

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of the Allied Control Commission, and with the British and American Ministers.

Naples

Visit to the Port and talks with Allied authorities and the Regional Allied Control Commissioner
Joint meeting with the various committees of the unions affiliated to the Camera del Lavoro (150 present)
Talks with the Valterysen's Union (not affiliated to the C.G.I.L.) and the representatives of the Textile Workers' Union.

Lucera (province Foggia)

Meeting with the A.C.C. Commissioner, Prefect, and the Chief of the Labor Office
Meeting with the 15 members of the Executive Committee of the Camera del Lavoro of province Foggia.

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Bari
 Mass meeting with workers of Bari (2500 attendees) followed by conference with the Executive members of Bari, Brindisi, Foggia, Lecce, and Taranto
 Meeting with the A.G.C. Commissioner
 Visit of several factories.

Taranto
 Meeting with a large Executive Committee (including delegates from the various unions)
 Conference with the Executive members and the Under Secretary of the Labor Office
 Mass meeting at the Naval Yard (10,000 attendees)

Palermo
 Meeting with the Regional Commissioner and high officials of the A.G.C.
 Meeting with the Trade Union delegates from Palermo, Trapani and Agrigento (42 attendees)
 Meeting with the Sindaco (mayor) and regional officials of the Labor Department of Palermo

Catania
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Nationally Agreed Comments on the Situation in Liberated Italy

1. The social and economic state of affairs in the liberated part of Italy is impossible to describe. In spite of the stabilization of the Italian lira at 400 to the pound sterling and 100 to the dollar, money has no real meaning.

The majority of the people are without normal employment. Those who have a job earn between 50 and 150 lire per day. A number of food articles are rationed, and in a general way, the rations are forthcoming, but their quantity is insufficient to maintain a minimum standard of health, especially for those who work.

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The result is corruption, looting and black market activities on a large scale, or starvation. (The death rate of children under one year is twice as high as before the war.)

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There is also considerable shortage of raw materials of all kind, especially coal and power, most of which had to be imported before the war. The result is meager prospects to improve employment possibilities, and consequently, the social conditions of the workers.

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3. The Trade Union spirit encountered everywhere by the delegation was much higher and alive than expected, considering the fact that twenty years of Fascism had oppressed free thinking and poisoned the minds of the people. It should also be remembered that Italy, particularly in the at present liberated areas, is less developed from the industrial and social point of view than most other western and central European countries. In spite of these two unfavorable factors, a substantial part of the Italian workers both in the industrial and in the agricultural areas have responded spontaneously and by instinct to the call of the Trade Union organization.

It is true to say, however, that the larger part of the working class

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has not yet been brought into the movement, and it can even be assumed that they have not yet been reached by the Trade Unions.

For the north of Italy, there are many indications showing that the revival of Trade Unionism and the re-establishment of organizations is much quicker than in the south. This is referring to the period between the fall of Mussolini and the re-occupation of Italy north of Rome by the Nazis. These newly reborn Trade Unions had to go underground, after the re-occupation of the northern provinces by the Nazis, but they remained very active and succeeded in maintaining their hold on the working masses in the factories. As the example of Florence and other cities liberated since proves, it can be expected that Trade Unionism in the north will be, immediately after their liberation, at once ready to enter into action without passing through the long transition period accorded by the Trade Unions of southern Italy.

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The resolution adopted unanimously at the preliminary Trade Union conference in Bonn, 15-16 September, (attached as an annex to this report) is an earnest attempt to pave the way for the realization of that aim.

5. Helms pledged have been given by the Trade Union leaders belonging to the already mentioned parties to obtain from all political interference, and to keep out of the German Trade Union movement all forms of party politics. It must be hoped that all the parties involved will sincerely keep to their pledges, but the greatest safeguard of all against a recurrence of political party interference in the Trade Union is, in the least analysis, to form inside the Trade Union the necessary moral forces and understanding to resist any such political interference, if it should occur.

If the workers elect real trustworthy and genuine Trade Union leaders, independent and strong enough in character to disregard any party interference, this unity will be safe.

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Meetings Attended by the Labor Delegation

Rome, August 30, 1944

1st DAY

Meeting with Joint Secretariat, CGIL:

DiVittorio (Joint General Secretary)
Grandi "
Lizzardi "

2nd DAY

Rome, August 31, 1944

Meeting with Executive Council, CGIL:

DiVittorio (Joint General Secretary)
Grandi "
Lizzardi "
Marchioto (Textile workers)
Canini (Steel workers)
Bellotti (Steel workers)
Massini (Railways)
Zara (Building Trades)
Grannitelli (Agriculture)
Ortensi (State Employees)
(There were 23 members present all told)

3rd DAY

Naples, September 4, 1944

Meeting with Camera del Lavoro: (and unions affiliated thereto, 150 present)

DeBartolomeo (Member, Executive Council)
Colesanti (Christian Democratic Party)
Stefano (Marine workers)
Balzano (Municipal workers)

4th DAY

Naples, September 5, 1944

Meeting with Railwaymen's Union (not affiliated to the CGIL) and representatives of the Textile Workers' Union.

Russo (Metal workers)
Centili (Textile workers)
Iorio (Metal workers)
Armato (Metal workers)
Sciucca (Technicians)

5th DAY

Lucera (Foggia) September 6, 1944

Meeting with the A.C.C. Commissioner, Prefect, and the Chief of the Labor Office

Meeting with the 15 members of the Executive Committee of the Camera del Lavoro of province Foggia.

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Bari, September 7, 1944 6th DAY

Mass meeting with workers of Bari (2500 attendance) followed by
 conferences with the Executive members of Bari, Brindisi, Foggia,
 Lecce, and Taranto

Pastore (General Secretary, Federation of Labor)
 Lariocchiuta (Member, Executive Committee, CGL)
 Loliacono (Sindaco of Bari)
 DeLeonardis (Camera del Lavoro, Bari)

Taranto, September 8, 1944 7th DAY

Meeting with a large Executive Committee (including delegates from
 the various unions)

Conference with the Executive members and the Under Secretary of the
 Labor Office

Mass meeting at the Naval Yard (10,000 attendance)

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DAY

Palermo (Sicily) Sept. 11, 1944

Meeting with the Regional Commissioner and high officials of the A.C.C.

Meeting with the Trade Union delegates from Palermo; Trapani and Agrigento (42 attendance).%

PalermoCamera del Lavoro (Red Tendency)

Salvatore Martinez	+	Vice Secretary (Administration)
Dr. Nicola Cipolla	+	" " (Press and Propaganda)
Giuseppe Lipari	+	" " (Organization)
Giovenni Piccione	+	Member, Executive Council
Umberto Chines	+	" " "
Agostino Profeta	+	" " "
Michele Mamone	+	" " "
Giovanni Patrizio	+	" " "

Unione del Lavoro (White Tendency)

Avv. Benedetto Giunta	+	Regional Secretary
Avv. Francesco Pergola	+	Provincial Secretary
Dr. Pasquale Cortese	+	Member, Regional Executive Council
Giosue Sammerco	+	President; Chiselers' Trade Union
Salvatore DiPaola	+	Vice President of the Association of Clerical Employees with private firms

Legge Lavoratori della Terra (Independent Red Union Organization)

Francesco Gestivo	+	Provincial Secretary
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AgrigentoCamera del Lavoro (Red Tendency)

Domenico Cuffare	+	Provincial Secretary
Gaetano Gaglio	+	Member, Executive Committee and President; Carpenters' Trade Union

Unione del Lavoro (White Tendency)

The Rev. Canon Giuseppe Sorrento	+	Provincial Secretary
Gaetano Gaglio	+	Member, Executive Committee and President, Carpenters' Trade Union

TrapaniCamera del Lavoro

Baldassare Ferrante	+	Provincial Secretary
Vittorio Burzillieri	+	Member, Executive Committee
Caverio Russo	+	" " "
Giuseppe Candela	+	" " "
Sinibaldo Cina	+	" " "

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Agostino Profeta	+	"	"	"
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Catania (Sicily) September 13, 1944 DAY

Meeting with the Regional Commissioner and high officials of the A.C.C.
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 Meeting with the Executive Committees of the following provinces:
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Catania
Camera del Lavoro

Lo Presti
Caramagne
Volpe
Nicolosi
Longo
Borrelli
Lo Porto
Ferrara

Ciarusso
Strazzulla
Granata
Scuderi
Casperini
Ardizzone
Fessari
Secripante

Unione del Lavoro

Serrano
Paglisi
Tudicco
Ricchena

Casa del Popolo

Longo
Quarnera
Ferrovieri
Zoffoli
Calabrese
Liciani

Federazione Cooperative Sicilia Or.

Cardella

Lavoratori Agr. Provinc.

Basile

Impiegati Monopoli

Irato

MESSINA

Camera del Lavoro

Fiore
Fusco

Unione del Lavoro

Devoli
Speranza

CALTANISSETTA

Camera del Lavoro

Cennuso
Silano

Unione del Lavoro ²⁴⁸

Perrara

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Pizzese
Comai

ACQUILA Confederaz. Auton. del Lavo.

Martinez

Unione del Lavoro

Devoli
Speranza

Unione del Lavoro

Ferrara
La Delle
Mastrosimone

Unione del Lavoro

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

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4 Oct. 1944

SUBJECT: Visit of Labor Delegation to Taranto.
TO: V. P. Civil Affairs Section.

1. Reference attached correspondence regarding the visit of the Labor Delegation to Taranto.
2. A report on this matter has been obtained from Labor Sub-Commission and is forwarded herewith. We have nothing further to add to this report.
3. Your file 206/CA is returned.

A. G. ANTOLINI
Acting Head
Economic Section

CC: Labor S/C

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 398

File 4472

SUBJECT: Visit of Labour Delegation to Taranto.

3 October 1944

TO : Economic Section

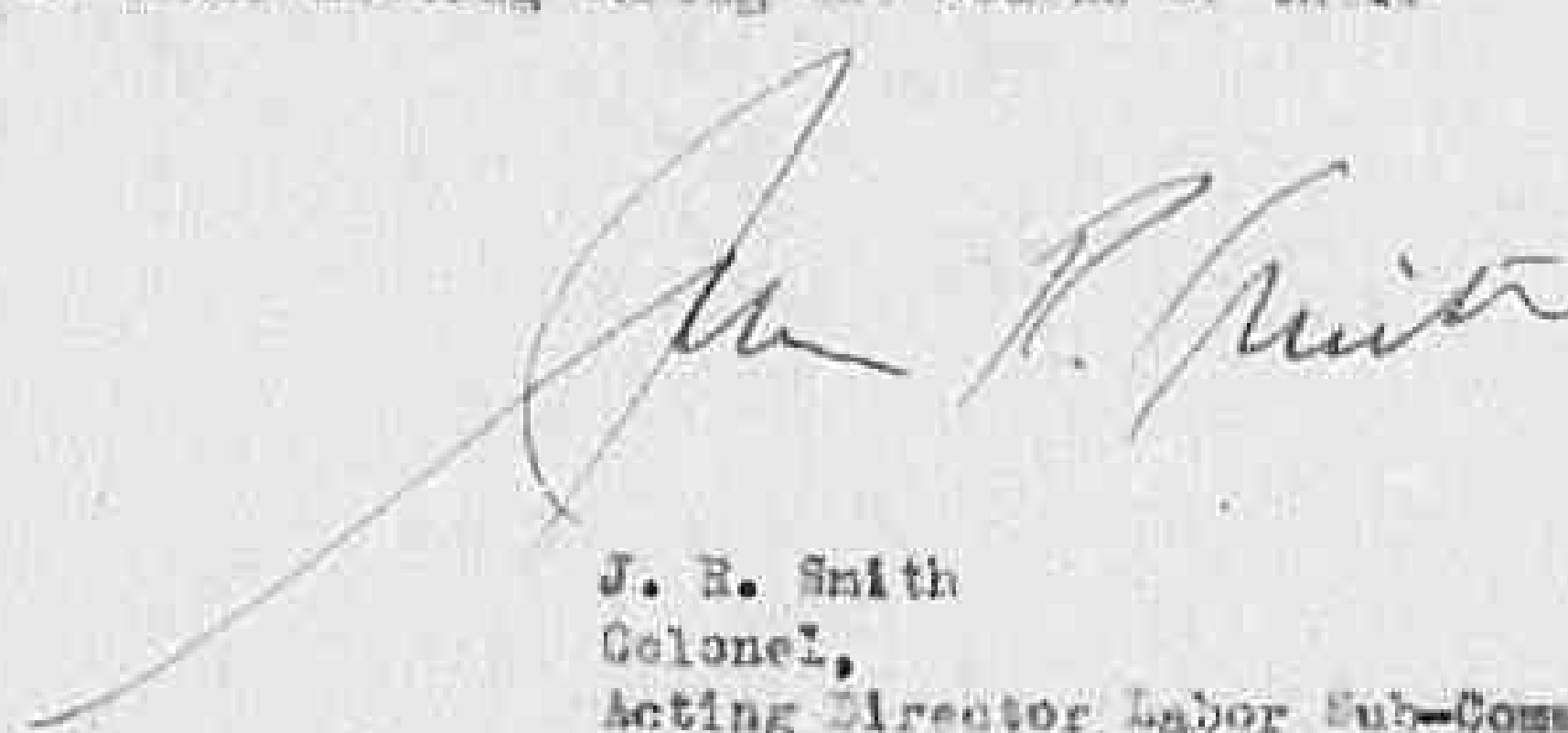
FROM : Labor Sub-Commission.

1. Reference is made to letter No. 3/864 from Commodore Superintendent Powell, Taranto, 10th September 1944, subject: visit of Labor Delegates to Taranto.
2. The International Trades Union Delegation came to Italy under the aegis of AFHQ, AAI and ACC. It was accompanied by Major W. Scicluna, Labor Relations Officer, ACC Labor Sub-Commission, in the capacity of Interpreter. There were no limitations put to the Delegation in respect of their movements in liberated Italy or in connection with their activities and investigation of the Trade Union situation in Italy. There was not the slightest suggestion made to ACC Labor Sub-Commission that it was its duty to check upon or interfere with any arrangements the Delegation chose to make.
3. ACC Labor Sub-Commission at no time assumed responsibility to arrange any meeting public or otherwise on behalf of the Delegation. In this particular instance at Taranto, Major Scicluna informs us that all arrangements were made by the Trade Union leaders of Taranto and the local authorities, the Delegation being merely invited to attend. Major Scicluna had no reason to believe that arrangements would have been made without the necessary authority being sought from the competent authorities: neither was he nor the Delegation informed as to what loss of man-hours were involved in the Dockyard or any other establishment in Taranto.
4. There is no reason to believe that the meeting held in Taranto was likely to have any ill-effects on the labor situation in view of (a) vague promises made, and (b) the creation of a very false impression of the capacity of Allied post-war aid to Italy. Major Scicluna assures me that if it was time to say that some hopes were raised for material aid by one of the delegates (Mr. Antonini), it was equally true that the addresses of the other four delegates effectively brought out the following points:-
 - (i) The Italian workmen must solve their own problems and should not rely on the outside world for help.
 - (ii) The Italian workman was inclined to be emotional and the solution of the present problems call for calm collected action and much sacrifice.
 - (iii) If the Italian people had suffered as a result of this war,

it should be borne in mind that Allied countries had suffered the same and worse. Self-pity was not going to help.

(iv) The Italian workman must accept a large share of the responsibility for the advent of Fascism. Irresponsibility, lack of discipline and disunity might lead to a similar situation.

5. The attached resume on the mass meeting is substantially correct, but fails to bring out the dominant note of warning which four of the five delegates introduced into their addresses. The rather emotional address made by Mr. Antonini, of course, made a deep impression on a crowd that regarded him as one of them but was on the whole off-catted by the rational and sober speeches of the rest of the Delegation. AGO Labor Sub-Commission acting through Major Scicluna was of course not authorized to vet the speeches which any of the delegates were intending to make at any public or other meeting during the course of their tour.


J. B. Smith
Colonel,
Acting Director Labor Sub-Commission.

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Sicily Region Headquarters
APO 394

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File FLA/319.1

2 October 1944

SUBJECT: Monthly Report - Labour Division
TO : Regional Commissioner - Region I

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No change.

2. Visit of Trades Union Delegates.

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The Delegation were guests of the Regional Commissioner at a dinner held at the Region I Officers Mess.

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4. Allied Forces.

The Allied Force Local Resources (Sicilian) Board now ceases to function and a directive laying down the procedure for the establishing of wage rates for the Allied Forces in Sicily is awaited.

C.F. Mason

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Lt. R.A.
Regional Labour Officer.

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Copy to:
Director, Labour Sub-Commission A.C.C.

C O P YMEMORANDUM

Mr. Ambassador
Mr. Livengood

Vice Consul Sheehan telephoned me from Palermo to inform us concerning the schedule of the labor delegates. He stated that they had departed from Palermo this afternoon for Catania, and they would leave the latter place on Thursday afternoon for Rome, where they had asserted they would hold "a general meeting of labor delegates" on Friday and Saturday, which would presumably include Italian representatives as well as British and American. In this regard he stated that a similar meeting had been held in Palermo which had broken up in a disturbance. I requested that copies of material sent out from Palermo in connection with this visit be furnished to this office.

I was also informed that the delegates had requested that "no special preparations be made" in connection with their forthcoming Roman festivities.

/s/ R. McBride
/t/ R. McBride

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C O P Y

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION
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1 October 1944

SUBJECT: Tour of American and British Trade Union Delegation to Italy.

TO : Director, Labor Sub-Commission.

FROM : Labor Relations Officer i/o Delegation Tour.

Reference above subject, your LAB 2472, dated 27 September 44 and Mr. Grossetto's report submitted to you apply.

1. I consider Mr. Grossetto's report substantially correct, if in parts not sufficiently specific. The point I particularly have in mind is his reference in paragraph 4, in which it is stated that I undertook "to take care of transportation, hotel accommodation and itinerary." While I am in full accord with this statement, it were well to point out that I assumed this responsibility on the eve of our departure for Naples. Mr. Synihan and Mr. Rosworthy had been concerned with this particular item and I only came into the picture when Mr. Grossetto told me that the latter had given him to understand that reservations were not apparently being made by AGC, as was previously expected.

As the reservations at the Excelsior in Naples had been already taken in hand, I explained to Mr. Grossetto that the only thing to do was to take up the matter at Caserta on our arrival the next day. It appears to me that the misunderstanding over this matter arose from the fact that at no time was it decided as to whose guests the delegation were. A letter which reached this Sub-Commission informing us of the visit merely asked for an interpreter, and my instructions from you were initially to act in that capacity. As time went on--without responsibilities being fixed--I found that more and more devolved on me.

2. On our arrival at Caserta, I contacted Lt. Col. Jackson and it was agreed that we should get together immediately after lunch to exchange views on the itinerary and other relevant matters. Immediately afterward, I met Col. Lewin-Harris, who gave me to understand for the first time that the responsibilities of reserving hotel accommodations for the delegation rested entirely with AGC and in fact devolved upon me personally. I made no comment and quiesced in that decision, assuring him that it would be done. Lt. Col. Jackson informed me later that the rooms at the Excelsior, Naples, were duly reserved, but any other reservations would now have to be made through AGC. Lt. Col. Jackson then suggested that I should accompany the delegation to Naples, and then return to Caserta to discuss the various outstanding points in connection with the tour, and with other matters that had been raised by the delegates at Caserta; he eventually decided, in order to save me the journey to Caserta and back, to come down to Naples himself.

3. The following points were discussed with Lt. Col. Jackson: 241

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a. Hotel accommodation (Bari, Palermo and Catania). It was agreed that I would take this matter up with Col. Temperley. Lt. Col. Jackman, however, accepted my suggestion that AFM might send a message to District II (Bari) asking them to bring their influence to bear on the Hotel Imperiale (MAAFI) in respect of reservations at Bari. Apart from this intervention, it was understood that from that moment onwards I was to assume the ultimate responsibility for hotel reservations.

b. Air transportation (Bari-Palermo-Catania-Rome) The delegation raised this point with General Hooks on arrival at Caserta, explaining the many advantages that would be gained if this form of transportation were made available to fit in with their plans. Lt. Col. Jackman, acting on instructions of higher authority, undertook to make a special plane available. He discussed with me the details of departures and arrivals.

c. Transport facilities for Italian Trade Union delegates to the Rome Congress scheduled for September 15 was another point raised by the delegates with AFM authorities. It was agreed that Lt. Col. Jackman was to issue instructions from AFM to AGO HQ to provide for (1) six air passages for Cardinia delegates and (2) three suitable lorries to be made available by the Southern Region AGO and to travel from different points in southern Italy to Rome and back. I was to work out all details in respect of item 2 with Col. Temperley.

d. Public Relations Officer from AFM (Capt. Floyd Williams), was to be made available. He would report forthwith to me and would accompany the delegation throughout the tour. This was also a matter raised by the delegates during lunch at Caserta.

e. Visit to the port of Naples. Col. Spofford noted the suggestion to the delegates that a visit to the port of Naples should prove of the utmost interest to them. The delegates adopted the suggestion and it was left to Lt. Col. Jackman and myself to iron out all details.

f. Contacting personal friends. Mr. O'Brien and Mr. Leather asked for facilities to meet two of their friends in the Army in Italy. Lt. Col. Jackman was to make the arrangements in this connection and he later informed me of how it was proposed to bring the parties together, giving me at the same time a copy of the cables he had issued from AFM.

g. Social engagements. Lt. Col. Jackman inquired as to whether the delegation had as yet accepted any social engagements. When I pointed out that none had been made, he asked me to make arrangements for the American and British delegates to have supper, during their stay in Naples, with the Foreign Office representatives at AFM.

h. Visit of delegates to General Saitland Wilson. Preliminary arrangements in this connection were made.

i. Other minor matters were also discussed.

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4. I wish to submit that:

(1) The subject matter of discussions with Lt. Col. Jackson was either the result of developments consequent on the delegates' visit to Caserta, or matters which would normally have been reviewed in the ordinary course of events on any such occasions

(2) There is an exception to be made; namely, the question of hotel accommodation. I am not in a position to explain how the misunderstanding arose, as this question was only brought to my attention after it had been handled by Mr. Grosseto, Mr. Wyndham and Mr. Rosworthy. No serious difficulty presented itself, either in the initial stage or throughout the tour, thanks to the unstinted and effective support which I received from Col. Farquhar.

I do not hesitate to say that at no time was anything in connection with the tour in any way out of hand and, in all modesty, I consider it significant that various members of the delegation spontaneously expressed their satisfaction, both during as well as on the conclusion of the tour, of all arrangements made.

A. J. SEIDMANN, MAJOR
Labor Relations Officer
Officer i/c Trade Union
Delegation Tour

1 October 1944

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LABOR SUB-COMMISSION
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27 September 1944

TO : Major Scicluna

Attached for your information and comments is a copy of a report prepared by Mr. Crosetto at my insistence. A number of complaints have been received from AFHQ and it is desired to ascertain the facts with a view if possible of returning the complaints to AFHQ.

With your observations will you please set out the circumstances in which Lt. Col. Jackman felt it necessary to accompany the party to Naples.

J. T. R. Bain
Colonel,
Director Labor Sub-Commission.

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LAB 4472

27 September 1944

SUBJECT : Expenses in respect of Trade Union Delegation Tour

TO : Col. Farren, G-1 (B)

The attached claim by Major Scicluna was passed to you for appropriate action. It is known that the Trade Union Congress set aside certain funds to cover the expenses of the Delegation and it may well be that at least some part of the claim here lodged can be recovered.

I am not familiar with Army Regulations on an issue of this type but feel strongly that the charge ought not to be one personal to the officer assigned to the party.

Your good offices would be appreciated.

J. T. R. Bain
Colonel,
Director Labor Sub-Commission

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TO

EWS/JAG/LWS

LABOR
SUB-COMMISSION

AFHQ FOR G-5

ACC FROM STONE

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ACTING CHIEF COM

SECRET ID REFERENCE AFHQ FOR TWO SIX FOUR SEVEN NINE OF ONE SEVEN SEPTEMBER SIGNED
 SACRED ID SOVIET LABOUR DELEGATION ARRIVED IN ROME TWO THREE SEPTEMBER PD
 ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORT HAVE BEEN PROVIDED ID PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE DASH
FIVE FROM ACC FROM STONE PAREN CHAIRMAN OF THE DELEGATION IS NIKOLAI PETER TARASOV
 CMA SECRETARY OF THE ALL DASH UNION CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TRADES UNIONS PD THE MEMBERS
 ARE VICTOR DOG AKERNOV AND PETER VICTOR BRUPLITSOV PD THE SECRETARY IS DOG PETER
 SHEVLIGIN PD A MEETING BETWEEN THE DELEGATES AND LABOUR SUB COMMISSION HAS BEEN
 ARRANGED FOR TWO FIVE SEPTEMBER TO DISCUSS ITINERARY AND PLANS PD CONDUCTING
 OFFICER IF NECESSARY WILL BE MAJOR SCICLUNA OF ACC LABOUR SUB COMMISSION

AUTHENTICATED:

DISTRIBUTION:

- 1 - Labor Sub-Commission thru Doon Geo
- 2 - Liaison Branch, Lt Col Brown
- 3 - VP float & files

ELMER W. STONE
 Captain, USMA
 Acting Chief Commissioner

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

SUBJECT: Expenses in respect of Trade Union Delegation Tour

TO : Director, Labor Sub-Commission

FROM : Maj. E. Scicluna, Labor Relation Officer

Ref above subject.

1. As the officer i/c of the Trade Union Delegation Tour the responsibility devolved on me of defraying certain expenses in connection with official guests and in respect of Hotel charges for rooms.

2. I am herewith attaching such receipts as it was possible for me to obtain and hereunder is an A/C of the expenses mentioned above. May steps please be taken to refund me the amount involved.

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E. SCICLUNA, Major,
Labour Relation Officer
Officer i/c T.U. Delegation Tour

Hotel Imperiale (Bari) 6th 7th 8th Sept Restaurant charges for official guests..... L.	710,--
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
APO 394

JAQ/njp

A/CC 040

18 September 1944

Subject : Proposed Visit of Soviet Delegates

To : Economic Section (Atte: Col. Denamore)

1. Copy of AFHQ signal F 26479 is passed to you for action.
2. Please undertake any further distribution necessary to sub-commissions.
3. Please coordinate with Colonel Brown of Liaison Section.

For the Acting Chief Commissioner:

Signed: J. A. QUAYLE
J. A. QUAYLE
Major, R. A.
Chief Staff Officer

I Incl:
as in para I above.

c.c. Lt. Col. E. Brown, Liaison Section.

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Capt. Borg
Will you please
ensure that this
reaches Col. Smith
immediately on
return.

J. H. [Signature]
5/9/45

Voco - Trans. [Signature]
Capt. Borg

Bob. Smith

No doubt there
is a good reason for
Mr. Epsetto proceeding
to Naples but I
should like to know
about it

12/19/44

HQ A.C.C. ECONOMIC SECTION

18 Feb 41
(Date)

From	To
☒ ECONOMIC SECTION	
☐ AGRICULTURE	
☐ COMMERCE	
☐ FINANCE	
☐ FOOD	
☐ INDUSTRY	
☐ LABOR	
☐ PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES	☒
☐ RECRUITMENT DIVISION	
☐ TRANSPORTATION	
☐ SECRETARY GENERAL	
☐ EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER	
☐ BRANCH	
☐ ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION	
For: Signature	
Remarks/Recommendation	
Information	
Approval/Disapproval	
Appropriate Action	☒
Investigation & Report	
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
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AGA/mrh

MEMO

18 September 1944

TO : Col. J. R. Smith, Deputy Director
Labor Sub-Commission

1. Mr. Luigi Antonini discussed his plans with me last evening and indicated that he would be back in Rome Wednesday or Thursday, September 20th or 21st. He wishes to clean up his personal matters here through Sunday. On Monday morning he has indicated a wish to go to Naples and have Messrs. Serafino Romualdi and Michael Crosetto accompany him. He will be in Naples until his departure for the States, which should fall about the 29th or 30th.

2. Furthermore, will you kindly arrange to have Messrs. Antonini, Romualdi and Crosetto billeted at the Excelsior Hotel in Naples. Will you kindly arrange that a car is placed at their disposal for this trip to Naples to stay with them for this period, Messrs. Romualdi and Crosetto returning with it after Mr. Antonini leaves. I assume you have taken care of the necessary high priority for Mr. Antonini's return to the States. Please call on me if there is anything I can do to see that Mr. Antonini is booked by the fastest and most direct route from Naples to New York.

3. Mr. George Baldanzi informs me that he has been granted a "2" priority to leave on the 24th with the British group to London. I am sure you have taken the necessary steps for the required priority and booking from London to New York.


A. G. ANTONINI
Acting Head
Economic Section

OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT MALTA

ACC HQ

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SEPT 18

MARTINE

LABOR SUB COMMISSION

YOUR SIGNAL GEORGE NINE ONE TWO NINE DATED ONE THREE ONE SEVEN THREE ZERO BAKER PAREN
TO OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT MALTA FROM ACC HQ SIGNED STONE PAREN CHAIRMAN
TRADE UNION CONGRESS PAREN BRITAIN PAREN DELEGATION THANKS GENERAL WORKERS UNION FOR
INVITATION AND REQUESTS INABILITY TO VISIT MALTA AT THIS STAGE PD DELEGATIONS PROGRAM
FULL AND NECESSARY RETURN LONDON FOR CONGRESS PD WOULD WELCOME INVITATION FOR ANOTHER
TIME PD ANY INVITATION SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO TRADE UNION CONGRESS LONDON PD

L. T. MONTANT
1st Lt. . AGD
Adjutant

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REPORT

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Antonini speech very inflammatory, give details.

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L. O. Smith

16 Sept 44

I do not know what arrangements have been made for next week. I have made the following arrangements:

On Monday, 18th current, such members of the Trade Union Party as may desire shall proceed to General Alexander's Headquarters leaving Rome at such an hour as will enable them to arrive at 17.30 hrs. Arrangements have been made to receive a party of 5 plus 1, the "one" shall be Major Scicluna. They will meet General Alexander and spend the night (Monday) at his Headquarters.

On Tuesday they shall be shown the fighting front and return to General Alexander's Headquarters to spend the night.

On Wednesday they shall be free to follow their own devices.

There shall be no departure from these orders. Anyone not desiring to follow these orders shall remain in Rome and entertain himself.

J.T.R. Bain
Col. Director
Lab. Sub-Commission.

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LABOR SUB - COMMISSION

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16 Sept 44

To : Mr. Crossetto.

Reference billeting of Russian Delegates your orders
in this connection are cancelled. The matter must be left with me.

It is quite unnecessary for you to proceed to Sardinia.

JTB
J.T.R. Bain,
Col. Director
Labor Sub-Commission.

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15 Sept 44

To : Major Dorf
For his attention.

Sunday Schedule.

- 10.45 British Delegates, Col. Smith and Major Scicluna, audience with the Pope.
- 11.15 All Delegates at demonstration at Brancaccio Theatre.
- 17.00 All Delegates for tea with mayor of Rome at Town Hall, Piazza del Conservatore, Campidoglio.
- 20.30 All British and American Delegates, Col Bain, Col. Smith and Major Scicluna will dine at American Embassy.

Col. J.R.Smith
D/Director Labor.

MEMORANDUM FOR COL. SMITH

14 SEPT 44

Dr. Canale, of the Council of Ministers called up for permission to have a small reception for the American and British Delegates, under the auspices of the Mayor of Rome, on Sunday, 17 Sept 44, at 1700 hours. It will be informal, and the purpose is to have the delegates meet members of the Italian Govt. unofficially. Dr. Canale will pass by at 1600 hours today to furnish any extra details.

S/Sgt. C.R. Soris

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Col. Densmore
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15 Sept.

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ACTING CHIEF COMM.

MY LETTER ABLE SLANT CHARLIE ZERO FOUR ZERO OF TEN SEPTEMBER PD PAREN TO ATHE FOR
GEORGE DASH FIVE CMA UNCLE SUGAR POLITICAL ADVISER CMA BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER FROM
ACC FROM STONE PERSONAL PAREN SOVIET DELEGATION INFORMALLY ADVISED THAT SOVIET LABOR
 DELEGATES LEFT MOSCOW YESTERDAY PD I HAVE INFORMED GENERAL VASILIEV THE DELEGATES
 SHOULD NOT ARRIVE IN ITALY UNT'L AUTHORIZATION RECEIVED FROM SACMD PD PLEASE TELEGRAPH
 REPLY MY LETTER TEN SEPTEMBER

ELLENY W. STONE
 Captain, USNR
 Acting Chief Commissioner

cc: Labor Sub-Com.
 Political Section

U.S. Representative, A.C.I.
 British High Commissioner
 Colonel Densmore, Economic Section
 CA Branch, ←

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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15 Sept. 1944

TO : Lt. Col. A. Robertson
Hq. Commandant
Allied Control Commission

On or about Sunday, the 17th, current, four Russian Trade Union Representatives will arrive in Rome. It is desired that the ^{most} courtesy shall be afforded to these representatives as to the United States, United Kingdom and International Representatives already here. Will you, therefore please arrange to reserve for an unknown period four rooms at the Grand Hotel. If possible, the rooms should be together.

J. T. H. BAIN
Colonel
Director, Labor Sub-Commission

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

Col Smith

JRS/vm

14 September, 1944.

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Labor Congress in Rome, September 15-16, 1944.

TO : American and British Labor Delegates.

1. Italian delegates will assemble and confer in the Headquarters of the Confederation of Labor Building (CSIL) Via Buoncamagni 19.
2. Congress will start at 9:00 A.M., Friday, September 15, at the "Tentro del Dopo Lavoro", Ministry of Finance Building, Via 20 September.
3. Agenda will be arranged this evening at 7:00 P. M. by joint meeting of American-British delegates and Messrs Grandi, Di Vittorio and Licadri.
4. Italian delegates are being fed at the Restaurant Umbria, Via Umbria No. 13.
5. Arrangements are being made for a visit by plane to General Alexander's Headquarters, date tentatively set for Monday, September 18.
6. Neither the Allied Military Authorities nor the Italian Government are officially connected with the Labor Congress.

JUNIUS R. SMITH,
Colonel, USA,
D/Director.

" RESTAURANT UMBRIA "

13, VIA UMBRIA

- LIST OF GUESTS -

TO THE LABOR CONFERENCE OF THE AMERICAN-BRITISH AND ITALIAN LABOR DELEGATES

SEPTEMBER 14 - 15 - 16 - 17 th 1944

No. 1	Mr. Walter SCHEVENALS
2	Mr. Tom O'BRIEN
3	Mr. Will LAWTHOR
4	Mr. Luigi ANYONINI
5	Mr. Giorgio BALDANZI
6	S.E. Prof. Giovanni GRONCHI
7	S.E. Giulio SANSONETTI
8	Prof. Avv. Salvatore SCOCA
9	Avv. Adolfo NICOLAI
10	Dott. Francesco SIMEONE
11	Dott. C. GRAI
12	Prof. Mariano COSTA
13	Avv. Guido MOLINELLI
14	On.le Achille GRANDI
15	On.le Oreste LIZZADRI
16	On.le Giuseppe DI VITTORIO
17	On.le Giovanni MONTICCI
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LABOR SUBCOMMISSION
APO 39h

14 September, 1944.

Mr. Will Lawther,
Grand Hotel.

Dear Mr. Lawther:

A private audience with His Holiness, Pope Pius XII, has been arranged for Sunday morning, September 17 at 10:30 A. M.

2. The audience has been arranged by Mr. Osborne, of the British Embassy, and the party will consist of yourself, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Schavensels, Major Sicluna, myself and Mr. Osborne.

We are to assemble in front of the bronze gate at the Vatican at 10:15, Sunday morning.

Will you please advise me as to your acceptance.

JUNIUS R. SMITH,
Colonel, JMC.
D/Director.

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MESS ADMISSION TICKET

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LABOR CONFERENCE - SEPTEMBER 14th TO 18th, 1944
OF THE

AMERICAN-BRITISH AND ITALIAN LABOR DELEGATES

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ISSUED TO AND FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF, THE BEARER

WHOSE SIGNATURE APPEARS BELOW.

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THIS TICKET MUST BE SHOWN UPON REQUEST AT THE
"RESTAURANT UMBRIA", VIA UMBRIA 13.

JUNIUS R. SMITH
Colonel, GMC
D/Director.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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APO 394

14 September, 1944.

Mr. Giorgio Baldanzi,
Grand Hotel.

Dear Mr. Baldanzi:

Enclosed please find your personal ticket to be used for such meals as you care to take with the Italian delegates at the officially designated restaurant Via Umbria No. 13, which is only a few blocks from the Grand Hotel.

2. Meal hours are as follows:

Breakfast	8:00 to 9:00
Luncheon	1:00 to 2:00
Dinner	8:00 to 9:00

JUNIUS R. SMITH,
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D/Director.

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D/Director.

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14 September, 1944.

Mr. Tom O'Brien,
Grand Hotel.

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D/Director.

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Mr. Walter Schevenals,
Grand Hotel.

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JUNIUS R. SMITH,
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D/Director.

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JUNIUS R. SMITH,
Colonel, MC,
D/Director.

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PRIORITY

LABOR SUBCOMMISSION

UPON MR HAROLD MAC WILLIAMS SUGGESTION IT IS REQUESTED ARRANGING MEETING WITH YOU AT YOUR HEADQUARTERS SOMETIME MONDAY ONE EIGHT SEPTEMBER FOR MR WALTER SHEVENELS PAREN INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS PAREN MR WILL LAWTHOR PAREN BRITISH TRADE UNION CONGRESS PAREN MR THOMAS OBRIEN PAREN BRITISH TRADE UNION CONGRESS PAREN MR LUIGI ANTONINI PAREN AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR PAREN MR GEORGE BALDANZI PAREN CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATION PAREN AND COL JIG TANG ROGER BAIN CMA DIRECTOR LABOR SUBCOMMISSION ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION HEADQUARTERS PAREN TO MAIN HQ AAI PERSONAL FOR GENERAL ALEXANDER FROM ACC IN HQ SIGNED STORM PAREN PARTY TRAVELLING BY AIR PERIOD UNDERSTAND YOU ARE FAMILIAR AND IN ACCORD PERIOD PLEASE ADVISE PARTICULARS

Lt Montant

1st Lt AGD
Adjutant

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DATE TIME GROUP 131730B

TO: ~~X~~ ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION HEADQUARTERS ROME

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PRECEDENCE ROUTINE

Grateful if the following message be passed to chairman, United
Kingdom Trade Union Delegation visiting Italy. Begins
General Workers Union 22000 members invite trade union delegation
to visit Malta at General Workers Union expense. Ends

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Representative of
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FROM: A C C REGION SIX

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TO : HQ A C C

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 FOLLOWING TRADE UNION REPRESENTATIVES PISU ANGELO CMA
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INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO: HQ ACC
SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 83/13
FROM: ACC REGION SIX CLASSIFICATION: RESTRICTED
REFERENCE No: ACC 469 PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: SEPT 13/1119 OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE: NONE

YOUR SIGNAL 3155 HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGED. FOLLOWING TRADE UNION REPRESENTATIVES
PISU ANGELO, SUELLA AMEDEO, MELONI MUNDULA CARLO, ARRIVING ROME BY AIR TODAY
THIRTEENTH. GIOVANETTI MARTINO, MEZZANO PIETRO, CENSI FRANCESCO ARRIVING BY AIR
TOMORROW FOURTEENTH. FROM REGION SIX CITE ACC 727

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SITREP NR 34 DATED 12 SEPT FROM REGION 6 SIGNED PENNYCUIK.

RE, DE RUSSIANO AND BERLINER NOW IN SARDINIA, CARAGAT AND CERCO
 ARE TO LEAVE TODAY, NAMES OF LABOR DELEGATES SARDINIA AS FOLLOWS:
 GIOVANNETTI M FIGU A DUELLA A THESE THREE ARE MINERS, MESSANO P
 ENCHAMIC, MELONI M C AGRICULTURE, GENZI P B; THE ABOVE LEAVE FOR ROME
 TOMORROW AND THURSDAY. TWO ARRIVING LAST SEVEN DAYS QUINTEALS 12534
 GRAND TOTAL WHEAT AND BARLEY 227244. 345678 AND 9 MIL.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

JRS/tbw

12 September, 1944

LAB 091.497

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Acting Chief Commissioner

SUBJECT: Labor Congress in Rome, September 15 - 16, 1944.

1. Pertinent facts with respect to the Labor Congress of American, British and Italian delegates to be held in Rome September 15 - 16, 1944, are as follows:

a. A.C.C. plays no role nor assumes any responsibilities in the matter excepting to act, under instructions from A.F.E.M., as hosts to the American and British delegates, attending to their needs and requests. A.C.C. is not responsible for what these delegates do or say or for such contacts with persons in Italy as they see fit to make.

b. It is understood that the Congress was called by the American and British delegates and that the latter will be in charge of the proceedings.

c. The meeting place is now being fixed and provided for by the Rome Confederation of Labor.

d. The Italian Government has not announced any official interest in the Congress. This has been confirmed by a meeting today between Mr. Gronchi and our Liaison Officer, Major Albright.

e. Transportation, food and lodging is being provided for the visiting delegates and all arrangements completed.

f. With respect to the six delegates from Sardinia, a signal was sent to the Regional Commissioner of Region VI on September 5th. Careful check reveals no reply to the signal, and a second wire was sent to Sardinia today.

g. You will be promptly advised of any further developments or changes. I have delegated Colonel Smith, Deputy Director of this Sub-Commission, to handle all relevant details.

J. F. R. BAIN,
Colonel.
Director, Labor Sub-Commission

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12 September, 1944 2:50 p.m.

colonel Smith:

Mr. Mac Millan phoned and said that he thought it wise to send a telegram to General Alexander's Headquarters in reference to the visit of the labor men and state the names of the men to attend. He especially requested that the party be reduced to the exact minimum of 5, and perhaps one officer. He suggested that you would probably get much quicker action if you mention the fact that he (Mac Millan) suggested the idea, and of course the time and date of the interview.

He also stated that in view of existing conditions that General Alexander might appoint some officer to take them about the field and point out the works of N.M.G.

Mr. Mac Millan will be at the Grand Hotel on Wednesday, 13 September, at 8:00 p.m. He will be here at A.C.C. HQ all day Thursday in the office of Captain Stone where you might contact him if you like. He is leaving Friday for General Alexander's Headquarters, and will do what he can there to prepare the way for the delegates.

V. V. K.
16. ms.
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To : ALL CONCERNED.
From : Allied Control Commission, Region 6.
Subject : Travel Orders.
Reference : Tptn/1604.
Date : 12th September 1944.

1. The undermentioned Italian Official is authorised to proceed on WEDNESDAY, 13th September 1944 to ROME on temporary A.C.C. duty upon completion of which to return to proper station, SARDINIA.

PISU Angelo (Italian)
Representative dell'Unione dei Lavoratori dell'Industria.

2. Authority: Headquarters, Allied Control Commission
Cable No. 2806 dated 5th September 1944.
3. Urgency: Attend Conference in ROME.
4. Travel by Military Aircraft and Government Transport is authorised.

For the Regional Commissioner,

G.F.T. Wadstaff

G.F.T. WADSTAFF.
Captain.
Secretariat.

a/s.

Angelo PISU

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SEPT 12

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ROUTINE

LABOR SUB-COMMISSION

REPEATING OUR SIGNAL TWO NIGHT ZERO SIX OF SEPTEMBER FIVE PAREN TO ACC REGION SIX
 FROM ACC HEADQUARTERS SIGNED STOKER PAREN PLEASE ARRANGE TRANSPORTATION FOR AND HAVE
 TRADE UNIONS OR VOLUNTEER GROUPS SELECT SIX VOLUNTEER REPRESENTATIVES CMA PREFERABLY
 INCLUDING FOUR MINERS CMA FOR MEET CONFERENCE ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO HOURS ONE FIVE AND
 ONE SIX SEPTEMBER TO DISCUSS TRADE UNION ORGANIZATION WITH TRADE UNION REPRESENTATIVES
 OF UNITED STATES AND UNITED KINGDOM PD DELEGATES SHOULD REPORT TO MAJOR SCICLUNA
 LABOR SUBCOMMISSION ACC HQ CMA MINISTERO DELLE CORPORAZIONI BUILDING CMA VIA VITTORIO
 VENETO CMA TELEPHONE NUMBER FOUR SEVEN EIGHT NINE ZERO FOUR PD PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE
 AND ADVISE PROBABLE HOUR OF ARRIVAL SO THAT THEY CAN BE MET AT AIRPORT

SECRET

L. T. MONTANT
 1st Lt, AGO,
 Adjutant

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ACC REGION SIX

ACC, HQ

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ROUTINE

LABOR SUB-COMMISSION

Repeating per signal 2206 of September 12

PLEASE ARRANGE TRANSPORTATION FOR AND HAVE TRADE UNIONS OR WORKERS GROUPS SELECT SIX WORKERS REPRESENTATIVES CMA PREFERABLY INCLUDING FOUR MINERS CMA FOR HOME CONFERENCE ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO ONE FIVE AND ONE SIX SEPTEMBER TO DISCUSS TRADE UNION ORGANIZATION WITH TRADE UNION REPRESENTATIVES OF UNITED STATES AND UNITED KINGDOM PAREN TO ACC REGION SIX FROM ACC HEADQUARTERS SIGNED STONE PAREN DELEGATES SHOULD REPORT TO MAJOR SOIULUNA LABOR SUB-COMMISSION ACC HQ PD PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE AND ADVISE

10.00 a.m.
Sept. 15 + 16

L. T. MONTANT
1st Lt. AGD
Adjutant

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C O P Y

EWS/hjp

A/CC 040

SUBJECT: Delegation of the Soviet Trade Unions to Italy

TO : G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512
(Personal for: Colonel Spofford)

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2. I have replied to General Vasiliev that all such visits to Italy by Allied organizations have to receive the prior authorization of the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean, and that I have accordingly submitted this proposal to Allied Force Headquarters. I shall be grateful for your urgent instructions whether this visit is authorized. In that event I presume that the Allied Control Commission should give the Soviet Delegation the same full assistance as they are giving to the American and British Delegations now in Italy.

cc: U.S. Political Advisor
British Resident Minister
U. S. Representative, A.C.I.
British High Commissioner
Economic Section, Hq ACC
Civil Affairs Branch, Hq ACC

/t/ ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNER
Acting Chief Commissioner

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/t/ ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

cc: U.S. Political Advisor
British Resident Minister
U. S. Representative, A.C.I.
British High Commissioner
Economic Section, Hq ACC
Civil Affairs Branch, Hq ACC

Drafted by Mr. Caccia, Political Section

Labor Sub-Commission
~~N.P. Economic~~ SOVIET DELEGATION

Section

ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY.

For Information

Rome, September 8, 1944.

Captain Ellery T. Stone
 Acting Chief
 Allied Control Commission.

Dear Captain Stone,

The Delegation of the Soviet Trade Unions, having received the invitation of the General Federetich of Labour in Rome, is about to go to Italy.

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I am confident that the Allied Control Commission will render the full assistance to the Delegation of the Soviet Trade Unions.

Very truly yours

Lawfully, 478001

A.F. Vasiliev
 Major General, R. A.
 Deputy Soviet Representative,
 Advisory Council.

~~481389~~ H. MITSKOVICH

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5 VIA GAETE

(Russian Embassy)

Phoned 4.15 - delay at last post for authentic letter

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15/9/44

Numero d'ordine del telegrammi di transito

Indicazioni d'urgenza

MODULARIO
C. - Telf. 24

Mod. 31. - 1940 - XVIII

Ufficio Telegrafico di
TELEGRAMMALuogo sul quale si deve fare
l'indirizzo del telegramma

Ricevuto il dall'Ufficio di	19	ore	per circuito N. Ricevente	Trasmesso il all'Ufficio di	19	ore	per circuito N. Trasmittente
Qualifica	DESTINAZIONE	PROVENIENZA	Num.	Parole	Data della presentazione Giorno mese Ore e minuti	Via	Indicazioni eventuali d'UFFICIO
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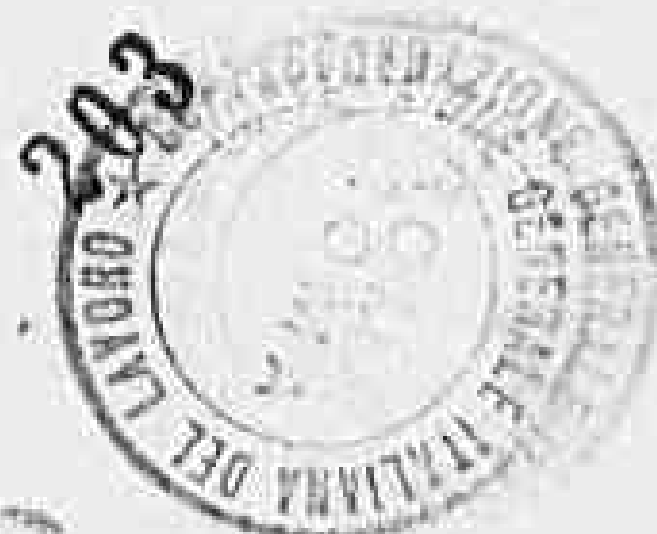
CAMERLAVORO

SULMONA

QUINDICI SETTEMBRE CONVOCHIAMO ROMA CONVEGNO CAMERLAVORO
ITALIA LIBERATA SARA' PRESENIATO DA DELEGAZIONE OPERAIA
ANGLOAMERICANA STOP PREGHIAMOVI INVIARE ALMENO TRE RAPPRESENTANTI
PORTANDO DATI SITUAZIONE ECONOMICA LAVORATORI VOSTRA PROVINCIA
STOP ESSENDO CONVEGNO LEGATO MISSIONE DELEGAZIONE ANGLOAMERICANA
CHIEDETE AUTORITY MILITARE FACILITAZIONE TRASPORTO TELEGRAFATECI
SALUTI

DIVITTORIO GRANDI LIZZADRI

Via Boncompagni 19 - 6.9.1944



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Indicazioni di urgenza

MODULARIO
C. - Teleg. 70

Mod. N. 1 (Ediz. 1944)

Ufficio Telegrafico di
TELEGRAMMACircuito sul quale si deve fare
l'invio del telegramma

Ricevuto il dell'Ufficio di		ore Ricevente	per circuito N.	Trasmesso il all'Ufficio di		ore Trasmittente	per circuito N.
Qualifica	DESTINAZIONE	PROVENIENZA		Num.	Parole	Data della presentazione Giorno e mese Ore e minuti	Via Indicazioni eventuali D'UFFICIO

Ord. 114 - 5146 XVIII - An. Stracca, Prossimo - 1944

CAMERALAVORO
AVEZZANO

QUINDICI SETTEMBRE CONVOCHIAMO ROMA CONVEGNO CAMERELAVORO ITALIA
LIBERATA SARA' PRESENZIATO DA DELEGAZIONE OPERAIA ANGLOAMERICANA
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AUTORITA MILITARI FACILITAZIONE TRASPORTO TELEGRAFATECI SALUTI

DIVITTORIO GRANDI LIZZADRI

C. G. 89467412

Via Boncompagni 19 - 6.9.1944

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Indicazioni d'urgenza

MODULARIO C. Teleg. 76

Mod. 31-A (Ediz. 1942-XVIII)

Ufficio Telegrafico di
TELEGRAMMA

Circuito sul quale si deve fare l'invio del telegramma

Ricevuto il 19 ore per circuito N. Ricevente

Trasmesso il 19 ore per circuito N. Ricevente

Qualifica DESTINAZIONE PROVENIENZA

Num. Parole Data della presentazione
Giorno e mese Ore e minuti

Indicazioni eventuali d'ufficio

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CAMERALAVORO
FIRENZE

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C. d. 2946442 201

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Indicazioni d'urgenza

MODULARIO
C. - Telegr. - 20



Mod. 01-A (E. 12. 1943) (V. 12. 1943)

Circuito sul quale si deve fare l'invio del telegramma

Ufficio Telegrafico di
TELEGRAMMA

Ricevuto il all'Ufficio di		19 ore per circuito N. inveniente	Trasmesso il all'Ufficio di		19 ore per circuito N. Trasmittente
Qualifica	DESTINAZIONE	PROVENIENZA	Num.	Parole	Data della presentazione Giorno mese Ore e minuti
					Via Indicazioni eventuali D'UFFICIO

Ord. 114 - 5-1940-XVIII - An. Stracca, Probstone - 19x13,5 (4.000.000)

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ANCONA

QUINDICI SETTEMBRE CONVOCHIAMO ROMA CONVEGNO CAMERELAVORO ITALIA
LIBERATA SARA' PRESENZIATO DA DELEGAZIONE OPERAIA ANGLOAMERICANA
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AUTORITA MILITARI FACILITAZIONE TRASPORTO TELEGRAFATECI SALUTI

DIVITTORIO GRANDI LIZZADRI

C. 789467412 200

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Indicazioni d'urgenza

MODULARIO
C. Teleg. 28

Mod. 11-A (Ediz. 1940-XVIII)

Ufficio Telegrafico di
TELEGRAMMACircuito sul quale si deve fare
l'invio del telegramma

Ricevuto il all'Ufficio di		19	ora	per circuito N. Viceente	Trasmissione II all'Ufficio di		19	ora	per circuito N. Trasmittente
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DIVITTORIO GRANDI LIZZADRI

C. H. 89468112

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Indicazioni d'urgenza

MODULARIO
C. - Teleg. 16

Mod. 31-A (Ediz. 1940-XVIII)

Ufficio Telegrafico di
TELEGRAMMACircuito sul quale si deve fare
l'altro del telegramma

Ricevuto il dal Ufficio di	ore per il circuito N. ricevente	Trasmesso il all'Ufficio di	ore per il circuito mittente
Qualifica	DESTINAZIONE	PROVENIENZA	Num. Parole Data della presentazione Giorno e mese Ora e minuti

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GROSSETO

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MODULARIO
C. Teleg. 76

Mod. 81-A (Ediz. 1942-XVIII)

Ufficio Telegrafico di
TELEGRAMMACircuito per il quale deve fare
l'ufficio telegrafico

Ricevuto il dal Ufficio di	19	ore	per circuito N.	Trasmesso il all'Ufficio di	19	ore	per circuito N.	per il circuito N.
Qualifica	DESTINAZIONE		PROVENIENZA	Num.	Parole	Data della presentazione Giorno e mese	Ore e minuti	eventuali D'UFFICIO

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CAMERELAVORO

PESCARA

QUINDICI SETTEMBRE CONVOCHIAMO ROMA CONVEGNO CAMERELAVORO
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DIVITTORIO GRANDI LIZZADRI

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MODULARIO
C. - Telegr. 74

Mod. 21-A (Ediz. 1940-XVII)

Ufficio Telegrafico di
TELEGRAMMACircuito sul quale si deve fare
l'invio del telegramma

Ricevuto il dal Ufficio di		ore	per circuito N.		Trasmesso il all'Ufficio di		ore	per circuito N.	
Qualifica	DESTINAZIONE		PROVENIENZA		Num.	Parole	Data della presentazione	Via	Indirizzo
							Giorno e mese Ore e minuti		



CAMERELAVORO

SIENA

QUINDICI SETTEMBRE CONVOCHIAMO ROMA CONVEGNO CAMERELAVORO
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DIVITTORIO GRANDI LIZZARDI

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MODULARIO
C. - Teleg. 26

Mod. 81-A (Ediz. 1940-XVIII)

Circuito sul quale si deve fare
l'incollare del telegrammaUfficio Telegrafico di
TELEGRAMMA

Ricevuto il dall'Ufficio di		ID ore Ricevente	Trasmesso il all'Ufficio di		ID ore Trasmittente	per circuito N.	
Qualifica	DESTINAZIONE	PROVENIENZA	Num.	Parole	Data della presentazione Giorno e mese	Ure e minuti	Via
							Indicazioni eventuali d'ufficio

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CAMERALAVORO

PERUGIA

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C. L. 8246742
Leonardo



LABOR CHAMBER

TRENTI - TRIESTE - CASERTA - CATANZARO - COSENZA - PERUGIA - AVELLINO - NAPOLI - REGGIO CALABRIA
SALERNO - GROSSETO - LIVORNO - SIENA - SUIFONA - PESCARA - TERAMO - AVEZZANO - AQUILA - CHIETI
FROSINONE - ANCONA

15 SEPTEMBER WILL CALL IN HOME MEETING LABOR CHAMBER LIBERATED ITALY WHICH WILL BE ATTENDED BY
ANGLO-AMERICAN WORKERS DELEGATES STOP WE BEG YOU TO SEND AT LEAST THREE REPRESENTATIVES
BRINGING DATA ON ECONOMIC STATUS WORKERS OF YOUR PROVINCE STOP BEING THIS MEETING CONNECTED
WITH THE ANGLO-AMERICAN MISSION ASK MILITARY AUTHORITIES TRANSPORT FACILITIES PLEASE WIRE
US REGARDS

DI VITTORIO GRANDI LIZZARDI

CONFEDERAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA LAVORO
VIA BONCOMPAGNI, 19
ROMA, 6/9/1944

CAMERALELAVORO

TERNI = BENEVENTO = CASERTA = CATANZARO = COSENZA = PERUGIA
 AVELLINO = NAPOLI = ~~XXXXX~~ REGGIO CALABRIA = SALERNO = GROSSETO
 LIVORNO = SIENA = SULMONA = PESCARA = TERAMO = ANCONA =
 AVEZZANO = AQUILA = CHIETI = FIRENZE = ANCONA

TESTO:

QUINDICI SETTEMBRE CONVOCHIAMO ROMA CONVEGNO CAMERALELAVORO
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 RAPPRESENTANTI PORTANDO DATI SITUAZIONE ECONOMICA LAVORATORI
 VOSTRA PROVINCIA STOP ESSENDO CONVEGNO LEGATO MISSIONE
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DIVITTORIO ORANDE LIZZADRI



Confederazione Generale Italiana Lavoro
 Via Boncompagni 19 - 6.9.1944

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ANGLOAMERICANA STOP PREGHIAMOVI INVIARE ALMENO TRE
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DATE : 4 SPET. 44 ACC REG I
CLASSIFICATION : SECRET
PRECEDENCE : PRIORITY
ORIGINATED BY : AFHQ REF EX 91602
TO : ACC REGION ONE PALERMO
REPEAT FOR INFO TO:ADC

Reference No. D/4/17

VISIT OF LABOUR REPRESENTATIVES IS SUBJECT.
PARA. DELEGATION OF THREE BRITISH TRADES UNION LEADERS AND TWO
AMERICAN LABOUR LEADERS ACCOMPANIED BY FOUR OFFICERS AND ONE
STENOGRAPHER (TOTAL PARTY 10) LEAVING BARI BY AIR 0830 HRS SATUR-
DAY NINTH SEPTEMBER FOR PALERMO. ITINERARY IN SICILY AS FOLLOWS
(A) STAY AT PALERMO UNTIL MORNING TUESDAY 12 SEPT AND LEAVE BY AIR
FOR CATANIA (B) SPEND REMAINDER 12 SEPTEMBER IN CATANIA LEAVING
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BEING ARRANGED FOR TOUR FROM HERE. ESSENTIAL YOU MEET AT AIRPORTS
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SCICLUNA OF LABOUR COMMISSION ACC. VISIT IS IMPORTANT AND
ESSENTIAL THAT DELEGATES BE GIVEN ALL FACILITIES AND FREEDOM OF
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TO: LABOUR SC HQ ACC

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 63/9

FROM: MAJOR SCICLUNA ACC BARI

CLASSIFICATION: RESTRICTED

REFERENCE No: RT/BZ/5

PRECEDENCE: IMPORTANT

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN SEP 09

OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

TRADE UNION CONGRESS IN ROME IS SUBJECT. ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRANSPORTATION OF DELEGATES TO AND FROM ROME HAVE BEEN MADE BY COL TEMPERLEY AND MYSELF WITH APPROVAL OF AFHQ. ON 14 SEPT TWO TRUCKS WILL REACH ROME CARRYING TOTAL OF 35 DELEGATES. IT WAS AGREED WITH GRANDI LIZZADRI AND DI VITTORIO IN ROME THAT RESPONSIBILITY OF ACCOMMODATION WOULD REST WITH THEM OUR ONLY CONTRIBUTION BEING THAT OF PROVIDING THE REQUIRED TRANSPORT. THERE IS NO NECESSITY TO TAKE ANY ACTION WHATSOEVER AT ACC HQ EXCEPT IN CONNECTION WITH 6 DELEGATES FROM SARDINIA FOR WHOM AIR PASSAGES SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE.

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8 Sept 1944

SUBJECT: Accommodation

TO : H.Q. A.C.C. ROME
R.C. & M.G. Section

1. I am enclosing a copy of a cable regarding a visit of Labour representatives received by this Headquarters direct from AFHQ, but the Labour sub-Commission of your Headquarters is aware of this matter because they have communicated with the Headquarters by telephone concerning this visit of Labour representatives. It seems unusual that this Headquarters should receive instructions in this matter direct from AFHQ.

It is pointed out that, in existing circumstances, no first class hotel accommodation is available in SICILY. I understand that even in peace time there is no first class hotel at CATANIA.

The best possible arrangements are being made for the accommodation of this party. At PALERMO they will be accommodated at the sole remaining A.C.C. mess at the Excelsior Hotel, though the accommodation might not be classified as first class. At CATANIA they will be accommodated at the A & B messes of the A.C.C. Provincial Headquarters there.

2. For your information, the question of accommodation in Region I presents considerable difficulty. A.C.C. here appears to have accepted the legacy of providing accommodation for all visiting personnel other than that connected with the Allied Navies. The A.C.C. mess at the Excelsior Hotel deals with an average of about 10 transient officers daily. At the present moment it is accommodating and/or feeding 18 officers on temporary duty here from P.B.S. and, in addition, from tomorrow will be accommodating temporarily the party of Labour representatives numbering 10.

3. At MESSINA there is an A.C.C. Provincial mess but, owing to reductions in staff, there is now only one A.C.C. officer stationed at MESSINA. It appears, however, to be necessary to keep this mess going because of the number of visiting personnel including Allied civilian export etc. representatives.

4. I am going into this matter with the local Allied authorities, as I feel that A.C.C. here has accommodation commitments which should not be its responsibility, especially in view of reductions in staff already effected and which will be taking place in the near future.

M. Carr
M. CARR, Brigadier
Regional Commissioner

SOUTHERN REGION ACC BARI

ACC HQ

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LABOR SUBCOMMISSION

GET IN TOUCH EFFECTIVELY WITH COLONEL SMITH IMMEDIATELY OR SEND CROSETTO BACK TO ROME
IMMEDIATELY BUT IMMEDIATELY WITH FULL PARTICULARS ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY YOU RPT BY YOU
FOR PART OF SEVEN ZERO PROPOSED PAREN TO SOUTHERN REGION ACC BARI FOR CAPTAIN BOTHAM
FOR MAJOR SCICIANA FOR MICHAEL CROSETTO FROM ACC HQ SIGNED STONE PAREN FULL PARTICULARS
WANTED REGARDING TRANSPORT CMA LODGING ET CETERA PD YOU ARE AWARE WE HAVE NO FACILITIES
PD HAVE ATTEMPTED CONTACT YOU SINCE MONDAY

L. T. MONTANT
1st Lt., AGD.
Adjutant

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REQUESTED YOU ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF CABLE REFERRED TO AND
CONFIRM ARRANGEMENT WILL BE MADE. REF OUR FX 91602 OF 3 SEPT
PARTY NOW INCLUDES ADDITIONAL AMERICAN OFFICER MAKING TOTAL 11.

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Calor congresso Roma - Sep 4/46

ELENCO DELEGATI AL CONVEGNO SINDACALE DELLA C.C.I.L.

Nome	Categoria Lavoro	Provincia
ZOTTI PASQUALE	Categoria Lavoro	BENEVENTO
LAMBRIGONE RAFFAELE	"	NAPOLI
MOLISSE SALVATORE	"	"
BOZZO VINCENZO	"	"
DI BARTOLOMEO NICOLA	"	"
VITIELLO RAFFAELE	"	"
VENDE CIRO	"	"
SORRENTINO VINCENZO	"	"
DI STEFANO MARINO	"	"
RULLO PIETRO	"	"
BILLOTTI ENRICO	Federaz. Lav. Terza	"
FISSIRE PAOLO	"	"
MARINO GIOVANNI	Categoria Lavoro	POZZUOLI
VILLANI LUIGI	"	BAGNOLI
SAMPOGNA GIUSEPPE	"	NAPOLI
LEONARDIS ALBERTO	"	"
QUADERO GIORGIO	"	"
FREILLES TOMMASO	"	CASTELLANARE
LANTORNI GIOVANNI	"	NAPOLI
GIULIANO GIUSEPPE	"	"
TUCCILLO ANTONIO	"	"
D'AMBROSIO FERDINANDO	"	"
ANATRIADO RAFFAELE	"	"
GIONDANO CRESCENZO	"	"
COLACANTO DOMENICO	"	"
ARCHISTA GALTANO	"	"

VITIELLO RAFFAELE	"	"	"
VERDE CIRO	"	"	"
SORRENTINO VINCENZO	"	"	"
DI STEFANO MARINO	"	"	"
RULLO PIETRO	"	"	"
BILLOTTI ENRICO	"	Federaz. Lav. Terza	"
FISSORE PAOLO	"	"	"
MARINO GIOVANNI	"	Camera Lavoro	POZZUOLI
VILLANI LUIGI	"	"	LAGNOLI
SAMPOGNA GIUSEPPE	"	"	NAPOLI
LEONARDIS ALBERTO	"	"	"
QUADRO GIORGIO	"	"	"
FRILLES TOMMASO	"	"	CASTELLAMARE
IANTORNI GIOVANNI	"	"	NAPOLI
GIULIANO GIUSEPPE	"	"	"
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D'AMBROSIO FEMIDINANDO	"	"	"
AMATRIADO RAFFAELE	"	"	"
GIORDANO CRESCENZO	"	"	"
COLASANTO DOMENICO	"	"	"
ARCHISTA GAETANO	"	"	"
BUSIELLO CARLO	"	"	"
SANNINO AMERIGO	"	"	"
MARCHIANO DOMENICO	"	"	SALERNO
EAGNOLI GAETANO	"	"	BENEVENTO
DE FEO UGO	"	"	SALERNO
COLETTI CESIDIO FRANCESCO	"	"	PROGINONE
CLECCHI LUIGI	"	"	SIENA
CASTELLI MARIO	"	"	"
LEONARDI GIUSEPPE	"	Confederaz. Gen. It. Lavoro	"

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BARBIERI GRAZIO	Camera Lavoro	FIRENZE	
FRIZZI FOSCO	"	"	+ 4
BARBIERI ORESTE	"	"	
TILLI MARIO	"	"	+ 2000
MORETTO FERRUCCIO	"	RIETI	
GENTILI TACITO	"	GROSSETO	
ORTENSI ILARIO	Confed. Gen. Ital. Lavoro		
DE LEONARDIS DOMENICO	Camera Lavoro	BARI	
LARICCHIUTA EUGENIO	"	"	
BERTOLI ALFREDO	"	"	
PINTO VINCENZO	"	"	
PASTORE RAFFAELE	"	"	
DE GRECIS VITO	Unione Lavoro	"	
ZI ZONNO MICHELE	"	"	
OTTOMANO OTELLO	"	LECCE	
SGARRONE EVASIO	"	TARANTO	
LATORRE GIUSEPPE	Camera Lavoro	"	
BEMERARO SANTE	"	BRINDISI	
MACCIONI LUIGI	"	FOGGIA	
SEVERO REMIGIO	Unione Lavoro	MATERA	
BIANCO MICHELE	Camera Lavoro	"	
MILILLO VINCENZO	"	"	
DI MARZO ANGELO	"	CATANZARO	
MELONI CARLO	Unione Lavoro	CAGLIARI	
PISU ANGELO	Camera Lavoro	"	
SUELLA AMEDEO	"	"	
CELINO FEDELE	"	FOGGIA	
MARINOZZI REALINO	"	MATERA	
VALENTINI MARIO	"	LECCE	

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LARICCHIUTA EUGENIO	"	"
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BIANCO MICHELE	Camera Lavoro	"
MILILLO VINCENZO	"	"
DI MANZO ANGELO	"	CATANZARO
MELONI CARLO	Unione Lavoro	CAGLIARI
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SUELLA ADEDO	"	"
CELLINO FEDELE	"	FOGGIA
MARINOZZI REALINO	"	MATERA
VALENTINI MARIO	"	LECCE
BALDELLI MARIO	Confederaz. Gen. It. Lavoro	
MARCHIORO DOMENICO	"	
FRASCA TERESA	"	
GRANDOLINI LYDIA	"	
DI BARTOLOMEO ROSA	Camera Lavoro	NAPOLI
DONADIO LEOPOLDO	"	FOGGIA
STALLONE PIETRO	"	BARI
SAPIENZA GIUSEPPE	"	CATANIA

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VIEIRI ANTONIO	Camera Lavoro	PROSINONE
MATHELLA ANTONIO	Unione Lavoro	FOGGIA
MONTALTO UBALDO	Camera Lavoro	COSENZA
GENOVA CARMELO	"	"
SPEDONI CATALDO	"	RIETI
BELLUCCI RAFFAELE	"	GROSSETO
SASSI PAOLO	"	"
FRASCATANI ENRICO	"	BRINDISI
PANDIMIGLIO PAOLO	"	CALTANISSETTA
SESTA NILLA	Unione del Lavoro	POTENZA
CORSINI MARIA	"	REGGIO CALABRIA
ALABISO ALFREDO	Camera Lavoro	S. MARIA C. VETERE
CECCHI ANTONIO	"	"
GELLA VALLE ERNESTO	"	"
ROSA ANTONIO	"	SASSARI
CENSI FRANCESCO	"	NUORO
GIOVANNETTI MARTINO	"	CAGLIARI
DE SIMONE DANTE	"	CATANZARO
LO GIUDICE BENIAMINO	"	REGGIO CALABRIA
DE LORENZO DOMENICO	"	"
BONGIORNO ANTONIO	"	"
RUSSO FRANCESCO	"	"
BORCHI NINO	"	"185
MIRABELLI ALDO	"	"
VIGNANELLI FERDINANDO	"	CIVITAVECCHIA
PASTORE GIULIO	Consiglio Direttivo C.G. IL.	
GIANNITELLI LAMBERTO	"	
CUZZANITI ROBERTO	Camera Lavoro	ROMA
RUSCHI NAZARIO	"	"

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RUSSO FRANCESCO

BORCHI NINO

MIRABELLI ALDO

VIGNANELLI FERDINANDO

PASTORE GIULIO

GIANNITELLI LAMBERTO

CUZZANITI ROBERTO

BUSCHI NAZARENO

BIGAZZI ORIS

MASSINI CESARE

On. Giuseppe DI VITTORIO

On. Achille GRANDI

Dr. ORESTE LIZIADRI

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CALTANISSETTA

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REGGIO CALABRIA

S. MARIA C. VETERE

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Capt. Dorf.

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Will phone -
- 4 Scicluna.
1. Arrange private audience with H.H. the Pope on Sunday 17th morning for British delegates (Schevenels, O'Brien, Lawther) accompanied by myself. Should be done through Sir Noel Charles -- through Osborne, Br. Ambassador to Vatican.
 2. Delegates have expressed wish to visit Gen. Alexander's HQ to Harold Mac Millan. Mac Millan said that he would get a plane to take them there, and back -- party being made up only of himself plus 5 delegates plus myself. Get in touch with Mac Millan to see whether he is intending to go through with it and, if in the affirmative, make the necessary arrangements for Monday 18th d. Rome.
 3. Ref. Congress of Trade Unions in Rome on 15th and 16th -- I am arranging all transport for delegates travelling from Southern Italy and Sicily, but not for Sardegna. Make arrangements for 6 T.U. delegates to travel by air: Commissioner Sardegna can decide how these 6 delegates are to be chosen from amongst free Trades Union organisation but special importance should be given to coal miners.
 4. Please confirm by phone, through A.C.C. Palermo or Catania, that these arrangements are made.

/s/ E. Scicluna

6/9/44

John Mac Millan
Call Tues Sept 12
Re Gen Alexander

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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6 September 44

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Details for choosing Delegates from the Bari area was
assigned by (?) to Mr. Kontalto.

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Details for choosing Delegates from the Earl area was assigned by (?) to Mr. Montalbo.

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LABOR CHAMBER

TERNI - RENEVENTO - CASERTA - CATANZARO - COSENZA - PERUGIA - AVELLINO - NAPOLI - REGGIO CALABRIA
 SALERNO - GROSSETO - LIVORNO - SIENA - SULMONA - PESCARA - TERAMO - AVEZZANO - AQUILA - CHIETI
 FIRENZE - ANCONA

15 SEPTEMBER WILL CALL IN ROME MEETING LABOR CHAMBER LIBERATED ITALY WHICH WILL BE ATTENDED BY
 ANGLO-AMERICAN WORKER'S DELEGATES STOP WE BEG YOU TO SEND AT LEAST THREE REPRESENTATIVES
 BRINGING DATA ON ECONOMIC STATUS WORKERS OF YOUR PROVINCE STOP BEING THIS MEETING CONNECTED
 WITH THE ANGLO-AMERICAN MISSION ASK MILITARY AUTHORITIES TRANSPORT FACILITIES PLEASE WIRE
 US REGARDS

DI VITTORIO GRANDI LIZZADRI

CONFEDERAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA LAVORO
 VIA BONCOMPAGNI, 19
 ROMA, 6/9/1944

O - not yet sent -
 no acceptance
 this end.

SUBJECT: - Visits - Mr. () Lawler - Mr. T. O'Brien.

LABOR H.C. 806
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HQ ALLIED ARMS IN ITALY

Tel: - WITROF 233

5028/A(PS)

5 Sep 44

Director,
Labour Sub Commission
Allied Central Commission

Copy to: - 50 Rest Camp

Please refer to your letter to the Adj Gen, HQ AAI, dated 2 Sep, requesting that Lt MART and Dvr ALLIANCE should be allowed to interview Mr. W. LAWLER and Mr. T. O'BRIEN.

The following arrangements have been made.

Lt. MART will be at 50 Rest Camp ROME from 13 Sep until 20 Sep; he has been instructed to report to you on arrival.

Dvr. ALLIANCE will be at 50 Rest Camp ROME from 11 Sep until 17 Sep; he has been instructed to report to you on arrival.

B. Ganashe Capt

HQ/ITA.

/s/ Brigadier,
D.A.C.



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ACC, HQ

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ROUTINE

LABOR SUB-COMMISSION

PLEASE ARRANGE TRANSPORTATION FOR AND HAVE TRADE UNIONS OR WORKERS GROUPS SELECT SIX WORKERS REPRESENTATIVES CMA PREFERABLY INCLUDING FOUR MINERS CMA FOR ROME CONFERENCE ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO ONE FIVE AND ONE SIX SEPTEMBER TO DISCUSS TRADE UNION ORGANIZATION WITH TRADE UNION REPRESENTATIVES OF UNITED STATES AND UNITED KINGDOM PAREN TO ACC REGION SIX FROM ACC HEADQUARTERS SIGNED STONE PAREN DELEGATES SHOULD REPORT TO MAJOR SCICLUNA LABOR SUB-COMMISSION ACC HQ PD PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE AND ADVISE

L. T. MONTANT
1st Lt. AGD
Adjutant

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TOUR OF LABOUR DELEGATES IS SUBJECT.

PARA 1. DELEGATES ARE NOW IN NAPLES LEAVING THERE MORNING WEDNESDAY 6 SEPT FOR BARI. ITINERARY THEREAFTER IS AS FOLLOWS (A) LEAVE BARI BY AIR SATURDAY 9 SEPT FOR PALERMO (B) LEAVE PALERMO BY AIR TUESDAY 12 SEPT FOR CATANIA (C) LEAVE CATANIA BY AIR THURSDAY 14 SEPT FOR ROME ARRIVING SAME DAY.

PARA 2. SPECIAL PLANE BEING ARRANGED HERE FOR ABOVE AIR JOURNEYS.

PARA 3. ACCOMMODATION FOR DELEGATES AT BARI BEING ARRANGED FROM NAPLES. SIGNAL SENT FROM HERE TO REGION ONE AS TO ACCOMMODATION IN SICILY AND REPEATED TO YOU.

PARA 4. DELEGATION DESIRE TO HAVE IN ROME FOR CONGRESS 15 AND 16 SEP SIX REPRESENTATIVES OF SARDINIAN MINE WORKERS AND PARTIES OF REPRESENTATIVE ITALIAN LABOUR FROM SOUTH ITALY AS FOLLOWS (A) 20 FROM REGGIO (B) 20 FROM NAPLES (C) 30 FROM TARANTO. THIS IS A MATTER WHICH YOU SHOULD ARRANGE THROUGH YOUR HQ AND ISSUE ALL NECESSARY INSTRUCTIONS.

PARA 5. IN CONFIRMATION OF CONVERSATION BRIG LUSH-COLONEL LEWIN - HARRIS THE VISIT OF TRADES UNION DELEGATES IS REGARDED AS OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE BY BRITISH AND AMERICAN GOVTS. IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU ENSURE ALL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEM ARE CAREFULLY PREPARED. ACTION IN PARAS 2 AND 3 HAS BEEN DONE ON YOUR BEHALF TO SAVE TIME.

ALL O.S.T

1st: 1st Lt. J. L. Con

- Who re: 1st Lt. J. L. Con -

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VISIT OF LABOUR REPRESENTATIVES IS SUBJECT.

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(Imp-Net) (C) Ba for L. Palmer
(Imp) See Gen

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Translation Baldazzi

THE AGENDA OF THE MEETINGA GREAT DEMONSTRATION IN HONOUR OF THE ANGLO-AMERICAN DELEGATES

The 15 and 16 of the current month there will take place in Rome the assembly of the Confederate Chambers of Labor of all liberated Italy, save those of the military zones, for whom it is impossible to send delegates.

The assembly will take place in the Dopelavoro premises of the Finance Ministry, and the delegates of Anglo-American workers, as well as Mr. Scheveneles, delegate of the International Syndical Federation, will participate in it.

The assembly will discuss the following Order of the Day:

- 1) Consideration of the situation of the working masses and of the provisions apt to relieve it, in connection with the constitution of the Country (reporter: Di Vittorio);
- 2) Actual requests of the peasants (reporter: Grandi);
- 3) Democratization of all the syndical movement (reporter: Lizzadri);

Delegates from Puglia, Lucania, Calabria, Sardinia and from a few provinces of central Italy have already arrived.

Besides the assembly and the very welcome visit of the Anglo-american delegation to the Italian proletariat, will be concluded by a great popular demonstration, which is to take place next Sunday 17th instant at 10.30 A.M. in the Teatro Brancaccio. The Anglo-american guests as well as all the Employees and manual workers Syndicates of Rome, the representatives of the Confederate Chambers of Labor and the secretaries of the General Italian Confederation of Labor will take part in the demonstration.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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3rd September 44

Detail of inviting and making contact for 20 delegates from the south Italy Area is turned over by (?) to Mr Vito De Bratis, Commissario of the old Syndicates and Christian Democrats.

A. H. Smith
Col.

Detail of inviting and making contact for 20 delegates from the south Italy Area is turned over by (?) to Mr Vito De Gratia, Commissario of the old Syndicates and Christian Democrats.

J. H. Smith
Col.

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Schedule of Arrivals and Departures
to and from points visited by
the Labor Delegation

Saturday, September 2, 1944

6:30 a.m. departed Rome
12:30 p.m. arrived Caserta
3:20 " departed "
4:00 " arrived Naples (Hotel Excelsior)

Wednesday, September 6, 1944

3:00 a.m. departed Naples
12:00 noon arrived Foggia
12:20 p.m. " Lucera
4:50 p.m. departed Lucera
8:30 p.m. arrived Bari (Hotel Imperial)

Friday, September 8, 1944

8:30 a.m. departed Bari
10:00 a.m. arrived Taranto
5:30 p.m. departed Taranto
7:30 p.m. arrived Bari (Hotel Imperial)

Saturday, September 9, 1944

8:50 a.m. departed Bari
9:45 a.m. arrived Airport
10:00 a.m. departed Airport
12:15 a.m. arrived Sicily (Palermo) (Hotel Excelsior)

Tuesday, September 12, 1944

9:50 a.m. departed Palermo
11:00 a.m. arrived Catania (Hotel San C'Giorgi)

Thursday, September 14, 1944

9:30 a.m. departed Catania
12:00 noon arrived Rome

Mr. Walter Schevenals (International Federation of Trade Unions)
 Mr. Will Lawther (British Trade Union Congress)
 Mr. Thomas O'Brien (British Trade Union Congress)
 Mr. Luigi Antonini (American Federation of Labor)
 Mr. George Baldanzi (Congress of Industrial Organizations)
 Mr. Peter Nosworthy (Commercial Attache to British High Commissioner)
 Mr. Biagio Di Venuti (Official Member, U.S. Delegation to Advisory Council for Italy)
 Capt. Floyd E. Weidman (Public Relations Officer, AFHQ)
 Maj. Edward Scieluna (Labor Relations Officer--Italy; ACC Labor Sub-Commission)
 Mr. Michael Crossetto (American Federal Civil Servant--attached to ACC Labor Sub-Commission)
 Mr. Serafino Romualdi (Personal Assistant to Mr. Antonini)

Pvt. Paul E. Carr 33752776 (Stenographer to Delegation)
 L/Cpl. Frank Mandley T/175909 (Driver)
 Pvt. Leslie Hancock T/5121807 "
 " William Blessing 18023883 "
 " Charles Woods 39616063 "

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 Thurs. 7th Bari
 Fri. 8th 0830 hours d. Bari (visit to Taranto)
 " " 1700 hours d. Taranto for Bari
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 Sun. 10th Palermo
 Mon. 11th "
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 Thur. 14th 0900 hours d. Catania (Air transport to Rome)
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PRESS READING BUREAU

August 30, 1944

ANTONINI'S AND BALDANZI'S VISIT TO ROME

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All Roman newspapers carried long political comments on the visit of LUIGI ANTONINI (delegate of the AFof L) and of GEORGE BALDANZI (delegate of the CIO) to Rome. The arrival of these two American delegates has been interpreted as the end of the isolationism forced on Italy by Fascism. Another interpretation given to this visit was that it meant the end of isolationism on the part of the American and English workers which, comments the ITALIA LIBERA for the Partito d'Azione, was typical of the last postwar period and caused dangerous aftermaths.

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I. SALARIES and PENSIONS

One of the most important problems which will have to be solved with government intervention is the one pertaining to salaries and pensions. According to a declaration made by the Honorable Gronchi, Secretary of Industry, Commerce and Labor, a declaration made on August 25th to the representatives of the General Italian Confederation of workers, it was proposed to the Council of Ministers and to the ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION whereby a special indemnity would be paid to all State employees and employees of Public Works as well as by private firms. The problem therefore seems to be solved, at least temporarily.

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bettered.

The newspaper of southern Italy back the campaign against the freezing of salaries. The CORRIERE DEL LAVORO, official organ of the General Association of Free Unions, after having touched on the tragic situation of Italian workers who have had to sell all their furnishings and use up all their savings to meet the high cost of living, states that an indemnity to meet the high cost of living will not cause more inflation or additional increases in prices. This additional money which would be put into circulation could easily be absorbed, besides, the great amount of paper money in circulation at present has an entirely different origin.

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Translation by Mrs. d'Amato

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 The meeting of the
 Confederation of
 Labor opens today

GRAVE CONDITIONS OF THE LABOURERS
IN ALL THE PROVINCES OF LIBERATED
ITALY

(Our interview with a group of delegates)

SINCE yesterday the syndicate delegates of all the provinces of liberated Italy began to arrive in Rome to take part to today's meeting which will take place under the honorary presidency of the representatives of the Anglo-american worker's organization.

It has not been easy to organize this meeting. It will be enough to think to the impossibility to communicate with some of the provinces recently liberated. But almost those composing the secretaries of the Labor Chambers are old veterans in the struggle against fascism. Almost all have had their regular period in jail or in exile.

With no rail-roads, no telegraph, no electricity, often without homes. How do they live in some of their cities. How have they come to know about the meeting? How have they managed to arrive in time?

" The telegram has not arrived...but you see, a friend has come... Each of us has seen to it, that the nearer ones know. You can easily imagine our desire to contact directly the Confederation. Tomorrow, however, we have alone all the intention to point out the sad condition of the Italian labourers ".

They have had, in these few hours, occasion to exchange ideas. They are, often, old friends from prison days who meet after years and each of them bears the tragic traces of hunger and suffering which the labourers of Sicily, the Marche, Tuscany and Sardinia suffer. But they also carry the manifest will of all the Italian proletariat to unite themselves more in their struggle against reaction. It is very significant that the delegates that have come to Rome represent over half a million of members. Half million of labourers of Southern Italy where in the past there never was a

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syndicate movement. And a delegate from Bari points out that the majority of the members are peasants.

Urgent vindications

WE HAVE asked ~~to~~ some of the delegates what, above all, would they point out to the Anglo-Americans. Again they are in accord, it is not fair that all the weight of the present situation should fall exclusively on the shoulders of the labouring classes.

The delegates of the province of Siena have told us how the syndicate labour worked under the German occupation.

In Siena, under the Germans, the Labour Chamber, it can be said, functioned with great regularity, even in elections. So much so, that in that period a circular letter was sent to all the employers and an advanced month salary and wages was requested for all the workers. And it was granted.

"Which are the most urgent vindications of the workers of Siena?"

"They have organized in a very short time all the first rate syndicates. The unity of the syndicates is very efficient. But our region is characterized by the unbearable situation of the partner-farmer and manual labourer in their strife against the pretensions of the feudal class which still today are the owners of a great part of our land: the Princes Origi, Saracini, the Piccolomini, the Zandadari...Think of the tragic situation of our partner-farmer who must give half of his crops...to the masters when these latter, for the wear and tear of farming equipment still contribute as much as they did 25 years ago.

In all the regions, struggle against fascism is still on, assuming different aspect from time to time. Often it means to have to fight the same men which have remained at the same parts".

"They have shed the fascist cloth uniform, but they still have the whip in hand. And unfortunately the Allies have not a clear vision of what is happening. The cities and specially the provinces are almost always in the hands of reactionaries which are relentless in their fight against the syndicate organizations because these represent their most immediate danger. Think that at Siena a certain Bassi has been appointed as Prefect

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and who was vice Prefect under the Fascist Republic ! So he has been actually promoted !

" How does this situation reflect on your work? "

" They try in every way to put obstacles in our path. They could often open up the factories, start work but they do not do it because it is their interest to ostracize and render difficult the work of the democratic government. But the peasants have understood the importance of keeping united and more than ever they gather close to their syndicate organizations, determined to fight in all manners the reactionary sabotage ".

The Puglia delegates have also told us of the great exploitation which the partner-farmer and the manual laborer of their region must undergo.

Relentless exploitation of the
partner-farmer and manual laborer

" IN PUGLIA - an old organizer of the Federation of land laborers, told us - we have worked hard. There are 110 thousand members and all with their membership card paid. Every day the laborer is having more faith in the syndicates ".

The Secretary of the Labor Chamber of Foggia tells us of the strong organization that exists among the peasants of G. Severo, Cerignola, Tricci: " Foggia is the only province of the Puglia where a Provincial Labor Office has been instituted the laborers, however logically prefer to have their syndicates stand up for their rights. But then in these Labor Offices all the old fascist administrators are being hired again when one thinks that in the Labor Office of Foggia there is an ex-fascist syndicate inspector ! What can the workers expect from such people? "

All the delegates from Southern Italy which we have questioned have spoken of the good democratic state of affairs in the syndicate life and of the strong unity of the movement.

Everywhere elections have been held for the factories commissions and for the Administrative Syndicate Committees.

Those of Corradone

The delegate from Brindisi has spoken to us about the wine question which is strongly joined to that of the

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farmer partnership method. The products must be given half to the landowner who appropriates also the other half left to the farmer under form of contributes for the labor for the preservation of the wine. The syndicates are struggling for the socialization of some of the wine factories. This much they ask, together with the revision of the present agricultural pacts.

" Think, dear comrade, that our struggle is not easy to carry on. We have before us the same people which in '19 armed the band of Ceradonna".

From the delegates of Sardinia we have learned the tragic situation of the miners of the docks of Sulcis. They are at present almost completely without shoes and clothes.

" This tragic conditions, however, have not deprived them of the consciousness of their rights and their strength. They gather around the syndicates which have recently been able to demonstrate how they can defend their interests by obtaining for the workers, by a well directed manifestation, a raise of 20 lire daily."

" But do not believe that this is much. A miner who does exceptionally heavy work received, up to a few days ago, only 55 daily and at Montevaccino even 55 lire".

And this is the tragic situation which the delegates of all the Labor Chambers will present today to the meeting.

Press Office

29.8.44

*Maj. Babcock*4472
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The joint Trade Union Delegation were welcomed today by the U.S. Representatives of the Allied Advisory Council & the U.K. High Commissioner.

The delegates are:

U.S. Mr. L. ANTONINI A.F.L.

Mr. G. BARBANTI C.I.O.

U.K. T.U.C. Mr. WILL LAWLER, President, Mineworkers Federation of Great Britain.

Mr. TOM O'BRIEN

Mr. WALTER SCHEVENALS, Secretary, International Federation of Trade Unions

At their first formal meeting, held at the British Embassy, with the British Deputy Prime Minister (Mr. ATTLEE) and Mr. HAROLD MACMILLAN British Resident Minister of Allied Forces Headquarters Italy present, the chair was taken by Mr. GEORGE HALL, Parliamentary Secretary to the British Foreign Office, who happened to be in Rome. Others present were Mr. RICHARD MOSWORTHY, British Commercial Minister, Col. J.F.R. BAIN, Director, Labor Sub-Commission A.U.C.

The delegates discussed and made plans to ensure the greatest benefit from their visit to Italy. It is their intention to see and hear as much of Italy's Trade Union and labor problems as is possible in the time available.

The delegation hopes to be in Italy for four weeks and all facilities will be placed at their disposal by the authorities.

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C. J. Smith

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TO: Colonel J. T. R. Bain
Labor Sub-Commission, A.S.C.

Ref telephone conversation Col. Bain/Major Fielden, herewith
copy of story filed by Brin (AP).

29 Aug. 44

/s/ V. E. R. Batt
F.A.

26 August 1944

VIA RIA

PRESS ASSOCIATED NEW YORK

Brian 11430 Rome 26/8 quote Rye hope Red Army reaches Berlin before we do dash otherwise we will have another hotel room full of people like these unquote George Baldanzi trim bespectacled representative of CIO said motioning to well-dressed occupants Grand Hotel salon paragraph

Thirtyseven yearold Baldanzi who arrived here yesterday with Luigi Antonini of AFL for survey Italian labor situation was identifying prosperouslooking Italian civilians as Fascists dash survivors of eye purge which he said Allies failed carry out in complete disregard ideological aspects of war paragraph

quote there will be blood bath as soon as Allies leave stop Requote you cant stop revolution by inaction unquote predicted Baldanzi differing sharply in views on Communism from Antonini who expressed strong fear that Allied policy would lead Italy into arms quote Soviet totalitarian dictatorship unquote

Brian

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VIA RCA

Press Associated New York

Brian 2130 Both men agreed however that Britains policy was to make Italy say quote colony unquote and Antonini appealed United States take greater interest Italian economic political & affairs paragraph

Quote Control of Italy is so top heavy British it isnt even funny unquote Baldanzi said paragraph

Quote If United States leaves Italy to Britain Russia dash unquote grayhaired sixtytwo year old Antonini made despairing motion with Hands undash requote then American boys will have fought over here in vain unquote paragraph

Baldanzi said he not repeat not over here to quote tell Italian labor what to do unquote but to give advice if desired stop He added financial assistance also would be needed stop Delegation British labor leaders expected arrive soon for similar survey

Bria

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VIA ROA

PRESS ASSOCIATED NEW YORK

Brias 31430 Antonini dash old school leftist with flowing black
cravat undash said he distrustful Togliatti and Communist declarations
of quote working for democracy in Italy stop Requote Eye know Communists
from experience unquote said adding believed strong socialist party
only way counterbalance communists paragraph

Baldanzi expressed keen desire meet Togliatti stop He asserted
quote Harmony unquote among workers only way frustrate Fascism stop He
said had learned that quote socialization of entire economic life
Northern Italy already accomplished fact unquote and wondered quote what
we are going to do about that when we get there unquote

Bria

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VIA RCA

PRASS Associated New York

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26 August, 1944

Brian Fourth 1430 Both men declared wages salaries in Italy must
be raised immediately cited example of Grand Hotel elevator operator
who earning six repeat six dollars monthly in face staggering living
costs paragraph

quote Eye fail understand why workers earning less now than
under German Fascists unquote Baldanzi said Requote It fantastic
situation stop It indictment of democracy unquote

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Translation of subject

Greetings from the workers of the Foggia Province
to the American and British workers' Delegations.
■ Glacards, published by the Foggia Camera del
Lavoro, are attached in order that they may
be delivered to both Delegations —

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T. Cr.

"Proletari di tutti i paesi, unitevi!"

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CAMERA DEL LAVORO

ADERENTE ALLA CONFEDERAZIONE GENERALE DEL LAVORO
FOGGIA

CGL/Presidenza

Foggia, 30 agosto 1944

Commissione Alleata di Controllo
ROMA

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TRANSLATION -- S/Sgt Sorici

11 Sept 44

CHAMBER OF LABOR AFFILIATED WITH THE GENERAL CONFEDERATION OF LABORP O G G I A

WORKERS!

The representatives of the British and American workers have arrived in Italy, and we, in your name, give them our brotherly greetings: greetings from workers to workers, above the horrible bloody battle.

With your greetings you ask the American and British workers not to consider you responsible for the cruel conflict, nor to consider you a defeated people.

The workers of the world have no frontiers, nor do they have national interests to sustain; hence, there cannot, there must not emerge from this terrible carnage vanquished workers and conquering workers. All the workers of the world, upon the still smoking ruins of the war, must unite in a new labor international bulwark not only of peace among peoples, but of the new justice of class founded on equality and brotherhood.

WORKERS!

The middle class makes profits on your split-up and creates political parties which multiply and claw one another for thirst of power, seeking to use your organizations as electoral platforms; therefore, sear your ranks; increase your combativeness, and act so that your Chambers of labor -- apolitical and areligious grouped into the glorious General Confederation of labor -- may represent the first step toward the Society of tomorrow.

Only thus can the workers of the world give you the support necessary to emerge from the abyss into which you fell, because of the reactionary middle class.

As we enter our sixth year of war, let all workers shout, ever more strongly:

Long live workers' organizations!
Long live the workers' and peasants' International!

Foggia -- 28 August, 1944

For the General Council of Leagues
The President
ROMEO MANCINO

The Secretary General
RENATO VASSARI

League of Stoneasons; League of Cab Drivers; League of Bakery Workers; League of Vegetable Market Workers; Syndicate of Communal Employees; Syndicate of Insurance, Bank and Tributary Service Employees; Syndicate of the Employees of the Provincial Agricultural Consorzio; Syndicate of C.N.C. Employees; "SILOS" Casals Caravan; Quarrymen's League; Carpenters' League; Syndicate of Metal Workers and Affiliated Trades; Syndicate of Hospital Workers; Streetcleaners' League; Syndicate of Auto Drivers; Mixed League; "Incedit" Employees' League; Syndicate of White Arts; Syndi-

ate of Peddlers; Syndicate of Hotels, Restaurants and Bars; Syndicate of Musicians;
Fishermen's League; Vegetable Market Workers' Cooperative; Stonemasons' Cooperative;
League of Barber Shop Workers; Syndicate of Paper and Printing; Musicians Group;
League of Colonists O.E.C.; League of Gas and Plumbing Workers.

This poster has been underwritten by:
Action Party; Italian Socialist Party; the Communist Internationalist Party; the
Bolshevik-Leninist Movement of the Fourth International

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ADERENTE alla CO

. Lavoratori

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a lavoratori, al di sopra de

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ERALE del LAVORO

operatori inglesi ed americani e
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tutti i lavoratori:

Viva le organizz
Viva l'Internazio

Foggia, 28 Agosto 1944.

IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE
RENATO VASSARI

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e dei contadini!

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ROMEO MANGANO

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- Lega pescivendoli - Cooperativa fruttive
e stampa - Gruppo musicisti - Lega color

**A questo manifesto hanno
il Partito d'Azione; il
Comunista Internaziona
sta della IV Internazio**

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The following were present at the British High Commissioner
at 1000 hrs on 23 Aug. 44 :

The Rt. Hon. Mr. Clement Attlee	- Deputy Prime Minister
Sir Noel Charles	- British High Commissioner
Mr. Harold Mac Millan	- British Minister Resident to Allied Hq.
* Mr. George Hall	- Parliamentary Secretary to British Foreign Office
* Mr. Richard Rosworthy	- Commercial Minister British High Commissioners Office
Mr. Luigi Antonini	- (A.F. of L.)
Mr. George Baldoni	- (O.I.O.)
Mr. Walter Schevenels	- (International Labour Federation)
Mr. Tom O'Brien	- (T.U.C.)
Mr. Will Lawther	- (T.U.C.)
* Col. J.T.R. Bain	- Director A.C.C. Labor Sub-Commission
* Capt. E.J. Sciolusa	- Labour Relations Officer A.C.C. Labour Sub-Commission
* Mr. Michael Crosetto	- American Federal Civil Servant assigned to A.C.C. Labour Sub-Commission
Mr. Rayner	- Director P.W.B.
Maj. Roth Radclyffe	- Personal Assistant to British High Commissioner

* present at Conference presided over by Mr. Hall.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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LAB 091.444

23 August 1944

SUBJECT: Reservations at Grand Hotel for two American
Civilians.

TO : Major Bocchino (Hq. Comd't).

1. Request that two rooms be reserved for the expected early arrival of two United States Representatives of Labor.
2. These rooms will please be made available at the Grand Hotel.

J. T. R. BAIN,
Colonel,
Director, Labor Sub-Commission

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VISIT OF LABOUR REPRESENTATIVE IS SUBJECT. REFERENCE OUR
G-5210.482-8 OF 6 AUGUST.

SUGGESTED ITINERARY AND INFORMATION REQUESTED PARAGRAPHS 4
AND 5 THAT LETTER URGENTLY REQUIRED HERE. REQUEST REPLY SOONEST.
PLEASE NOTE THAT TRANSPORT WILL HAVE TO BE PROVIDED BY YOU FOR
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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LAB 091.444

13 August, 1944

SUBJECT: Visit of Labour Representatives
TO : Acting Chief Commissioner
THROUGH: Vice-President Economic Section
FROM : Director Labor Sub-Commission

Ref your para 2 later. Office memo dated 9 Aug. 44

1. Herewith attached Draft letter to G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters, in answer to their letter G-5 210. 443 - 8 dated 6 Aug. 44.
2. As requested this Draft has been prepared for the Acting Chief Commissioner signature and covers all points except the question of suggested itinerary.

J. F. B. BAIN,
Colonel,
Director Labor Sub-Commission

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URGENT FOR ACTION: CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ACTING CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

SUBJECT: Visit of Labour Representatives

TO : Chief of Staff O-3 Allied Forces HQ.

FROM : Chief Commissioner A.C.C.

Ref your O-3: 210410Z dated 6 Aug 44

1. Capt. Edward Holsten, has been designated to act as interpreter to the delegation from the British Union Union Congress. He will be made available on call only, if it is so desired, arrangements should be made to have him report to you or the British Resident in order to receive preliminary instructions.

2. It is felt that an itinerary must be drawn up until the duration of their visit is known. It is also considered advisable to allow the delegation full freedom of movement and for that reason it would be more practical to decide on the itinerary in consultation with the delegates themselves. A visit to the more important Trade Union centres in, of course, industrial and mercantile areas, England, Wales and/or Scotland (mainly) and Glasgow (Scotland) might be considered the more important objectives. The delegation might also desire to visit some of the more important industrial or populated centres north or south of London, with a view to obtaining some idea of the conditions under which Italian Labour is finally organizing itself into Trade Unions.

3. All necessary clearance, referred to in your para 5, will be made with A.I., through HQ and in Section.

4. The terms of reference of the delegation have been duly noted and every effort will be made to facilitate their mission and to help them get a true and realistic picture of the present situation with a view to enabling them make the most effective constructive suggestions to the Italian Trade Union leaders.

M. M. HARRIS
Acting Chief Commissioner
Allied Control Commission

Ref year 0-51 240,432-0 dated 6 Aug. 44.

1. Capt. Edward Bellamy, has been designated to act as interpreter to the delegation from the British Trades Union Congress. He will be made available on call and, if it is so desired, arrangements could be made to have him report to you or the British Resident Minister in order to receive preliminary instructions.

2. It is felt that an itinerary cannot be drawn up until the duration of their visit is known. It is also considered advisable to allow the delegation full freedom of movement and for that reason it would be more practical to decide on the itinerary in consultation with the delegates themselves. A visit to the more important trade union centers in, of course, indicated and therefore London, England, Paris, Belgium and/or Canada (mainly) and Belgium (Brussels) might be considered the more important objectives. The delegation might also desire to visit some of the more important industrial or populated centers north or south of Paris, with a view to obtaining some idea of the conditions under which Italian labor is freely organizing itself into Trade Unions.

3. All necessary documents, referred to in your item 5, will be made with AAI, through HQ and US Section.

4. The terms of reference of the delegation have been duly noted and every effort will be made to facilitate their mission and to help them get a true and intimate picture of the present situation with a view to enabling them make the most effective constructive suggestions to the Italian Trade Union leaders.

S. H. STONE
Acting Chief Commissioner
Allied Control Commission

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTER OFFICE MEMO

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From: Secretary General

SUBJECT: Visit of Labour Representatives

FILE No. 040 Labor

TO: Economic Section

11 Aug 1944

Ref attached letter G-5: 210.462-8, 9 Aug 44, from G-5,
AFHQ, the letter referred to in para 1 was forwarded to your Section
on 9 Aug 44.

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Chief Clerk

cc: Political Section
R.C. & M.G. Section
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G-5 Section

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Rec'd 11 Aug 1530

By DPK

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G-5: 210.482-8

9 August 1944

SUBJECT: Visit of Labour Representatives.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission
APO 394.

1. Reference G-5: 210.482-8 of 6 August paragraph 2, it is likely that U.S. delegation will consist of Mr. George Baldanyi and Mr. Luigi Antonini representatives of the 'CIO' and 'AFL' respectively.

2. Further information as to ETA etc will follow when available.

For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

T. B. JACKMAN
Major

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LABOR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

5 August, 1944

SUBJECT: Telegrams from Confederazione Generale
del Lavoro to Allied Trade Union Orga-
nizations.

TO : Vice-President, Political Section.

FROM : Director Labor Sub-Commission.

Ref. above subject; attached telegrams apply.

1. The telegrams attached herewith were forwarded to me in my official capacity as Labor Relations Officer with a formal request to make arrangements, through channels, for their transmission.

2. The Director Labor Sub-Commission instructs me to inform you that it is his considered opinion that no practical purpose can be served in allowing these telegrams to be transmitted. Arrangements have already been made by both British and American Trade Union organizations to send their official representatives as observers and no doubt Russian Labor exponents will take the same initiative.

3. Your views in this matter are kindly requested and for purposes of official record it is submitted that a list of Trade Union observers officially or semi-officially expected in this country be forwarded to this Sub-Commission. As far as we are informed the following Labor Leaders are due in the near future, viz:

Great Britain: Mr. Will Lawther, Mr. George Harris and Mr. Schwenkes.
U.S.A. : Mr. Luigi Antonini and Mr. George Baldanzi.

E. SCICLUNA,
Captain,
Labor Relations Officer.

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Sun. 3rd	Naples
Mon. 4th	"
Tues. 5th	"
Wed. 6th	0800 hrs. d. Naples
	ar. Bari
Thurs. 7th	Bari
Fri. 8th	Bari (visit Taranto)
Sat. 9th	d. Bari (Air Transport)
Sun. 10th	Palermo
Mon. 11th	"
Tue. 12th	d. Palermo (Air transport or electric train) ar. Catania
Wed. 13th	Catania
Thur. 14th	d. Catania (Air transport)
Fri. 15th	Rome (T.U. Congress 1st day)
Sat. 16th	" (T.U. Congress 2nd day)

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U. S. LABOR EXECUTIVE TO VISIT ITALY

WASHINGTON, July 29 — The Congress of Industrial Organizations, one of the two large labor groups in the United States, has announced that George Baldanzi, executive of the Textile Workers Union of America, will go to Italy to visit the trade unions and government officials. He will extend the CIO's assistance in rehabilitating the labor movement in Italy.

Mr. Baldanzi said, "We have no special interest in the Italian trade union movement, other than to find out how best we, as American workers and union members, can help them in their gigantic task of reconstructing their Fascist-ravaged country."

The other large labor group, the American Federation of Labor, announced on June 2 that Luigi Antonini, of the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union, would make a trip to Italy.

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