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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
(Transportation Sub-Commission)

PROCEEDS OF REMARKS FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE
TO BE HELD 30 MAY 1944

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Tyre retreading plant Bari.

Negotiations are under way with Q(AE) and REME, HQ. AAI for opening the retreading type plant at Bari.

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Decreases on Haulage Rates.

The Italian Government will shortly standardize, by Royal Decree, all Road Haulage Tariff rates in the territory of King's Italy. In the Military Government areas the rate is already applied in Region V, and will be made effective in Region III, on the first of June. The tariff rates are subject to revision.

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He asked Regional Commissioners to let Headquarters know of any shortcomings that might be apparent. After four months of re-organisation there must be matters which needed correction and co-ordination to the advantage of officers in the field. Headquarters must know from Regional Commissioners what should be done in this respect.

1. Ration Card Percentage.

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ration scale the percentage of the population recommended by the Provincial Commissioner as entitled to ration cards. The food distributed on the ration cards should represent the deficiency between the amount of food which the Italians could produce locally for themselves and what was necessary to support life in the Province. Regional Commissioners had been asked to produce percentage figures. This would be taken as a guide to food to be issued.

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Brigadier Carr asked about the epuration of the CC.RR and it was answered that this was the responsibility of the Commanding General of the CC.RR. A directive was requested to amend Clause 4 of the decree of December 28th. Executive Commissioner suggested either the appointment of an officer to watch the process of epuration and defascistization, or the formation of a committee. Colonel Young said he had proposals on the subject which he would submit. To remove all officials might mean chaos for a short period though it was generally agreed that a clean sweep would be the best in the long run. The Executive Commissioner said that the policy was to move as many as possible, using discretion sparingly and only in exceptional cases.

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3- Staff Matters.

(a) Colonel Albright said the ceiling for all Italy up to the Rimini-Pisa line was 1270 officers, 635 American and 635 British. We must hold to this ceiling. It had been computed that for all Italy a further 300 officers and 600 EW/ORs would be necessary. Inquiry as to the possibility of getting these officers posted now for training to avoid inexperienced officers having to be employed if rapid tactical moves occurred, had not yet been satisfactorily answered. No information was available as to where these personnel were to come from.

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(f) 2675th Regiment. Colonel Parkin said Companies of this Regiment were commanded by junior officers. Senior officers should back these junior officers. A memorandum of which the main features were read, is to be published.

(g) Administrative requirements for June.

- (i) Efficiency reports on officers for the period 1st Jan to 30th June. General instructions for the preparation of the efficiency reports will be despatched by 10th June to all Regions. Efficiency reports must be in this Headquarters by 15th July.

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(ii) Need to tighten up the arrangements for safe-guarding Commission vehicles.

(iii) Promotion and reduction of WCOs must be the subject of reports addressed to C.O. 2675th Regt. They will be acted on when received.

(h) Investigation of Rumours.

Cases of rumours reflecting on the integrity of officers have been reported. Two investigating officers have been appointed and will be sent to Regions where necessary, but if proper enquiry is made rumours might be discounted before these officers went out. This should be done immediately.

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- (b) Pro-Forma Monthly Report. Regional Commissioners agreed that no amendment to the form of report was necessary except that a short para should be added to the report dealing with Finance. Agreed. Executive Commissioner stressed that reports must be factual and must not contain demands for personnel or supplies, which must be submitted in the usual way.

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(c) Regional Commissioners reported that they were getting material from the Information Section. Generally the feeling was that reports were a necessary evil and that they could be handled so long as sufficient time was given to collect the necessary data and information. Agreed that Civil Affairs Branch should ensure that a reasonable period is allowed between calling for report and date of submission.

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(d) Distribution within HQ. ACC. This is a matter for the HQ. Regional Commissioners were invited to suggest when submitting reports that they should be circulated in special quarters.

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9. Emergency Supplies.

Colonel Bowman spoke on this subject from the liaison standpoint and stated that it was imperative that needs should be forecast and supplies estimated well in advance. The policy of planning ahead should be one which Regional Commissioners should keep constantly

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before them. While there were many items they could not estimate for, there were many they could. A memorandum on Supplies (Military and Civil) that will give guidance on sources and methods is under consideration.

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10. Arrest of Italian Nationals.Civil
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It was agreed to adopt the procedure set out in HQ letter 316/64/CA. Colonel Wilmer said it was working satisfactorily in Regions II and VII. (No. 3 District).

11. Other Business.

(a) The Chief Commissioner desires Vice Presidents to consult Regional Commissioners on subjects which would affect the work of ACC. Regional Commissioners should similarly consult Provincial Commissioners in order that the views of all are collated - a clear picture can thus be obtained of the effects of rulings or decisions taken.

(b) Ration Scale for Harvesters. Colonel Hancock raised the question of a ration scale for harvesters. It was pointed out that by local usage and custom farmers always kept in reserve sufficient supplies of food to meet harvesters' needs. The publication of a special ration scale seemed to be unnecessary unless it was confined to "imported labour". There was a danger that food supplies would be diverted into channels where they would not really be necessary.

Discussion showed general agreement that actual need should be the criterion. Colonel Legg said he would consider the question. Executive Commissioner promised a ruling by letter on June 1st.

(c) Control of entry into Rome. It was decided that no one would be allowed into Rome from any Region or ACC HQ without a permit signed by the Chief Commissioner. Road blocks would be established on all roads leading to Rome to stop an influx of civilians. The policy was "stay put" until the position was more settled. The Italian Press would be used to state policy and issue instructions.

Region IV.

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11. Other Business.

- (a) The Chief Commissioner desires Vice Presidents to consult Regional Commissioners on subjects which would affect the work of ACC. Regional Commissioners should similarly consult Provincial Commissioners in order that the views of all are collated - a clear picture can thus be obtained of the effects of rulings or decisions taken.
- (b) Ration Scale for Harvesters. Colonel Hancock raised the question of a ration scale for harvesters. It was pointed out that by local usage and custom farmers always kept in reserve sufficient supplies of food to meet harvesters' needs. The publication of a special ration scale seemed to be unnecessary unless it was confined to "imported labour". There was a danger that food supplies would be diverted into channels where they would not really be necessary.
- Discussion showed general agreement that actual need should be the criterion. Colonel Legg said he would consider the question. Executive Commissioner promised a ruling by letter on June 1st.
- (c) Control of entry into Rome. It was decided that no one would be allowed into Rome from any Region or ACC HQ without a permit signed by the Chief Commissioner. Road blocks would be established on all roads leading to Rome to stop an influx of civilians. The policy was "stay put" until the position was more settled. The Italian Press would be used to state policy and issue instructions
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The proceedings terminated at 1720 hours.

INCREASE OF CIVILIAN SUPPLIES10. Clothing & Footwear

Next in importance to food are clothing and footwear. Contrary to the impression which the Combined Supply Group formed from an incomplete survey, the Committee is informed that the reserves of these in the shops and in the hands of consumers are virtually exhausted. Provision of clothing and shoes are essential for these reasons:-

- a) To maintain the working efficiency of civilian workers,
- b) To maintain the existing wage level, and
- c) To induce cultivators to deliver the crops.

Insofar as these goods are imported they will have an important anti-inflationary effect, and, by providing an incentive to local food production and collection, particularly cereals, they may actually effect an economy of world supplies and a net saving of tonnage.

The requirements of liberated Italy up to the end of 1944 for cotton textiles are about 60 million yards and of this about 20 millions could be contributed by Southern Italy, through the use of existing stocks and local production, given an import of 1300 tons of raw cotton up to the end of 1944, fuel and minor quantities of supplies and machinery items.

An interim report on the possibilities of cotton production was forwarded on Feb. 11, 1944 and indicating approximate requirements of raw materials as being 15,000 bales of cotton (average American) yearly. This report was forwarded to COMSEC by AFHQ on Feb. 21. Additional information was forwarded on Mar. 20.

On April 11 COMSEC Airgram 8th of Mar. 25 was received from COMSEC through AFHQ calling for specific details of requirements, i.e., make, date, size, etc., also suggesting request for 100/150 tons of American and/or Egyptian cotton which "if approved, the action should be widely advertised, and future shipments would depend on reaction to such policy and report on its progress".

The advance information requested has been forwarded with a specific request for the importation of the suggested 100/150 tons be put into effect pending a decision on future shipment. This has been acknowledged under date 13 May with copy of COMSEC Airgram in which AFHQ forwarded details of future requirements together with a definite request for 150 tons of American and/or Egyptian cotton.

The detailed survey of the machinery and plant was completed on June 1 and is now in process of distribution to all concerned.

Considerable detail for the submission of general requisitions has already been received, but certain particulars to complete justification are still lacking, although asked for from M.C.M. as far back as May 10.

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It should be noted that inevitable delays have been caused by changes in the Directorate of the Manifatture Cotoniére Meridionali, by the absence of easy communications between their Head Office and the various factories, as well as the absence or disappearance of records.

Manufacture of woollen cloths on an industrial scale is non-existent in liberated Italy, leather is in short supply, footwear is urgently needed, so it is recommended, that, in view of the inadequacy of local production facilities and in view of the inevitable time lag before raw materials, if imported, can be converted into semi-manufactured goods and the latter into the finished articles, urgent consideration shall be given to the filling of the original requisition submitted under date of 13 Mar. 1944.

It is also recommended that, in order to counteract inflationary tendencies, as well as to maintain essential services with the minimum of dislocation, such importation of clothing and footwear be made not only as soon as possible but within narrow limits of time.

11. Fertilizers.

The full requirements of fertilizers for Italian agriculture in liberated areas, including Regions III and IV, are 389,000 tons of superphosphates and 141,000 tons of nitrogenous fertilizers. Their importance is indicated by the fact that one pound of fertilizer is equivalent to six or seven pounds of food. Fertilizers must be distributed before the planting season, which is November, to have its full effect on the following summer harvest. Part of the requirements can be met from local production to the extent that efforts are successful in rehabilitating the fertilizer producing plants.

For this purpose phosphate rock, from North Africa, certain chemicals and a limited amount of industrial equipment must be imported. If the rehabilitation of the fertilizer industry can be carried out, Southern Italy should supply about 25% of its requirements of superphosphates before the end of this year. The production of nitrogenous fertilizers depends on large quantities of power being made available and in view of the difficulty of the hydro-electric power situation, manufacture could only be on a small scale. Imported nitrates have been requisitioned and their importation would be amply repaid by reduction in imports of cereals.

Copy of Industry and Commerce Subcommission's "Report of Fertilizer Production" is attached. Requisitions were lodged with ANIC on 29 Feb. 44 for raw materials as indicated in Appendix 'B' to the Report. No indication of the acceptance of requisitions for any items other than the Phosphate Rock have up till 3 June been received.

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In view of the difficulty of obtaining from overseas, supplies of Sodium Nitrate or Nitric Acid for producing Sulphuric Acid necessary for the processing of phosphate rock, it has been arranged by I. & C. Subcommission to process imported Ammonium Nitrate fertilizer to provide the necessary Nitric Acid, and to return Ammonium Sulphate for agricultural use.

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Sulphuric acid for processing (how late rock is normally produced from pyrites plus Nitric Acid. Pyrites are difficult to obtain (Spain or Tuscany being usual sources of supply) and therefore although Sulphur is in short supply, it has been thought better to make arrangements to the plants to enable Sulphur to be used in place of pyrites.

It is now understood that phosphate rock to the totals required, is available and can be shipped, commencing August, subject to the approval of Washington. No news has been received of the acceptance of the requisition for paper sacks.

Every effort should be made to urge implementation of the requisitions (now reduced to a minimum) as the arrival of the materials (phosphate rock and sacks) will ensure:

- a) increased harvest,
- b) reduced food imports,
- c) increased employment in agriculture and in the fertilizer plants.

12. Sulphur.

The rehabilitation of sulphur mines in Sicily is important in order to provide sulphuric acid, carbon bisulphide and insecticides, all of which are needed for food production. The estimated sulphur requirements for liberated Italy, Sicily, Sardinia and North Africa, are 75,000 tons for the twelve-month period ending 31 May 1945.

Production of sulphur falls short of the estimated requirements by some 40,000 tons. The small mines are working at full production in the Italian mainland and producing some 30,000 tons of ground sulphur are (33% sulphur) per year. Sicilian mines are only producing about 12,000 tons of block sulphur (50-55% sulphur).

The reasons for the low production of the Sicilian mines are mainly due to price, food rations for the miners, insufficient electric power and lack of mine supplies.

It is understood that the first three are now under consideration but the expediting of mine supplies requisitioned in January 1944 for Sicily, and April 1944 for Italian mainland is urged.

13. Cement.

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Cement is of absolute necessity, both for military and civilian needs. Roads and bridges have to be repaired, field works constructed and Italian houses and public utility buildings repaired.

Production of cement will depend on the availability of coal and every endeavor is being made to use Sardinian coal to the maximum possible but it is essential that the requisitions for paper sacks lodged on 17 Feb. 44 be expedited.

14. Light Engineering.

The manufacture of domestic utensils such as buckets and baths made from steel sheet, and galvanized after manufacture, the spinning of aluminium hardware and the production of small glass tableware, woodenware and articles such as Kitchen Knives is in the hands of small artisan shops.

These shops used to purchase their raw materials, e.g. their steel sheets, zinc for galvanizing, aluminium sheets from the larger works which have been taken over by the Allied Armed Forces. Releases of these raw materials to these artisan shops have virtually ceased, and consequently prices for these goods are astronomical.

By control of these raw materials, as the larger works are released by the Allied Armed Forces, AGC should be able to force down prices to a level at which domestic hardware can be put on the market at reasonable figures.

Two wire and wire nail plants have just been released by DDW who does not now need their production. Wire enters into the manufacture of nearly every kitchen article. AMG have blocked sale of any such item from these two firms unless sales are made at prices not to exceed those made on military contract. In addition, steps are being taken to control release of the raw materials necessary to the production of wire and wire articles.

Furniture and domestic woodware are in the hands of artisan shops and control can only be applied with difficulty. The matter is being studied in conjunction with the Italian Government.

15. Olive Oil Refining.

The production of olive oil is essential for feeding the population in the absence of imported fats. Imports of caustic soda for the refining of olive oil are urgently needed; the requirements of caustic soda for oil refining are incorporated in the requisition mentioned in 16 below.

16. Soap Production.

Manufacture of soap, has been taking place since the occupation of Meridional Italy, utilising the supplies of caustic soda supplied against regional requisitions. The situation is, however, now growing critical, as further territory falls to the Allies. Control of typhus and communicable skin diseases demand adequate supplies of soap and employment will be found for many hands in producing at a reasonable price, soap which now comes into the hands of the public via the black market, at astronomical cost.

A plan for the local manufacture of 4,500 tons monthly of soap has been drawn up and a new and consolidated requisition for 1,500 tons monthly for caustic soda was put forward on the 22nd of May, of which 600 tons are needed for soap. At present there is an acute shortage of soap and insufficient quantities are available for distribution in the ration.

17. Sacks

The importation of paper sacks for transport of fertilizers and cement is

urgently required. A decision on this question is still in suspense after several months' delay. (See Fertilizers, par. 11 and Cement, par. 13.)

18. Miscellaneous

Other essential civilian supplies, e.g. glassware, candles, etc., can be provided from local sources provided a minimum quantity of coal is obtained either from Sardinia or foreign countries.

19. Coal

Extreme difficulty has been experienced by AOC in obtaining coal for implementing a minimum programme of local production for civilian needs as all requests for opening districts which require the importation of coal were subject to a staff study to be submitted to Coal Section, MI.

It is hoped that, now that AOC have a Coal Section within their organization, the allocation of coal will be easier and that substantial progress can be made in checking inflation by encouraging the local production of essential civilian needs.

20. Transport

The rehabilitation of the civilian economy and fuller utilization of domestic production, particularly food, is dependent upon the improvement of transport facilities.

Coastal Shipping. The release of schooners for coastal traffic would increase the supply of Sardinian coal and the marketing of regional surpluses in deficit areas.

Fishing Craft. Increased supplies of fish are dependent upon the release of fishing vessels by the Naval authorities.

Shipbuilding. The release of a limited amount of shipbuilding and ship-repairing facilities for civilian purposes is of the utmost importance.

Road Transport. Road transport facilities are a serious limiting factor in the production and distribution of civilian supplies. Allocation of an additional 2,000 trucks for civilian purposes is highly desirable. The success of grain collection and the reduction of the black market depend upon more trucks being available and upon strict control and pooling of road transport.

In general the Committee wish to emphasize once more that the fight against inflation is conditioned at every turn by the low degree of priority given to the rehabilitation of civilian economy and to the supply of consumer goods, both home produced and imported, for civilian consumption. Continuance of the present acute scarcity of civilian goods, with little or no prospect of improvement in the near future, is one of the most dangerous features of the present inflationary situation in Italy.

HEADQUARTERS

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Transportation Sub-Commission (Roads)

APO 394

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25 May 1944

SUBJECT: Regional Commissioners' Conference

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission
(Attn: Lt. Col. Vining)Road Transport

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The Italian Government is also preparing a Royal Decree to establish Road Haulage Consorzies and this decree will bring all civilian vehicles into Regional and Provincial pools under penalty of confiscation. The Italian directors of the consorzies will take instructions from ACC Transport Officers on the priority and direction of movement to be made. When the decree is ready, copies will be sent to the Regional Commissioners in Military Government areas and, they will be requested to put out an order establishing the same types of organizations. It is anticipated that through the consorzies, all civilian trucks will be brought under control and be available for transportation of essential supplies under ACC direction.

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JAMES J. CARNES
Lt. Col., Inf.,
Director,
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
(Transportation Sub-Commission)

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DRAFT3. Schooners

Movements by schooners have increased but it must still be regarded as an unreliable means although the tightening of control which is taking place should improve matters.

A new scheme formulated by MEDBO for the operation of schooners is now awaiting final approval.

The scheme does not much affect the position of schooners of over 50 tons registered tonnage except to make easier their use for civil movement if they are available. This principal change is that under the scheme the movements of schooners of between 20 and 50 tons registered tonnage will be controlled by the Italian Committee Co-ge-ne who will collect freight by sub-charter. All goods carried will require ACC approval to be carried. It is suggested that the ACC officer authorised to approve should issue to Co-ge-ne a priority list by commodities to ensure that best use is made of the schooners.

The D.S.T.O. retains a prior call on all these schooners and it appears doubtful if many will be available for civil movement for anything other than movement where no other means exist as rail devastation in forward areas is likely to cause an extra call for schooners.

The amount of movement required to and from Sicily and the mainland is such that it appears coastal schooners will have to be kept to a minimum.

Transportation Sub Commission, ACC.,
V/o Mov & Tr.,
HQ AAI (com Echelon),
C.A.F.

Our reference : ACC En/134/7

Date : 12 Apl 44.

TO : HQ ACC.,
Economic section.

SUBJECT: Regional Commissioners' Conference 14 Apl 44.

1. Reference your ES/23 dated 7 Apl 44.
2. This Sub-Commission's précis of remarks is attached hereto.


G.A. FITCH,
Colonel,
Director, Transportation Sub-Commission, ACC.

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Regional Commissioners Conference

Saturday, March 4th

0900 hrs.

Presiding : Brigadier M.S.Lush.

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Brigadier M. Carr	R.C. Region IV.
Brigadier A.K. Dunlop, O.B.E., M.C.	R.C. Region VI.
Colonel N.E. Fiske	Dep. Exec. Commissioner.
Group Captain C.E. Benson, D.S.O.	S.C.A.O. (Res. AMG.)
Colonel F.L. Whitley	R.C. Region V.
" J.A.C. Pennyquick	R.C. Region VIII.
" R.P. Marshall	C.S. Region IV.
" J.O.H. Ashley	C.S. 5 Army AMG.
" J.J. Albright	Estab. Officer.
" D.S. Adams	C.S.O. Econ. Section.
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 " E. Brown

" P. Friend James

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The Chairman called the Meeting to order at 0900 hrs:

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PRESENT

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Item No.1.

Coordination of Road Transport with Regions.

Director, Internal Transportation Sub-Commission (Col. Fitch) explained the salient points of the proposed organisation for road haulage transport as issued to Regional Commissioners 11 Feb 44. Progress of plans was reported which included formation of Truck Unit of 80 trucks, and the availability of further 250 trucks. Of those allotted to Region II a total of 65 were now found to be unworthy condition. Arrangements have been made by Lt. Col. Fitch to attach competent officers for the purpose of ensuring that all trucks assigned were put into roadworthy condition. Three officers had been detailed and would be attached for one month.

Proceeded then to report to ACC.
NOT yet been taken over by ACC.
One officer joining later 1007 Gen. Fitch's Car. Very Disappointed
of some value. Also under official investigation. Can they be taken over?

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Chairman stressed the importance of the organization and emphasized that the Chief Commissioner was not satisfied with the progress made since the publication of the instructions, and asked Regions to report on the state of organization in their areas.

Region I - organization working. Additional trucks required to augment services. Number required 100.

Region II - little progress.

Region III - organization ready to accept 50 trucks at once.

Region IV - plans made, estimate initial requirements 200 trucks.

Region V - plans made, estimate initial requirements 125 trucks. Ultimate requirements 300 to cover the whole Region, but it was required to know under what conditions the operatives would be clothed, fed and paid, and what sort of terms could be offered to contractors.

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Contractors to be paid allowance on distance according to tariff. R.C. Region I undertook to send to this H.Q. form of existing contract which has actually been used.

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C.S.O. Admin. Section (Lt. Col. Cripps) asked that correspondence from Regions to Sub-Commissions should be addressed to the Executive Commissioner, H.Q. A.C.C. and routed to the Sub-Commission concerned. Also agreed that communications from the Italian Government to Regions must be sent through H.Q. A.C.C.

Region IV - no objection with the same proviso as Region III. It was noted that as the H.Q. of Region IV would not when in operation be situated in the same town as the central H.Q. the question would not arise.

Region V - no objection. R.C. requested that any officer travelling in the Region should give advance notice of their probable arrival in order that arrangements for their feeding and accommodation might be made. Also requested that all contacts within the Region should be made either through the R.C. in the first instance, or that he should at least be informed of the intentions of the visiting officers.

Chairman instructed that an order to this effect should be published in the Daily Bulletin and repeated once a week until further notice.

Region VI - no objections. Suggested that military communications relating to the Region be reported to R.C. Visitors to be instructed to carry blankets.

Item No. 32

The Rt. Hon. the Viscount Stansgate, Vice President Administrative Section, and representatives of Legal (Col. G. R. Upjohn), Interior (Lt. Col. A. B. Spicer), and Public Safety (Col. P. G. Mink) Sub-Commissions joined the Conference.

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Agreed that such a procedure would be desirable.

(b) German Property

Chief, Legal Sub-Commission, stated that a ruling had been sought regarding the status of German property in occupied territory. He gave as his opinion that this could not be confiscated merely because it was enemy property. Custody can only be taken by the Property Custodians in the absence of the owner. It would be necessary for the Italian Government to enact a decree enabling it to confiscate or requisition German property. This it was loath to do because it feared that reprisals might follow in territory now occupied by Germans against whom Italian Government had declared a state of war. With regard to the property of Governments not yet recognised by the Governments of the United Nations, or by the Italian Government, property could be taken over by the Italian Government if it so desired, subject to AMT permissions.

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Col. Upjohn reminded the Conference that under the Armistice terms the Armed Forces of the Allies were allowed complete control of all communication systems. For that reason military authorities were within their rights in denying to the Italian Government the use of any tele-communication facilities.

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Col. Upjohn advised that the control of prostitution was a very delicate matter and any steps taken by R.Cs. should be fully coordinated with the Legal Sub-Commission.

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The Chairman said that it was incumbent upon R.Cs. to take a very active interest in the review of all Court cases within their Region. They should from time to time actually review cases themselves, especially those in which their own officers might be impugned, or against whom allegations might have been made, or might have subsequently been made. Col. Upjohn quoted cases.

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Equipment to be provided.

Organisation of team of workers was necessary, e.g. Mayor, doctor, priest and some women.

Stockpiles of food would have to be formed - initial supplies would be forthcoming.

- (e) Work required in camps and en route must be done by Italians up to 100%. Instructions and advice would be circulated to assist Provincial Officers in solving problems.

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Reasons for a protest against moves would need to be very substantial.

The question of supplies (excluding food) for CC.RR is being taken up by Land Forces Sub-Commission.

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(h) Screening of Italian Officials.

Head of Security Branch (Col. Young) explained briefly the use of the "Scheda Personale" (copy attached) and how the screening scheme had been worked in Regions I & II. With modifications dictated by experience, a new form was being printed and would be brought into use in all Regions.

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S.C.A.O. 5 Army : The material presented would have special reference to

Rome.

Agreed that returns on petrol supply bids be quarterly and not monthly.

Item No. 5.

Personnel and Transport Situation (Colonel Albright) - (See attached Schedule "A").

Col. Albright said that many shortages existed as a result of calls for personnel to be used in other theatres and operations. The ultimate prospect for this theater was approximately 1222 officers, equally divided between American and British, which was considerably below the previous authorized strength of more than 1400. It would, therefore, be impossible to have fixed establishments within Regions. Personnel must be posted where required. Ceilings will, however, be set up for Regions. Also, with this situation prevailing, all advancements of officers and CR/EM would be dealt with by ACC HQ upon recommendation from the Regions and Sub-Commissions. It is hoped that Tables of Organization can be set up for enlisted men so that a fair distribution of grades might be maintained.

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S.C.A.O. 5 Army: asked what is the status of the Rome Party until the formation of its Sub-Regions. Establishment Officer replied that in some cases their positions were not yet determined, but generally they would be attached to formations with which they were now working.

Agreed that Rome Party specialists may be summoned to meetings, if the specialists are notified through the Regional Commissioners.

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Establishment Officer: British vehicles are expected from NATOUSA for the Refugee and Displaced Persons Sub-Commissions which could then return the vehicles borrowed from Region IV. The American T/E's were now approved and additional vehicles would be available as soon as they could be assembled. Interest Regions and Sub-Commissions should submit requests especially for trailers. In order that priorities might be determined, reasons for request should accompany. At present, Refugees and Displaced Persons have the first priority. A Pool would be set up to cover emergency demands; T/E's will not be fixed. Maintenance is to be handled by local units of other formations.

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Region I: asked what the procedure was for forwarding requests for Italian drivers. Instructions being issued re Civilians, Army drivers, apply HQ. ACC.

The Chairman asked the R.Cs. to impress upon their Officers that they should, when visiting this H.Q. make a point of trying to see him, the Deputy Executive Commissioner and the Establishments Branch, as they all are interested in the individual officers, their problems, and the situations which arise in their Regions. Also, officers coming to this H.Q. might reasonably serve as channels for questions arising in their Regions.

S.C.A.O. 8 Army: suggested that O.Rs. should be inspected before departure from NATOUSA as they have previously arrived here badly equipped. Agreed that Establishments Branch would take care of this.

Establishments Officer said that attempts were being made to bring over the EM/ORs still at Tizi Ouzou.

Item No. 7.

Public Works Programme - special reference to highways and roads.

Lt.Col. Jenny explained that Military highways were the responsibility of the Army, and though largely handled by A.C.C. and civilian agencies, had to be under the direct control of the Army. The personnel working on this project ought to be controlled by Headquarters, especially in Regions III and IV, but the personnel assigned to the work in Region II might reasonably be employed on other highway work there.

A great deal of information is collected by this Sub-Commission and it is always available to other members of A.C.C. The correct use of channels through H.Q. should be observed, with special reference to contacting ministers of the Italian Government.

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Region I: asked what the procedure was for forwarding requests for Italian drivers. Instructions being issued re Civilians, Army drivers, apply HQ. ACC.

The Chairman asked the R.Cs. to impress upon their Officers that they should, when visiting this H.Q. make a point of trying to see him, the Deputy Executive Commissioner and the Establishments Branch, as they all are interested in the individual officers, their problems, and the situations which arise in their Regions. Also, officers coming to this H.Q. might reasonably serve as channels for questions arising in their Regions.

S.C.4.0. 8 Army: suggested that O.Rs. should be inspected before departure from NATOUSA as they have previously arrived here badly equipped. Agreed that Establishments Branch would take care of this.

Establishments Officer said that attempts were being made to bring over the EM/ORs still at Tizi Ouzou.

Item No. 7.

Public Works Programme - special reference to highways and roads.

Lt.Col. Jenny explained that Military highways were the responsibility of the Army, and though largely handled by A.C.C. and civilian agencies, had to be under the direct control of the Army. The personnel working on this project ought to be controlled by Headquarters, especially in Regions III and IV, but the personnel assigned to the work in Region II might reasonably be employed on other highway work there.

A great deal of information is collected by this Sub-Commission and it is always available to other members of A.C.C. The correct use of channels through H.Q. should be observed, with special reference to contacting ministers of the Italian Government.

Item No. 8.

Liaison.

Lt.Col. Bowman introducing the subject as Chief Liaison Officer, ACC HQ., emphasised that the following points should be observed in liaison work:

1. Be sure the contact or request is necessary.
2. Make all original contacts through the Liaison Officer to ensure that the proper agency is reached, and that too many people do not initiate contacts.
3. Make requests specific, and only if justified.
4. Make the use of liaison two-way.

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Item No. 9.Medicinal Supplies.

Colonel Griffin said that help was requested from the Regions in collecting information upon which to base requisitions. Normally the operations of the Sub-Commissions would extend only down to the Regional level except in cases of emergency. The prices of supplies would be determined and notified to the interested persons. All possible aid should be given to restoring drug-making industries.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

1 March 1944

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3. Ranks and Promotion

- a. The question of ranks and promotion will similarly be dealt with centrally by this HQ because it is not possible to lay down any fixed ranks for Officers or EM/OR in Regions since the total personnel will vary as territory is handed over and duties become supervisory on the one hand or operational duties increase under AMG on the other. Similarly, the volume of work in Sub-Commissions is not constant.
- b. Recommendations for promotion of Officers (as to which separate instructions on the British side have been issued in Exec Memo No. 19) will therefore be submitted without regard to whether there is or is not a suitable assignment in a higher rank in the particular region, Sub-Commission, etc., in which the Officer being recommended happens to be serving at the time.
- c. Instructions regarding the promotion of both EMs and ORs are being issued shortly.

For the Executive Commissioner:

JOHN J. ALBRICHT
Colonel, Infantry
Establishment Officer

DISTRIBUTION:

All Regions
AMG 5 Army
AMG 8 Army

Sub-Commissions, Sections, Branches of Hq.

DATA

PROVINCIA

GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO

N. B. - Penalità severissime, di prigione e di ammenda sono previste per chiunque facesse delle dichiarazioni false nella presente scheda.

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SI DEVE rispondere a ogni domanda secondo le indicazioni
Every Question Must be Answered

- Cognome _____ Nome _____ di _____ fu _____
e fu _____
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Place of Birth _____
b) Data di nascita _____
Date of Birth _____
c) Indirizzo _____
Address _____
a) Professione _____
Profession _____
b) Posizione attuale _____
Present Position _____
c) Carica desiderata _____
Position Desired _____
- Eravate iscritto al P. N. F. ? _____
Were you a member of P. N. F. ? _____
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Milizia Postale ? Postal Milizia ?	_____
Milizia Portuale ? Port Milizia ?	_____
Milizia Forestale ? Forest Milizia ?	_____
Milizia Stradale ? Road Milizia ?	_____
Milizia Condannata ? Border Milizia ?	_____
Milizia Universitaria ? University Milizia ?	_____
Milizia Antiaerea ? Antiaircraft Milizia ?	_____
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Antiaircraft Milizia ?
- Milizia Artiglieria Marittima ? _____
Naval Artillery Milizia ?
- « Moschettieri del Duce » ? _____
The Duce's Musketeers ?
- Battaglioni « M » ? _____
« M » Battalions ?

e) Se avete militato solo in tempo di guerra, siete entrato nella milizia da volontario o in seguito a regolare chiamata ?
If you served during the war only, did you volunteer or were you drafted ?

6. Avete ricoperto una delle seguenti cariche nel Partito Fascista (rispondete SI o NO e indicate i periodi di servizio in ciascuna carica negli spazi rispondenti) :
Did you at any time hold any of the following positions in the Fascist Party ? (Answer YES or NO giving the length of time of each).

PERIODO DI SERVIZIO
LENGTH OF SERVICE

- a) Segretario nel P. N. F.?
Secretary of the P. N. F.?
- b) Membro del Direttorio Nazionale?
Member of the National Council?
- c) Segretario Federale?
Federal Secretary?
- d) Membro del Direttorio Federale?
Member of Federal Council?
- e) Ispettore del Partito?
Inspector of the Party?
- f) Ispettore Federale?
Federal Inspector?
- g) Segretario Politico di un Fascio?
Political Secretary of a Fascio?
- h) Fiduciario di un Gruppo Rionale?
Fiduciary of a Regional Group?
- i) Membro di un Gruppo Rionale?
Member of the Regional Group?
- j) Capo-settore?
Chief of a Sector?
- k) Capo-nucleo?
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- m) Una posizione autorevole nel G.U.F.?
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- n) Una posizione autorevole nei Fasci Femminili?
An authoritative position in the women's Fasci?

- o) Qualche altra carica nel Partito?
Some other position in the Party?

Quale?
What?

7. Siete stato in qualche periodo membro dell'OVRA?
Were you at any time a member of the OVRA? Quando?
When?
8. Avete fatto parte dell'ufficio politico dei CC. RR.?
Were you a member of the Political Office of the CC. RR.? Quando?
When?
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When?
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In a Corporation?

Quale?
Which One?

Denominazione della carica.
Title of Position

- b) In una unione sindacale?

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In a syndical Union?

Quale?
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Denominazione della carica
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c) In un Consorzio Agrario?
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Quale?
Which One?

Denominazione della carica
Title of Position

PERIODO DI SERVIZIO
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d) In qualche altra organizzazione corporativa

o sindacale?

In some other Corporate or Syndical organization?

Quale?

Which One?

Denominazione della carica

Nature of Work Done

11. Indicare le cariche nazionali, provinciali o comunali - governative o parastatali - occupate da voi dal 1921, come segue:

Give the National, Provincial or Communal, governmental or parastatal positions held by you since 1921.

NOME DELL'ISTITUTO

Name of the Institute

PERIODO DI SERVIZIO

Length of Service

MODO DI ASSUNZIONE

How Acquired

12. Indicare le principali fonti dei vostri introiti durante il regime Fascista:

Show the principal sources of income during the Fascist Regime:

FONTI

Source of Income

MEDIA ANNUALE

Yearly Average

INTROITO DEL 1942

Income in 1942

13. Avete prestato servizio militare?

Have you rendered military service?

b) Quando?

When?

a) In quale arma?

What branch?

c) Quale grado rivestivate ultimamente?

Last rank?

d) Dove avete prestato servizio?

Where did you serve?

e) Siete stato «volontario» nella guerra civile Spagnola?

Were you a «volunteer» in the Spanish Civil war?

f) Siete stato «volontario» nella campagna dell'Africa Orientale?

Were you a «volunteer» in the Ethiopian Campaign?

Del Nord Africa?

North African campaign?

Della campagna in Russia?

Russian campaign?

g) Avete goduto di qualche esonero dal servizio militare?

Were you deferred from Military Service?

Per qual motivo?

Why?

14. Avete fatto parte dal 1922 in poi di qualche organizzazione politica diversa del Partito Fascista?

Have you belonged to any political party other than the Fascist Party since 1922?

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If then?

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If there did you serve?

Do you have prescriptions?
If there did you write?

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It was a volunteer in the Spanish Civil war?

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STATE STATE VOLUNTEERS IN THE ETHIOPIAN CAMPAIGN?

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Periodo di appartenenza? *How long were you a member?*

How long were you a member?

10 Dichiaro sinceramente e solennemente che tutto quanto ho affermato è vero.
I solemnly swear that all I have said is true.

Firm Signed

Testimone
Witness

Data Date

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