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## Abstracts

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*In the essay are made known some unpublished documents about the two military occupations of Cyrenaica by English during the North African campaign in World War II. The documents are made up of some reports from the Italian administrative structures in the province of Derna, edited immediately after the Italian reconquest, and from other reports and testimonies of the clergy of the Derna Diocese. The role of the clergy, during the hard time of passing the front, would always prove to be very important and the presence of ecclesiastical structure, as it happened during the Italian campaign, would have tried to safeguard the population, identifying themselves as de facto power and a power recognized by the actors of the conflict. From the documents emerges the precariousness of Italian colonists, the difficulty of Italian colonization and the birth of Arab nationalism.*

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