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ACC/156/D

Subject: Public Works in Salerno Province.

To: Regional Engineer Officer, Region III.

1. Please see this office letter ACC/156 of 6 June.
2. Your observations are urgently required, and in particular about the Salerno Hospital project.

14 Jun 44.

Director. P. are
this reminder.

G.E. HIGGINS,
Lieut-Colonel, R.E.,
Deputy Director.

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ACC 56/FWU

6 Jun 44

Subject: Public Works in Salerno Province.

To : Regional Engineer Officer, Region III.

1. Send herewith copy of a special report submitted by Major Boucher, which may be of assistance to you.
2. Before taking any action your views are requested.

Enclos: Copy of Report and Schedules A, B, C and D.

G.E. FRODIP.
Lieut-Colonel, R.E.,
Deputy Director.

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Original report submitted with Col. Thompson

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30 June 1944

Subject: Report of Major Boucher.

To : Regional Engineer Officer Region III

1. On or about 5 June, Major Boucher came over to your office with a copy of his report and recommendations concerning various public works in the Province of Salerno.
2. So far no comments have been received and we have no knowledge of any action taken.
3. May a detailed statement be submitted as to your concurrence or otherwise with Major Boucher's suggestions on all these projects and from ACG/I completed for those with which you approve.

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V.S. THOMPSON
Lt Col R.C.E.
Chief Public Works Sec.

H. Col. Verry

(for file)

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UFFICIO TECNICO PROVINCIALE
DI NAPOLI

STAMPATORE CAPO

Salerno
7/10

30 Dec 43

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St. Col. Jemmy

Received
18 Jan 1944
3:30 P.M.

Capt Rivolo is prepared to hand over all records, etc., of jobs on hand, or projected, in this Province on Jan 2nd. I propose to take over all such information so that in the event of his sudden departure we shall not be caught off balance, altho his departure has been cancelled again.

It was decided yesterday to do further work in the Palace & 77th Justice Bldg in order to

UFFICIO TECNICO PROVINCIALE
DI NABOTT2

Città di Napoli

provide accomodation for
Italians.

I feel therefore that I should
stay here until the completion
of this work, estimated time
two weeks.

Work is proceeding on all
villas for senior officers and
is practically complete,
also we have designed &
constructed a new bridge
to provide access to villas.

Water, light & blackout
difficulties have been solved.

W. Thompson
Major R.C.F.

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In reply
refer to: AG 040
PW&U/24

30 December 1943

SUBJECT: Information

TO : Director, PW & U Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission
FROM : Major K. C. Wilson, RA, Advance Command Post
Allied Control Commission

Enclosed is copy of a report made to the Deputy President on my
meeting with the P.W. Minister.

K. C. Wilson

Major, RA
PW & U Sub-Commission

*to Col. Rogers
Chalmers*

*To note, then file
D.J.*

*File
Salem
W.D.*

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MEETING WITH MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS

Ref. 7830/21

I - GENERAL

On 28 December 1943 I visited Signor De Caro in Bari, with Major Capello as interpreter. We discussed a number of subjects enumerated hereunder. I again formed the impression that the Minister will prove to be an able and constructive administrator. He appears anxious to co-operate with us in every way possible.

II - THE MOVE TO SALERNO

The Minister informed me that at a Cabinet Meeting on 27th plans had been made for the move to take place in the first or second weeks of January.

He stated that accommodation for his Department had been secured some 15 kilometers out of Salerno, and that he could find suitable office and living room for several of the P.W. Sub-Commission should we desire it. He added that, if I would state the accommodation we should require for the whole Sub-Commission, he would instruct his engineers accordingly.

I informed him that whilst fully appreciating the advantages which would accrue from close contact, I was not in a position to decide such a question of policy, which was subject to other considerations. I undertook, however, to represent his offer in the right quarter.

III - ROAD MAINTENANCE

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Referring to the difficulty mentioned in my para 9 para V of 10 Dec 43, the Minister has readily agreed to the proposal that he should submit his programme in order that the military authorities may indicate such works on his list as they intend to carry out themselves. He will send me the list in a fortnight's time.

V - LIGHTS AT SPECIA - CAGLIARI

The Industry and Commerce Sub-Commission here has been investigating the possibilities of re-opening these workings.

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At a meeting with the engineer of the owners (Soc Anon ESCAVAZIONE MINIERA SALENTO LEOUS) it appeared that the Company was short of funds but that a considerable quantity of alcohol (92-93% pure) could be offered for sale for medical purposes, and further that 360,000 lire had been deposited in the Banca d'Italia, Lecce as a guarantee in connection with the Gagliano concession.

Further it was stated that their application to the former government for the Specchio Concession had not yet been granted.

I mentioned the matter of the release of the deposit and the granting of the further concession to the Minister who suggested that the best course to adopt would be for him to interview Dott. Ing. Benito Lante, the engineer for the Company.

VI - CONCLUSION

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It is suggested that my note on Road Maintenance be referred to the Director of the P.W. & U. Sub-Commission.

I will forward the Government programme for re-construction.

The proposal with regard to the Lignite Concessions has been passed to the Industry and Commerce Sub-Commission here.

Wilson

K. C. WILSON
Major, RA
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Allied Control Commission

Erindisi

29 Dec 43

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Advanced Command Post
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Allied Control Commission

Brindisi

29 Dec 43

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Public Works and Mines Sub-Commission
Summary of Activities during December 1943.

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1. On Dec 12 1943 Lt-Col Jenny, Director of this Sub-Commission, arrived at Naples. For several days he was engaged in assisting the Port Commandant in finding necessary space, supplies etc.

Highway Construction Program

2. On Dec 15 he received word from the Director of Works at Advance AFHQ to confer with him on highway work to be performed by Italian civil personnel. A conference was held at Advance AFHQ at which a program was presented covering not only Region II but also Region III and to points north directly behind the zone occupied by the Armed Forces of the 5th and 8th Armies.

3. It was realized that in order to properly serve our armed forces and to avoid present handicaps, the Italian Public Works organization in these regions would have to be revised from a departmental to a divisional form where one man in one region handles all highway work, whether it be State, provincial or communal highways. Consequently Lt-Col Jenny proceeded to Bari on Dec 20 to discuss this problem with the ministry with the result that such a reorganization has been effected.

4. There will be one man in charge north of Region II and one man under him in each compartment who will work with, and coordinate the work of, the Provincial Engineer. It was also agreed that this Sub-Commission appoint officers to work with these Italians and to have all instructions from the armed forces come to our officers.

5. Further conferences have been held with Adv AFHQ and men appointed by the ministry. Many angles remain to be ironed out before we can actually undertake this task.

6. Considerable time has been spent in conferences on many live problems including economic and pricing problems.

7. On 9 Dec Capt Peebles and Lt Jenny and one clerk/interpreter left

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Palermo and travelled by air to Naples. They have been engaged on supervising reconstruction work on buildings for the AGC and Italian Government at Palermo and latterly on officers' billets at Naples.

8. On 14 Dec Lt-Col Thompson left Palermo by air to take charge of the reconstruction of the AGC buildings at Palermo.

General Activities

9. On 18 Dec 43 Lt-Col W.E. Lepper and two clerks of this Sub-Commission left Palermo and travelled by convoy, arriving in Naples on 24 Dec 43.

10. The following officers stationed at Palermo were loaned to Region I for general work within the Region from 15 Dec to 29 Dec:-
Capt Langhlin, Capt Feldman and Lt Juditz.

11. Many conferences have taken place at Palermo with the SAC in connection with local housing problems, with Col Boilek in connection with the public works problems of Sicily and also with S. Vigevani, the Engineer to the Palermo Water Company. Visits have been made to inspect reservoirs and springs and tests taken throughout the general water distribution system.

12. Lt-Col Rhodes and Lt-Col Laboon made a tour of Sicily to inspect highways and bridges and conferred with AMG officials at Agrigento, Ragusa, Siracusa, Catania and Messina in order to obtain first hand knowledge of the highway and bridge position throughout Sicily.

13. Capt W.R. Hamble (E) remains at Tizi Ouzou as a rear link.

General Remarks.

In view of the heavy programme of highway reconstruction work which AFHQ have requested that this Sub-Commission take over arrangements have been made for all Public Works officers at Palermo and Tizi Ouzou to report to Naples at the earliest possible moment so that schemes now being discussed with the Italian officials may be put in action without delay.

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L. A. J. JENNY,
Lt-Col., G.E.
Director.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

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20 December 1943

SUBJECT: Navy House - Salerno.

To : Col. S. Moss Vernon, Hq. Commandant, AMG, Salerno.

1. Admiral Morse has sent instructions to Mr. Combe, Base Engineer Officer, R.N., Salerno, to help in the installation of the shower baths in Navy House. I pointed out that it was principally in the matter of provision of material that we required help. Please get in touch with Mr. Combe through Commodore Palmer.

2. I told Admiral Morse that we would try to fix up a water main which would enable a supply of water on the top floor of Navy House to be increased.

Carquater

Brig. E. GUTENSOCK.

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Distribution:

- 1 - Headquarters Commandant, Naples.
- 1 - Public Works Sub-Commission.

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