

COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS  
ITALIAN FRONTIER CONTROL DETACHMENT  
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS  
APO 512 U.S. ARMY

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Turin Section

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Situation Report  
RE: Susa SubSection

The following arrangements have been worked out with the American military and the French military authorities regarding travel control between France and Italy.

Anyone appearing at the frontier with the intent to cross will be stopped by the military authorities and escorted to CIC headquarters in Susa. French military vehicles will not be stopped and searched for civilian passengers until higher headquarters authorizes this section to specifically do so. Persons arriving from France with a French laissez-passer will be similarly escorted to the local CIC office for proper clearance. Civilians not in the authorized passenger categories will have their laissez-passers withdrawn and turned back.

If authority were given this detachment to refuse entry to civilians travelling on French military vehicles the above difficulties could be avoided at the frontier instead of having to deal with such travellers at Susa.

French military authorities are still refusing to recognize AFHQ travel regulations and are continuing their practice of issuing laissez-passers. They refuse to honor AMG frontier passes and restricted zone passes. (See reports dated 17 May 1945, Subject: French activities, and 16 May 1945, Possible French Encroachment on Italian Territory).

This Agent has worked with the French for over a year and if any concessions are made to them relations do not improve but more is demanded. This Agent strongly recommends that a firm stand be assumed by higher headquarters if the frontier situation is to be solved.

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