HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
BRITISH UNITED STATES ZONE
FREE TERRITORY OF TRIESTE

PROCLAMATION No.III

TO THE PEOPLE OF THE FREE TERRITORY OF TRIESTE,

BRITISH-UNITED STATES ZONE.

WHEREAS in accordance with Article I of Annex VII of the Treaty of Peace between the Allied and Associated Powers and the Republic of Italy, pending assumption of office by the Governor of the Free Territory of Trieste, the said Territory was to continue to be administered by the Allied Military Commands within their respective Zones; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the said provision, by Proclamation No.1 dated 15 September 1947, all powers of Government and administration in that Zone of the Free Territory of Trieste in which British and United States Forces were stationed as well as jurisdiction over its inhabitants were vested in the Commander of said British and United States Forces and an Allied Military Government of the said Zone was continued; and

WHEREAS, the Governments of the United Kingdom, the United States of America, the Republic of Italy and the Peoples Federated Republic of Yugoslavia have initialled a Memorandum of Understanding concerning practical arrangements for the Free Territory of Trieste, which is being communicated to the Security Council of the United Nations; and

WHEREAS, in pursuance of this understanding the Governments of the United Kingdom and the United States of America are ready to terminate Allied Military Government in the British and United States Zone, Free Territory of Trieste and relinquish the administration of that area; and the Republic of Italy is prepared to assume the administration of the area for which it will have responsibility in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding, and has sent General Edmondo de Renzi with the proper credentials for that purpose

NOW THEREFORE I, SIR JOHN WINTERTON, K.C.M.G., C.B., C.B.E., Major-General, Commander, British and United States Forces Allied Military Government, British-United States Zone, Free Territory of Trieste, on instructions received, issue the following proclamation.

DISCONTINUANCE OF ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

- 1. The Allied Military Government of the British-United States Zone of the Free Territory of Trieste is hereby terminated.
- 2. All powers of Government and administration in the British-United States Zone of the Free Territory of Trieste as well as jurisdiction over its inhabitants, so far vested in me in my capacity as Commander of the British and United States Forces stationed in the said Zone, are hereby relinquished.

Dated 1000 hrs 26 October 1954

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T. J. W. WINTERTON

Major General

Commander, British-United States Forces

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