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8. The Provincial Director of Enna, Messina, Ragusa, and Agrigento were suspended from their office for a period of three months for reasons of inefficiency and lack of cooperation with AME officials. This was done on order of Major Head, Acting Postal Director at the time, after warnings were issued to these officials by him to the effect that drastic action would be taken in continued cases of negligence and inefficiency. Lt. Col. Hancock, D.R.C.I.O. was notified of this step and at the order of the R.C.A.O. an investigation was conducted. On a second conference with Col. Hancock and the Inspector General it was decided that these officials who were suspended would be brought before an Italian Commission, formed by the Prefect of Palermo and their cases reviewed. This is now being done.

9. Prisoner of War mail is steadily increasing and the latest figures show that 102 sacks of P. of W. mail arrived here for distribution and 60 sacks were despatched. P. of W. mail for occupied Italy continues to arrive here and to date we have 50 sacks of mail ready for onward transmission to the mainland.

10. AMEOT postage stamps are still being used and to date the following number of stamps have been received from AMEOT:

15 Cent. - 4,200,000	1 Lira - 2,400,000
25 Cent. - 3,400,000	2 Lire - 400,000
30 Cent. - 4,000,000	5 Lire - 480,000
50 Cent. - 6,100,000	10 Lire - 400,000
60 Cent. - 800,000	

We are now awaiting another shipment of 5,000,000 of 50 Cent. stamps for use here in Sicily from the U. S.

11. Attempts have been made to start an insured and registered service for banks and public institutions, whereby they may send documents and cash through the mails. However since the Censorship officials are not in a position to meet this service we cannot commence registered and insured service. We did however permit, for the use of Post Offices only, a "registered" service whereby Post Offices may forward records and remittances between Post Offices and provincial capitals.

12. We are also operating a call box service, a service whereby firms, banks, etc. may call at the post office any hour during the day to call for their mail. Each bank or firm pays a monthly rent for such service.

13. The situation as it now stands in regard to resuming service with the occupied towns in the mainland is, that we hope to resume this service by the 1st of January. The same goes for International Mail service. A more detailed report will be submitted in my next report.

14. Regarding the financial postal services a report is being submitted by Lt. Leno, who is handling such service.

G. A. ALABIA,
1st Lt., ACD,
Regional Postal Officer.

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FARGO CITE IBSAG-430

SEARS FOR HOOVER TO FATIMA FOR STONE AND COLVILLE
REPEATED TO AFHQ FOR INC AND FIFTEENTH ARMY GROUP
FOR DICKSON

11/13

S - 4151

DEC 121425A

DEC 131140A

Internal service resumption twentieth December proposed your number 14 has concurrence Allied Military Government Headquarters here. Affects provinces including and below Bari, Potenza, and also Salerno, if desired turn over latter to civil censorship section. Allied Military Government prepared resume internal letter service 20 December in Salerno. New subject, external mail between mainland and Sicily, Sardinia, and foreign mail expected to be introduced on 1 January. New subject, Major's head Allied Military Government Postal Section due arrive Salerno about 18 December with latest information available to date on external and foreign mails.

DISTRIBUTION:

- 2 - AG Files
- 1 - Diary
- 1 - Major Colville (Info)
- 1 - Capt. Stone (Info)

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SEARS FOR FARGO CIVIL CENSORSHIP SECTION FOR HOOVER

REFERENCE YOUR 8 DASH FOUR ZERO TWO FIVE PAREN TO SEARS FOR FARGO FOR HOOVER
CIVIL CENSORSHIP SECTION CITY IDBAG FOUR ONE SEVEN FROM FATIMA FROM STONE AND
CARVILLE SIGNED JOYCE PAREN DATED TEN DECEMBER DOES HQ AND CONCUR CUREY IF SO
PROPOSE STARTING INTERNAL SERVICE TWO ZERO DECEMBER

AUTHENTICATED:

ROBERT E. DOB
Major, A.C.F.
Secretary of the Commission

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*To Capt. Stone
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DEC 111857A

DEC 120809A

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FROM: G 2 SIGNED CING CITE 12121

TOPIC: FOR JOYCE

Telegram No. 1259 of 6 December follows from Italian ambassador at Madrid to Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

1. In order to avoid danger of lowering morale in warships and shipwrecked crews, Italian Naval Commander in the Balearic Islands points out that it is essential that crews receive news from their families from whom they have not heard for 3 months. Naval Attache suggests that the following message be broadcast by wireless stations in liberated territory.

"Families residing in Liberated Italy of crews of Royal Warships Orsa, Impetuoso, Pagano, Carabinieri, Fuciliere, Mitragliere and Regolo may send news to their relatives by addressing correspondence to the Royal Ministry of Marine"

Naval Attache at Madrid undertakes to distribute correspondence if bags are forwarded to him.

2. Grateful if you will inform me whether above proposal will be put into effect.

DISTRIBUTION:

- 1 - Mr Caccia ACTION
- 2 - ME
- 1 - Diary Equals S.
- 1 - Gen. Taylor INFO

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Capt. Stone
[initials]

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION - INCOMING MESSAGE /nd

Syp/RELAY NO. 152

M/C NO : 22/10

CLASS: SECRET

REF NO: S-4025

PREC : PRIORITY

FILED : DEC 100318A

FROM : SEARS FOR HOOVER CIVIL CENSORSHIP SECTION CITE
(FARGO ?)
IESAG- 417

REC'D : DEC 101550A

TO : FATIMA FOR STONE AND BAILEY

Internal postal service limited to post-cards, letters, money orders, and postal remittance letters, is approved from Censorship viewpoint as of 1 January for mainland provinces of REGGIO, CATANZARO, COSENZA, MATERA, POTENZA, LECCE, BRINDISI, TARANTO, AND LEECD. Refer your 1345. Civil Censorship Section prepared also take over SALERNO PROVINCE that date, same basis. All Allied Censor Control officers will have departed by 15 December. Internal service could be started that date if postage facilities available and if deemed desireable, however, 1 January gives more time for organizing.

NEW SUBJECT, for Colonel Bailey: Province Control Officers called here for meeting with Chief Censorship Branch. Signal when arriving.

DISTRIBUTION:

- 2 - AG
- 1 - Diary
- 1 - Captain Stone (ACTION)
- 1 - Colonel Bailey (ACTION)

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PANGO WTD FREEDOM FOR MSG

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REURAD ONE ZERO FOUR ONE ZERO TWO DATED SIX DECEMBER FROM MSG PD TO PANGO FOR
ACTION COPY HOWEVER THE WTD FREEDOM FOR MSG FROM FATIMA FROM SITE AND SECRET
BUTLET SIGNED JUNE PD WHAT DATE ARE YOU PREPARED TO AUTHORIZE INSURANCE PORTAL
INTERNAL
REVISIONS GUSK ITALIAN OWNERSHIP REBATES FOR DATE TO ISSUE REQUIREMENT DISTRIBUTIONS

AUTHENTICATED:

ROBERT E. DOR
Major, A.C.D.
Secretary of Commission

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- 1 - Capt. Stone

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 ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
 Information and Censorship Section
 Censorship Branch
 Civil Censorship Section
 APO 550, U. S. Army

9 December 1943.

Subject: Censorship Treatment of Prisoners of War Mail,
 including that to Service or Pioneer Company
 Personnel.

To : Postal Sub-Commission (Attention Major Head),
 AMGOT Headquarters,
 APO 550, U. S. Army.

1. All incoming mail from prisoners of war in Allied hands may be released to postal channels where resumption of internal postal service has been authorized, providing it has passed through an Allied censorship. If it has not been so examined, it should be referred to the Civil Censorship Section.

2. Outgoing mail from civilians to the addressees defined in the subject will, if addressed to Tunisia, Algeria, or Morocco, be turned over to the AFHQ Civil Censorship Section at PALERMO only for the time-being. Other outgoing mail should be dealt with as follows:

Mail for POWs in the United Kingdom will be sent to POW Censorship, Seamans Orphanage, Newsham Park, Liverpool.

Mail from Italian prisoners of war in Allied hands will be handled as follows:

Addressed to persons in U.S.: District Postal Censor, New York.

Addressed to persons in Egypt and countries south or east of Egypt: M.I. 12 (a) GHQ, MEF.

This mail need not be made available to the Civil Censorship Section at Palermo.

3. All mail addressed to Italian prisoners of war in German hands should be forwarded to POWCU, APO 759, U.S. Army.

4. All mail from Internee or Prison Camps in Sicily or Italy should be sent POWCU, APO 759, U.S. Army for examination.

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Mail addressed to these camps by Italian civilians will be sent to the Civil Censorship Section for examination.

5. This letter is delivered by the Postal Officer of the Civil Censorship Section, who is prepared to discuss the handling of this type of mail from a Censorship standpoint.



DONALD D. HOOVER
Lt. Col., General Staff Corps,
Civil Censorship Officer
(Deputy Chief, Censorship Branch)

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INC here agreeable to commence internal mail services as outlined in paragraph 3
our cable 5614 of 25 November, and censorship regulations referred to in MGS letter
000.73-2, dated 8 November and amendments thereto, dated 13 November and MGS letter
311.1, dated 24 November. (TO FATIMA FOR STONE, FARGO, FILPOT FOR AMO, FABLE BOULNGIE
SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE FARGO REFERENCE FATIMA 1195 OF 29 NOVEMBER). — 29A

Date of commencement to be decided upon by Headquarters, AMO, after consultation
with local INC representatives.

Internal mails are to circulate in and between Sicily, Sardinia, Region 2 (less
province of Foggia), and provinces of Salerno and Naples.

Provinces of Salerno and Naples to be restricted to postcards only for outgoing mail.

INC not prepared for commencement of internal postal services before 10 December
Salerno and Naples provinces.

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- 2 - AG
- 1 - Diary
- 1 - General Taylor - INFO
- 1 - Captain Stone - INFO
- 1 - Major Colville - INFO

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IT TO PROVIDE FOR SCOTT BALEY AND FROM FATIMA FROM STONE AND COLVILLE REPEATED
EILIPUT FOR PERSONS FARM CONSIDERED FARM PD SUGGEST AS FIRST STEP THAT FOUR
PROVINCES BE LINKED WITH DIRECTLY BY AIR SERVICE WITH BOMBARDIER WHICH IS READY TO
SUBSIDIZE PD FOUR PROVINCES AND BARRIETA ALREADY LINKED BY AIR SERVICE PD EXTENSION
CIVIL MAIL TO SECT REGION TWO ALSO CONSIDERED URGENT SOON AS POSSIBLE PD PLEASE
CABLE DATE OF ARRIVAL CONSIDERED CONTROL OFFICERS FOR FOUR PROVINCES ALSO PERCENTAGE
CONSIDERED REQUIRED ON THIS INTERNAL MAIL IN ORDER THAT ADEQUATE ITALIAN PERSONNEL
MAY BE ASSEMBLED WITHOUT DELAY PD GENERAL ROOMS CONCERN PD

AUTHENTICATED:

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ROBERT E. DON
Major, A.O.N.
Secretary of Commission

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- 1 - Capt. Stone
- 1 - Maj. Colville
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M/C NO : 27/30

REF NO: NOT GIVEN

FILED : NOV 30 1534A

REC'D : NOV 30 1650A

TO : ALLIED COMMISSION BRINDISI

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1 - ~~General Taylor~~ (ACTION)

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SVC/RELAY NO. *Amends*

CLASS: SECRET

PREC: PRIORITY

FROM: FREEDOM SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE FRAGS

TO: FARGO REPEATED TROOPERS MIDEAST FATIMA
 FABLE FLAMBO FATIMA FOR STONE AND PRODGER

M/C NO: N2/1

REF NO: 7638

FILED: NOV 30 1100A

REC'D: DEC 01 0035A

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 Reference my 5614 dated 25th November. Paragraph 6 should be numbered 5. Paragraph 7 should be numbered 6. No paragraph 8.

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- 1 - Captain Stone - INFO

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FREEDOM FOR MGS FAROO FOR MGS FOR INFO

REFERENCE OPENING OF INTERNAL MAIL SERVICES BETWEEN FOUR PROVINCES REGIONS
 ONE TWO AND SIX PD TO FREEDOM FOR MGS FROM STORE SIGNED JOYCE PD AGREE WITH
 PARA THREE FREEDOM MGS CABLE FIVE SIX ONE FOUR DASH TWO FIVE NOVEMBER THAT
 INTERNAL MAIL SHOULD BE WORKING SATISFACTORILY BEFORE FOREIGN MAIL STARTED
 PD AMB HEADQUARTERS PALERMO HAS APPROVED IMMEDIATE COMMENCEMENT ^{FOR REGIONS ONE AND TWO} ON BASIS
 OF POSTAL REGULATIONS IN PARA THREE OF CABLE FIVE SIX ONE FOUR AND CENSORSHIP
 REGULATIONS IN MGS LETTER ZERO ZERO ZERO POINT SEVEN THREE TWO DASH EIGHT
 NOVEMBER AND AMENDMENTS IN LETTERS DATE THIRTEEN NOVEMBER AND TWENTY FOUR
 NOVEMBER PD ON CENSORSHIP CMA MAJOR CHAMBER GUARANTEED DISTRIBUTION OF ALLIED
 CONTROL CENSORSHIP BY 15 DECEMBER FIRST BUT NONE HAVE ARRIVED IN FOUR PROVINCES PD
 REQUEST THEIR IMMEDIATE DISPATCH PD ON QUESTION OF STAMPS CMA REFERENCE
 FREEDOM CABLE FIVE SIX ZERO SIX PARAS SEVEN AND EIGHT DASH TWO FIVE NOVEMBER
 CMA ITALIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE PRINTED TWENTY MILLION FIFTY CENT STAMPS AND CAN
 PRINT ONE HUNDRED MILLION MORE CMA AND PROPOSE TO USE ONLY THIS VALUE CMA
 USING MULTIPLES AS REQUIRED TO RECOVER VALUE ABOVE NORMAL TARIFF PD CONSIDER
 ESSENTIAL THAT MAIL SERVICES BE ESTABLISHED EARLIEST POSSIBLE IF GOVERNMENT
 IS TO TAKE CONTROL OF ADDITIONAL TERRITORY PD BRIGADIER GUTHRIE FOR CMA
 HEADQUARTERS IS IN FULL CONCURRENCE PD THEREFORE REQUEST IMMEDIATE APPROVAL
 FOR INTERNAL MAILS TO COMMENCE ^{AT ONCE} WITH SUCH CENSORSHIP AS IS NOT AVAILABLE

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Very much in favor of within and between provincial working of Postal (a) Savings Accounts (b) Current accounts (c) Money Orders (d) Sale of Postal Bonds. (FROM BEARS FOR FARGO FROM HAMLYN TO FATIMA FOR POLY CITE FARGO 876). Reference cable 1045 dated 21 November from FATIMA to FREEDOM. Before putting above into effect believe it essential that following conditions prevail (a) good mail service (b) full service on existing and future Postal Bonds (c) Central Bookkeeping Office for all territory involved to replace office previously in Rome. Steps now being taken in Sicily to establish Central Bookkeeping Office for Postal Banking Services for whole island. If inter regional service initiated and Central Bookkeeping office established at suggested above no Central Office need be organized Sicily. Inform final action taken. Advised foregoing reply letter received from him this subject.

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- 1 - Diary
- 1 - M/C
- 1 - Col. Foley

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SVC/RELAY NO.

CLASS: SECRET

PREC : PRIORITY

FROM : FREEDOM

TO : FATIMA

M/C NO : 8/26

REF NO: 5614

FILED : NOV 251923A

REC'D : NOV 270600A

1. AGWAR have given tentative approval most of foreign mail proposals in our MAT 85, of 8 November, but not now regarded practicable commence foreign mails by December 1. (TO FARGO REPEATED TROOPERS, MIDEAST, FATIMA FOR STONE AND PRODGERS, FABLE FOR BOULNOIS, FLAMBO SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE FHMGS).

2. Information on postage rates and stamps and other outstanding points will follow soon as possible. Meanwhile no foreign mails to be despatched.

3. Essential that adequately directed and operated internal mail service be working before attempting handle foreign mails. Former should insure that all correspondence between provinces circulates (?) through ^{relative} Recavve (?) province capital, at ^{each of} Elshof which censorship for normal mails will operate. Foreign mails, when received, to be forwarded from arrive ports, after sorting, DX (?) relative province centres. All of letter to despatch mail to one another. All mail despatches between offices to be numbered in separate series to afford check on receipt. Internal mail limited post cards, and letters, KW to ninety grams limit, if WX (?) transportation weight difficulties. Postage as ⁰⁸ normally for present, increase being considered.

4. In relation to paragraph 3, regions 2 and 6 should report to Freedom and Fargo for with whether arrangements indicated is already provided for and operating or ready to operate, or will be introduced later and approximately

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when. Hope to give assistance of postal officer shortly.

5. (?)

5 6. CINC here agree to arrangements outlined but their local officers should be consulted before internal services developed.

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6 7. Palermo, Bari, Naples to despatch internal mails to one another by best means possible, also Brindisi and Sardinia.

8. (For Fatima) Savings Bank etc. Proposals regarded as premature.

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- 1 - Capt. Stone (information)✓

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CLASS: SECRET

PREC: PRIORITY

FROM: FREEDOM

TO: FATIMA

M/C NO: 5/26

REF NO: 5606

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1 (a) Add at end "and Central Africa". 1 (b) Mails for Tripoli to be sent via Cairo for censorship. 1 (c) Delete "Algiers" substitute "Tunis". Mails for Corsica also to go to Tunis a decouvert.

1. ~~if~~ US approval noted. (TO AGWAR FOR HILLDRING REPEATED TROOPERS, MIDEAST, FARGO, FATIMA FOR STONE AND PRODGERS, FABLE FOR BOULNOIS, FLAMBO SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE FMCS REFERENCE YOUR 3142 OF 21 NOVEMBER). Paraphrase by Freedom of our W 6144/5606. Assume all countries affected agree to recommencement International Service both directions.

2. Outward censorship worked out with British and US Censorship Liaison officers and controles technique where French affected.

3. All inward mail not censored by Imperial, US, Canadian or French controles technique will be censored by Civil Censorship Section.

4. References in your cable to letter and postcard mail "in their usual and ordinary form" regarded as applying to make-up and contents, and not as to weight (See para 6).

5. Following amendments necessary to details in para 1 of our MAT 85.

6. Propose apply internal rates to correspondence between Sicily, Sardinia

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and occupied Italy. These rates for present as normally, but question of increasing them, on main grounds of increasing postal revenue, will be discussed with Italian authorities. For foreign ^{outward} outpass mails propose: Letters 5 Lire for 20 grams, 7 Lire for 40 grams (maximum), postcards 3 Lire. Do you concur as regards rates, and weight limit (latter can be increased later).

7. AMG stamps at present in use in Sicily or such other areas as so far operating using Italian stamps. Uniformity considered highly desirable. Italian stamps were supplied from Rome, but cannot count on getting further supplies from there or use of printing dies. Alternative is to use AMG stamps generally, but expediency of "Allied Military Postage" caption seems questionable. Possibilities are (a) continue use present AMG stamps in Sicily until any such time that fresh supply of Italian stamps or over print AMG issue (See para d) becomes available, (b) continue use Italian stamps in Italy and Sardinia so long as supplies available, (c) use present AMG stamps generally if and when supplies of Italian stamps are exhausted, (d) use over-print AMG issue as alternative to present issue in (c). We recommend (a), (b) and (d) on understanding that both present and proposed AMG issues would be in use for a time.

8. AMG stamp supply position bound up with usage of such stamps in Italy and Sardinia. In any case, 5,000,000 50 Centesimi required forthwith for Sicily by fast sea transport or air. Subject your decision on para 7, send first consignment additional stocks as follows in millions to Naples for Italy and Sardinia. 15 Centesimi, 5; 25 Centesimi, 10; 30 Centesimi, 5; 50 Centesimi, 10; 1 Lira, 10; 2 Lira, 5; 5 Lira, 10. Great advantage if half of boxes could contain assortment of all values. Request you revise estimated time arrival all consignments.

9. Owing to the points still at issue, and in connection verification internal mail distribution arrangements, commencement of foreign mails will have to be deferred. Will advise modified date when your reply received.

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HEADQUARTERS
 ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
 APO #12

23 November 1945

A.M.G./C.S./32

SUBJECT: Censorship of Italian Civil Communications in all
 but forward areas.

TO: Headquarters Region I & II.

1. References-

a. Incl. 1- M.H.B.-006.75-P AFHQ., 8 Nov. 45, subject
 same as above.

b. Incl. 2-C/106 AFHQ. (INC), 30 Oct. 45, same subject.

2. It is directed that necessary orders and authority
 be sent to all A.M.G. S.C.A.O.'s to the effect that they shall
 order prefects of provinces at the request of Allied Censor
 Control Officer to reconstitute Italian Censorship in their
 provincial capital by employing:

a. Such former Italian Censorship personnel as are
 approved by Security and Allied Censor Control Officers.

b. Such Italian personnel as are considered suitable
 by Security and Allied Censor Control Officers. It should further-
 more be made clear to the Prefect that he is responsible for
 supplying adequate clerical staff, who must be approved by
 Security and Censor Control Officers, also space and all
 facilities, i.e. typewriters, paper, stamps etc.

3. In connection with paragraph 4 of Incl. 2, it is
 directed that authority be sent to all S.C.A.O.'s to pay
 personnel selected for reconnaissance duties at rates to be
 laid down by S.C.A.O.'s after receiving a recommendation from
 the Allied Censor Control Officer. In setting the rate consid-
 eration should be given to the very confidential nature of the
 duties.

4. With reference to paragraph 5 of Incl. 2 it is
 further directed that S.C.A.O.'s require Prefects of the
 provinces hereafter shown, to requisition, under Italian law,
 suitable passenger automobiles of the number herein indicated
 for the use of Censor Control Officers. Such car or cars to-
 gether with driver to be furnished by Prefect and made avail-
 able prior to 1st. of Dec. 45 at the places herein indicated.
 Prefects will be responsible for the maintenance of such
 vehicles and the pay of drivers.

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<u>Location</u>	<u>Vehicle and Drivers</u>
Region I	
Messina	1
Siracusa	1
Agrigento	1
Region II	
Catanzaro	1
Potenza	1
Matera	1

5. Instructions set forth in paragraph 3 of Incl. 2, will be disregarded as instructions have been received to the effect that the regulations referred to in paragraph 3 of I.N.C. letter of 30 Oct. 43, will not be issued at this time.

6. These instructions affect all provinces of Region I and the following provinces of Region II:-

Messina	Potenza
Catanzaro	Matera
Reggio	

By Command of Brigadier General McSherry

Brigadier
Acting Vice Chief of Staff

2 Incls.

Incl. 1 MSG. - 000.732 AFHQ 8 Nov. 43, Subject as above.

Incl. 2 C/106 AFHQ (INFO), 30 Oct. 43 Same subject.

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YOUR LETTER MGS ZERO ZERO ZERO SEVEN THREE DASH TWO NOVEMBER ONE THREE RE CENSORSHIP
PD PAREN TO FREEDOM FOR MGS FOR ACTION REPEATED TO FARGO FROM FATIMA FROM STONE
SIGNED JOYCE PAREN MAJOR CHAMIER OF INC NOW HERE AND STATES HE UNDERSTANDS FROM
CAPTAIN TURNER POSTAL OFFICER OF MGS THAT DECEMBER FIRST HAS BEEN APPROVED AS DATE
FOR RESUMPTION OF INTERNAL MAIL IN AND BETWEEN AMG REGIONS ONE AND TWO AND FOUR
PROVINCES ALSO FOR EXTERNAL MAIL IN ACCORDANCE YOUR MAT EIGHT FIVE PD HE STATES
DECEMBER FIRST IS SATISFACTORY TO INC PD DO YOU CONFIRM DECEMBER FIRST FOR RESUMPTION
OF BOTH INTERNAL AND FOREIGN MAILS CMA LATTER TO BE HANDLED ACCORDANCE MAT EIGHT FIVE
QUERY ON ASSUMPTION THAT DECEMBER FIRST IS APPROVED FOR INTERNAL MAIL CMA ITALIAN
GOVERNMENT WOULD LIKE RESUME PAREN A PAREN MONEY ORDERS PAREN B PAREN CURRENT ACCOUNTS
PAREN C PAREN SAVINGS ACCOUNTS AND PAREN D PAREN SALE OF POSTAL BONDS WITHIN AND
BETWEEN FOUR PROVINCES AND REGIONS ONE AND TWO PD YOUR LETTER ONE THREE NOVEMBER ONLY
AUTHORIZES SURFACE LETTERS AND POSTCARDS SO FAR AS CENSORSHIP RULES ARE CONCERNED BUT
DOES NOT SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZE RESUMPTION OF SERVICE PD MAJOR CHAMIER STATES INC

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HAS NO OBJECTION TO RESUMPTION OF THESE FOUR POSTAL FINANCIAL SERVICES EFFECTIVE
DECEMBER FIRST PD WE THEREFORE RECOMMEND THAT MONEY ORDERS CMA CURRENT ACCOUNTS
CMA SAVINGS ACCOUNTS AND SALE OF POSTAL BONDS IN AND BETWEEN FOUR PROVINCES AND
AMG REGIONS ONE AND TWO BE AUTHORIZED COINCIDENT WITH RESUMPTION OF INTERNAL
MAILS PD FOLLEY CONCURS PD WILL INTERNAL TELEGRAPHS BE PERMITTED WHERE FACILITIES
AVAILABLE QUERY YOUR EARLY REPLY IS REQUESTED

AUTHENTICATED:

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, AGD
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A.C.C. - A.M.G.
Postal Sub-Commission

SHH/dlo
19 November 1943

SUBJECT: Postage: Rates, Stamps.

TO : Colonel A. T. Maxwell, M.C.S.
(Through Major Walker)

In connection with the pending urgent development of external postal services in Sicily and Allied occupied Italy, it becomes essential to have a decision on the policy to be followed in respect of (1) Postage rates, and (2) the type of postage stamps to be used (i.e. AMG or Italian).

(1) Postage Rates

(a) The internal rates at present in force in Sicily are those which applied before the occupation, namely - postcards, 25c and 30c., letters 25c and 50c; minimum; 50c and 1 lira maximum (up to 30 grammes weight).

The C.C. .C., prior to the Armistice, had authorized a 100% increase in these rates, but this has not been applied pending a review of the matter, in the changed circumstances.

(b) The comparable external rates were - postcards 75c, letters 1.25 lira (minimum 20 gr. weight).

(c) It has been suggested, in the cable sent to Washington, that for the foreign services the international rate should apply. The relative minimum figure, in the United Kingdom and United States services, is 3d, and 5 cents, respectively, for 20 grammes weight. The lira equivalent (at 400= £1) would be 5 lire for letters and 3 lire for postcards. The application of this equivalent rate figure (which is, of course, governed by the exchange rate) would be a divergence from the policy to date of not increasing the normal rates, but as already indicated, this policy has been regarded as open to modification. It has been agreed by the Finance Section of A.C.C. - A.M.G. that a minimum rate of 5 lire would be a suitable and appropriate one.

On the score of sea and land transport limitations, it might be desirable, at the outset, to limit the weight of any one letter to the second point on the scale, i.e., 20 gr. 6 for which the postage would be 8 lire.

(d) The following denominations of stamps are on issue:

AMG Stamps
15, 25, 30, 50, 60 centesimi
1, 2, 5, 10 lire

Italian Stamps (normal)

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(2) Postage Stamps

(a) In Sicily, only AMG postage stamps are in use (Post Offices are still holding such stocks of Italian stamps as they had on hand). In "King's Italy", Italian stamps are presumably in use for the services which are understood to be still operating.

(b) The pending introduction of foreign mails, and the present "co-belligerent" status of Italy, open up the following issues:-

- (i) Should AMG or Italian stamps be used in Italy.
- (ii) Sicily should presumably conform with Italy.
- (iii) Availability of supplies.

Availability will almost certainly have to govern the policy for (i) and (ii). Approximately 54,000,000 AMG stamps, spread over the nine denominations, have so far been received in Sicily. Further supplies held in the U.S.A. are not being sent until asked for. Stocks of Italian stamps on hand at Post Offices in Sicily would probably suffice for from one to three weeks. Replenishments were supplied from Rome. We cannot count on getting any further stocks of Italian stamps, either for Sicily or Italy, as the store in Rome may quite well be destroyed by the retreating enemy, and with them the printing dies. Therefore it seems automatic that the use of both AMG and Italian stamps will have to be permitted from a given date according to the supply and distribution position. If so, additional stocks of AMG stamps will have to be ordered immediately. In the event of stocks of Italian stamps running out entirely, for a time the AMG issue would bridge the gap until such time as fresh stocks of the former (? an entirely fresh issue) could be obtained.

(c) Certain of the Italian stamps depict the head of the King. Presumably, in any event in the present circumstances - it would not be necessary to veto the use of these.

S. H. HEND
Major
A/Director Postal Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 512
Postal Services Sub-Commission

16 November 1945

SUBJECT: Postal Censorship, Staff, and Transport.

TO : Acting Chief, Communications Section.

1. The accompanying letter from AFHQ. relates to:
 - (a) The issue of a Public Notice on ^{and (H) Telecons} Postal Services restrictions.
 - (b) The appointment and payment of Italian censorship personnel.
 - (c) The provision of Transport for INC. censorship personnel.
2. Action ^{will be} ~~is being~~ taken by this Sub-Commission as regards Region I, in respect of (a)(i) ^{after discussion at AFHQ.}
3. In relation to (b) it may be mentioned that advance steps have already been taken by the local Censorship authorities. (Capt. G.G. Simpson, C.C.C., I.N.C., Room 25, 3rd. Floor, 7th. Army H.Q.)

S.H. Head
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Major.

Acting Director Postal Sub-Commission.

Copy to:

Lt. Col. Prodgers.

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With file his Maj. HODGINS returns

For AFHQ.

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Outward. (In spaced closed mails to be made up at Naples, Bari, and Palermo labeled to censor MAT (a) Cairo, taking correspondence for countries in eastern Mediterranean, Russia, east of Suez Canal, east of Rice, south of Rice (d) New York, taking all correspondence for north, central, and south America, but not for Canada (see (f)) or British West Indies (see (f)). (e) Ottawa, taking all correspondence for Canada, (f) London, taking all correspondence for UK, Eire, Bermuda, British West Indies, Spain, British Morocco, Tangier, Portugal, Switzerland, Sweden, and any other territory not covered by (a) to (e). (b) Tripoli, taking correspondence for Tripolitania and Cyrenaica. Bags to be routed via Cairo. (c) Algiers, taking all correspondence for north and west Africa except as in (a) and (b) and except mails for British territories in west Africa and for Tangiers and Spanish Morocco as in (f) propose foregoing postal communications with Italy, Sicily, and Sardinia. Paraphrase by FREEDOM of W 4675/8302. (TO AGHAR FOR COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF REPEATED US FOR INFORMATION OF CHIEFS OF STAFF, TROOPERS FOR PG 2, MIDEAST, PATINA, FAMOC, FAMA FOR BOULGOS, 3D PLANS SIGNED RISEGROWN CITE PHND. MAT 85) (5) No means of anticipating amount of outward letter traffic but assume offices of exchange quoted in (a) to (f) will accept a deconvert without question. Appreciate comment on transit charges if raised by Cairo in respect of Tripoli mails (c) outward mail from Sardinia to circulate to Bari via Brindisi by air. (5) Postal communication to be limited to surface letter post only except as in

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MILITARY GOVERNMENT SECTION

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8 November 1943

MGS-000.73-2

SUBJECT: Censorship of Italian Civil Communications in all
but forward areas.

TO : Chief, Allied Military Mission to the Italian
Government.
→ Acting Deputy President, Allied Control Commission.
Regional Allied Commissioner (Sardinia)

1. A letter on the above subject from Censorship Branch (INC) to the Chief, Military Government Section, under date of 30 October 1943, is herewith transmitted to you. The letter contains as inclosures projected regulations for Communications Available to Civilian and a table of Vehicles and Drivers Required by Allied Censor Control Officers. Paragraph 2, 3, 4 and 5 point to specific action which it is requested the Hq, AMG. cause to be taken in aid of the proposed censorship system. Paragraph 6 requests that assistance to the same purpose be given by the respective Allied authorities in Sardinia and in the four provinces actually under the rule of the Italian Government. Paragraph 7 requests that certain advice be given to AMG. postal officers.

2. The officers to whom the present letter is directed are hereby advised that the requests of the Censorship Branch (INC) are approved. Accordingly they will, as to the territory under his control, issue and enforce the necessary instructions to effectuate the requests of the inclosed letter.

J.C. HOLMES
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Chief, Military Government Section.
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Letter of Chief, Information and Censorship Section, AFHQ.

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5. In initial states, a censor Control officer is being provided for at each Provincial Headquarters. The amount of transport available from military sources is to all intents and purposes nil and it will therefore be necessary for a small number of civilian vehicles and drivers to be requisitioned. Immediate requirements are as given in Appendix A to this letter. It is suggested that to The Prefects of Provinces controlled by Censor Control officer to whom car and driver are allocated be informed that they are responsible for maintenance. May these requirements please be considered as urgent?

6. Similar action is requested for "Kings Italy", and Sardinia through Allied Military Mission.

7. May all AMG. Postal officers please be advised of arrangements made. Chief Postal officer, Sicily is in agreement with these proposals.

8. A further request for action will be made in respect of areas under direct control of AMG. 15th Army Group where stricter censorship regulations will be enforced.

ROBERT A McClure,
Brigadier General, C.S.C.,
Chief, Information and Censorship Section

s/ by A.J. McChrystal

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COMMUNICATIONS AVAILABLE TO CIVILIANS

The following regulations and restrictions will be applied regarding Civil Communications:

GENERAL REGULATIONS.

- (1) There will be NO communications, direct or indirect, with enemy or enemy occupied countries, other than through the official International channels.
- (2) No use will be made of codes, ciphers, symbols, shorthand Braille, quotations, puzzles, manuscripts music, or any other form of writing which may contain a hidden or secondary meaning.
- (3) There will be NO mention or discussion of or speculation on Allied or Italian land, air or sea movements, routes, training, strength, equipment, supplies, identification of units, losses, casualties, damages suffered, installations, defences, fortifications, or any other matter of operational interest.
- (4) There will be NO mention of persons arrested or interned, movements of government or military officials or agents, rumors of aid or comfort to the enemy, current weather or weather forecasts.
- (5) There will be NO mention of matters detrimental to the prosecution of the Allied War effort.
- (6) There will be NO communications written or sent by civilians on behalf of Allied Personnel.

POSTAL REGULATIONS.

- (1) There will be NO parcel post until further notice.
- (2) Name and address of writer must appear on outside of cover.
- (3) The following enclosures are prohibited in closed private correspondence: Picture postcards, newspapers, books or other documents (except commercial or official paper) cuttings, maps, plans, drawings, prints, photographic films or plates in any form, photographs, gramophone records or sound track.
- (4) All correspondence in Civil Post is liable to Censorship, there are NO exceptions.
- (5) There will be NO external air mail.

TELEPHONE REGULATIONS.

- (1) The use of Italian or English Language ONLY is permitted.
- (2) Local and interurban telephone calls within free calling area of a master central office are permitted.

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(3) Long distance Telephone calls are prohibited.

TELEGRAPH REGULATIONS.

- (1) Telegrams may be dispatched to all places within Italy where telegraphic communication is permitted.
- (2) Foreign telegrams are prohibited until further notice.
- (3) Telegrams must be handed in personally at a Post Office by the sender who will be required to prove his identity.

APPENDIX "A"

VEHICLES & DRIVERS REQUIRED BY ALLIED CENSOR CONTROL OFFICERS

* SICILY	3
** CALABRIA	1
*** LUCANIA	2
*** KING'S ITALY	4
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* Messina
Syracusa
Agrigento
** CATANZARO
*** Potenza
MATERA

Passenger cars & drivers

*Nov 25 - Dec 1
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Censorship Branch (INC)
A.P.O. 512 U.S. Army

C/106

30 October, 1943

SUBJECT: Censorship of Italian Civil Communications
in all but Forward Areas.

TO : Brigadier General J.C. Holmes,
Military Government Section, AFHQ.

1. The following are the requirements necessary before censorship of civilian Communications can be undertaken and it is requested that the necessary instructions and authority be issued to local representatives of M.G.S.

2. Approval has been received from the Chief of Staff to the plan already agreed by you to utilise Italian Censorship closely controlled and supervised by Allied Censor Control officers. May the necessary orders and authority therefore please be sent to all AMG. SCAO's to the effect that they shall order prefects of Provinces at request of Allied Censor Control officers to reconstitute Italian Censorship in their provincial capital by employing:

a. Such former Italian Censorship personnel as are approved by Security and Allied Censor Control Officers.

b. Such Italian personnel as are considered suitable by Security and Allied Censor Officer, Control. It should furthermore be made clear to the prefect that he is responsible for supplying adequate clerical staff, who must be approved by Security and Censor Control Officer, space and all facilities, i.e. typewriters, paper, stamps etc.

3. It is also necessary for the attached Postal Regulations to be issued either as a proclamation or as a public notice whichever is considered suitable.

4. It will also be necessary for a small number of personnel specially selected by Security to be employed directly by Allied Censor Control officer for recensorship duties. May authority therefore be sent to all SCAO's to pay such personnel at rates to be laid down by AMG. having regard to their very confidential nature of their duties.

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(2). No registration. (a) assume postage rates will be on international basis. Para. Inward (2) Inward. (a) Civilian. Not considered necessary but your comment requested. (b) PW. On date commencement services as detailed this cable 1 post card each. Hereafter 1 letter and 1 post card each per week. Essential explain to PW that mail can be accepted only for Sicily and Sardinia and those portions Italy detailed in paragraph regarding inward correspondence. Para. Commencement. (1) Sicily and those portions Italy described above ready commence 1 December. (2) Sardinia. Same date, using existing thrice weekly air service from Brindisi (1) outward. If found necessary details will be worked out in this theatre. (1) Can accept closed direct mails containing censored correspondence at (a) Palermo for Sicily, (b) Bari for Calabria, Lucania, and provinces of Lecce, Brindisi, Bari, Taranto, and Naples for province of Salerno, (c) Bari for Sardinia. (2) Cannot yet accept mail for remainder occupied Italian territory but arrangements will be progressive. Para. Foyers. Mail posted by the forces in both North Africa and CEF for civilians in Italy, Sicily, and Sardinia to be accepted at APC's and circulated to Naples, Bari, and Palermo through APC channels. In this connection suggest free postage facilities, within USTEC ? limits, should be available. Your comment requested. Para. PW. Correspondence for Italian PW in Allied hands to be posted in civil post office in Italy, Sicily and Sardinia and to circulate same offices ? as for outward communications but in separate and distinct dispatches. Para. Restrictions. Internal requests for approval or comments and replies on specific points included in foregoing postal service now operating in Sicily, and in Italian provinces of Bari, Brindisi, Lecce, and Taranto, ²⁰ cannot reopen in remainder Italy, or between Sicily as arrangements yet to be completed with Italian Government for operation their censorship organization which intend to arrange at early date.

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YOUR LETTER THREE ONE ONE POINT ONE DASH TWO NINE OCTOBER RE MAILS PD PAREN TO
FREEDOM FOR MCS FROM STONE SIGNED MACFARLANE PAREN PD PARA TWO PAREN A RIT ABLE
PAREN PD AS INC RPT ITEM NAN CHARLIE HAS ALREADY BEEN NOTIFIED FROM HERE CMA
ITALIAN OFFICIAL AND CIVILIAN MAIL NOW BEING CARRIED BY ITALIAN PLANES UNDER
DIRECTION OF AIR SECTION THIS MISSION THREETHIMES WEEKLY BETWEEN BRINDISI AND
SARDINIA PD MAIL LIMITED TO THAT ORIGINATING IN OR DESTINED TO FOUR PROVINCES
KINGDOM PD PARA TWO PAREN B RIT BAKER PAREN PD UNABLE COMMENT PD PARA PAREN C
RIT CHARLIE PAREN PD DATE SATISFACTORY FOR FOUR PROVINCES KINGDOM AND ANG RIT
ABLE MIKE GEORGE REGION TWO PROVIDED INC RPT ITEM NAN CHARLIE CENSORS FURNISHED
PD PARA THREE SEE REPLY ABOVE TO PARA TWO PAREN A RIT ABLE PAREN SUGGEST SERVICE
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COMPLETELY NORMAL PD BALANCE OF DRAFT CABLE APPEARS SATISFACTORY EXCEPT
PENDING PARA INACCURATE SINCE MAIL SERVICE AT NO RIT NO TIME SUSPENDED IN
AND BETWEEN FOUR PROVINCES KINGDOM PD NEW SUBJECT FURTHER OUR SEVEN ²⁰ 6
AIR SECTION THIS MISSION IS PREPARED HAVE ITALIAN PLANES CARRY ALL INTERNAL MAIL
BETWEEN SICILY AND ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TERRITORY ON FLIGHTS THREE TIMES WEEKLY
BETWEEN TARANTO OR BRINDISI AND CATANIA AND POSSIBLY PALERMO SOON AS INC RPT ITEM
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BE EXTENDED TO SICILY PD REGION TWO COULD BE INCLUDED WHEN INC RPT ITEM HAN CHARLIE
ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED FOR THAT REGION PD REQUEST REPLIES TO MY TWO QUERIES RE
MESSINA PD SUBMIT THAT PROMPT REESTABLISHMENT OF POSTAL SERVICE WITH SICILY VITAL
NECESSITY FOR ITALIAN GOVERNMENT BOTH FOR ADMINISTRATIVE AND CIVILIAN MORALE
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POSTAL CHANGES - ITALY/STOMMA

The following is a brief outline of a system, called the (a) Service

(a) Italian Military in ITALY and STOMMA for collection and delivery as in

(b) approved, between collection in STOMMA and Italian Military in

It is proposed that:

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1. All use to make of certain Italian Military in ITALY and STOMMA for collection and delivery as in

2. Italian Army Mail will be collected and/or distributed, sorted and

The British Military Service will reserve the right to collect or deliver

3. All mail will be placed in a distinctive marked mail bag and mailed

4. British Base Command will ensure that less than 10% of all mail and

5. At the time of collection all mail will be accepted by British Army

6. The same procedure will be adopted for mail collected in STOMMA

7. In order to speed up service with the least possible delay it is

This is recommended for the following reasons:-

(a) to enable the British Service, which such time as sufficient personnel

(b) to ensure that the service is in small units such time as the

system can be expanded.

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(8) cancelled - see folio 17

1. All new demands of currency Italian military and civilian postal services for collection and transmission of Italian mail.

2. Italian Army mail will be collected and/or distributed, sorted and delivered to 100% concentration by the Italian Army Post Office. The overseas mail will be dealt with similarly by the Italian Civilian Post Office.

3. The Italian Military Post Office reserves the right to censor all incoming and outgoing mail at any time.

4. All mail will be sorted at official civilian military mail bags and delivered to the British Army Post Office or the Italian Army Post Office or Civilian Post Office.

5. British Base Command will arrange to have all mail collected and delivered to the British Army Post Office. The Italian Army Post Office will be responsible for distribution under their own arrangements.

6. All the work of receiving mail and mail distribution by British Army Post Office will be done by the Italian Army Post Office. The Italian Civilian Post Office will be responsible for distribution under their own arrangements.

7. The new procedure will be adopted for mail collected in Italian for collection to Italy, except that on receipt of the mainland all mail will be delivered to the Italian Army Post Office for distribution.

8. In order to speed up the work with the Italian military mail it is suggested that, initially, an Army Post Office be the only means of communication at the time of the year or family each way per week. This is recommended for the first time because:

(a) to assist the military command, which such time as sufficient personnel are available to deal with the mail, are not possible.

(b) to ensure that the command figure is small until such time as the scheme can be expanded.

9. It is noted to extend the service to leave and parcels; if possible this will be done in time for Christmas and New Year.

10. Addresses are asked to forward any comments or suggestions to this HQ.

11. Postal and General are asked to say on what date it is considered possible to start this service.

Please treat this matter as very urgent

L. H. (McKayck-Hicks)
Lt Col
for Major-General (Post)

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AUTHENTICATED:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
 Military Government Section

29 October 1943.

MOS 311.1

SUBJECT: Postal Communication with Italy, Sicily, and Sardinia.

TO : HQ AFM, CEF
 HQ AFM, 15 Army Group
 HQ Allied Military Mission, Brindisi.

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1. London and Washington are anxious that postal communications with Italy, Sicily, and Sardinia, particularly PW mail, should be opened at an early date.

2. Attached is a draft copy of a cable on this subject which it is proposed to send to the Combined Chiefs of Staff. Please forward your comments or approval to this HQ by cable as soon as possible, with particular regard to --

- (a) The establishment of an air service between Sardinia and Naples for the carriage of mail. (It is felt that it might be better for the service to operate between Sardinia and Palermo.)
- (b) Whether by the date suggested for the commencement of the service (15 November) it will be possible to handle inward mail for the Province of Salerno.
- (c) The date suggested for the commencement of the service.

3. Allied Military Mission are requested to initiate arrangements for the provision of Italian aircraft for carrying mail to and from Sardinia, and to report to this HQ.

[Signature]
 D. S. JACKLING
 Lt. Colonel

COPY TO: - British Mission to Sardinia (Region 6), Sassari, C.M.I. -
 Your message No. 2 of 16 Oct refers.

See Memo
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[Signature]
 Capt. [unclear]
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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION - INCOMING MESSAGE

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FROM : FREEDOM

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TO : FATIMA

Internal Postal communications proposal reopen (TO FATIMA FOR STONE SIGNED
SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE FHMGs) reference your 642 of 28 October not approved
 owing shortage in censors, and because arrangements yet to be made employment
 Italian censorship organization. Same applies also your proposal Postal
 communication between Italy and Sicily. INC intend make arrangements early
 date. Meanwhile letter follows regarding proposed global Postal communications.

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Subject: - Civil Postal, Telegraph and Telephone Service.

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Minutes of a Conference held at the Allied Military Mission, BRINDISI, on the 27th October, 1943.

Present : - Captain Ellery W. Stone, U.S.N.R.
Colonel J. L. Henderson
Major J. W. Colville
Dr. Fano

Allied Military Mission.
Allied Military Mission.
Censorship Branch, A.F.H.C.
Italian Communications.

1. The Meeting was held to discuss : -

- (a) Restoration of civil postal services to SICILY.
- (b) Restoration of civil postal services in CALABRIA and LUCANIA.
- (c) Restoration of civil telephone and telegraph services in CALABRIA and LUCANIA.

2. Civil Postal Services to SICILY.

- (a) Major Colville stated that he understood that the postal services within SICILY are functioning as satisfactory as can be expected; Captain Stone said that he would obtain confirmation of this.
- (b) Captain Stone stated that the Royal Navy is prepared to provide a service to SICILY for postal requirements, using Italian vessels. He suggested that it should run from TARANTO, and Dr. Fano agreed that this would be suitable. After discussion it was agreed that the selection of the most suitable port would depend on the state of the railway communications in the island. Captain Stone said that he would obtain a report as to which is the most suitable Sicilian port.

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- (c) Dr. Fano stated that the present accumulation of mail was about 300bags. It was agreed that a service once or twice weekly would be satisfactory. Captain Stone said that he would make definite arrangements for the Royal Navy for the service.

ACTION BY MISSION

3. Civil Postal Services in CALABRIA and LUCANIA.

- (a) Dr. Fano stated that the present situation was that the civil postal service is not permitted by the AMGOT authorities controlling these regions.

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Captain Stone stated that these authorities would be approached as soon as possible with a view to the prompt authorisation of mail services.

- (b) It was agreed that in order to get a picture of what mail services it would be possible to restore, it would be necessary to ascertain what railways services in these regions are now available.

ACTION BY DR. FANO.ACTION BY MISSION.

To determine the position, Dr. Fano said that he would obtain a report from the Italian Railway Directorate, and Captain Stone said that he would also obtain a report from the Transportation representative with the Mission.

- (c) Major Colville stated that the censorship of mail was not considered to present any difficulty. The matter had been discussed with the Italian Government officials and a policy agreed upon, and he thought that A.F.H.C. authority for the proposed arrangements would be given and that the provision of the necessary censorship staff would be made. He said that he would represent the matter to A.F.H.C.

ACTION BY MAJOR COLVILLEACTION BY DR. FANO

- (d) Dr. Fano stated that he would arrange the necessary administrative organisation, which would include the distribution of stamps and a tour by postal inspectors, before commencing the service.

ACTION BY MISSION

Captain Stone stated that necessary letters to AMGOT and Military authorities would be written by the Mission requesting co-operation and assistance for Italian postal inspectors where possible.

4. Other Civil Postal Services.

- (a) Dr. Fano stated that the postal services in the "Four Provinces" (the provinces of BARI, TARANTO, BRINDISI and LECCE in the province of FUGLIA) was satisfactory.
- (b) Dr. Fano stated that the postal service to SARDINIA was satisfactory. A service twice weekly is maintained by Italian military aircraft, and this carries civil mail.

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- (c) Dr. Fano requested consideration be given to mail services to FOGGIA and to NAPLES. He understood that military trains were running to FOGGIA, and requested authority for civil mail to be taken by this means. He understood that no rail service existed to NAPLES, and requested that authority be given for an Italian air service once a week, which the Italian Government is prepared to provide. Captain Stone stated that both these towns were forward of the rear boundary of the Army zone, and that there would therefore be security objections to civil mail to these localities. Major Colville but suggested that possibly Italian official mail might be permitted and that fixed text civil mail might also be authorized, although at present general correspondence would not. He also suggested that the collection and distribution of such civil messages might best be done through the church authorities. Captain Stone stated that he would raise this matter with the P.W.B. in BARI and an effort would be made to agree on a workable system.

ACTION BY MISSION.

5. Civil Telegraphic Services in CALABRIA and LUCANIA.

- (a) It was agreed that in principle there is no objection to telegraphic services being restored wherever civil mail services was permitted. Captain Stone pointed out that the release of circuits and equipment from military use might be a cause of delay and that restoration of telegraph facilities should have second priority to mail services. The question of telegraphic facilities for the Italian Government for administrative purposes, however, would have priority. He suggested that Dr. Fano should however instruct his inspectors that, when visiting post offices to reinstate the mail service, they should investigate the possibility of the restoration of telegraph services at the same time. It was agreed that fixed text type telegrams might be permitted in the same circumstances as for mail.

ACTION BY DR. FANO

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6. Civil Telephone Services in CALABRIA and LUCANIA.

Dr. Fano stated that the present situation in the "Four Provinces" on telephone traffic is that urban civil traffic is allowed, but inter-urban traffic is permitted only to Government or Military officials or to civilians with official authorisation from the Prefect's Office. It was agreed that until further notice these regulations should be made applicable to CALABRIA and LUCANIA when telephone services are restored.

7. Dr. Fano requested the allocation of a telephone circuit to FOGGIA and to NAPLES for Italian Government administrative purposes. It was understood that the inter-urban exchanges in both these towns were destroyed, and Dr. Fano said that he could arrange to terminate the circuits, when allotted, at suitable sites such as the Prefecture or other Government offices.

Captain Stone said that he could raise the question of allocation of these circuits with the 15th Army Group, as they are within the military zone.

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THE MISSION HAS BEEN NOTIFIED OF THE APPOINTMENT OF DOCTOR MARIO FANO WHO IS HERE TO
 HEAD TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND POSTS FOR ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TO TO FREEDOM FOR CHIEF
SIGNAL OFFICER FROM STONE SIGNED MACFARLANE TO FOR THE PRESENT HE WILL SERVE IN THE
 MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY COMMERCE AND LABOR TO DOCTOR FANO WAS FORMER DIRECTOR GENERAL
 OF THE THREE NORTHERN TELEPHONE COMPANIES STIPUL CMA TWELVE AND FIVE

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