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

1 July 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Violation of Frontier Regulations by Allied  
Frontier Guards

TO: A.C. of S, G-2, CI, AFHC

1. On 30 June 1945, at 1700 hours, this Agent received a wire communication from Special Agent Philip VITIELLO, SAIC, Ponte Chiasso Section that South African Military personnel being used on guard duties at Ponte Ceresio, several kilometers north of Chiasso were allowing Italian and Swiss civilians to cross the frontier at Ceresio and to turn over to people on the other side parcels contrary to existing regulations.

2. Carabinieri and Guarda di Finanza on duty there objected to this practice but they were ignored by the troops.

3. This Agent communicated this information to Colonel WELLS, A.C. of S., G-2 IV Corps, and at his request asked Agent VITIELLO to investigate, and to procure a written report on the matter from the Carabinieri on duty at Ceresio.

4. At 1100 hours on 1 July 1945, this Agent received a written statement from the Carabinieri on duty at Ceresio which is enclosed as inclosure No. 1.

AGENT'S NOTES:

This violation of frontier control regulations is very serious and action to remedy the above practice should be taken immediately to prevent any similar occurrences.

Troops on the frontier should be immediately warned that practices of the above nature are direct violations to frontier control.

INCLOSURES:

- 1 inclosure--Statement of Carabinieri
- 2 inclosure -translation of same

NICHOLAS A. NATSIOS  
Special Agent, CIC  
Executive Officer

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HQ, ITALIAN FRONTIER CONTROL DET, CIC, AFHQ, APO 304, 12 June 1945  
TO: Signor Piantini, Dogane Svizzere, Direzione del IV<sup>o</sup> Circondario

1. Approved.
2. Valid until 11 September 1945. Renewable every three months.
3. Good for any frontier crossing point on Swiss frontier.
4. Inclosed are 8 frontaliers approved and properly stamped.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

NICHOLAS A. NATSIOS  
CIC, Italian Frontier Control  
Executive