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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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16 March 1946

SUBJECT : Address Allied Civil Censorship Group (Italy)

TO : The Director General for PP.TT.
Ministry of PP.TT.
ROME

1. For your information and appropriate action the address of the Civil Censorship Group (Italy) is as follows :

Headquarters
Civil Censorship Goup (Italy)
c/o Hq. 86 Area
C.M.F.

H.H.SCUDDER
Col.,Sig.C.
Director

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Copy to : Ufficio Censura Militare
Ministero della Guerra
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
APO 512, US Army.

CCG/1000 11 March 1946

SUBJECT : Change of Address - Civil Censorship Group

TO : See distribution

1. Civil Censorship Group (Italy) will wef this date use the following address for all communications (except as in para 5 below)

Headquarters,
Civil Censorship Group (Italy),
c/o HQ 86 Area,
CMF.

2. The British component, X Censor Liaison Section, will use the same address, letters to be marked "Attention of X Censor Liaison Section."

3. The location of the Group is unchanged.

4. HQ Allied Commission will please inform the Italian Postal and Censorship authorities of the information in para 1 above.

5. Matters affecting administration of US Personnel will still be addressed to

CCG,
c/o APO 83(1),
US Army.

1944

For the AC of S, G2

L. J. Jackson

L. J. JACKSON,
MAJOR, G.S.,
G-2 (CI) Section.

LTJ/hbs

D/Director	
Chief Telecoms	
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Censorship	
Chief Clerk	

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Date 13 MAR 1946

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AG Postal AFHQ, CMF.
Postal Directorate, GHQ, CMF.
HQ 86 Area, CMF.
Civil Censorship Group (Italy),
c/o HQ 86 Area, CMF.

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Subject:- Censorship of Civilian Mail

Main HQ 13 Corps
37/1/GSI
22 Jan 46.

A C of S., G-2, AFHQ

Copy to: HQ Allied Commission (Communications Sub-Commission).
AMG 13 Corps (for Communications).
Civil Censorship Group ~~HQ~~ c/o 86 Area

1. The present activities of Civil Censorship Group consist of the Censorship of Telephone and telegraphic communications in VENICE and TRIESTE and of civilian mail originating in VENICE and UDINE provinces and in VENEZIA GIULIA Zone A. This censorship is solely designed to collect information of value to Intelligence and security organisations and to the Finance and Economic Divisions of Allied Commission and AMG 13 Corps. Unless instructions are received to the contrary, it is not proposed to initiate censorship control of non-transactional civilian mail, foreign or local, involving excision, return of letters, etc.

2. It is understood that permission has been asked of the Combined Chiefs of Staff for Civil Censorship Group to censor foreign correspondence originating in VENEZIA GIULIA instead of an Italian Censor Station.

3. It is further understood that there is some objection to such censorship being undertaken at an Allied station in territory not under AMG - i.e. VENICE. It does not appear that the location of the station is of material importance; the principle factor is accomodation. May this objection please be clarified, as the present lay-out of Civil Censorship Group makes it desirable that such censorship should be carried out in VENICE.

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[signature] Lt-Col
Lt-Gen.,
Comd.

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Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
APO 512, US Army

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23 January 46

SUBJECT : Address of Civil Censorship Group - Italy

TO : British Embassy, Rome (Attn. Mr J.C. May)

US Embassy, Rome (Attn. Commercial Secretary)

1. Reference recent conversations Major Champion/Major Jackson/your representatives, concerning the processing of information received from the Italian military censorship, you are advised that the address of Civil Censorship Group, Italy is now :-

CCG - Lido di Venezia,
c/o APO 88 (1), US Army.

2. If you desire any information to be sent to the Group for processing, will you please make your requests, as agreed, directly to the Stato Maggiore Generale (S.I.M.), Ispettorato Censura Militare, and inform them of the above address.

3. It is emphasised again that this Headquarters and Civil Censorship Group have no policy control or direct liaison with the Italian censorship and that Civil Censorship Group have agreed, subject to other operational requirements, only to be the processing agents of such material as the Italian censorship is willing to send them on your request.

For the AC of S, G-2

L. J. Jackson

L. J. JACKSON,
Major, G.S.
G-2 (CI) CENSORSHIP.

LRJ/bbs

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HQ Allied Commission,
APO 394, US Army.

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TRANSFER OF CIVIL CENSORSHIP FROM AFHQ TO ACC

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SERIAL NUMBER	FROM—	DATE	TO—	SYNOPSIS
10	Ltr 40/G(Cps) Hq AAI	2 Apr 44	ACC	Re Civil Censorship, ref your 2549 of 28 Mar: AFHQ's reply to ACC's proposals. Favorable.
10a	Memo Capt. Stone	6 Apr 44	Col. Monfort for Gen MacFarlane	Discrepancy between AAI's letter and AAI's cable. MacFarlane's reply is: don't think AFHQ will agree to letting AAI run policy.
11	Cbl Fatima 3029 Doe	7 Apr 44	HQ AAI	Ref yr ltr of 2 Apr: proposals of AFHQ are acceptable.
12	Cbl HQ AAI 0-2462	8 Apr 44	CCB INC & Fatima	Proposals acceptable here. Presume you will make arrange. move.
13	Cbl Freedom F-29801	9 Apr 44	IBS McKean & Fat.	Instructions re proposed transfer.
14	Cbl Freedom F-29931	9 Apr 44	HQ AAI & Fatima	Ref 0-2462 of 8 Apr: Concurrence requested on transfer of Civ. Cens. 30 Apr proposed date of transfer.
15	Cbl Hq AAI 02486	11 Apr 44	AFHQ & ACC	Ref F-29931: this Hq concurs. ACC responsible for accomodation.
16	Cbl Fatima 3179 Doe	12 Apr 44	Hq AAI	Ref your 02486: F-29931 mentions asgmt to AAI; this not accord with ACC 2549 & AAI 02401. Clarify pls.
17	Cbl Hq AAI 02502	13 Apr 44	Freedom	Relaying to Freedom Fatima 3179. With request Civ. Cens. be asgd to ACC to conform with original CK.
18	Cbl Freed F32362	14 Apr 44	Hq AAI & Fatima	Transfer to be to ACC as before. See 02502 of 13 Apr.
19	Ltr AFHQ INC Col Scott-Dail	12 Apr 44	Captain Stone	Policy of Civ Cens etc. Also re cens. of msgs at Naples.
20	Cbl IBS 9488 Stubblebine	14 Apr 44	Fatima for JLH	Re traffic of Naples cable cens. field station.
21	Cbl Fat Rear 2638 JLH/Telo	17 Apr 44	Freedom	Suggest Civ Cens be carried on strength 2673 Hq [illegible]
22	Roster, Civ Cens			
23	Cbl F-25972	8 Apr 44	Fatima Rear	
24	Cbl Fatim Rr 2591	8 Apr 44	Sears	
25	Cbl Fat Rear 2600	10 Apr 44	IBS	
26	Cbl S-9552	15 Apr 44	Salerno for Morris	
27	Cbl F 33626	17 Apr 44	Hq AAI & Fat Rear	
28	Cbl Fatima 3554	20 Apr 44	Freedom	
29	Cbl Freedom F34239	19 Apr 44	Fatima Rear	
30	" F3544	21 "	AFHQ info Fatima	
31	" HQ AAI 1/6/2	3 May 44	Major McKean	
32	No ref. AFHQ-INC	24 Apr. 44.	AFHQ. INC.	
33	" Major McKean	29 Apr 44		
34	Cbl Freedom F41914	6 May	ACC Main.	
35	Ltr to MGS AFHQ	12 May	Ltr to MGS AFHQ	

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SERIAL NUMBER	FROM—	DATE	TO—	SYNOPSIS
1	Capt Stone (Memo) 311.7	30 Jan 44	Gen MacFarlane	Censorship if transferred to ACC fr AFHQ to be under Comm Sect as separate Sub-Com Incl: Memo to Stone fr Colville on same subject
2	Capt Stone (Lttr)	9 Mar 44	Col Hoover	Gen MacFarlane favorable for ACC to handle Censorship if cut loose fr IMC - Request policy functions Censorship now used
3	Col Hoover (Lttr) CCB/003-12	18 Mar 44	Capt Stone	Reorganization Censorship Branch - Press & Radio Censorship headed Col Bailey & Communications Censorship headed Col Hoover latter handling both military & civil
		(NOTE ENCLOSURES) All Civil Censorship Directives		
4	Cbl Fatima 2530 Captain Stone	25 Mar 44	Freedom	Ref Lt'r CCB/003-12 of 18 Mar - None of 6 incl ref received
5	Cbl HQ AAI RL/25 12362	25 Mar 44	ACC	AFHQ suggest ACC responsible Civil Censorship - AFHQ accept responsible Base Censorship
5a	Cbl Freedom 23255	26 Mar 44	IBS McKean(cf 3)	Ref RL/25 12362 re Censorship - ACC accept responsible Civil Censorship if separate unit with necessary personnel & vehicles under ACC direction situated at Naples - Request Civil Censorship Directives
6	Cbl Fatima 2549 Captain Stone	28 Mar 44	Filpot	
7	Ltr CCC/20-54 AFHQ CCC APO 650 McKEAN	28 Mar 44	Captain Stone	Ref Ltr fr Col Hoover 18 Mar: Here are enclosures 1, 2, & 3 mentioned therein. Civil Censorship directives, etc. (For incls, see inclosures to ltr 18 Mar CCB/003)
8	Ltr CCB/130-9 Col. Hoover	21 Mar 44	MGS AFHQ	Plans for censorship control of civilian telecommunications, Italy, now so complete that requests for opening of any ital. branches will be favorably considered.
8a	Cbl 679 (D-2401) Maj AAI Filpot	30 Mar 44	Action AFHQ info Fatima: Ref Fat. 2549 (6), Fwd'd.	
9	Memo Col. Henderson	31 Mar 44	Captain Stone	Notes on enclosures to Hoover letter of 18 Mar 44 re: Principle of control; Hours of work; Necessity for censorship.
9a	Ltr 091.6-2 AFHQ MGS	1 Apr 44	ACC	Ref CCB/130-9 of 21 Mar: pls state position in the matter.

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15 JUN 1944
REAR HQ. A.C.C.

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AFHQ SGD CINC CITE FHIHC JUNE 141930B
Teletype

ACC REAR FOR MCKEAN AND HENDERSON FOR ACTION RPTD AAI 64 63 61

(This is paraphrase by ACC Main)

Substitutions suggested your 2909 and 2904 requested of Adjutant Gen replacing names UNTED our F-54512 of 3 June, orders already issued. Will inform ACC if amended orders are approved. Available early date are Austin, Champion and 3rd officer all British linguists, indicate if you desire posting these, for Civil Censorship, ACC. May have Boulton (Br) for forward Censorship. Haring not charged against you. Letter relieving Civil Censorship Branch of providing personnel with armies now enroute, relieving further personnel for branch there.

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Communications SC (Rear HQ)

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Subject: Civil Censorship.

Headquarters, Allied Control Commission.

Your CS/6/8 55 dated 6 June 44 is acknowledged.

1. Reference paragraph 7 (c); Military Security in Italy and Sicily, in so far as Censorship is concerned, is the responsibility of HQ AAI, and not of ACC.

2. Security requirements of this Headquarters from internal censorship point of view have decreased from those allowed for when original plans for civil censorship were made. In view of the over-all Allied man-power situation, the censorship personnel AFHQ has ruled available, i.e. 31 U.S. officers and 41 EM, plus other Allied personnel at present on duty, will provide a degree of censorship security, which is acceptable to HQ AAI.

3. The commitments of civil censorship in rear areas have been considerably reduced as a result of concurrence by this Headquarters to your recommendation that only sufficient staff be maintained in Government Italy to control points of exchange for overseas mails and cable/radio transmission. Your DCC 311.1 dated 2 June and our AAI/1110/G/I(c) dated 5 June refer. folio 4 folio 5 CS/6/9

4. In that area not returned to the Italian Government, it will, of course, be necessary to continue censorship activity as heretofore.

5. To sum up, ACC is responsible for internal Civil Censorship operations in Italy, being directed by HQ AAI in military censorship security, and by AFHQ through HQ AAI on matters of over-all censorship policy. The resultant decrease of results, if any, from internal censorship, does not present a security problem and is not objected to by AAI.

HEADQUARTERS 13 JUN 1944 A. C. C.

I.S. Aird Major-General,
for Lieutenant General,
Chief of General Staff,
HQ Allied Armies in Italy.

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C.M.F.
11 June 44.

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E J Chiocca
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CWO USA
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AUTHENTICATED:

E J Chiocca

E. J. CHIOCCA
CWO, USA
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FROM : AFHQ SGD CINC CITE FHINC

REC'D : JUNE 041215B ACC Courier

TO : ACC REAR FOR HENDERSON FOR MCKEAN FOR ACTION RPTD FOR INFO TO HQ AAI

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Personnel situation reviewed in letter mailed today to Captain Stone after G5 concurrence, discussing future status Civil Censorship Gp. Copy sent AAI. Refer your 2844 and our F51309 and F5256 on subject. Answer to our F53465 not understood. What is MLO. Table Organization figures in 1 June cable final. In absence your compliance with instructions following officers to be released by us monday in addition to Carluccio and Ronergson: Didomenica, Lecesse, Roseto, Otranto, and Dellaria. Confirm this reduces 4 officer strength to 31 including cryptanalyst. Also releasing last 9 EM shown on 24 April AB orders. Cabled substitutions will be made if your suggestions received by 1400 hrs 5 June. Acknowledge.

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ROGER B DENNY
Capt. A G D
Adjutant

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ACC REAR FOR HENDERSON FOR MCKEAN

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(This is paraphrase by crypto ACC Main of AFHQ F53465 dated 1 June)

Wax must be included on the following table of information or released. Also include Lt Polinsky on the requested list. Please submit at once names of United States officers and enlisted men for release over the Table of Organization which permits 16 1st Lieutenants, 12 Captains, 2 Majors, 1 Lieutenant Colonel, 13 Privates First Class, 11 Technicians 5th Grade, 1 Corporal, 6 Technicians 4th Grade, 1 Sergeant, 3 Technicians 3rd, 2 Staff Sergeants, 4 Tech Sergeants and no repeat no Privates. Total of 31 officers and 41 enlisted men.

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FATIMA REAR ACTION FOR HENDERSON FOR MCKEAN

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Paraphrased by ACC Main.

Reduction in Censorship personnel being effected now Ref CCB 00-32 That subject dated May 17, our Sig F-49073 and your 2801. Despite fact personnel question not settled, it is hoped present administrative handling of civil Censorship Group Italy will continue. Requesting War Dept table of organization which if granted would prevent crippling operation. Of names of officers and EM provided for release do not arrive action will be taken, here. Indicate whether you desire Frenieve, Sheehan, Finlay, Duffy. Included in list submitted today for release are Robertson and Carluccio. Point out to ACC Information and Censorship relizes reduction not in original agreement which manpower directive must supercede.

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ACC REAR FOR HENDERSON FOR KOKEAN

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This is paraphrase by Crypto ACC Main of AFHQ No F-51309 dated 7 May .

Request clarification along general lines of the following. Indicated by your May 19 plan approximately present strength personnel that is needed for fringe (X censorship and external mails. It is thought by some quarters here that proposed change of control method civil censorship Italy will greatly reduce your personnel requirements.

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HQ. ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Office of the Deputy Chief Commissioner

A.F.O. 394

7 JUN 1944

June 6th, 1944.

In reply refer to: CS/6/8/

Subject : Civil Censorship.

To : Headquarters, Allied Armies in Italy.

1. The transfer of civil censorship to this Sub-Commission from A.F.H.Q. was made on 1st May on an agreed basis of establishment, which was accepted as adequate to fulfil the military security requirements, but only on condition that no reduction in strength would be made without A.C.C. agreement.

2. Since that date, A.F.H.Q. have stated that a reduction must be accepted in this agreed establishment owing to a 'Manpower Directive' which has been issued.

3. Some reductions were accepted by this Commission without reference to your HQ. However, an establishment is now directed by A.F.H.Q. which is below that which this Commission considers to be necessary for adequate civil censorship.

4. The following appendices are attached:-

App. A. Agreed basis - reduced scale agreed by A.C.C. - reduced scale required by A.F.H.Q.

App. B. Details of employment of A.C.C. reduced scale.

App. C. Copies of correspondence on the subject.

5. The plan of employment outlined in Appendix "B" represents the bare minimum in the opinion of this Commission.

a. Headquarters. No reduction can be made without immediately affecting the efficiency of the work. The dissemination sub-section has the very important duty of evaluating and reporting on the censor

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excerpts and so providing the overall pictures of aspects of morale, feeding, political situation etc.

b. Field Postal. These numbers are an absolute minimum if censorship is to be effective. Between the present Italian Government territory and the Rimini - Pisa line there are 19 provinces, and many of the larger towns of Italy and probably the more difficult part of the population, and 12 censors to cover this is really if anything below a suitable figure. Censors must be retained at transfer ports. It is not generall possible to combine telegraph and telephone censorship under one officer owing to the separation of the offices, and telegraph censorship will normally be carried out by the postal censor. If pre-transmission cover is necessary (and Post - transmission censorship gives practically no security cover) it will be appreciated that the numbers are already low.

c. Field Landwire. The number allowed for telephone censorship is the barest minimum. It is to be noted that the Landwire Field personnel includes four British officers who are authorised under the present allotment. To date there have been no postings to fill these vacancies, nor do they appear to be likely to arrive. This type of censorship usually entails from 18 to 24 - hour daily operations. To ensure satisfactory cover for the cities mentioned in Appendix "B", a minimum of 16 officers and 36 enlisted men would be required, and the technical equipment for such a scale of operations is actually present in the theatre.

6. The following is extracted from a letter from A.F.H.Q. dated 3rd June.

To: Allied Control Commission UCB/CC-47

a. "It is proposed that no assignment of personnel be made to A.C.C. since G-1, NATOUSA now states this to be impossible, but that the present method of operation through A.C.C. be continued, with A.C.C. exercising control of personnel in the spirit of our basic agreement. The advantages of the present method of operation are obvious in closer relations between A.C.C. and censorship, and the resultant economy of time and manpower.

7. "The A.C. of S., G-5, has informed G-1 that 1897 as the transfer of the originally agreed allotments can be effected, A.C.C. cannot perform the Civil Censorship function, since its T/O is committed for other purposes. He stated that "since the proposed transfer of function was predicated on transfer of personnel, it is assumed that INC will continue to be responsible for Civil Censorship control".

a. "INC Section will be responsible for that control, but will delegate that responsibility to A.C.C. along the lines of paragraph 6 if this is satisfactory with A.C.C.

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6 June 44. Continued.

7. The view of this Commission is that:

a. A.C.C. is prepared to be responsible for the efficiency of internal civil censorship in Italy, being directed by HQS.A.A.I., on policy of military security and by INC. A.F.H.Q. on matters of overall censorship policy, provided that the establishment granted is at least the minimum that we consider essential.

b. A.C.C. is prepared to be responsible for the purely executive and operational control with whatever establishment is allowed, but not to be responsible, either directly or by delegation, for military security requirements of civil censorship if the establishment is below the minimum we consider essential.

c. In case b. is your HQS satisfied with INC taking responsibility for military security, leaving to A.C.C merely responsibility for operations.

8. In view of the present unsatisfactory situation an early reply would be appreciated.

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain USNR.
Deputy Chief Commissioner.

Copy to: Communications Sub-Commission.

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APPENDIX "A"

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	SCALE 1 Agreed basis on act of transfer	SCALE 2 Reduced basis approved by A.C.C.	SCALE 3 Reduced basis required by A.F.H.Q.
OFFICERS			
Lieutenant Colonels	1	1	1
Majors	2	2	2
Captains	16	14	12
Lieutenants	21	17	16
Totals	40	34	31
ENLISTED MEN			
Technical Sergeants	4	4*	4
Staff Sergeants	2	2	2
Technicians 3rd Grade	3	3	3
Sargeants	1	1	1
Technicians 4th Grade	8	8	6
Corporals	1	1	1
Technicians 5th Grade	19	19	11
Privates First Class	10	10	13
Privates	7	1	-
Totals	55	49	41
	95	83	72

* Including one Master Sergeant to be carried in excess of authorized ratings.

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APPENDIX "B"

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DETAILS OF EMPLOYMENT ON BASIS OF REDUCED SCALE.

	U.S. ARMY		BRITISH ARMY	
	Officers	E.M.	Officers	O.Rs.
Headquarters				
Chief Civil Censorship	1			
Post Sub-Section	1	1	1	
Landwire Sub-Sections	1		1	
Special Activities Sub-Section (cryptanalyst)	1	2	2	
Dissemination Sub-Section	3	6	1	
Administration Unit	1	8		
Driver		1		
Totals:	8	18	5	
Field.				
Postal ACCO's.				
Bari	2	2		
Naples	2	2		
Palermo	1	2		
Cagliari	1	1		
Taranto	1	1		
Rome	3	3		
"Fringe" Belt	11	10	1	1
Sub-Total:	21	21	1	1
Landwire.				
Field Supervision	1	1		1
Naples	1	2		
Bari	1	1		
Taranto	(1)*	(1)*		1
Rome	1	1		
Florence	1	1		
Milan		2	1	
Turin		1	1	
Genoa		1	1	
Venice or Trieste		1	1	
Sub-Total:	5	10	4	2
	26	31	5	3

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* Not included in total, wi ll be withdrawn and used in the Northern area.

N.B.- Cable and Radio Sub-Section (external communications) has not been included in the above table as no question is raised as to the U.S. Naval personnel employed in that section.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Information and Censorship Section
Communications Censorship Branch
APO 512

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CCB/50-47

3 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Status of Civil Censorship Group, Italy.

TO : Capt. Ellery W. Stone, USNR,
Deputy Chief Commissioner,
Allied Control Commission HQ.,
APO 394, U.S. Army.

1. Reference your 12 May 1944 letter (W/6/8) on "Transfer of personnel of Civil Censorship Group," to ACC, a revised T/O has been received today reducing the personnel of Communications Censorship Branch by 40%.

2. This reduction necessitates a reduction of Civil Censorship Group, Italy, to 31 U.S. Army officers and 41 enlisted men chargeable against the T/O of the 6673d Headquarters Company (Censorship) (Prov.). With naval and British personnel, the total strength of the group is 50 officers and 58 enlisted men, which is considered adequate if the program of decreased emphasis on internal censorship is followed and if additional Italian nationals are hired for telephone monitoring, translation and typing of comment sheets. The grades for the CCG T/O were contained in our letter CCB/50-45 of 1 June 1944.

3. Communications Censorship operations were eliminated to protect CCG, Italy, and only three officers and four enlisted men are being kept for the Dissemination Section here and for liaison with Controles Techniques.

4. The foregoing facts are presented in view of the commitment made by ICS Section that a T/O for 40 U.S. Army officers and 55 enlisted men would be turned over to ACC. As will be seen, total personnel of the Branch under the reduced T/O does not equal these figures.

5. Our inability to carry out our agreement because of the War Department directive on reductions, plus the fact it is understood the War Department has declined to approve an increased T/O for ACC, make it necessary to review the situation once more.

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6. It is proposed that no assignment of personnel be made to AGO, since G-1, NATOUSA, now states this to be impossible, but that the present method of operation through AGO be continued, with AGO exercising control of personnel in the spirit of our basic agreement. The advantages of the present method of operation are obvious in closer relations between AGO and censorship, and the resultant economy of time and manpower.

7. The A.G. of Hq., G-3, has informed G-1 that unless the transfer of the originally agreed allotments can be effected, AGO cannot perform the Civil Censorship function, since its T/O is committed for other purposes. He stated that "since the proposed transfer of function was predicated on transfer of personnel, it is assumed that MIS will continue to be responsible for Civil Censorship control."

8. MIS Section will be responsible for that control, but will delegate that responsibility to AGO along the lines of paragraph 6 if this is satisfactory with AGO.

9. The foregoing has been coordinated with G-3, AFHQ, who have no objection to the foregoing.

[illegible],
Lt. Col., G.S.C.,
Communications Censorship.

APPROVED:

[illegible],
Brigadier General, G.S.C.,
Chief, MIS Section.

Copy to: Major Ronald M. Hubbs,
MID Deputy Censorship Office,
HQ ETOUSA
APO 887, U.S. Army.

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ACC REAR FOR HENDERSON FOR MCKEAN FOR ACTION RPTD FOR INFO TO HQ AAI

Personnel situation reviewed in letter mailed today to Captain Stone after G5 concurrence, discussing future status Civil Censorship Gp. Copy sent AAI. Refer your 7864 and our F51309 and F52656 on subject. Answer to our F53465 not understood. What is MLO. Table Organization figures in 1 June cable final. In absence your compliance with instructions following officers to be released by us monday in addition to Carluccio and Ronergson: Didomenica, Lecesse, Roseto, Otranto, and Dollaria. Confirm this reduces 4 officer strength to 31 including cryptanalyst. Also releasing last 9 EM shown on 24 April AG orders. Cabled substitutions will be made if your suggestions received by 1400 hrs 5 June. Acknowledge.

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CANNOT CONTINUE HOLD RESPONSIBILITY FOR CIVIL CENSORSHIP IN CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED BY YOUR CABLES FOX FIVE ONE THREE ZERO NINE AND FIVE TWO SIX FIVE SIX AND FIVE THREE FOUR SIX FIVE AND FIVE FOUR FIVE ONE TWO PD TO AFHQ FOR IMC AND GEORGE DASH FIVE RPTD AAI FROM ACC REAR SIGNED MACFARLANE PD ESTABLISHMENT MUST BE LEFT AS ORIGINALLY AGREED AND ANY REDUCTIONS ONLY MADE WITH AAI AND OUR CONCURRENCE PD COLONEL SPOFFORD AGREES PD

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Information and Censorship Section
Communications Censorship Branch
APO 512

CCB/00-45

1 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Personnel Reductions.

TO : Rear Headquarters, Allied Control Commission,
Att: Director, Communications Sub-Commission,
APO 394, U.S. Army.

1. A new T/O for 2673d. Headquarters Company has been approved and will soon be published. The division of Communications Censorship Branch personnel, assuming no change from the agreed basis, follows:

	Grade	Branch	Civil Censorship, Italy
Lt. Col.	1	0	1
Major	2	0	2
Captain	15	3	12
1st Lt.	16	0	16
Total	34	3	31
T/Sgt.	5	1	4
S/Sgt.	2	0	2
T/3	3	0	3
Sgt.	2	1	1
T/4	7	1	6
Cpl.	2	1	1
T/5	11	0	11
Pfc.	13	0	13
Total	45	4	41

2. Your cable No. 2834, dated 30 May 1944 stated you had reduced six officers and six enlisted men.

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3. Please provide this Branch forthwith with a list of your officers and men to be retained under the new T/O. The list of personnel to be released was requested by cable today.

4. Lt. Herman J. Polisky will be listed on your strength.

5. M/Sgt. Wax cannot be carried by the Branch any longer, and it either will be necessary to release him or obtain his agreement to a lower rating.

6. This reduction brings your total strength, according to our records, to 31 U.S. Army officers and 41 enlisted men; 11 U.S. Naval officers and 10 enlisted men; and 7 British officers and 1 other ranks; plus Captain Dinwiddie attached; representing a total of 50 officers and 52 enlisted men.

7. No British officers are to be released without concurrence of this Headquarters until the final assignment of personnel to A.C.C.

8. It would be of great assistance to this Branch if you would accept the paper assignment of Major Simpson. Major Simpson's health is not good and we are attempting to arrange for his return to the states. In the interim, it is necessary that his place be filled by someone who can take a continuing part in staff work. Captain Case has been released, which makes one opening available on the staff. If you wish to nominate an outstanding company grade officer for this position, it will be given consideration.

9. Please discuss this personnel revision with Captain Stone to determine his views, inasmuch as this total personnel is less than originally agreed because of the enforced cut in personnel. A separate communication on this subject will be sent to Captain Stone as soon as the new T/O is published.

10. G-1 today indicated opposition to assignment of CCG, Italy, to A.C.C. This question will be reviewed in the letter to Captain Stone.

DONALD D. HOOVER,
Lt. Col., G.S.C.,
Communications Censorship.

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→ Col. Henderson 9976

Subject: Channel of Communications for Civil Censorship Matters.

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7 JUN 1944

HQ. A.C.C.

1. Ref. your DCC 311.1 dated 28 May 44.

2. It is agreed that personnel, routine and information matters affecting offices outside AAI may be dealt with direct where HQ. AAI is not interested.

3. Copies of Censorship Operational and all other Censorship reports sent outside AAI should be sent to this HQ.

4. Censorship Comment Sheets will not be sent, as such, outside the Command, as they are liable to give a piecemeal and, therefore, misleading impression. Agencies outside AAI may, however, be sent special Comment Sheets which are essential for immediate detailed information or action. Periodical A.C.C. Censorship Appreciations will be compiled to include an evaluation of all Comment Sheets and will be distributed to all those interested outside AAI.

C.M.F.
5 June 44

Brigadier,
B.G.S.(I),
A.A.I.

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SUBJECT: Channel of Communications for Civil Censorship Matters

TO : Headquarters, Allied Armies in Italy

1. Reference your letter 15 May 1944, file AAI/1125/G/I(c), on above subject.

2. In accordance with original agreement under which Civil Censorship was transferred to the Commission, all censorship policy matters will be cleared through A.A.I. This conforms to direction contained in paragraph 2 of your letter.

3. With respect to forwarding of all correspondence and reports on censorship through A.A.I., there are the following difficulties:

a. Personnel - All of the Censorship personnel are at present carried on establishments of A.F.H.Q. and direct correspondence is considered essential in order to save time, and as the questions involved are of no interest to your headquarters.

b. Censorship Operation Reports - These reports are concerned with the practical side of censorship operation and are intended primarily for the use of the Commission. Communications Censorship Branch has requested a copy which is now being sent directly from here. If it is considered desirable, a copy can also be forwarded to you.

c. Censorship Comment Sheets and Appreciations - Direct allocation to Communications Censorship Branch and other agencies is considered essential to cut down delay in the information reaching the ultimate user agencies.

4. Your concurrence that personal, routine and information matters affecting offices outside A.A.I. may be dealt direct where Hq A.A.I. are not interested is therefore requested. If there is any possibility that A.A.I. would be concerned, copies will of course be sent you; if any change of policy is involved or likely to be involved, the matter will certainly be cleared through you.

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ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Deputy Chief Commissioner

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Maj McKearn

Conrad SC for Civil Censorship Gp.

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Subject: Censorship.

AAI/1125/G/I(c)

HQ A.C.C.

1. All correspondence and reports on censorship matters for information outside AAI should be forwarded through this HQ.

2. Any new developments should be cleared through this HQ.

HEADQUARTERS
18 MAG 1944
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George S. Smith
Col GSC
for Brigadier,
B.G.S. (I)
A.A.I.

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ACC REAR FOR HENDERSON FOR MCKEAN

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This is paraphrase by Crypto ACC Main for Freedom 49073 dated 22 May.

It is suggested that you cable names of 20 officers and thirty EM in order in which you would release. This action may be necessitated by personnel reduction plans which would reduce up to half your present personnel.

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FROM : AFHQ FROM COMMUNICATIONS CENSORSHIP BRANCH
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TO : ACC REAR FOR HENDERSON FOR MCKEAN

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This is paraphrase by Crypto ACC Main for Freedom 49073 dated 22 May.

It is suggested that you cable names of 20 officers and thirty EM in order in which you would release. This action may be necessitated by personnel reduction plans which would reduce up to half your present personnel.

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Appendix C.

DRAFT

Subject: Proposed Reduction in Censorship Personnel.

To: Chief, Communication Censorship Branch. A.F.H.Q. 37-2

1. Reference your letter, file CCB/00-32, dated 17th May 1944, above subject.

2. It is understood from your letter that G-1 has directed a reduction of personnel of 2673rd Headquarters Company (Censorship) and that such directive will affect the allotment agreed for C.C.G. Italy. ~~No statement is contained in your letter which would tend to give any~~ No indication is given as to the numbers affected, ~~In the absence of any indication as to the number of personnel involved~~ so that it is not possible to make detailed plans for reduced operations.

3. Since the responsibility for censorship operations in Italy, has been accepted by ~~the~~ this Commission commission on the basis of an agreed allotment of personnel, it is desired that you make no commitment for the Commission which would entail a reduction in this agreed personnel. Any action contemplated should be regarded as a matter for direct consideration by the Commission.

4. In the light of the foregoing the statement in paragraph 10 of your letter ~~as to it superseding~~ that any prior commitments on personnel are superseded cannot be accepted.

5. It is agreed that Sgt, Ezri is to be retained by the group and will be charged against our allotment.

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6. None of the officers listed in paragraph 6 of your letter are desired.

7. It is noted that the original agreement is to be changed with respect to Captain Aiello, who is now to be ~~charged~~ held against our allotment. ~~It is agreed that if such is the~~ In this case, the commission must reserve the right to withdraw him from his present duties ~~in the event~~ if his services are required elsewhere.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Information and Censorship Section
Communications Censorship Branch
APO 512

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17 May 1944.

SUBJECT : Reduction in Censorship Personnel.

TO : Rear Headquarters, Allied Control Commission,
Att: Director, Communications Sub-Commission,
APO 394, U.S. Army.

1. Under a current War Department directive, G-1 NATOUSA, has ordered a drastic reduction of personnel of 2673d Headquarters Company (Censorship).

2. For your information, G-1 Section states a War Department directive, for drastic reduction in theater overhead, forces it to cancel all prior commitments, which may make it necessary to reduce the number of officers and men assigned to Civil Censorship Group, Italy.

3. Every effort will be made by this branch, however, to live up to spirit of its commitment made to ACC regarding personnel, and the branch will retain only a maximum of four officers and six E.M. of the allotment of company personnel.

4. The reduction as finally determined should be made prior to 1 July, and plans for possible decreased operations should be prepared.

5. Officers and E.M. may be suggested for rotation and will not be counted against the maximum. Such suggestions should be made to this branch immediately.

6. In view of the smaller number of officers to be retained at the branch here, the following are available if desired to replace less proficient officers in any instance: Lieut. Stopher, Lieut. Sheehan, Lieut. Finlay and Lieut. Duffy. Sgt. Ezri will be included in your allotment.

7. Capt. Aiello is to be carried on your allotment.

8. Discussions will be held with G-1 relative to retaining grades and ratings for the company. Consideration also is being given to obtaining a War Department overhead allotment equal to that now held by CCG, Italy.

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9. Press and Radio Censorship Branch is expected to make proportionate reductions when the final basis is determined.

10. This letter supersedes any prior commitments on personnel.

Donald D. Hoover

DONALD D. HOOVER,
Lt. Col., G.S.C.,
Communications Censorship.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, APO 394. 29 May 1944.

TO: Communications Sub-Commission, Rear Headquarters ACC, APO 394.

1. Draft of appendix "C" is approved. However, I suggest that to para. 4 thereof be added the following sentence: "If committments are decreased, the Chief Commissioner must refuse to accept responsibility for Civil Censorship".

2. Col. Spofford agrees that the letter must indicate definitely and finally that the responsibility cannot be accepted without the full allotment originally agreed.

John J. Albright
JOHN J. ALBRIGHT,
Col., Infantry,
Establishment Officer.

Incl: Basic Ltr.
Appendix "A", "B", and "C"

Letter & App 'C' not sent in view of further correspondence

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

21st May 1944.

In reply refer
to: CS/6/12/37.

Subject: Personnel of Civil Censorship.

To: R.C. and M.G. Section, Headquarters, A.C.C.

1. Please see copy of letter CCB/00-32 dated 17th May, attached as Appendix A.

2. The subject has been previously dealt with in a letter from this Sub-Commission CS/6/8/ dated 12th May 1944, copy attached as Appendix B.

3. Although it may be necessary to agree to a reduction in the personnel of the civil censorship, it cannot be admitted that the establishment can be changed without reference to this Commission now that the executive responsibility for the work has been transfered to this office.

4. A draft reply approved by the Deputy Chief Commissioner is attached as Appendix C, based on the considerations in para 3.

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22 MAY 1944
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J.L.Henderson,
Colonel,
Director, Communications Sub-Commission.

3. Enclosures.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

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In reply
refer to: CS/6/8/

12 May, 1944

Subject : Transfer of Personnel of Civil Censorship Group.

To : Military Government Section, Allied Force Headquarters.

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1. In order to effect the transfer of Civil Censorship Group, Italy to A.C.C. within the time limit set, it was arranged that personnel be attached to A.C.C. In accordance with original agreement, as stated in message C-2401 dated 30th March, 1944 from A.A.I. to A.F.H.Q. which was agreed to by A.F.H.Q. message F 26138 dated 1st April, 1944, to A.A.I. , it is now desired that the appropriate increases in T/O and T/E of A.C.C. be made, and that personnel employed in this group be thereafter assigned to A.C.C.

2. The subject of the transfer of the existing allotment of the Civil Censorship Group to the A.C.C. has been discussed with Lieut.Colonel R.H.Hoover, and agreement reached whereby the present allotment of grades and ratings of the U.S. Army personnel will be transferred from the 2673rd Headquarters Company (Prov.) to the 2675th Regiment, A.C.C. (Prov.) and will increase the latters allotment as follows:-

1 - Lieut. Colonel
2 - Majors
16 - Captains
18 - 1st Lieuts.
3 - 2nd Lieuts.
4 - T/Sgts.
2 - S/Sgts.
3 - T/3
1 - Sgt.
8 - T/4
1 - Cpl.
19 - T/5
10 - Pfc.
7 - Pvtes.

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In addition there will be transferred one M/Sgt. now assigned to IRC Section, who is not authorized under the 2673rd Headquarters Company T/O and for whom additional provision should be made by further increase in T/O of the 2675th Regiment.

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10 May, 44. Continued.

3. It has been further agreed that the following U.S.Naval personnel be assigned to duty with A.C.C. :-

1 - Commander
6 - Lieuts.
2 - Lieuts (j.g.)
1 - Ensign
2 - Yeomen, 1st Class
6 - Yeomen, 2nd Class
1 - Seaman, 1st Class

4. The following increase in British W/E of Allied Military Government and Allied Control Commission of Italy (NA/266/1) will also be required.

1 - Major
4 - Captains
5 - Lieuts.
3 - Pvtes.

The officers and OR's at present employed with the group and attached A.C.C./A.M.G. can then be transferred.

5. It is requested that necessary action be taken to provide for transfer of allotment as given in para 2 and increase to T/E as requested in para 4.

6. Communications Censorship Branch, INC will discuss this matter with you and give you full details as to personnel for whom assignment orders should be issued.

7. The question of increase in the T/E of 2675th Regiment to permit transfer of equipment will be dealt with in a separate letter.

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR,
Deputy Chief Commissioner

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Establishments Branch, ACC Main HQ.
Secretary General, ACC Rear HQ.
Communications Sub-Commission,
Communications Censorship Branch, INC, AFHQ.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

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29 April 1944

SUBJECT: Basis of Transfer to Allied Control Commission.

TO : Chief, Communications Censorship Branch,
INC, AFHQ, APO 512, U. S. Army.

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1. Reference your letter 24 April 1944.

2. The orders referred to as being published 25 April have not yet been received. In your letter you raise the question as to the reason for attachment to Allied Control Commission instead of assignment. In the opinion of all concerned, there does not appear to be any substantial difference between the two methods of transfer, where the intent is, in any event, to give the Allied Control Commission complete control over the group. Under either method the group is entirely subject to their complete control. The only method whereby outright assignment could be accomplished was to transfer the U. S. personnel from the 2675d. Headquarters Company (Censorship) to the 2675th Regiment, Allied Control Commission. This was not immediately possible, because the T/O of the Allied Control Commission organization was filled. A similar situation existed with respect to property, equipment and transport. The results of your negotiations with G-1 and G-4 were not known at that time and the simplest expedient was the one adopted. The opinion of the adjutant of the Rear Headquarters was secured and he could envisage no difficulties. All orders for movement of personnel can be accomplished by Allied Control Commission without reference to NATOUSA. All of these arrangements were made in the light of the time limitations that you placed in effecting the transfer. It is now possible to proceed with the original plans and have the grades and allotments of the group transferred to the 2675th Regiment (Prov.) ACC, and the personnel assigned. The necessary steps to implement this action are now being initiated by the commission.

3. With reference to withdrawals of personnel, since these will now be under the complete control of the Allied Control Commission, their agreement will have to be secured in advance in each instance. We have a clear concept of your requirements and it is not anticipated that any difficulty will be encountered.

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4. Entire agreement has been expressed by Allied Control Commission on the matter of dispensing with the Liaison Officer. Lt. Palacio has now been assigned to other duties.

5. The views of the Allied Control Commission have been secured on the subject of direct communications from the Civil Censorship Group, as such, on technical matters. They are of the opinion that such communications would be improper, inasmuch as the group is now part of the Allied Control Commission and all correspondence must of necessity be adopted as their own. Likewise any report which is rendered on censorship operations is a report by the commission. Appropriate distribution of such reports will be made by the commission and naturally a copy will be sent to you.

6. The Commission has decided to place the group under the Communications Sub-Commission as a self-contained unit with the censorship personnel in the field operating directly under the group headquarters, with respect to censorship matters, but for all other purposes under the Regional Commissioners. The same set-up obtains for all other technical personnel in the field.

7. The Cable and Radio Sub-Section has been established, for the present, at Naples in accordance with the wishes of the commission. While this is undesirable from the viewpoint of a split headquarters, it presents certain advantages which in the opinion of the commission far outweigh the disadvantages. It must be considered that the commission itself is working under a like handicap due to conditions beyond their control.

8. All Comment Sheets and Censorship Reports will, in accordance with past procedures, be sent you for further allocation.

9. All communications in the future should be addressed to Rear Headquarters, Allied Control Commission, Att: Director, Communications Sub-Commission, APO 394, U. S. Army.

GORDON W. McKEAN
Major, Cavalry,
Officer Commanding,
Civil Censorship Group

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Copies to:
Captain Ellery W. Stone, USNR
Colonel J. L. Henderson.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Information and Censorship Section
Communications Censorship Branch
APO 512

24 April 1944.

Officer Commanding, Civil Censorship Group, Italy,
Headquarters, Allied Control Commission,
APO 394, U. S. Army.

Dear Major McKean:

Orders will be published 25 April attaching all personnel of Civil Censorship Group, Italy, to Allied Control Commission, as requested by the commission and concurred by you. Henceforth all travel and other orders will be obtained through the commission instead of Communications Censorship Branch, and the commission will have complete control of personnel. Inasmuch as the orders now being published attach all officers and men to ACC, without change of station, it is recommended that you review the distribution of personnel with ACC and obtain through them the necessary new orders.

Withdrawal of officers has been completed with the exception of Lt. Boulton, who will not be required for several weeks, and possibly two officers for a future operation which is nebulous at this time. All enlisted men required have been withdrawn under pending orders except one clerk with knowledge of French. You may regard this as a firm commitment that the group as turned over to ACC will not be subject to further withdrawals except in an operational emergency.

This branch will not maintain a Liaison Officer with ACC, all contacts being handled through you. Copies of all correspondence to you on policy matters will be sent to the commission or, if they prefer, these can be sent direct to them for distribution to you. It would be preferable if you were to send technical information direct to the branch, in such the same manner as a direct channel with the War Department was authorized for the Civil Censorship Officer. However, you will recall we recommended that this direct channel not be used in the case of the War Department because of the obvious possibility of complications. Therefore, please discuss this with the commission and find out its desires. You are to arrange for continuance of the bi-weekly reports without substantial change in form or content.

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There are two questions pending which prevent my coming to Salerno in the immediate future. One is the transfer of the branch to G-2, AFHQ, and the other is the coordination of censorship responsibility in the Middle East, which is the subject of a paper now before the Chief of Staff. The latter will involve operations which might include Albania and Yugo-slavia, for which we have made plans. It appears that these questions will be decided by mid-May, after which I will make my trip to Salerno and Caserta the number one job to be done. I trust that you will explain this situation to the commission.

The basis of the transfer, which will be effective on receipt of the orders coming out tomorrow, has been outlined in our cable 26138 of 1 April and my letter of 16 March to Captain Stone.

On the basis of this letter, copies of which are being sent to Captain Stone and Colonel Henderson, please discuss the points covered in the attachment, informing me as to whether censorship is to be set up as a separate subcommission or is to be under another subcommission. I have no feeling in the matter beyond preserving Civil Censorship Group, Italy, as a self-contained unit. In any event, I do not feel that Allied Censor Control officers should be placed under Civil Affairs officers in the field, but should receive their instructions direct from you as officer Commanding the group. I am opposed in principle to splitting up the headquarters of the group by having Cable Subsection located in Naples, because it is essential that the men designated by Imperial and U.S Censorships be located together so that their joint censorship experience can be utilized to the best extent by ACC. Such an arrangement would not affect the handling of Naples cable and radio traffic.

After investigation with G-4, we find there will be no difficulty in transferring that portion of the Table of Equipment of the 2673d Headquarters Company now in your possession, including transport.

I would like to know the background of attachment to ACC. You will recall that my original suggestion was assignment to ACC, which gives them more complete control of the personnel. At the suggestion of AAI, that headquarters came into the picture as the agency to which you were to be assigned, and then it was changed back again to attachment to ACC. What was the logic? If the question of T/O is involved, you will be interested to know that G-1 had agreed to transfer the allotments of grades and ratings. In any event we do not intend to interfere with complete control by ACC, which actually would have been obtained by assignment. In our handling of promotions, etc., we will set aside the portion of the T/O which was to have been transferred, which permits the same number of promotions as would have been allowable if you had a separate Table of Organization.

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Cables just came in stating your group had departed from Palermo. They undoubtedly will be there by the time you receive this letter. Have you received the orders for Capt. Dinwiddie to go to London for a month to study the secret writing operations of Imperial Censorship? It is essential he get up there as soon as possible.

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Just as soon as we are informed by you of the proper method of addressing communications to you (either to you direct, to the head of the division to which you are assigned, to the commission, or to you with copies to the commission), we will consider the transfer completed.

Yours

Copies to : Captain E.W. Stone.
Colonel J.L. Henderson.

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NOTES ON BASIS OF TRANSFER OF CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP, ITALY, TO ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

1. All matters of policy are under the direction of G-2, AFHQ, (after transfer of Communications Censorship Branch to G-2), which is solely responsible for coordination with other AFHQ staff sections, with censorship in other theaters, and with the Allied Nations world-wide censorship network.

2. The present organization of Civil Censorship Group, Italy, is to be maintained in principle. Personnel and equipment transferred with the group used only on civil censorship operations. The Allied Control Commission will make changes in organizational structure only where such changes are considered necessary to improve the organization. Where such changes are made information concerning them and the reasons therefore will be forwarded to G-2, AFHQ, to assist in planning operations for other areas.

3. Should the importance of Italy decrease from a civil censorship standpoint, personnel may be withdrawn for use in more urgent operations, provided that sufficient staff is left to adequately carry out civil censorship along the lines prescribed by AFHQ.

4. Personnel of Civil Censorship Group, Italy, will be assigned to G-2, AFHQ, and attached to Allied Control Commission. They will thus be under Allied Control Commission for all operational purposes, including administration and supply.

5. G-2, AFHQ, will be kept informed on all censorship plans and operations in the Italian area in view of AFHQ responsibility for integration of all censorship agencies in the theater and for coordination with the world-wide network.

6. All censorship reports prepared by Civil Censorship Group, Italy, will be forwarded, in duplicate, through Allied Control Commission to G-2, AFHQ, for dissemination at AFHQ. Other types of reports of interest to censorship will be forwarded as arranged from time to time by Civil Censorship Group, Italy, and the Allied Control Commission.

7. All comment sheets prepared by Civil Censorship Group, Italy, will be forwarded direct from Civil Censorship Group, Italy to G-2, AFHQ, for allocation by G-2, AFHQ, to other AFHQ sections, other theaters, Imperial Censorship, and U. S. Censorship. Civil Censorship Group, Italy, will do all dissemination to components of AAI.

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IN ACCORDANCE YOUR DESIRE COMPLETE TRANSFER CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP ITALY TO ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION ORDERS TODAY REQUESTED FOR ATTACHMENT PERSONNEL TO ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION REUR 3554 DATED 20 APRIL. DESPITE FACT CHIEF COMMUNICATIONS CENSORSHIP BRANCH UNABLE LEAVE ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS UNTIL BRANCH GOES TO G2. THIS OFFICER WILL ASSIST ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION AFTER TRANSFER

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ATTACHMENT OF CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP TO ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION ACCORDANCE YOUR 2638 DATED 17 APRIL CONSIDERED SATISFACTORY. ~~BDHC~~ SUCH ATTACHMENT BEING DEFERRED ACCORDANCE OUR F33626 DATED 17TH APRIL. DETAILS UNDER CONSIDERATION.

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ASSIGNMENT CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP ITALY TO ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION TO BE DEFERRED PENDING TRANSFER OF COMMUNICATIONS CENSORSHIP BRANCH TO G2 ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS AND SUBSEQUENT DETAILED ARRANGEMENTS WITH ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION TO BE MADE BY CHIEF OF BRANCH WHO WILL VISIT SALERNO AFTER TRANSFER OF BRANCH TO ESTABLISHED CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF BASIS OF FUTURE OPERATIONS, REUR 0250 DATED 15 APRIL AND OUR 32362 DATED 14 APRIL. HEADQUARTERS AT SALERNO SCHEDULED OPEN 24 APRIL

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AUTHENTICATED:

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Deputy Chief Commissioner

311.1 Civil Censorship

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Via Naples Courier

McKean has been instructed that provided security services AAI agree, censorship arrangements can be made by him for opening new provinces for civilian mail reur 2582. No censorship objection to eastern half Benivento Province. McKean will make censorship arrangements accordingly.

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Postal Address: Civil Censorship Group, Italy, INC, AFHQ
APO 550, U S Army

Signal Address: IBS for Stubblebine for McKean.

Lt. Umberto Motroni, Hq Allied Armies in Italy. Tel. 50581, Naples.

Lt. Wm H. Morris, Italian Post Office Bldg., Tel. 2040, Salerno

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17 APR 1944
REAR HQ. A.C.C.

REF TRANSFER CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP TO ACC YOU HAVE CONCURRED UNIT SELF CONTAINED ON TRANSFER PD TO FREEDOM FROM FATIMA REAR FROM HENDERSON SIGNED MACFARLANE PD HOW IS THIS BEING EFFECTED QUERY SUGGEST GROUP REMAINS ON PRESENT TWO SIX SEVEN THREE HQRS COMPANY ESTABLISHMENT AND ATTACHED WITH EQUIPMENT TO HQRS ACC

AUTHENTICATED:

Roger B. Derby
ROGER B DERBY
1st Lt, A.G.D.
Adjutent

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Cite ID AG-1058

I/C STUBBLEBINE FROM MCKEAN, CIVIL CENSORSHIP O

APR 151115B

Via ACC Courier

MATIMA SEAT FOR HENDERSON RPTD TO AFHQ FOR INC FOR HOOVER AND PILPOT FOR JT MORGAN, ALLIED CENSOR CONTROL O

Traffic of Naples cable censorship field station will be handled there. Location of cable section at Naples as suggested by you to Capt Brunner is not desired. It is suggested that you submit your reasons since it would be possible that location could be found in town nearby if a question of space is involved. The closest coordination will be required for all censorship operations.

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~~Col. Henderson~~ -

Capt Stone

DSY 550
18 APR 1944

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Information and Censorship Section
Censorship Branch
A.P.O. 512, U. S. Army
12 April, 1944

Dear Captain Stone.

It was a great pleasure to see you again and I am sorry that my visit did not allow me to spend more time with you.

I was not able to take up the question of direction of policy of Civil Communications Censorship with the Army Group as Brigadier Airey was not there. I do think, however, that if possible you should press for this, as on my return to Naples from Palermo I found that two Civil Censorship officers had arrived there with the intention of censoring all press messages which are, of course, all handled by my officers and therefore are not subject to Communications Censorship.

This should be stopped S

I expect to be coming back to Italy fairly soon and shall call upon you, but if, in the meantime, there is anything which I can do for you at AFHQ, you have only to let me know.

Being done

Kindest regards,

Yours Sincerely

R. Scott Bailey

Captain Ellery Stone, USN,
Headquarters, Allied Control Commission,
A. P. O. 394, U. S. Army.

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TRANSFER OF CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP TO BE TO ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION ACCORDANCE ORIGINAL ARRANGEMENT

Ref AAI 02502

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION A.C.C.

INCOMING MESSAGE

16 APR 1944

MSG Center No	: N 40/13	Date / Time Rec'd	APRIL 13/2100
Classification	: NONE	Date / Time Sent	APRIL 13/1900
Precedence	: NONE	Reference NR	02502
From	: EQ AAI	Cite	NONE
To	: AFHQ INFO ACC		

YOUR EHINC F26138 OF 1 APRIL GAVE YOUR AGREEMENT TO TRANSFER OF CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP TO ACC ON CERTAIN CONDITIONS. THESE CONDITIONS AGREED BY ACC AND YOU WERE INFORMED BY OUR 02462 OF 8 APRIL. YOUR F29931 OF 9 APRIL THEN REQUESTED OUR AGREEMENT ASSIGNMENT OF CIVIL CENSORSHIP TO AAI. IN OUR 02486 WE CONCURRED IN ERROR WE DID NOT REALISE YOU HAD CHANGED PROPOSED ASSIGNMENT. WE WANT YOU TO ASSIGN CIVIL CENSORSHIP TO ACC IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR ORIGINAL SUGGESTION. PLEASE CONFIRM THAT THIS WILL BE DONE

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PRIORITY

HQ AAI

SUBJECT IS CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP PD PAREN TO HQ AAI FOR DICKSON FROM FATIMA SIGNED MACFARLANE PAREN REFERENCE YOUR CABLE ZERO TWO FOUR EIGHT SIX PD IT IS NOTED THAT FREEDOM CABLE FOX TWO NINE NINE THREE ONE MENTIONS ASSIGNMENT TO ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY PD THIS IS NOT RPT NOT IN ACCORD WITH OUR CABLE TWO FIVE FOUR NINE OF TWO EIGHT MARCH AND YOUR ZERO TWO FOUR ZERO ONE OF THIRTY MARCH TO FREEDOM PD REQUEST YOU SIGNAL FREEDOM CLARIFYING THIS

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L.T. MONTANT, JR.
2nd Lt, AGD
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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DSU 538
15 APR 1944

MSG Center No	: N1/12	Date / Time Rec'd	: APRIL 11/2355B
Classification	: CONFIDENTIAL	Date / Time Sent	: 11/1445B
Precedence	: NONE	Reference NR	: 02486
From	: HQ AAI	Cite	: NONE
To	: AFHQ		
	INFO ACC IBS		

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REF YOUR F29931 DATED 9 APRIL. THIS HQ CONCURS. ACC WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ARRANGING ACCN IN NAPLES AND ANY DETAILS FOR THE MOVE.

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HQ AAI RPTD FATIMA RPTD IBS FOR SEARS FOR MCKEAN.

CONCURRENCE REQUESTED IN ASSIGNMENT CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP, ITALY, TO ALLIED ARMIES ITALY. GROUP NOW CONSISTS OF MAJOR GORDON MCKEAN (UNITED STATES) OFFICER COMMANDING AND FOLLOWING: 37 US ARMY OFFICERS, 10 US NAVY OFFICERS, 8 BRITISH ARMY OFFICERS, 48 ENLISTED MEN, 8 US NAVY YEOMEN AND 1 SEAMAN AND 1 OTHER RANKS. NO CHANGE CONTEMPLATED IN ATTACHMENTS OF PERSONNEL NOW ON MAINLAND OR OF SMALL COMPLEMENT OFFICERS AND ENLISTED MEN REMAINING SICILY AND SARDINIA REUR O-2462 DATED 8 APRIL. ONLY SHIFT OF PERSONNEL IS MOVEMENT OF GROUP HEADQUARTERS FROM PALERMO TO NAPLES AREA. ON RECEIPT CONCURRENCE WILL REQUEST ORDERS FOR ABOVE ASSIGNMENT TO YOUR HEADQUARTERS AS OF 30 APRIL, PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE OF TRANSFER.

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IES FOR SEARS FOR MCKEAN REPEATED TO HQ AAI REPEATED TO FATIMA

ARRANGEMENTS EARLY TRANSFER CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP ITALY TO ALLIED ARMIES ITALY BEING MADE WERE FOLLOWING ALLIED ARMIES ITALY AND ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION AGREEMENT ON TERMS OF TRANSFER PREVIOUSLY FORWARDED YOU. INFORM THIS BRANCH WHETHER NAPLES AREA HEADQUARTERS OBTAINED AND PROBABLE DATE MOVE TO MAINLAND. ORDERS ISSUED PERMANENTLY TRANSFERRING MCKEAN TO NAPLES TO BE FOLLOWED FORTHWITH. MCKEAN TO CONFER WITH BGS (I) AT ARMY GROUP AND STONE AT SALERNO EARLIEST. DICKSON ARRIVING CASERTA MONDAY AFTERNOON. CONFIRM ARRANGEMENTS ON MOVING VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT TO MAINLAND.

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HQ AAI

ACTION COMMUNICATIONS CENSORSHIP BRANCH INC
AFHQ INFO FATIMA

O-2462

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Via 94 S4 Signals

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Your F-26138 cite FHINC of 1 April. Proposals acceptable this HQ and ACC.

Assume you will now make necessary arrangements transfer.

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HQ AAI

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REFERENCE YOUR LETTER TWO APRIL FILE FOUR ZERO SLANT GEORGE PAREN OPS PAREN PROPOSALS MENTIONED FROM AFHQ PAREN TO HQ AAI FROM F'TIMA SIGNED MACFARLANE PAREN ARE ACCEPTABLE

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L. T. MANTANT, JR
2nd Lt, AGD
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6 April 1944

TO: ~~Colonel Monfort~~

With reference to the attached and AAI's telegram #679 of March 30, the marked sentence in para 2 c of AAI's letter dated 2 April is contrary to the sentence which I have marked in AAI's telegram.

AFHQ's telegram quoted in para 2 was written by Lt Col Hoover of INC and I am not impressed with such phrases as "to provide integration with world wide censorship network". I therefore favor AAI's recommendation in its original telegram that the policy for Italians' censorship will emanate from AAI.

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SUBJECT: Civil Censorship.

Capt. Stone's call

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H.Q., A.A.I.

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TO : A.C.C.
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Ref your 2549 dated 28 March '44.

1. The following has been received from A.F.H.Q. in reply to your proposals. Fre. 551 F 26138

2. "Transfer of Civil Censorship Group Italy to Allied Control Commission would be agreed following basis :- T26138

(a) Group is self contained operating unit with necessary personnel and vehicles and would be based in Naples area. Officer now under orders to locate quarters in that area regardless of transfer.

(b) Personnel added your strength would be subject your direction and attached as your headquarters directs. Group to be kept intact with separate Table Organization and War Establishment. Trained personnel not to be used for other assignments by you. Agree no withdrawals without your agreement except probable maximum of ten officers and eight enlisted men in training for future operations in other areas. Reference additions, INC policy is release for combat duty of officers and men who can be replaced by limited service personnel. Therefore replacements may in some case be placed on temporary duty for training.

(c) File of directives and chart organization in possession of Captain DICKSON, Communications Censorship Branch Liaison Officer Allied Armies Italy. Reference policy, Allied Force Headquarters must retain policy control to ensure compliance with requirements imposed by combined Chiefs of Staff and to provide integration with world wide censorship network. Latter obviously impossible from Italy. Staff personnel here familiar with requirements of United States and Imperial Censorships, which maintain Liaison Officers at Allied Force Headquarters for this theatre as a whole."

3. It is presumed that these conditions are agreeable to you and we await your confirmation before making the necessary arrangements.

Captain Stone,
Seems all right?
FMM 4/4

2 April, 1944
PM/gb

/s/
for
Lieut. Gen.,
C.G.S.

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General MacFarlane's reply not yet received 4/4/44
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Military Government Section

1 April 1944

MGS 091.6-2

SUBJECT: Censorship of Telecommunications - Italy

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission

Reference letter from Communications Censorship Branch, INC, under reference CCB/130-9 of 21 March (copy direct to you) on the above subject could you now state please the position in the matter.

For the Acting Chief of Section:

T. B. JACKMAN,
Major.

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Rec'd. 3 Apr. 44.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION INCOMING MESSAGE

M/C NO 51/30

SECRET

REF NO 679

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HQ AAI

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FATIMA

(ACTION AFHQ INFO FATIMA FROM HQ AAI CITE C-2401)

FURTHER TO MY C-2388 OF 28 MARCH. ACC AGREE TO ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY CIVILIAN CENSORSHIP OPERATION SUBJECT TO FOLLOWING CONDITIONS WHICH PLEASE CONFIRM. (A) THAT THE UNIT IS A SELF CONTAINED OPERATING UNIT WITH NECESSARY PERSONNEL AND VANS AND IS ESTABLISHED IN NAPLES AND NOT AS AT PRESENT IN SICILY. (B) THAT PERSONNEL WHO ARE ADDED TO STRENGTH MY DEPARTMENT WILL BE SUBJECT TO MY DIRECTION AN NOT ATTACHED TO ANY OTHER UNIT AND THAT NO WITHDRAWALS OR ADDITIONS WILL BE MADE WITHOUT MY AGREEMENT. (C) THAT BEFORE GIVING FINAL APPROVAL I BE FURNISHED COPIES OF ALL CIVIL CENSORSHIP DIRECTIVES NOW IN FORCE AND CHART ORGANIZATION. POLICY FOR SUCH CENSORSHIP WILL EMANATE FROM THIS HQ. FATIMA PLEASE NOTE.

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26 MAR 1944
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Information and Censorship Section
Communications Censorship Branch
APO 512

CCB/130-9

21 March 1944.

SUBJECT: Censorship of Telecommunications, Italy.

TO : Military Government Section, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512, U.S. Army.

1. Plans for censorship control of civilian telecommunications, Italy, are now completed to such a degree that Communications Censorship Branch will favorably consider any request for the opening of such services in Italy, including Sicily and Sardinia. It is pointed out, however, that this Branch is not the initiating or authorizing agency for the opening of such service. Nevertheless its concurrence in the opening of new services is required.

2. Civil Censorship Section, Allied Force Headquarters, has already requested movement orders for cable and radio censorship personnel for the censoring stations at Naples, where traffic by R.C.A.C. and Cable and Wireless, Ltd., can be controlled, and at Brindisi, where traffic for Cable and Wireless, Ltd., can be controlled, from the censorship point of view. The personnel in question are expected to be at their stations on or about 1 April 1944.

3. This information is for your files and such future use as you may care to make of it.

DONALD D. HOOVER,
Lieutenant Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief, Communications Censorship Branch.

cc: Capt. Ellery W. Stone, USNR
Chief of Staff, A.C.C.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Information and Censorship Section
Communications Censorship Branch
CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP - ITALY
APO 550, U. S. Army

28 March 1944

CCG/20-54

Subject: Transmittal of Requested Material.

To : Captain Ellery Stone,
Deputy Chief Commissioner,
Allied Control Commission,
Salerno.

Inclosed are one copy of Technical Operations Report on Italy, one copy of Bi-weekly Operating Report #4 of Civil Censorship Section from 20 February to 4 March 1944, and Directives of Combined Chiefs of Staff (WD AG 000.73 (17 July 43) OB-S-B-M of 26 August 1943, Subject, "Censorship of Civilian Communications in Occupied Areas").

R. C. Clark
1st Lt CE
for GORDON W. McKEAN
Major Cavalry
Deputy Civil Censorship Officer,
ITALY

Incl #1 of ltr 18 Mar

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Incl 2. Bi-Weekly Operating Report (20 Feb - 4 Mar'44)
Incl 3. WD AG 000.73(17 July 43) OB-S-B-M, 26 Aug '43

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AUTHENTICATED:

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Deputy Chief Commissioner 1870

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British Signals

Please despatch urgent immediate to Captain Stone Deputy Commissioner Allied Control Commission APO 394 all copies biweekly operating report civil censorship section from 5th February to date. Also one (1) copy technical operations report on Italy. Also Directive of Combined Chiefs of Staff under which this censorship is being conducted. McKean to notify this branch immediately on despatch of requested material.

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TO : A C C

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Via teletype

AFHQ have suggested that you should be responsible for Civil Censorship operations in Italy. Do you agree to this transfer.

We are accepting responsibility for Base Censorship.

see reply at 6

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Information and Censorship Section
Communications Censorship Branch
APO 512

CCB/003-12

18 March 1944

Dear Captain Stone,

Since our conversation at Salerno, reorganization of the Censorship Branch has been completed, with a Press and Radio Censorship Branch headed by Lieut. Col. V.E. Scott Bailey, and a Communications Censorship Branch headed by me. The latter is responsible for handling military as well as civil communications, which should simplify dealing with such problems as SCM and EFM messages, which are covered in the letter enclosed.

The question of transferring Communications Censorship Branch to G-2, AFHQ, is pending and I naturally would not want to begin formal discussions of your commission taking over Civil Censorship operation without concurrence from G-2. Please therefore consider this letter as an answer to the points raised in yours of 9 March, received today.

The information desired by General MacFarlane to provide a background on the civil censorship operation is enclosed. It is:

a. Directive of Combined Chiefs of Staff under which this censorship is being conducted. Incl #1

b. Technical report on operations to 20 January 44, including all proposed regulations and basic procedures for postal, cable, radio, telephone, telegraph and travelers censorship. Incl # 2

c. Copies of bi-weekly operating reports of the Civil Censorship Section, to date. Incl # 3 - (1 only 20 Feb to 4 Mar)

d. Chart of organization of civil censorship operations. Incl # 4

e. Chart showing staff functions of Communications Censorship Branch. — ?

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These are the basic data on the operation.

Answering your point on the group being self-contained and being located in the Naples area, the organization is complete with Table of Organization, necessary equipment and facilities for operation under attachment to Penisular Base Section in a

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manner similar to its present attachment to Island Base Section (Sicily.) Major Gordon W. McKean, CAV, Deputy Civil Censorship Officer, Italy, is today being directed to personally review arrangements for accomodation of the group in the Naples area and the move will be undertaken as soon as possible.

Reviewing our conversation, if A.C.C. becomes the directing authority for civil censorship within Italy, Communications Censorship Branch will keep A.C.C. fully informed of any policy directives issued to the group, and will be concerned primarily with those external policies involved in integration with the world-wide United Nations network directed by the Combined Chiefs of Staff. Due to the fact a number of officers now being trained in the Italian operation may be required for future operations or for staff duties at AFHQ, the right would be reserved to withdraw such personnel, recognizing also the responsibility to maintain an efficiently-functioning unit responsible for censorship of such internal and external communications as are now or will be subsequently permitted under Allied supervision.

The letter dealing with the HCA Naples circuit was not written until today, due to the fact that pertinent signals sent from A.C.C. were not recorded at the AFHQ message center as having been received.

It was a pleasure to hear from you, and I shall look forward to seeing you again to discuss details of the transfer if it is agreed. Should the transfer not be made, we will be represented by a liaison officer who will be familiar with Communications Censorship Branch operations and policies. Would you kindly do me the favor of letting me have your comments on the attached tentative draft of instructions to such officer. Similar instructions would be provided to Major McKean on the policy level.

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Yours sincerely,

Captain Ellery W. Stone, USNR
H.Q. Allied Control Commission,
Deputy Chief Commissioner,
A.P.O. 394, U. S. Army.

Donald D. Hoover

DONALD D. HOOVER, 1865
Lieutenant Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief, Communications Censorship Branch.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
The Adjutant General's Office
Washington

AG 000.73 (17 Jul 43)OB-S-B-M KIS/el-2B-939 Pentagon

26 August 1943

SUBJECT: Censorship of Civilian Communications in Occupied Areas.

TO: The Commanding Generals:
United States Army Forces, European Theater of Operations
United States Army Forces, North African Theater of Operations
United States Army Forces in the Middle East.

1. The Combined Chiefs of Staff have approved a policy defining the responsibility for censorship of civilian communications in Eur-African areas. A copy of the approved decision is inclosed - CCS #271. You are requested to take the following implementing action:

a. Establish and operate censorship of all civilian communications in areas occupied and controlled solely by United States forces under your command, or

b. Protect the censorship interests of the United States in areas occupied and controlled by United Nations' forces, of which forces under your command form a part.

2. The additional responsibility imposed upon commanders by the Combined Chiefs of Staff policy is extensive - see inclosed copy of memorandum, Censorship of Civilian Communications in Territory Occupied and Controlled by the Armed Forces.

3. The following requests apply in the situation described in paragraph 1 a. above. In the situation described in paragraph 1 b. above, every reasonable effort is to be made to have these procedures followed insofar as their application may be practical:

a. The operation of civilian censorship is to be separate from that presently required for military censorship--that is, for communications to or from military personnel.

b. The duties of preparing for and operating civilian censorship and maintaining liaison should be delegated to a Civil Censorship Officer. It is imperative that this Civil Censorship Officer be an individual who has had actual extensive experience in organizing and supervising civilian censorship. Officers who have been on duty with the United States Office of Censorship and have there gained the required experience are available within the Army. If such a qualified officer is not presently within your command, or if you desire an additional officer for this assignment, one may be

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requisitioned from the Military Intelligence Division, War Department, Washington, D. C. Qualified subordinates as needed may also be requisitioned from the Military Intelligence Division.

c. Direct communication on technical aspects of civilian censorship matters is authorized between the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff and Civil Censorship Officers. Immediately upon appointment of Civil Censorship Officer for your area his name and official address should be reported to the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department, Washington, by cable.

d. It is desired that the War Department be kept constantly advised of censorship plans and operations in your area, as the War Department is responsible for integration with all censorship agencies and activities.

4. The War Department is establishing a Deputy Censorship Office in London, England, with functions as outlined in the inclosed copy of memorandum. In addition to its other duties, that office will be available to you to provide such information and assistance as you may desire.

By order of the Secretary of War:

J. A. ULIO,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

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#1. CCS Dir #271, Definition of Responsibility.
#2. Memo. Censorship of Civilian Communications.
#3. Statement of Functions, Deputy Censorship Office.

COPIES FURNISHED:
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Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations Division, WDGS
Director, Civil Affairs Division, Office, Chief of Staff.

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ENCLOSURE

DEFINITION OF UNITED STATES AND BRITISH RESPONSIBILITY FOR CENSORSHIP OF CIVILIAN COMMUNICATIONS IN EUR-AFRICAN AREAS

1. Recent decisions of the War Department, United States, and the War Office, Great Britain, reached in agreement with the respective Directors of civilian censorship, acknowledged that the establishment and operation of censorship of all civilian communications in Eur-African areas occupied and controlled by British or American armed forces will be a function of the military authorities.

2. In order to provide for effective control and coordination, it is necessary to define the responsibilities to be undertaken by United States and British authorities.

3. It is requested that the Combined Chiefs of Staff approve the following statements of policy for Eur-African areas:

a. Censorship of all civilian communications in Eur-African areas occupied and controlled by British or American armed forces will be established and operated by military authorities.

b. In an area occupied and controlled by either American or British forces, as contrasted to an Anglo-American force, the responsibility for establishment and operation of censorship of all civilian communications will be that of the commander of the occupying force.

c. The establishment and operation of censorship of all civilian communications in an area occupied and controlled by Anglo-American military forces will be the responsibility of the United Nations' commander of those forces.

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d. When the occupying force moves on, the theater commander will be responsible for the exercise of the function of censorship as long as he considers it vital to his mission.

e. Any censorship of civilian communications established separately by British or American military authorities, or by them jointly, will be fully integrated with the United Nations world-wide censorship network. In all cases, liaison will be maintained between the censorship offices established under b, above, and the American or British forces, as the case may be, not in actual control of censorship activities in that particular area.

f. This directive does not apply to communications to or from military personnel or civilians who are a part of, or directly attached to, military establishments of the United Nations.

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CENSORSHIP OF CIVILIAN COMMUNICATIONS IN TERRITORY OCCUPIED AND CONTROLLED BY THE ARMED FORCES

1. The censoring of civilian communications in territory occupied and controlled by United Nations armed forces is imperative because of the necessity for:

a. Obtaining information, including:

1. That on subjects of value in the prosecution of the war effort within the territory.

2. That on the state of public opinion and morale within the territory in order to aid both the established military or other government of the territory and the governments of the United Nations in carrying out their individual and joint policies.

3. That on trade, finance and other subjects of an economic and political nature that will aid in the over-all war effort.

b. Assisting in the enforcement of regulations such as:

1. Developing information of violations of, or attempts to violate, any military order or regulation including those promulgated to govern the area.

2. Policing the measures of currency, international trade and other controls adopted by the United Nations.

c. Assisting the maintenance of security by:

1. Preventing information from reaching the enemy.

2. Detecting subversive elements in the territory or contiguous areas.

3. Protecting lines of communications.

2. From the point of view of control of communications there are three separate periods which must be considered, understanding that any one period may overlap with the next. These periods may be designated as:

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a. The battle period.

b. The period of occupation.

d. The period during which an indigenous government is installed.

3. It is logical to anticipate that during the battle period control of civilian communications will be exercised by means of a complete stoppage of all such communications. Soldiers engaged in

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battle should not be required to act as censors nor should they be encumbered with a censorship organization during the active phases of a campaign. However, arrangements for the seizure and censorship of all captured mails and other documents must be carefully planned.

4. For censorship purposes the period of occupation is understood to cover the period from the end of the battle, when there will be a communication zone to be administered, to the time when there can be installed an indigenous government which can be entrusted with the control of communications. It is probable that during this period of occupation, control of civilian communications will be exercised in part by limiting the use of communication channels and partly by censoring those communications which are permitted. Under established policy the Army will be responsible during this period for the censorship control of civilian communications.

5. Upon the establishment of a recognized indigenous government the direct control of the censorship organization will pass to that government. There will then remain in the territory only liaison officers assigned as necessary to protect the interests of the United States.

6. In the case of enemy territory occupied by United States armed forces and governed by a United States military administration there is little likelihood that an idigenous government will be set up prior to the signing of a peace treaty. During the period of occupation the only powers exercised by the inhabitants themselves will be those delegated to them by the military administration and will be concerned with the maintenance of public order and of the essential public utility services. Censorship control of civilian communications will be a function of the military authorities during the entire period of occupation.

7. The types of communications that must be controlled include:

a. Postal:

1. First class or sealed letters

2. Second class or printed papers, magazines and newspapers

3. Parcels

4. Postal communications between civilians in the occupied territory and prisoners of war.

5. Communications to enemy territory through licensed channels such as the International Red Cross.

b. Telegraphic communications:

1. Land-wire

2. Cable

3. Radio

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c. Telephonic communications:

1. Land-wire

2. Radio

d. Travelers documents

e. Press dispatches and publications:

1. For local release

2. For world-wide release

f. Radio broadcasting

g. Films and photographs:

1. Motion picture

2. Stills

8. With the exception of radio broadcasting these types of communications fall into two distinct sub-divisions:

a. Internal communications, which are those originating within the territory and destined for points within the same territory.

b. External communications, which are those originating within the territory and destined for points outside the territory; or originating from points outside the territory and destined for points within the territory.

9. During the period of occupation of the territory of one of the governments of the United Nations it is assumed that in order to rehabilitate as speedily as possible the full life and economy of the liberated people it will be the policy of the military government to permit as free communication as possible with the outside world and between the inhabitants of the liberated territory, having due regard to the needs of security and to the enforcement of economic policy as agreed upon by the United Nations. Under such a procedure it will be undesirable to exercise control through the prohibition of communications except to enemy or enemy occupied territories and great reliance will have to be placed on censorship.

10. In the case of occupied enemy territory the same consideration of speedy restoration of communications is not applicable. In such a case the system of control should be based primarily upon severe restrictions on freedom to communicate in order to reduce the censorable matter to proportions which can be handled by personnel recruited exclusively from United States or Allied sources. With this principle adopted, measures which could be placed in effect include:

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a. External communications (other than offical communications of United Nations):

1. Postal. Permits to write letters to destinations outside the occupied territory may be required, thereby limiting the number and nature of the letters which may be written. These permits may take the form of blanket permits for certain types of communications or individual permits for specific cases.

2. Telegraphic. Telegrams and cables outside the territory may be permitted only in exceptional cases upon proof of identity and upon satisfying the authorities as to the necessity for the communication.

3. Telephonic. In all probability no telephone communications to points outside the territory would be permitted except monitored press messages read from previously censored script.

4. Travelers. Presumably no persons will be allowed to enter or leave the territory except personnel of the United Nations armed forces traveling on duty or on leave or civilians traveling on official business of United Nations governments. This reduces censorship problems to those of arranging for the examination of personal communications carried by official travelers.

5. Press. All press releases would be censored in cooperation with the designated Public Relations officer.

6. Broadcasting. All broadcasting stations would be strictly controlled by the military administration. Censorship would be instituted in accordance with the desires of the military commander or governor.

7. Films and photographs. All films and photographs imported into and exported from the occupied area should pass through and be controlled by censorship. In all probability only those of a personal or family nature will be permitted although commercial motion pictures for entertainment purposes must also be allowed.

b. Internal communications (other than official communications of the United Nations):

1. Postal. Any regulation to curtail severely the volume of internal mail will be extremely difficult to put into effect and probably would result in a large clandestine traffic. Under anything approaching normal conditions the amount of internal mail far exceeds the capacity of any organization of a reasonable size to conduct a 100% censorship. Consequently, reliance must be placed upon a sampling process, either random or planned rotation. The scope of the sampling necessary will, of course, depend upon local conditions.

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2. Telegraphic. The treatment of internal telegrams will be affected by two factors. First, the necessity for the military authorities to make use of civil telegraph facilities to augment the communication channels available for official communications. Second, the necessity to withhold from civilians, particularly hostile or subversive, a speedy means of communication which would facilitate under-cover activities. Civilian use of telegraphic facilities is, therefore, likely to be restricted to emergency cases and to be available only upon proof of identity and upon satisfying authorities as to the necessity for the communication.

3. Telephonic. Local telephone service probably will be subject to restrictions similar to those imposed upon telegraphic communications and for the same reasons. Reinstatement of telephone service should be made only with the approval of the Intelligence Officer controlling the area and subject to whatever security requirements are imposed. Initially, calls outside the local area may be allowed under permit only. In any case, calls should be permitted outside the local area only within the capability of the censorship organization to maintain a 100% censorship.

4. Travelers. It is expected that travel control within an enemy occupied area will be rigidly enforced with the result that there should be little censorship problems.

5. Press. All press releases for purely local consumption will be censored in cooperation with the designated Public Relations officer.

6. Broadcasting. Since radio broadcast programs cannot be confined to a limited area, this medium is not considered to be a means of internal communication.

7. Films and photographs. It is probable that only commercial motion picture films for entertainment purposes will be permitted within an occupied area.

8. Captured documents. Documents of a military nature should be placed in the hands of Intelligence officers for examination but documents of a general or economic nature could best be examined by the organization established to censor civilian communications.

11. Unless absolutely necessary no attempt should be made to censor transit mails that is, mail from one country to another passing through occupied territory. Existing censorship arrangements should be depended upon except in an unusual case where a particular mail has been by-passing United Nations censorship.

12. The personnel required for censorship of civilian communications in liberated territories of the United Nations can be held to a minimum through the employment of inhabitants of the territory as censorship examiners using military personnel for control purposes only. This would have the added advantage of facilitating withdrawal from military control of the censorship organization when an indigenous government takes over. In enemy occupied territory, however, local inhabitants could seldom be used because of their inherent hostility. Therefore, in this latter case, it is expected that it will be necessary to recruit censorship examiners from the armed forces or from civilians of adjacent United Nations territories.

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STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONS OF DEPUTY CENSORSHIP 13
OFFICE, LONDON. 14

I. Deputy Censorship Office.

The Deputy Censorship Office, London, will be attached for administrative purposes only, to the European Theater of Operations and under the direction and approval of the War Department will:

1. Keep the War Department fully informed concerning the censorship plans and activities of all United Nations' censorship agencies, both military and civilian, in Eur-African areas, including the presently designated European, North African, Middle Eastern and Central African Theaters of Operations.

2. Make recommendations to the War Department for the establishment of such policy as may be required to insure that the interests of the United States are adequately protected in all censorships established over civilian communications in Eur-African occupied or liberated territories.

3. Recommend to the War Department the adoption of such steps as may be necessary to insure that all censorships of civilian communications established and operated in Eur-African areas by United States Commanders are fully integrated with the United Nations' Censorship network.

4. Provide, at the request of United States Force Commanders charged with the establishment and operation of censorship of civilian communications in the Eur-African territories, all possible assistance in the discharge of their censorship responsibilities.

5. Maintain liaison as directed by the War Department with other censorship agencies of the United States and foreign governments.

6. Perform such travel as is necessary to execute the assigned mission successfully.

7. Furnish to theater commanders concerned copies of all communications to the War Department.

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Communications Censorship Branch
CIVIL CENSORSHIP SECTION
APO 550, U. S. Army

4 March 1944

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OPERATIONAL REPORT NO. 4

ITALY

For the Period 20 February to 4 March 1944

I. GENERAL

A. Transportation:

1. In order to make available additional transportation for useof ACCOs in the field, the following assignments of vehicles have been made.

1- 1/4 ton C&R (jeep) to Naples.(This vehicle was formerly used by Captain Dickson at ACSF)

1- 1/4 ton C&R (jeep) to Benevento.

1-1/4 ton C&R (jeep) to Foggia.

1- 1/4 ton C&R (jeep) to Bari.

2. Request has been made to Communications Censorship Branch for authorization thru MGS for civilian vehicles in the provinces which we are about to take over.

3. The transportation available at headquarters consists of:

1- 1/4 ton C&R (jeep) charged against T/E.

2- 3/4 ton W/C charged against T/E.

In addition to the foregoing the organization has 2- 1/4 ton C&R (jeep) on memorandum receipt. These are due to be called in shortly.

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B. Censorship Regulations: Changes still held pending Col. Hoover's approval.

C. Consolidation of Special Activities Subsection with Postal Subsection: Because of the close inter-relation between the matters handled by Special Activities Subsection and the Postal Subsection, the two have been consolidated by setting up the former as a unit of the latter. The result is to bring under one head, all matters affecting postal censorship operations. Existing arrangements and procedures for the handling of Watch Lists and other highly classified matters will not be disturbed.

D. Imperial Censorship and Office of Censorship Submission Slips and Reports: In order to assist this headquarters in making a proper evaluation of the information coming in from the field it is requested that the necessary steps be taken to secure copies of all submission slips and reports prepared by Imperial Censorship and Office of Censorship on Italian mail examined by them. It is believed that a review of this material may prove helpful in determining the character and type of information desired by these two organizations. Since there is usually a definite correlation between subjects in internal and external mails more effective results should obtain through this reciprocal exchange of information. It would also be possible to effect prompt Watch List posting where the information from the external mail when added to that gleaned from the internal mail justifies such action; whereas either one taken alone might not justify it. It is believed that this interchange of information should make for a more coordinated result.

E. Organization of External Censorship in Italy: A broad policy question is involved in the development and expansion of censorship activities as they relate to external communications. The expansion at present can be traced to a tremendous increase in Red Cross messages, Vatican messages and Prisoner of War mail. Future expansion may result from the processing of external mails, either through Watch Lists or through the examination of mail to newly liberated countries, i.e. Yugoslavia, Greece, Albania, etc. Since the process is likely to be gradual it is deemed important that some consideration be given at this time to policy, which if not formulated now, might easily drift into forming a pattern for future action with good, bad or indifferent results. The basic policy questions presented appear to fall into the following categories:

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1. Responsibility- Because of the anomalous position of the Italian government as a cobelligerent it would appear likely that the responsibility for external censorship will continue to be that of the Allied armed forces. This should be confirmed.

2. Organization- If the responsibility is to be an Allied one, then the organization should be an Allied organization entirely operated by the Allied military forces and not merely a reconstituted Italian organization sanctioned by the Italian government.

3. Personnel- Regardless of the form that the organization may take, it is apparent that a substantial portion of the personnel must consist of Italian civilians. Steps should be taken to authorize their employment and payment and the source of such funds and to determine who will bear the eventual expense.

4. Procurement of Space, Supplies and Equipment-The procedure for the procurement of space, supplies and equipment should now be ascertained, as well as a determination as to who will bear the eventual expense.

The problem is not urgent at this time, but is being raised so as to permit sufficient time for investigation and solution. Likewise, the foregoing is not intended as a thorough discussion but merely as a preliminary estimate of the situation for the purpose of drawing attention to a development which is now just commencing.

II. POSTAL SUBSECTION

A. Personnel

1. Arrivals:
   25 February 1944- Pvt. George Solovieff
   28 February 1944- 2nd Lt. Beauvais Duffy

2. Changes in Assignments:
   24 February 1944- Capt. William Joost to 34th Div. Relieved from headquarters, Palermo.
   24 February 1944- 2nd Lt. Dominick Loprete to Naples. Relieved from headquarters, Palermo.
   24 February 1944- 2nd Lt. Arthur D. Avila to Lecce. Relieved from headquarters, Palermo.
   26 February 1944- Pvt. Angelo Chimino to Syracuse. Relieved from Palermo Station.

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26 February 1944- Pvt. Joseph Rawicz to Palermo Station. Relieved from headquarters, Palermo.

2 March 1944 - 2nd Lt. Santo Giampapa to Catanzaro as ACCO. Relieved from headquarters, Palermo.

2 March 1944 - 2nd Lt. DeWitt L. Store to headquarters, Palermo. Relieved as ACCO, Catanzaro.

3 March 1944 - 2nd Lt. Beauvais Duffy to Catania as ACCO. Relieved from headquarters, Palermo.

3 March 1944 - Pvt. George Kolovieff to Catania. Relieved from headquarters, Palermo.

3 March 1944 - 2nd Lt. Gerard Petrucci to headquarters, Palermo. Relieved as ACCO Catania.

B. Censorship Operations.

1. Statistical Summary: The chart below gives a daily average volume of all stations. The figures are the most recent received from the stations. The chart gives a representative picture of an average-sized station during the period covered by this report.

DAILY AVERAGE VOLUME PER STATION

	Daily Volume	Examined	Av. Per Examiner	Re-Examined	Av. Per Re-Examiner
Ordinary Mail	3497	1664	109	487	121
Reg. & Ins.	158	96	6	18	5
Military	1499	991	67	298	75
Official	185	48	3	46	12
TOTALS:	5339	2789	185	849	213

2. Resume: During the period covered by this report, the provincial stations (22) employed 325 examiners, 86 re-examiners, and 104 sorters and clerks.

For all stations concerned, 47% of all ordinary mail, 55% of registered and insured mail, 66% of military mail, and 26% of official mail was examined. For the same period, 30% of ordinary mail, 21% of registered mail, 30% of military mail, and 96% of official mail was re-examined.

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The percentage of examination and re-examination of official mail has dropped considerably as compared with the last bi-weekly report. This is indicative of compliance, on the Italian Officials part, with the terminology "official" as defined by censorship regulations

During the period covered by this report, headquarters has received 280 comment sheets and 1391 information slips.

Henceforth, in addition to the daily average volume statistics actual production figures will be given to cover a specific period, preferably 14 day periods as our provincial station reports are submitted every 7 days. Hence, the figures below cover the period 30 January- 12 February, roughly a half month.

Classification	Volume	Examined	Re-Examined
Ordinary Mail	914,893	414,220 (44%)	135,388 (32%)
Reg. & Ins.	37,431	25,077 (67%)	4,434 (13%)
Military	383,639	292,551 (76%)	135,329 (46%)
Official	28,730	28,730 (100%)	23,791 (82%)
TOTALS	1,364,693	760,578 (55%)	298,942 (30%)

For the same period, total comment sheets- 358
total information slips- 1053

3. External Mail: The first shipments of foreign civilian mail have been made and were observed by members of this organization. The following is a table showing all shipments made since the opening of the service on 16 February 1944:

EXTERNAL CIVILIAN MAIL DISPATCH RECORD

16 February - 5 March 1944

Destination	Dispatched From	No. of sacks	Weight
Cairo	Palermo	1	48 (Pounds)
Cairo	Bari	1	23 "
Cairo (for Tripolitania)	Palermo	1	24 "
London	Palermo	1	16 "
London	Bari	1	9 "
London (S.P.S.) *	Palermo	1	7 "
London (S.P.S.) *	Bari	1	20 "
Ottawa	Palermo	1	1 "
Ottawa	Bari	1	4 "

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EXTERNAL CIVILIAN MAIL DISPATCH RECORD (CONT'D)

16 February - 5 March 1944

Destination	Dispatched From	No. of Sacks	Weight
New York	Palermo	2	103 (Pounds)
New York	Bari	4	202 "
Tunis	Palermo	1	6 "
Tunis	Bari	1	14 "
TOTALS		17	487 (Pounds)

(Approximately 24350 pieces)

* S.P.S. indicates Spain, Portugal, Switzerland, and Spanish Morocco mail. This mail has been censored in a Palermo station operated by Captain Miguel Montesinos. The examiners are 6 enlisted men. Since the opening of the service on 16 February 1944 the station has read 1324 letters and turned in 49 comment sheets and 5 information slips.

4. Italian Forms: The urgent request for printing and distribution of Submission Slips and Information Slips in Italian, which was placed with Major Colville on the 13th of January has just been accomplished and the forms distributed throughout King's Italy and the Calabrian Compartment. Sample copies of the form are attached.

C. Policy Matters: All new policy matters will be contained in "Special Instructions Number Seven" to be drawn up at a later date. Following test check of sorting made at Italian railway post office referred to in paragraph B, 2. of Postal Subsection of Operational Report No. 3, an attempt was made to check on outgoing dispatch of external civilian mail on 26 February 1944. Access to this dispatch for the checking of the sorting, was denied by Lt. Alacie, ACC Postal Officer, Region 1 on the grounds that this was purely a postal matter. In the light of this statement and letter from Communications Censorship Branch, file CCB/1051/1 dated 25 February 1944, no protest was made and no further attempts to check the sorting of outgoing dispatches will be made, unless a direction to do so, is received.

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D. Plans and Training: Tentative plans have been made for establishing provincial stations. Personnel allocation is as follows:

Province	Officers	Enlisted Men
Rome	Lt. Motroni Lt. Leah Lt. Ursino	2
Aquila	Lt. Scenna	1
Campobasso	Lt. Petrucci	1
Frosinone	Lt. Loprete	1
Littorio	Lt. Di Domenica	1
Chieti Pescara	Lt. Curatolo	1

The shifting of personnel to these provinces, outlined above, will entail moving other officers into the vacancies created. Hence, it is planned to move Lt. Carpenti to Naples and Lt. Otranto to Taranto.

6. Sicily

(a). The provincial stations in Sicily are well indoctrinated in the Allied form of Censorship. Approximately 30 days more are needed for the Allied Censor Control Officers to thoroughly train a "Capo D'ufficio" as a replacement for our ACCO's.

(b). It is planned to leave Lt. Freniere as Regional ACCO of Sicily. His headquarters will be Palermo. Having been provided with proper transportation and an enlisted man Lt. Freniere will see to it that our form of censorship is continued. We aim at control, and not a liaison and advisory objective.

(c). The morale of all Italian censorship personnel in Sicily will be enhanced if we are able to assure them their positions are secure under our guidance, and not subject to the quirks of local officials. Hence, it is urged that ACC be contacted on this problem and an assurance secured that no personnel will be dismissed without the concurrence of censorship.

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III. CABLE SUBSECTION

A. Personnel:

1. Arrivals: None.

2. Changes in assignment: None.

B. Censorship Operations: None.

C. Policy Matters: A further study of cable routings, as a result of the surveys just completed, discloses the possibility of eliminating entirely the proposed Messina Cable Control Station as originally planned. This development will make possible a more effective use of the limited cable personnel now available.

Conditions point to the fact that traffic through Messina will be purely internal in character. The circuit from Rome to Messina, now reported cut, if restored would carry both internal and external traffic. However, external traffic can only pass through the Syracuse gateway where it can be fully controlled. The necessity to maintain cable censorship control at Messina is not now apparent.

The saving in manpower makes possible the manning of the Brindisi Cable Station and strengthening the station at Naples.

D. Plans and Training: Survey of telecommunications and general conditions as affecting cable censorship in Messina, Catania, Syracuse and Pozzallo which was under way at last report, has been completed and reports submitted.

As a result, Pozzallo Field Station as originally contemplated, can be dispensed with as unnecessary since all traffic over the Pozzallo-Malta cable, which is now cut, is normally channelled through Syracuse.

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Plans and Training: (continued)

With this economy, and that described under "C" above, personnel now available can be used to man the proposed Brindisi station, and strengthen the station at Naples.

Requisitions for supplies and equipment for all proposed stations have been completed and submitted to Deputy Civil Censorship Officer, Italy, for processing through proper channels.

Work on censorship forms is proceeding.

Such forms will be prepared for general use throughout all cable censorship stations and at headquarters, conforming as much as possible to forms in general use in Civil Censorship.

Three officers en route to Palermo since 21 January 1944, still have not arrived, and the date of their arrival is unknown, as no word, official or otherwise, has been received from or about them. Signal has been sent to INC, AFHQ, requesting that inquiry be made of the Office of Censorship through channels for information of their present whereabouts and probable date of arrival.

To prepare enlisted and officer personnel for duty in the field language study classes in Italian are being conducted two hours daily under the direction of Seaman First Class J.A. Nicolini. Intensive study is resulting in rapid progress in learning the language.

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IV LANDWIRE SUBSECTION

A. Personnel: No change. Major Allman is reported to be en route, via steamer.

B. Censorship Operations:

1. Telephone - none but experimental.

2. Telegraph - Message from Allied Control Commission headquarters to A.C.C. Region I Signal Officer Palermo on 23 February, indicated headquarters approval of resumption of internal civil telegraph facilities in Sicily; but action has been delayed pending decision of the Chief Signal Officer No. I District (Catania). Present indications are that there are only a few minor circuits available for civil use at present. Arrangements to handle these are being made with the ACCO's concerned.

   ACCO's in King's Italy are censoring telegraph communications without any comprehensive set of instructions from C.C.S. Their operation is being guided by individual directives until a manual can be issued.

C. Policy Matters: Arrangements have been made for the Island Base Section Signal Corps to handle all receiving, storage, distribution, and installation of telephone monitoring equipment shipped to Palermo.

D. Plans and Training:

1. A telegraph censorship manual, revised to include instructions for Italian examiners and for the telegraph operating agency, is in rough draft, awaiting the concurrence of Major Allman upon his arrival. A similar draft for telephone censorship is in preparation. These revisions of earlier operating manuals are deemed desirable in order to effect proper transfer of the internal censorship operation to the Italian Government in the future. 1848

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2. Weekly contact is maintained with Signal officers to determine the condition of telegraph and telephone circuits in Sicily and the toe of Italy, and plans are kept up to date for coverage of these lines at such time as they are made available to civil use.

V. TRAVELLERS' SUBSECTION

A. Personnel: No changes.

B. Censorship Operations: None.

C. Policy Matters: None.

D. Plans and Training: Lt. Di Bella has completed his survey trip and has been ordered to remain in Algiers pending the arrival there of Col. Hoover, so as to enable a direct report. At the same time it will enable conversations with Major Champion should he arrive before Lt. Di Bella departs for Palerro.

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VI. SPECIAL ACTIVITIES UNIT

A. Personnel:

1. Major Boyle left the unit on 21 February 44 to take up an appointment on the staff of Communications Censorship Branch, IMC.

2. Lt Jackson is acting as head of unit.

3. A cable has been received from Washington stating that no cryptanalyst is available. Captain Dinwiddie has not arrived. The unit is therefore still seriously understaffed in officer personnel.

4. One Italian speaking enlisted man has been added to unit personnel.

B. Censorship Operations:

1. Watch List.

a. Statistics.

Names added	37
Old names removed	3
Total on Watch List	508
Number of intercepts disseminated	10
Number of intercepts forwarded to Hq	75
Number of intercepts not forwarded to Hq	27
Number of intercepts receiving local action	0

b. Reports.

There has been some improvement in the standard of reports.

c. Watch List Equipment.

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2. International Red Cross.

a. Mr. Kuhne has asked consideration of direct communication with Cairo, CICR. A letter was sent to Chief, IMC, requesting censorship approval for this proposed channel of communication.

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b. On the 24 February, a communication was received from Algiers concerning treatment of Red Cross messages here; Major McKean interpreted it as a continuation of present policy.

c. A draft letter to southern Italian Red Cross chapters requesting the use of accepted CICR forms and procedures was submitted by Mr. Kuhne, 2 March 1944.

3. Laboratory.

a. Supplies have arrived from Medical Supply Depot and from Captain Dinwiddie.

b. Letters received for laboratory study, since March first: 18. A considerable accumulation of mail on file.

4. Braille Mail.

a. File opened-, # 1523.

b. Since March 1, 1944, received 7 letters.

c. For two week period:

Released 9 Letters
Back log 23 Letters
32 letters received

5. Vatican Messages.

Vatican Radio Messages have been received and are being held pending a directive from Chief, INC. (letter 24-2-44).

6. Code - Cipher.

To add to the accumulated mail waiting for analysis, since 1 March, 1944:

29 letters received
18 letters condemned
1 letter released

Those considered suspicious were entered on the Watch List.

7. Prisoner of War Mail.

a. File was broken down into seven files. 1845

b. Memo from Major McKean (18-2-44), subject:

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Reduction of censorship percentage to 5% for Italian civilian mail to Tunisia, Algeria and Morocco Prisoners of War.

c. Directive from London via Mr. Thomas, Algiers, orders routing of POW mail to London in lieu of to Liverpool, England.

d. Headquarters will receive a routing scheme for POW mail and it will likewise receive all future distributions, according to cable #58909 of FHINC.

C. Policy Matters:

The Special Activities Subsection has now become a unit of the Postal Subsection for all special mail matters. Watch List and associated activities remain an independent function.

D. Plans and Training:

Instruction in special activity matters was given to the new Allied Censor Control Officer at Catania, Lt Duffy.

VII DISSEMINATION SUBSECTION

A. Personnel:

1. Arrivals: None.

2. Changes in Assignments: None.

B. Censorship Operations:

1. Statistical Summaries:

Number of Submission Slips	242
Special Reports	1

2. Resume: The number of submission slips prepared during the period is approximately the same as the number for the preceding period. It is believed that the quality of the information submitted and the variety of subjects is better. The report prepared is entitled "Effectiveness of the Purge of Fascists". Because of the character of the report, allocation is being withheld, until approval is received from headquarters.

C. Policy Matters:

No change.

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D. Plans and Training:

1. A study was made of the submission slips from the provinces of Palermo, Taranto and Catania, in an effort to determine the value of examining intra-city mail.. The findings were as follows:

a. Of the approximately 200 submission slips filed in the PALERMO folders, 75 were based on intra-city communications (63 letters to the authorities - AMG and Italian - and the balance private correspondence). There were a negligible number based on intra-city correspondence in TARANTO and CATANIA.

b. The PALERMO submission slips dealt largely with reported black market violations, Fascist individuals and groups, local houses of prostitution, and similar items of interest to ACC, Questura, etc. As a matter of course these letters, addressed to official groups, would have reached their proper destination without censorship.

c. The chief usefulness of the CCS comment sheets in nearly all the above cases was the informing of additional local agencies (Allied) of specific violations, etc. In the future, as Allied agencies leave Palermo the investigation of anonymous letters and the complaints will be in the hands of the Italian authorities and the sole usefulness of CCS comments would be the sample of opinion as to local conditions thus afforded.

2. On the basis of those findings, coupled with the fact that security is in no way involved in intra-city mail, it is recommended that the examination of such mail be discontinued.

GORDON W. McKEAN,
Major Cavalry,
Deputy Civil Censorship Officer,
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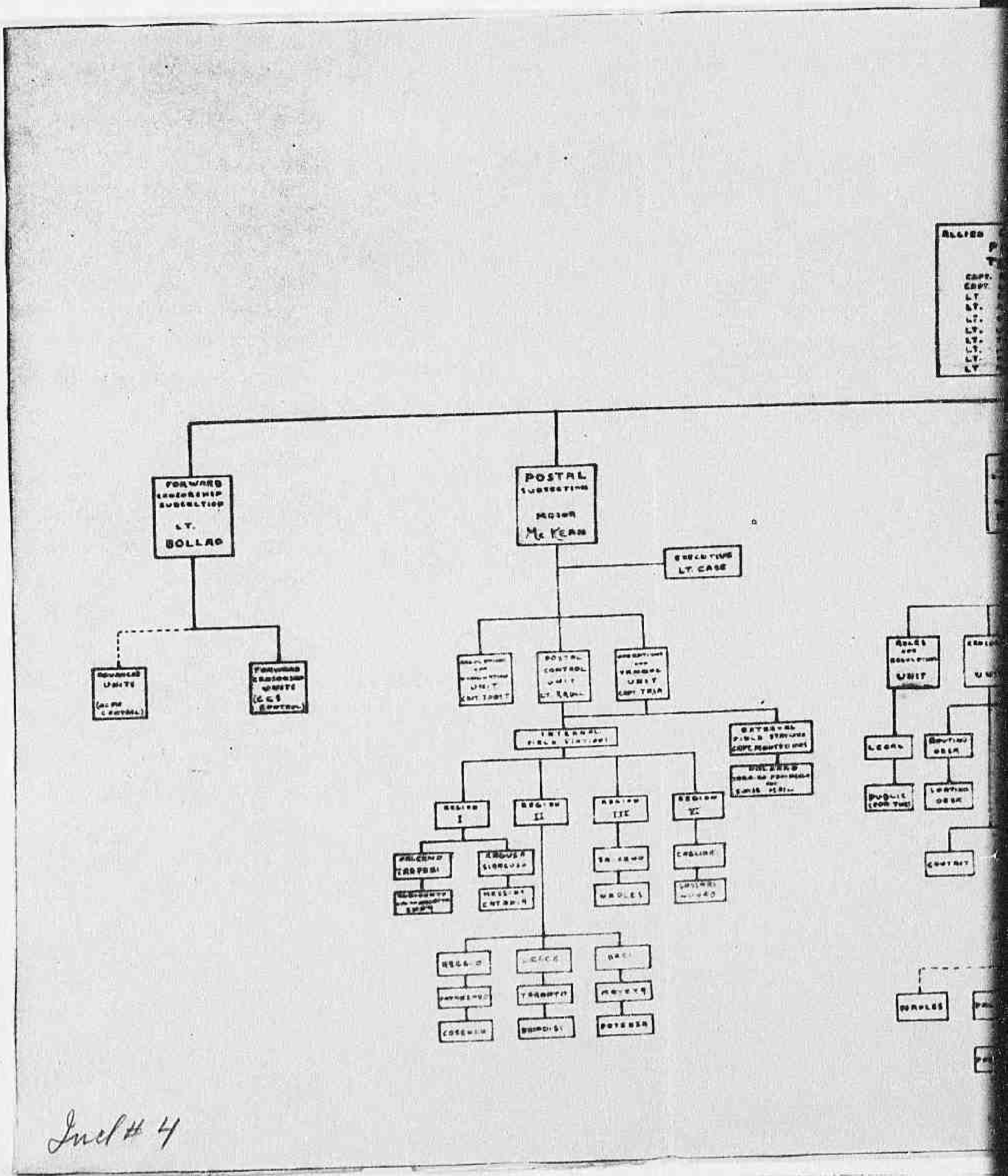

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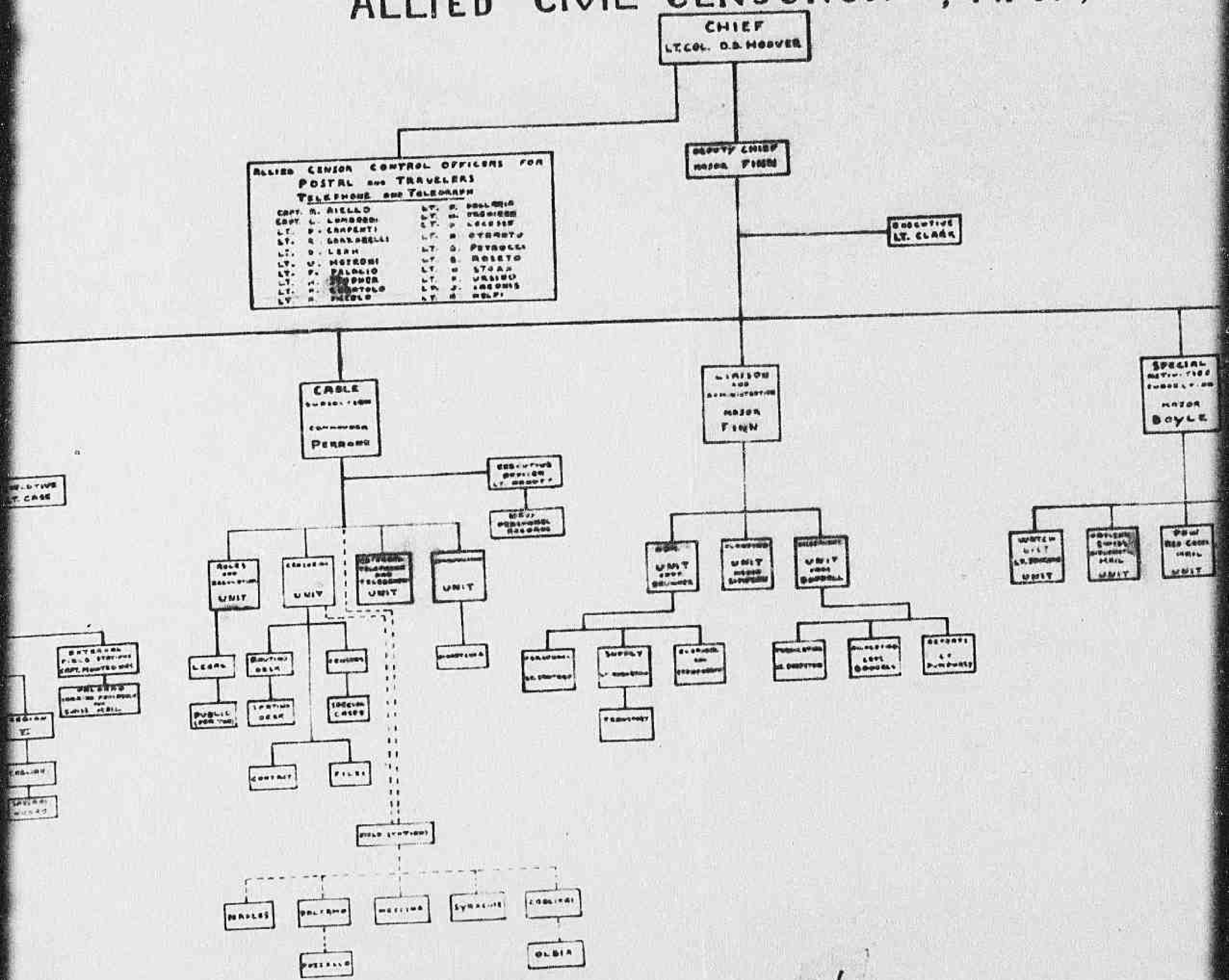

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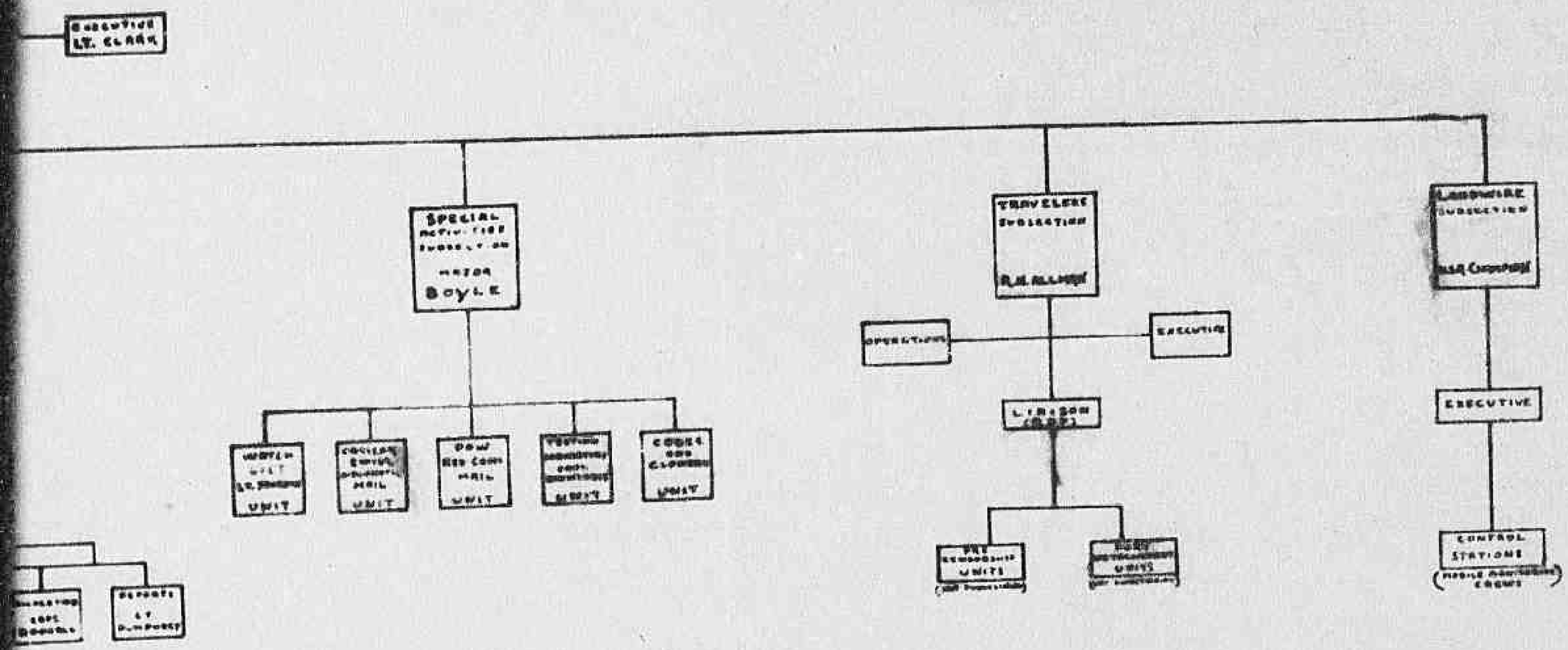

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9 March 1944

Lt. Col. Donald D. Hoover, G.S.C.
AFHQ Information and Censorship Branch
Censorship Branch
Civil Censorship Section
APO 550, U. S. Army

Dear Colonel Hoover:

I have taken up with General MacFarlane the subject raised by you—namely, AFHQ's plan to remove, so far as is possible, operating functions from the advisory and planning activities of the various Headquarters sections, and that pursuant to this policy the field activities of Civil Censorship would be cut loose from INC. You indicated that you and others feel that this should come under A.C.C.

General MacFarlane is not eager to take over Civil Censorship but if the operating and field functions of Civil Censorship are to be cut loose from AFHQ, he agrees it should not be cast adrift without a directing authority in Italy. He is prepared to give favorable consideration to have A.C.C. become this directing authority provided he is furnished with a copy of all directives or other statements of policy under which Civil Censorship now functions before making final decision, and provided that your operating group is a self-contained unit and can be moved to the mainland at an early date to the Naples area.

I shall be glad to hear from you in regard to these points.

I was glad to have our long delayed meeting and hope that we may have more contacts in the future. I have telegraphed you to see if you are willing to open the RCA Naples circuit to west-bound night letters from American military personnel, so that our troops may have the same privileges in this respect as are now permitted British Troops.

Sincerely,

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EMERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Deputy Chief Commissioner

cc: Chief Commissioner

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30 January 1944

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MEMORANDUM FOR: General MacFarlane

I do not think we should make this request until we are officially advised as to the intent of AFHQ to transfer censorship to ACC.

If this should prove to be the case, censorship would ligically have come under the Communications Section as a separate subcommission. Under the reorganization, I suppose it should be a separate subcommission like Telecommunications and the Shipping subcommission.

As to the particular officer proposed, I should like to discuss his qualifications when I next see you.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone
/t/ ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief of Staff

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1 Incl:
Memo, Maj Colville
28 Jan 44

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(Note written in red pencil):

Capt Stone
I agree -nothing doing
till we hear from AFHQ

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

JWC/mar

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MEMO TO:
Acting Chief of staff

1. I understand from Lt Col Scott Bailey (Chief, Censorship Branch, INC, AFHQ) that Censorship, both of press and communications, in Italy is likely to be transferred to ACC. Censorship Branch at AFHQ would maintain the right to handle major policy and contacts with the War Dept War Office and other outside agencies.

2. In view of this plan, Col Scott Bailey has suggested that I approach ACC with the proposal that I be appointed as adviser on all censorship matters. An officer for Press and Communications respectively would be appointed under my direction.

3. May this proposal therefore be submitted and, if approved, a request sent to Lt Col Scott Bailey for my transfer?

Colville
s/s/ J. W. ~~Collins~~
t/t/ J. W. COLVILLE
Major, G. S.

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