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REPATRIATION FROM ITALY
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Sir. Your remarks on fort
of Philadelphia as represented in
talks at Washington
July 1st - reg'd.

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Dix, et.

His desire was —
To see — God red.

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Aug 10

Executive Commissioner

Reference 155. Please see action taken at 156.

C. E. SCHNEIDER,
Lt. Col. U.S.A.,
Deputy Director, D.P.R.S.C.

29 August 1946 Tel. Ext. 392

W.S. 3110
166.
Please see folio 165' for info -
Julio 15' 9
refugee y. mleal
3 / 10.

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Dic: on

Can you take vigorous action to have
this deserter case solved.

MS 27/vm

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Executive Commissioner

Reference 155. Please see action taken at 156.

29 August 1946
Tel. Ext. 392

C. P. FOTHERGILL
Lt. Colonel,
Deputy Director, D.P.R.S.C.

166.
W. S. 110
Mr. Please see file 165 for info. This 15'9
refers.
referred G. M. M. 3/10.

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G. M. M.
Please see file 169-171 and note
whether also you deem necessary
to withhold it.

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MINUTE NO. 140.

To: Executive Commissioner.

1. Reference your Minute No. 137. This was the first time I had seen these papers.

2. Further action was taken on the last paragraph of 128A except that the Italian Government have not been informed of the decision in the case of Coppi and Gassoli. This was due to changes in staff.

The decision of B.M.A. Tripolitania is given at 128C, and I do not think it was affected by the telegram at 128B, which, I agree, was most inappropriate.

3. Enclosed is a letter for signature to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs notifying them of the decision.

The previous letter at 128A was sent by Public Safety Sub-Commission to the Ministry, but in view of the fact that the letter at 128 was addressed to the Chief Commissioner, you may wish to convert the enclosed reply into a D/O letter to Prunas.

4. There seems to be considerable confusion in this matter. Prunas's letter at 128 raises questions concerning the implementation of policy set out in a Displaced Persons memo. B.M.A. Tripolitania, in their letter at 128C state that they deal with Displaced Persons Sub-Commission in all questions of repatriation or visits of Italians to Tripolitania.

The Displaced Persons Sub-Commission cannot produce a copy of the memo referred to by Prunas because they state that all files on this subject have gone to UNRRA. Displaced Persons at Minute 138 state that they do not deal with visits.

If, after the enclosed letter has been signed, which will deal with the Coppi case, you will pass the file back to me, I will look into the matter.

M. Carr Brigadier
M. Carr, Brigadier. N.Y. 11/5
VP. C.M. Section.

sfo.

V.P. C.M.

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Thank you. Letter to issue as considered to be
D.O. from. I will sign. - 146. 17/14/5.

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It is regretted that the reply to the Italian Government notifying the decision as shown in 128 C was overlooked.



E.J. Bye Colonel
Acting Director P.S. S/C

6 May 1946.
Tel. ext 686

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TO : Public Safety.

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Reference your memo^r on the Coppi case dated 1/5/46. Hartman is in Germany and although we have a file on the Coppi case, all letters seem to have been dealt with by Public Safety or Travel Bureau. I do not consider it is our case. On the other hand we have found some of the recent original letters on the Coppi case which I return herewith.

I cannot trace that Hartman has notified the Italian Authority concerned of Tripolitania's final letter. I consider it falls to Public Safety to do so.

C.B. FINDLAY
C.B. FINDLAY
Colonel,
Director.

Tel. Ext. 392

2 May 1946

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TO : V.P., C.A.S.

The attached letter for signature please if approved. The application of Messrs Sassoli, Ferrero and Coppi to enter Tripolitania was originally dealt with by Maj. Symonds, ~~GB~~ Travel Control Section. He erroneously believed the D.S.O.s telegram to be sufficient authority to issue permits. Later Maj. Symonds left for the U.K. on Release but before going handed the case to Dis.Pers. S/C for completion, as applications for entry to Tripolitania are normally dealt with by that S/C.

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 Please take this up with Dabbs

175 6/4

~~134.~~

C.S.C. Ref. in 131. draft ~~and~~ submitted for approval.
 Wed 10/1, 1934 reply. 10/4.

A/c.c.

135.
cc letter at 136 for signature placed
 answer to 131 G. M. C. M. 16/4 M. 16/4

136.

V.P. C.A.S.

Have we taken further action - last
 paragaph of 1 128 c.
 Notice the loss of the telegram -
 128 B. Contention & classification or enclosure?

175 6/4

137 A

Col Lindley
 D.P. & P S/C.
 Please see memo 137. This matter, I
 have been referred to Major Hartman.

CCO: At. in 131. draft copy submitted for approval.
Please 131, 193 tele. 10/4.

A/c.c. 135.

See letter at 136 for signature placed
on me to 131 L.G. M.C.M. 16/4 1st. 16/4

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V.P. C.A.S.

Can we take further action - last
paragraph of 128 c.

Unlike the tone of the telegram -
(28 B. Contention & classification & controls)

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135/29/4

137 A

Col Yindley

D.P. & R S/C.

Please see min 137. This matter, I
understand, was passed to Major Hartman -
your S/C by my command, I want contact on Q. 3-46.
Again I would like to you provide
me with reply soon per to the minister
notifying them of the decision reached
in 128 c.?

Egyptian Colonies

1. 5. 46.

esd

The attached letter for signature
should have been sent in green form:
if you consider it necessary I will
have it addressed, if not send it
me, be signed.

105/14/1
e.s.d.

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108 st and, were passed to me about 10 Dec.
by Mr. Connell. I took action at folio 103:
Bld. Gurbassi's reply was rec'd. 28/12 2 " and
letters requested. These did not arrive
until 10/1/46. Since it was a personal
matter to the Brigadier would it not
be better to let it not rather than reply
on the lines of folio 109 after a delay
of 2 months?

108 11/1.

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Note Ref 104 : H: Wulley form will suffice on
to progress at the lumbery. B.U. 1/2
105 2/1 3843

Note Ref no - 113 : Wulley will suffice on
be entitled with. 30 9/2
105 1/2
112

Note

118
Spoke Report. UNITA who have replied to
Lumber Bay yes not yet had - have filed
application

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124 4/3

time it altered, f not could it
be typed.

ellb. 3/12

e.g. 14/1

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108 et seq. were forced to use about 10 Dec.
89 in Conn. I took action at folio 103:
Bkt. Cambodia's reply was recd. 28/12 2nd add!
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until 10/1/46. Since it was a personal
matter to the Brigadier would it not
be better to let it not rather than reply
on the lines of folio 109 after a delay
of 2 months?

ellb 111

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Note Ref 104: Mr. Whaley found well informed on
to progress at the lumbering. B.V. 1/2
MS 241

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Note Ref no - 113 : Longman will soon
be entitled unto. B.V. 9/2
MS 1/2

Note

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Spoke Report. UNRRA who have applied to
lumber barges not yet had license filed
application

129 MS 4/3

For main H - significant transaction please. D.M.
27/3

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TROOPERS INFO: BRIT EMBASSY ROME = HQ ACDPR = ALCOM ROME =
BMA SOMALIA

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1) ~~The~~ Information has reached Mogadishu through private telegram indicating departure from Italy in immediate future of ship with Italian families for Somalia.

2. In view ~~policy~~ agreed by DCA during his recent visit Somalia namely that only those (A) whose presence is considered necessary by the administration and (B) whose breadwinners are now resident in Somalia will be accepted there request immediate steps be taken to prevent despatch to Somalia of any Italians until the nominal roll now being prepared by BMA Somalia of those who will be accepted is received by Italian authority which will be about end Feb.

3. If information in para 1 above is correct and ship concerned is Vulcania which has been allotted list remaining 1000 evacuees from East Africa during Jan trust there will be no postponed movement this last repatriation draft as these evacuees already in transit Camp Mombasa awaiting embarkation and delay in departure will be extremely embarrassing.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMM^{ON}
A P O 794
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 2202/EC

17 October 1946

Dear Madam,

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I refer to my letter 2202/EC dated 24 September informing you that authority has been received for you to enter Tripolitania to join your husband and requesting you to call at this office at your earliest opportunity.

I understand that there is a ship leaving for Tripolitania in the near future and you are again requested to call at this office as soon as possible in order to complete the necessary formalities.

G. McAllister

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Madam Sgrilli,
Via Palestro 9,
Rome.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

A.O. 746

OCT 3 1946

DISBURSED PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT AND COMMODITIES

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

100/10-7/ADM

Ref: ADYOGI Ref 392

2 October, 1946.

SUBJECT: Irregularities noted during routine inspection
of No. 1, BERG Centro, AVIERSA

TO : Director, UNRRA Italian Mission

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Reference this Headquarters letter of even reference dated 28th August, 1946.

1. I understand from your office that it is not proposed by you to take any action on this particular matter.
2. I have taken legal advice on the question as to whether legal action should be taken by Allied Commission for the Military authorities on the question of selling these commodities. The legal opinion is that although a technical offence has been committed on which a charge could be laid, implications in this case are so involved and the original commodities in question are so obscure, that it is considered inadvisable to take action on this case alone, knowing that it has no bearing on any other case concerning which investigations are pending.
3. Subject to the above, it is not proposed to make any charge.
4. I should be glad to know if you agree that the commodities in question should have been handed over with the other stores when AVIERSA Camp was handed back to Allied Commission in June '46. If you do agree, I should be glad to know if you are prepared to consider handing over the equivalent value of invoices or the sum of money for which the commodities were sold, so that we can replace them in kind.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE :

C. B. J. S.

for Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner

Copy to: Legal Advisor, Allied Commission
Executive Commissioner

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Ref. : 2200/SC

24 September 1946.

Dear Madam,

Authority has now been received for you to enter Tripolitania
to join your husband.

Please call at this office at your earliest convenience to complete the necessary formalities.

G. McMaster

Brigadier,
Acting Executive Commissioner.See 163, 16th

Madam Sgrilli
Via Palestro 9
Rome

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DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB COMMISSION

DPR/4/SGRI/EA

Tel. 489001, Ext. 239

23 September 1946

SUBJECT : SGRIELLI, Luise, return to TRIPOLI of.

TO :: Office of the Executive Commissioner.
(Attn: Junior Commander McMaster)

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1. Further to this Office's letter of even reference dated 12 September 1946.

2. G.H.Q. R.E.F. have now authorised the g/m to enter TRIPOLITANIA to join her husband. Please advise her to call at this Office at the earliest to complete the necessary formalities.

For the Director:

G. PARTMAN
Major _____
Emigration & Advisory Officer

(initials)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB COMMISSION

DPR/4/SGR/EA

Tel. 489081 Ext 239

13 September 1946

SUBJECT : Repatriation to TRIPOLITANIA.

TO : J/C Mc MASTER,
Executive Commissioner's office.

1. The Executive Commissioner recently requested that
DISPER take vigorous action in getting Luise SGRILLIN to
TRIPOLITANIA.

2. The attached signal is B.M.A's interim reply.

For the Director:

G. Hartman

G. HARTMAN,
Major,
Emigration & Advisory Officer.

(f/c/mar)

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SEPT 022500

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SEPT 031530
ROUTINE

BEMA TRIPOLI
ALCOM ROME FOR ACDPR

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Subject Swiss born LUISE SCRILLIN your signal KOUR 769
of 28 August refers this case forward to requisite authority for
consideration will advise decision reached.

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Ref: 2202/70.

30 August 1946.

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Thank you for your letter of 22 August.

I am afraid there has been delay in the despatch
of this good lady but I attach copy of telegram which explains
the present position.

(Sgd) A. G. LUGH

Brigadier

T. Bear, Esq.,
10/12, Boscombe Lane,
West Bournemouth,
LONDON, S.C.1.

See M 157 + 158

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AUG 29 1946

WPA/29-7/AM

29th August, 1946.

SUBJECT: Irregularities noted during routine inspection
of No. 11. D.P.A.D.L. Centre, AVIRELLE.

TO : Director, UNRRA Italian Mission

1. While making a routine inspection of commodity issues at the a/m Camp, it was found that exceptional issues were made to one Renato Fiorentino, Naples.

2. Enquiring as to why such large stocks, five shipments amounting to approximately 13,000 Kgs consisting of seven commodities, were issued outside of the camp, disclosed that such commodities were declared to have been in excess of the Camp requirements by a responsible member of the Camp Staff, and that arrangements had been made to exchange such excess stocks with C.R.I.M., in NAPLES, for commodities which the camp could use and which could not be drawn from military sources; but no record could be found of any such stocks being received.

3. Further inspection of the stock files disclosed a voucher for the a/m commodities in the amount of L 407,500 covered by a cheque No. 033043 drawn on Credito Italiano, but inspection of the Bank statements failed to disclose any such credit, although an entry appearing to cover said cheque had been made, then was wiped out and no credit given.

4. The C.R.I.M. representative at Naples advised that no such articles had been received by that agency and although they did have a man by the name of Fiorentino in their employ, his first name was not Renato, but he did not state what his first name was.

5. Inquiry was then made at the Credito Italiano and it was disclosed that on the 21 May 1946 a cheque was drawn by Giuseppe Fiorentino in the amount of L 407,500 payable to J.W. DUFFY, Comandante Corpo Profrag, AVIRELLE such cheque being cashed by Banco di Roma, AVIRELLE.

6. Upon questioning one of the drivers who helped to deliver the commodities to NAPLES, disclosed that they were delivered to a private residence instead of to the C.R.I.M. warehouse.

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7. All original documents and papers are on file on this office and will be available for your information at all times.

8. In as much as this Army was previously an Allied Commandant Camp and is the interim under UNRRA, and as it is now once more an A.G. Camp, will you kindly keep us informed regarding action taken.

D. Dugdale,
Executive Commissioner.

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UNITED NATION
RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
ITALIAN MISSION

AUG 29 1946

Ref. No.

28 August, 1946.

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TO : THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER
Headquarters Allied Commission
FROM : Chief of Mission
SUBJECT : Irregularities in AVERSA CAMP

1. Col. Findlay brought me your memo of 28 August. The case is one for which UNRRA is clearly responsible, and I have requested our Protective Services to make an immediate investigation. This will be in close collaboration with Col. Findlay.

2. We shall keep Col. Findlay informed, and as soon as the evidence is brought together, shall write you further.

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S. M. Keeney
CHIEF OF MISSION

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22nd August, 1946.

AUG 26 1946

Brigadier M. Lush, C.B.,
H.Q. Allied Control Commission
for Italy,
ROME.

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Dear Brigadier.

A little while ago I wrote to you about a relative of my wife's and you were good enough to take a hand in the matter. Unfortunately, the wretched woman is still in Italy and unable to join her husband in Tripoli, having given up her job in Switzerland when she was called ~~for~~ for embarkation 5 or 6 months ago.

Not unnaturally, she is in considerable difficulty, financially and otherwise, and unless somebody can intervene on her behalf, there does not seem to be much prospect of her ever rejoining her husband in Tripoli.

I wonder if you would be good enough once again to interest yourself in this matter and if you can do anything to speed up UNRRA, whose job it is presumably, or to apply your influence in another quarter which would produce the desired result, I should be more than grateful.

I really believe the case is a deserving one, the husband, who is in Tripoli, has been working for the Allied Authorities there for several years now and is also the possessor of a British M.C. from the last war. I enclose herewith a copy of his last letter to me.

Yours sincerely,

Leonard Dec.ENCL:

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Sig. Alberto Sgrilli,
c/o Municipality,
Tripoli City
Libya, (Africa).

to Colonel E.Trevor Beer,
10/12, Rosier Lane,
West Smithfield,
London, E.C.1.

Tripoli, 11th August 46.

My dear Colonel, Trevor,

I have not been giving my news for almost the last two months, but hope that you did not think that I have forgotten you and that the gratitude I feel for you for all what you have done to me might have diminished. Alas, the position is always the same. Louise has left Switzerland five months ago to join me, instead she has been kept in Italy, and you can imagine in what circumstances, of moral and financial distress she finds herself there. I tried all I could, in Rome as well as in Tripoli, but whenever it seemed that everything was settled there arose the greatest obstacle of the War-Office & Foreign Office, who are the only authorities who can authorize people to leave Italy.

It is hoped that the Peace-Treaty will be soon signed in Paris, thus things will become better, and also it will be possible for members of families scattered about to come together once again and pass the remaining few years of life left to us old fellows more serenely.

I often think of you, your kind wife, of your dear mother-in-law, and it is with deep gratitude that I send you all, my best wishes for happiness and for good health. I also do not forget your spontaneous interest taken about us. Do, please accept my best thoughts of devotion.

Sincerely yours,

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(Signed) Alberto Sgrilli.

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Ref: 220/453/62

22 August 1946

SUBJECT: Immigration Vienna.

TO : SOAD
2nd Corps.

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Reference Gorizia Area letter DOB/AG/5/1 dated 7 August 46 to
date is on the above quoted subject, copy to you under cover of our letter
2200/450 dated 16 August.

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I enclose a copy of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
letter No 6/2946/1145 dated 16 August 46.

In all possible particulars please be obtained from Pvt. do
Salvo in order that the Italian Government may make their investigation.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER:

A. W. Knischke,

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 2202/152/11

22 August 1946

SUBJECT: Immigration Visas.

TO : the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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Receipt is acknowledged of your memorandum No 6/2946/1145 dated
10 August 46.

This information has been passed to 6th Division with the request
that the facts asked for be obtained.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

A. W. Knisely.

Major
Executive Commissioner

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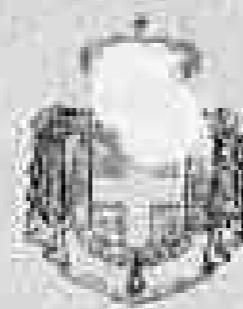
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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

AUG 21 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Immigration visas.

1. Reference is made to your letter
n° 2202/149 dated August 16th, 1946.
2. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs asks
the Allied Commission to make it known to pri-
vate De Salvo of the 80th Division that no
Italian Emigration Authorities can possibly
demand a payment of 100.000 lire to clear the
children of his father Casimiro De Salvo who
has been accepted on the quota of U.S.A.
3. It would be therefore appreciated if
private De Salvo would inform us as to which
Italian Authorities demanded the payment. A

Rome, August 18th, 1946



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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

File 130

RMP: 2202/150

16 August 1946

SUBJECT: Closure of AG Liaison Groups.

TO : S C A O
13 Groups.

1. The enclosed copy of letter No. GOR/AG/3/1 dated 1 AUG 46 has been received from Gorizia Area by this H.Q.

2. This matter has been taken up with the Italian Government and a copy of our letter is enclosed for your information.

3. Will you please inform your Area Commissioners that with the exception of a detachment at Tenda and the AGID to 86 Area, all AG Liaison Groups have closed and that no further correspondence should be addressed to them.

FOR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER.

P. F. Kinnaird

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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P.A. 6/8/46
J.E.

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A P O 794

Office of the Executive Commissioner

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RSP: 2202/149

16 August 1946

SUBJECT: Immigration Visas.

TO : The Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Rome.

1. Sig. Giacomo De Salvo of 21, Via Milazzo, Bagheria,
Palermo has been accepted on the quota for emigration to
the U.S.A.

2. The minor children of this man are also included, but
the elder son, who is serving in the U.S. 88 Division has
stated that the Italian immigration authorities have demanded
a payment of 100,000 lire to clear these children.

3. It would be appreciated if an explanation could be
given in order that the soldier may be informed.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: ABG 15 Corps
ABG Goria Area

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
GORIZIA AREA

FILE N.GOR/AC/3/1

Date 1 August 1946

SUBJECT: Immigration Visas

AUG 15 1946

TO AC Liaison O - Palermo, Italy (thru 13 Corps)

1. This Headquarters is addressing you on behalf of a soldier of the 88th Infantry Division, one Private De Salvo, whose father Casimiro De Salvo resides at Via Millazzo 21, Bagheria, Palermo, Sicily.

2. The above mentioned soldier states to us that his father has been issued a passport and has been accepted on the quota for emmigration to the United States. Included also in the family are several minor children, the eldest fourteen years of age. The soldier complains that the Italian Immigration Authorities demand payment of 100,000 Lire to clear the minor children. Will you kindly check on this apparent irregularity and inform this Headquarters so we may contact the concerned American Soldier.

3. We appreciate any information you may be able to give us.

James E. Long
JAMES E. LONG
Major CMP
Area Commissioner

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UNITED NATIONS
RELI AND REHABILITATION ADM. STRATION
ITALIAN MISSION

Ref No. UNRRA/10-11/HFY/RW

14 May 1946

MAY 14 1946

TO : HQ., Allied Commission
Rome

FROM : Repatriation and Records Branch.

SUBJECT : Repatriation HEYDT y Bonn.

1. Reference is made to your 2202/2/EC dated 3 May
1946.

2. The memorandum from the Spanish Embassy has been
forwarded to UNRRA Austrian Mission in Vienna, with a request
that the named persons be informed of the shipping service
between Spain and Italy.

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FOR THE CHIEF OF MISSION

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My dear Dr. Frumas:

I refer to your letter 11/8169/20 dated 13 March
and to our letter of even reference dated 9 March 1946. — 128A.

It is much regretted that owing to a wrong interpretation by a Section of Allied Force Headquarters to the original reply from the British Military Administration in Tripolitania, Messrs. RANSOM, FERDERO and COFFI should have been allowed to depart for Tripolitania where they were subsequently refused entry.

I have again represented this case to the British Military Administration who state that the reasons for the journey of these gentlemen are not such as to justify the issue of entry permits. They point out that the firm of "Silca-Fiat" whose affairs the above-named desire to examine, have ceased to function as a firm having been largely taken over by the British Military Administration; and further, that as regards the purchase of motor spare parts in Tripolitania for export to Italy (which was the other reason given for the visit) there are not only none in Tripolitania but on the contrary, efforts are being made to obtain them in Italy. Therefore, it has been found impossible to give permission for entry into Tripolitania.

Very truly yours,

W. S. — 34

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Dr. Renato Frumas,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Italian Government,
R O M E.

Copy to: Chief Commissioner
Exec. Commissioner
Public Safety (Travel Control)
Displaced Persons S/C.

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Mr. Tom
West Smithfield
London E.C.1

STE/OCM

23rd April, 1946.

MAY

Brigadier M. Lush, C.B.,
H.Q. Allied Control Commission
for Italy,
ROME.

Dear Brigadier Lush

Thank you very much indeed for your letter of
the 17th and for the trouble you have taken over the
case of Madame Sgrilli. Anything that you can do to
help will be very much appreciated.

Please remember me to any of your Staff whom
I knew in the old days - they seem a long way away now -
I am glad to hear that the weather is behaving more as
it is expected to behave in Italy, than it did when we
were there. Do you remember New Year's Eve 1943 which
you spent with us at Vasto ? Until then I had always
imagined Italy to be as the Tourist Agencies described
it, in their multi-coloured folders. I now know better !

Kind regards and again very many thanks.

Yours sincerely,

Hevor.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
 Office of the Executive Commissioner
 Liaison Division
 APO 594

HIT/eb

Ref:

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May 1946

TO: Spanish Embassy

Rome

Reference your

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dated

1946

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29 April

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Your letter has been forwarded for consideration to
 Branch - UNRRA - and necessary action will be taken.

Repatriation

FOR CHIEF COMMISSIONER

P. H. TURNBULL

Brigadier
 Executive Commissioner

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HIT/eb

Ref: 2202/2/m

3 May 1946

SUBJECT: Repatriation Heydt y Bona

TO : Repatriation Branch
UNRRA

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The enclosed letter from the Spanish embassy is forwarded to you.

Please may every assistance be given to the family mentioned to facilitate their return to Spain.

FOR THE CHIEF COMPT SIGNER

P. H. TUNNARD

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Enclos: as above

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C O P YEmbassy of Spain
in
Italy

No. 154

The Spanish Embassy has been informed that the Spaniards Don Juan Heydt y Bona, his sister Maria Mercedes Heydt y Bona married Mann and the daughter of this Maria Rosa Mann y Heydt, refugees in the UNRRA Camp of Mittenwald - Block 3rd - were duly authorized to repatriate to Spain through Italy, but they were refused at the Italian frontier on account of lack of maritime transports between Italy and Spain.

Now, there is a regular weekly Spanish service "Transmediterranea Line" leaving Genoa for Barcellona every Tuesday.

The Spanish Embassy, that has already addressed upon the subject to the Italian "Ministero degli Affari Esteri," has the honour to request the Allied Commission - Liaison Division - kindly to transmit instructions to Mittenwald in order to give any possible facility for the repatriation of the above mentioned Spanish family.

This Embassy will refund the expenses and thanks in advance for the help bestowed.

s/ illegible

Rome, 29th April 1946

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Ref: 2202/136/no

17. April 1946

In reply to your letter of the 1st of April, here is the situation as regards Madame Sgrilli. We made contact with UNRRA Repatriation Branch and Madame Sgrilli was requested to call upon the UNRRA representative. He found that her papers were all in order, but unfortunately there is no immediate prospect of a passage for her until the ban on repatriation to Tripoli, except in the case of children, is lifted - possibly a matter of weeks. However, the UNRRA representative has promised Madame Sgrilli a passage on the first ship.

This ban has been imposed as a necessary precaution until the nationality of Tripoli is decided and there are many people in the same unfortunate position as Madame Sgrilli. However, it is expected that it will be lifted soon and she has been assured of definite consideration.

I'm sorry to hear that business is so discouraging. Conditions everywhere seem to be in the same unfortunate state, and it is hoped that they will improve soon.

M. S. LUSH

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Trevor Beer, Esq.,
10/12 Hosier Lane
West Smithfield,
London, EC1

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9 April 1946.

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Dear Madam,

I understand from Mr. Trevor Beer that you are desirous of obtaining a passage to Tripoli. Unfortunately I am not really able to do much towards helping you, but I suggest that you go as soon as possible to the Repatriation Branch of UNRRA at Room 055 (ground floor), 2 Via Umbria, and ask to see Capt. Waghorn.

If your papers are all in order it is possible that he may be able to do something for you. I will communicate with him and ask him to give you all possible aid in completing your journey.

Yours, truly,

John McNeaster
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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See
Madame SGILLI,
Via Palestro 9,
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West Smithfield
London ec1

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1st April, 1946.

Brigadier M. Lush, C.B.,
H.Q. Allied Control Commission
for Italy,
ROME.

Dear Brigadier Lush.

I am writing to ask you for a little assistance in connection with a distant relative of my wife's and in which, if you can do anything, I should be extremely grateful.

The story is this. Madame Sgrilli, who was Swiss, is the wife of an Italian of that name who is a Civil Servant in Tripoli. They have been apart all through the War, she being in Switzerland with her relatives and he in Tripoli where he is now working for the Commission; possibly even, you may remember him from the days when you were running the show there. After much delay and difficulty, we have at last managed to get permission for Madame Sgrilli to join her husband in Tripoli and she left Switzerland for Rome at the beginning of March. Madame Sgrilli is now in Rome where it appears that her journey is held up owing to some difficulty with the shipping and she has written to me asking whether I can do anything to help her speed her departure from Italy.

If it would not be too much trouble could you put in a word for her with the appropriate authorities so that she does not have to hang around in Rome for a couple of months. I know you're very busy and I am rather diffident about troubling you but if you could do something, I should be extremely grateful. Madame Sgrilli's address in Rome is :- Via Palestro 9, Rome, and if you can help her perhaps you would write to her there. I suggest this rather than that she should worry you by writing or calling at your office unnecessarily.

From what one reads in the paper, Venezia Giulia still seems to be a perpetual headache and I imagine must be giving you considerable trouble. I still hear of you and your activities occasionally from some of our mutual friends and gather that you are kept pretty busy. I find civil life in England very pleasant but perhaps somewhat dull and, as

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far as business is concerned utterly discouraging. Every-
thing is completely controlled under a bureaucracy which
is gradually stultifying all initiative and which seems
to be lulling us to sleep until we lose the power to think
and act for ourselves. Indeed, unless somebody breaks
the fetters pretty soon, this poor old country of ours
will become a very third rate nation.

However, let us not dwell on this dismal prospect,
it is a perfect spring day here and on the surface, at least,
England looks very fair even if underneath all is not so
happy.

My sincere regard to you and if you can do anything
to help Madame Sgrilli, I should be most grateful.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Henry Bee

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VLO/eb

Ref: 2202/130/10

23 March 1946

Dear Mr. Pittmann,

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Vatican note no. 119626/MA of 11 March 1946 which you passed on to this office has been forwarded to the Repatriation Branch, UNRRA Italian Mission, 76 Via S. Nicolo da Tolentino (Rome) for action.

As repatriation is now a responsibility of UNRRA it is kindly requested that such matters be referred directly to that headquarters.

Sincerely,

WILSON L. ODELL

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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VIA/eb

Ref: 2202/129/M

23 March 1946

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Libyan refugees.

TO : UNRRA Italian Mission
For Repatriation Branch

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1. Reference the attached copy of the Vatican note No. 119626/SA of 11 March 1946 concerning the repatriation of approximately 60,000 Libyan refugees now living in Italy.

2. The matter is referred to your Branch for whatever action you may deem necessary.

3. It is requested that you reply directly to Mr. Harold H. Pittman Assistant to the Personal Representative of the President of the United States of America to His Holiness the Pope with a copy to this section.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

VICTOR L. ODDI

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Encl: as above

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Headquarters,
Brit. Mil. Admin.
TRIPOLITANIA - REF. 128c

Subject: Visit to Tripolitania
COPPI and CASSOLI.

29/B/7

Allied Commission,
Travel Control,
ROME.

13 Mar 46.

I am directed to refer to your telegram No. 1704 dated

9 Mar.

2. It is greatly regretted that this Headquarters letters of 6 Dec 45, containing the refusal of Coppi's and Cassoli's applications for entry permits, reached you too late to stop their departure on 21 January. At the same time it is still obscure how or why their departure from Italy was authorised. This H.Q. is aware of the D.S.O.'s telegram stating that there was "no security objection" to the visit. But the D.S.O. is not the authority for granting entry permits, nor did his message imply that a permit had been or would be granted.

3. In all questions of repatriation or visits of Italians to this territory, this Administration deals with Allied Commission, Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission, and vice versa. The latter have never previously accepted or attempted to obtain the D.S.O.'s authority, since the Allied Commission are well aware that entry permits are granted only by this Headquarters. Here I am to quote this evidence: in their telegram No. 457 of 21 Jan 46, announcing the departure of Italian repatriates on MV "TOSCANA", the Allied Commission informed us that Filippo COPPI would be on board, adding that he had been "accepted by Defence Security Officer yours under reference E/15/1502 dated 30 Nov but case does not seem to have passed through your H.Q."

4. You will agree that the refusal to let the two gentlemen land cannot be described as an "error" which is the "fault of Military Administration", as stated in your telegram No. 121. Nor, to quote your second telegram, is it fair to speak of the "cavalier treatment of COPPI and CASSOLI"; they were treated like all persons arriving without entry-visa.

5. The reasons for which the two Italians wish to visit Tripoli are not such as to justify the issue of an entry permit. The first reason given was that the visit had the purpose of examining the affairs of "Silica-Fiat" in this territory; this firm, however, has ceased to function as a firm with the Occupation, having been largely taken over by the British Military Administration. Subsequently, the Italians claimed that they wanted to buy motor spare-parts in Tripolitania for export to Italy; this territory has no surplus spare-parts, on the contrary, efforts are now being made to obtain them in Italy.

6. In view of these facts this Headquarters regrets being unable to vary its original decision.

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29/3/7

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/s/ (S.F. NADEL)
Lt. Colonel.
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N. 30711

Rome, 8 Feb. 1946

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My dear Admiral,

I hope you will forgive my bothering you again.
 Two officers who have just been repatriated from Germany, Don-
 cosco Isolica and Lorenzo Dell'Orsi, who are both living in this
 town, via Pollesine, O., sent the enclosed memorandum to H.R.H.
 the Lieutenant General to obtain the permission to join their
 families that reside in Rhodes.

In accordance with the wish of H.R.H. I take the
 liberty of bringing this matter to your personal attention, for
 whatever action you may deem it advisable to take in favour of
 these two repatriated prisoners who are eager to see their family
 again.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

A. F. Luciferi

Admiral Stone
 Chief Commissioner
 Allied Commission
 Rome

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TranslatioT. R.R.
the Prince of Piedmont

Subject : Repatriation to Rhodes

The undersigned, IDOLICA Francesco of Vittorio and REIN AGOSTO, Italian citizen, born at Smyrna on August 15th, 1921, and living in Rhodes ever since 1924, 1st Lieutenant (Reserve) in the Italian Army, made a prisoner by the Germans at Rhodes on October 3rd, 1943 because he refused to go on fighting with the Germans, returned on June 9th, 1945, from the concentration camps in Germany.

He asks for the kind intervention of H.R.H. with the Allied Commission, so that he may be allowed to join his family in Rhodes, considering that:

a) He was born in Smyrna from Italian parents, and ever since 1924, he uninterruptedly resided in Rhodes, till 1940, when he went to Padua to carry on his studies and do his duty as a citizen.

b) His father, who transferred himself to Rhodes in 1924, has a prosperous building concern, and the British Authorities which supervise the Administration of the island authorized him to carry on his activity.

c) He is quite alone in Italy, for his relatives live in Rhodes and in Turkey.

His great wish is to return to Rhodes and see his father and mother who are old and whom he hasn't seen for two years.

Trusting you will kindly grant his request, he remains,

S. Francesco Isolino

Via Polosino, 20
Rome, 31 January 1946

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Translation

Rome, 31 January 1946

To S.R.H. the Prince of Iandum
Lieutenant General of the Kingdom

Subject : Repatriation to Rhodes

The undersigned, Dell'Orba Lorenzo, of the late Mario and Elena Maioli, Italian citizens, born in Smyrna, on 21-5-1916, living in Rhodes over since 1929, officer (Reserve) in the Italian Army, made a prisoner by the Germans on October 3rd, at Rhodes, because he refused to go on fighting with the Germans, came back lately from a concentration camp in Germany.

He asks for the kind intervention of H.R.H. with the Allied Commission to be allowed to return to Rhodes, considering that

a) he was born in Smyrna from Italian parents and has been living in Rhodes over since 1929

b) he is all alone in Italy for all his relatives are living in Rhodes and in Turkey.

His one wish is to go back to Rhodes and see his family.

Trusting his request may be granted, he remains,

s. Dell'Orba Lorenzo

Via Polesine, 20

s/c

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Memorandum for Mr. Snyder, Consular Section

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The Allied Commission has asked my office
there about a memorandum dated December 14, 1945
(file no. 2202/104/DC), addressed to the Embassy
by the Allied Commission concerning Miss Sylvia Giarue.
The subject was one which would probably have been
handled by the Consulate^{n Section}. AC would like to know when
it may receive a reply.


J. Wesley Jones

Rome, January 22, 1946

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9 MARCH 1946

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 REUR TWO/SLANT BAKER SLANT SEVEN OF TWO TWO FEBRUARY PD
 PROTESTS RECEIVED ON CAVALIER TREATMENT OF COPPI AND SASSOLI FROM
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 QUOTE NO SECURITY OBJECTION TO VISIT FOR PURPOSE STATED UNQUOTE THIS
 WAS NATURALLY TAKEN AS APPROVAL FOR JOURNEY AND INSTRUCTIONS WERE
 ISSUED ACCORDINGLY PD YOUR LETTER TWO NINE SLANT BAKER SLANT SEVEN OF
 SIX DECEMBER DID NOT ARRIVE UNTIL THREE ONE JANUARY PD THIS LACK OF
 COORDINATION PLACES US IN INVIDIOUS POSITION AND CAUSES CONSIDERABLE
 LOSS OF PRESTIGE PD RECOMMEND MOST STRONGLY THAT ENTRY BE APPROVED
 UNLESS THERE ARE VITAL ISSUES INVOLVED PD

ROUTINE

Public Safety S/C - Travel Control

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B.S. SIMMONDS, Major

Where is the?
 G. J. LEONE
 CWO USA
 ASST ADJUTANT

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
 Public Safety Sub-Commission
 Travel Control Division
 APO 394, U.S. Army

GBI. 389-506/PF SASSOLI

9 March 1946

COPY

SUBJECT: Return to TRIPOLI
 - Messrs. SASSOLI, FERRERO and COPPI

TO : Ministero degli Affari Esteri.

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1. Reference your memorandum 6/1095/502 of March 6th.
2. It is very much regretted that an unfortunate lack of co-ordination in our Headquarters in Tripolitania caused the error in the issue of travel orders to Messrs. Sassoli and Coppi and the consequent inconvenience to them.
3. Urgent representations have already been made to the Command concerned but, unhappily, without result.
4. A further telegram urging reconsideration of this case has now been sent and you will be advised of the result.

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JOHN W. CHAPMAN
 Colonel, JAGD
 Director.

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TRANSLATION
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MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Rome, 13 March, 1946.

Dear Admiral,

I enclose memorandum sent to the Allied Commission on 6 March, 1946. It deals with a case analogous to that of Signor Ricotti. Three directors of Fiat, after receiving authorization to return to Tripoli, on reaching this city, forbidden to land, and compelled to return to Italy.

This episode to my mind, only confirms the necessity that, on re-examining the question of people going to and from Tripolitania, (which was announced by A.C. with memorandum No. DPK/18/18/241-LT, dated January 11th., 1946), a solution be adopted whereby the economic and human aspects be considered first. It should not, therefore, prove difficult to repatriate those people who, for family or financial motives, ask to return to Tripolitania, since every reason of a war character has long since ceased, and we cannot imagine why there is continued difficulty for the movement of passengers and goods between Italy and Libya.

We feel certain that you will give this matter your personal attention, and that the problem will soon be solved.

In the meantime I would be grateful if you would intervene, so that the directors of Fiat may be newly authorized to leave for Tripoli.

(e) R. Prunas.

Admiral Ellory W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome.

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N. 6/1095/502

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

SUBJECT: SASSOLI, FERRERO and COPPI - Return to Tripoli.

1. With note CBI 339-506/45 dated December 12th, 1945 the Allied Commission informed this Ministry that approval had been received from Tripolitania to the visit of Enrico SASSOLI, Giovanni FERRERO and Filippo COPPI (Authority: cable DSD - Tripolitania 8/15/1502 dated November 30th 1945).
2. To the a/n persons therefore were issued the necessary "travel orders" and on January 22nd 1946 they sailed on the S/S Toscana for Tripoli.
3. At Tripoli they were not permitted to land. An officer of the B.M.A. informed them that the B.M.A. opposed to the landing of persons arriving at Tripoli on business purposes. The same officer added that the authorisation sent by the DSO to the Allied Commission was not valid.
4. The a/n persons had therefore to return to Italy by the same steamer.
5. In view of the circumstance that the a/n persons had been supplied with authorisations which, as far as it is known by this Ministry, are necessary and sufficient to visit Tripolitania, the reasons of the prohibition to land cannot be understood.
6. At the same time the Ministry of Foreign Affairs wish to point out the necessity of their presence in Tripolitania as specified in the paragraph 4 of the memorandum of this Ministry n.6/4723/3055, dated November 24th, 1945.
7. In view of the above considerations the Ministry of Foreign Affairs kindly request the Allied Commission to take all suitable steps in order that the temporary sojourn in Tripolitania of the a/n persons - which has already been authorised by the Allied Commission - actually take place.
8. An early reply will be greatly appreciated.

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Rome, March 6th, 1946.

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THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
TO HIS HOLINESS THE POPE
2, via Boncompagni, Rome.

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March 18, 1946.

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Dear Captain Oddi:

I enclose for whatever action may be deemed appropriate a copy of Note No. 119626/SA of March 11, 1946 which I have received from the Holy See, concerning the plight of refugees from Libya who are awaiting repatriation to that country.

Sincerely yours,

Harold H. Tittmann

Harold H. Tittmann
Assistant to the Honorable Myron C. Taylor

Inclosure:

Copy of Vatican Note.

Captain Victor L. Oddi,
Liaison Division,
Headquarters Allied Commission,
Rome.

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C O P YSEGRETARIO DI STATO
DI SUA SANTITA

Dal Vaticano, 11 March 11, 1946

No. 119626/SA

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The Secretariat of State of His Holiness presents its compliments to the Assistant to the Personal Representative of the President of the United States to His Holiness and in the pursuance of the charitable and humanitarian mission of the Holy See would take the liberty to refer to his kind attention and consideration the unfortunate plight of the many thousand refugees from Libya who look forward to being repatriated to that country.

Through the receipt of appeals from many separated families, whether in Italy or in Libya, and through the reports of Catholic Relief Agencies the Secretariat of State is constantly made aware of the gravity and urgency of this problem. It is known that the great majority of the Libyan refugees now living in Italy, the total number of whom approximate 60,000 representing about 15,000 individual families are faced with the direst sort of instability, poverty and misery so long as they remain in Italy. Both from the material point of view and from that of morale, their condition is truly deserving of consideration. Practically all have been separated from the other members of their families for over five years. Almost all are dependent upon friends and charitable organizations for their minimum vital requirements or are in one way or another public charges.

Their condition is all the more sad in view of the fact that a great number, possibly a majority of these people, would be assured in Libya not only of the assistance of their families or relatives but of an opportunity to re-enter the pursuits and employments in which they were engaged prior to the war. They consider therefore that their only chance of improving their present rather hopeless situation is to be found in their being repatriated to Libya at the earliest possible time. It is believed that the steamships plying regularly between Italy and Libya might be availed of to facilitate their transportation. With this in view they have addressed numerous appeals to the Holy See asking that, as in the case of the many million displaced persons in Europe proper, their repatriation might be hastened. In view of the frequency and urgency of these appeals, the Secretariat of State could not fail to take cognizance of them.

In recommending this matter to the Assistant to the Personal Representative of the President of the United States for the benevolent consideration of the latter's Government, the Secretariat of State of His Holiness gladly avails itself of the occasion to renew the assurance of its most distinguished esteem.

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UNRWA/AL/DRJ/RW
March 1946

TO : Il Ministro della Real Casa.
FROM : A.A. Sorieri.
SUBJECT : ISCOLICA Francesco
DALL'ERBA Lorenzo - Italian Subjects -
Evacuation to Rhodes.

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A.C., H.Q.
2. It is regretted that there is no travel to Rhodes at the
present time, however, authority for entry permission has been requested.
3. The names of the above are on record now and as soon as
travel to Rhodes becomes possible you will be informed.

FOR THE CHIEF OF MISSION

A.A. Sorieri

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DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION
FIELD SERVICES

Jwaghorn/2S/ov

Copy to : The Office of the Executive Commissioner,
Attention: Capt. Bray Brooke.

DISTRIBUTION :

Chief of Mission
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Special Asst. for Govt. Liaison (2)
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RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
ITALIAN MISSION

Ref. No. UNRRA/1-7/DEL/RW

4 March 1946

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TO : Il Ministro della Real Casa.
FROM : R.W.Roth, Chief Repatriation Officer
SUBJECT : ISOLICA Francesco
DELL'ERBA Lorenzo, Italian Subjects
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R.W.Roth
Chief Repatriation Officer
By: *J. Waghorn*
Chief Repatriation (1)
Displaced Persons Division.

Copy to : The Office of the Executive Commissioner,
Attention: Capt. Gray Crook.

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AMERICAN EMBASSY
(Consular Section)
Rome, Italy.

February 4, 1946

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MEMORANDUM

Mr. Jones:

With reference to the Allied Commission's enquiry concerning Mrs. Sylvia Giaru^s, there is enclosed a copy of a self-explanatory letter dated January 8, 1946 which was addressed to her by the Consular Section. Mrs. Giaru^s's letter requesting information about entry into the United States had been referred to this office (it was presumed for direct reply) under cover of a transmittal slip from the Allied Commission.

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Enclosure:

Copy of letter dated January 8

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AMERICAN EMBASSY
(Consular Section)
Rome, January 8, 1946

Miss Sylvia Giarue,
D.A.D. Claims and Hirings,
60 Claims and Hirings,
C.M.F., Italy.

Dear Miss Giarue:

I refer to your letter dated November 17, 1945, concerning
your desire to join your uncle in the United States.

In order to enter the United States for permanent residence,
it will be necessary for you to obtain a quota immigration visa.
Detailed information with respect to such a visa may be obtained
from the American Consulate General in Naples which at the present
time has jurisdiction over all immigration matters arising in
peninsular Italy. Your letter is therefore being referred to
that office.

Sincerely yours,

For the Consul,

Alice Magee
American Vice Consul

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JUGOSLAV DELEGATION
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br. 175/45

5 February 1945

SUBJECT: Perusko Anton, repatriation;

To: Liaison Division,
U.N.R.C.

- 1) The g/n Jugoslaw national came in Italy as a member of the Jugoslaw Army for medical treatment in August 1945. Since the Jugoslaw Military Mission, authority that was taking care of him, had been dissolved before Perusko was fit for repatriation, he was demobilized and left behind in Italy, whereas this delegation took over the obligation to take care of his repatriation when possible.
2) Perusko Anton, born on 25/8/1908 at Peruski-Ukrina, bearer of the Identity Card N° 24148, will proceed in Jugoslavia via Trieste by road, on a G.U.T. truck N° 322 and 41218.
3) Necessary authorization is courteously requested.

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✓ Dr. SLOVAK J. SLOVAK
Deputy Representative of Jugoslavia
Advisory Council for Italy.

Copy sent to Capt Cos, travel controller
U.S.A.
Permit issued 1/2/45

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MR. 176/45 5 February 1946

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U.N.C.

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2) Perusko Anton, born on 26/8/1900 at Peruski-Ukrina, bearer of the Identity Card N° 24138, will proceed in Jugoslavia via Trieste by road, on a GI truck N° 722 and 4121858.
3) Necessary authorization is courteously requested.

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✓ DR. SLOVEN J. SLODKA
Deputy Representative of Jugoslavia
Advisory Council for Italy.

Copy sent to Capt Cos, French Contingent
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

Ref: N-6

10 January 1946

JAN 14 1946

SUBJECT: Return of ITALIANS to ERITREA

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

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1. Reference enclosed letter 41/173/U dated 7 January 1946 between REGMIN and G-5.

2. It will be appreciated if this HQ can be informed of any proposed transfer of ITALIAN Owners and Managers of industrial and commercial firms who are at present employed in ITALY to their original employment in ERITREA.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A. L. Hamblen Maj.
f. A. L. HAMBLIN
Brigadier General, C.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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Copy to: REGMIN

Incl: As above

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OFFICE OF THE RESIDENT MINISTER

CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN,

G. H. Q.,

C.M.F.

43/173/0

7th January, 1946.

To: G-5.

From: Major I.G. Macpherson.

Subject: Return of Italians to Eritrea.

According to a British United Press report from Rome dated the 26th December, 300 Italian owners and managers of industrial and commercial firms in Eritrea are to return there early next month under an agreement reached with the Allied authorities.

2. As the Foreign Office have asked us for a report on this subject, we shall be glad if you would let us have early information on which to base our reply to them.

(signed) Ian G. Macpherson

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Major,
for Deputy Resident Minister.

British Embassy,
Rome.

December 22nd, 1945.

R/1278.

Dear Bram Stoker

In reply to your letter of December 10th regarding the repatriation of Italian children to their parents in Egypt.

This matter has been receiving our continued attention and we are hoping for an early and satisfactory decision. Repeated representations have been made to the Egyptian Government to authorise the return of these children, either in groups, or as a whole, but as yet without result. We are, however, still waiting for the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs to let us have complete lists of names, in the prescribed manner, for submitting to the Egyptian Government.

You may assure the Nunziatura Apostolica that everything possible is being done to solve this problem in a satisfactory manner and as soon as possible.

Returned herewith is letter addressed to Brigadier N. Lush, with enclosure. No. letter requested A8/12

Yours sincerely,
A. H. G. S.

- Bray-Brooke, Esq.,
Headquarters,
Allied Commission.

British Embassy,
Rome.

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John H. G. S.
(A. H. G. S.)

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Headquarters,
Allied Commission.

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Rome, 15th of November 1945

To Brigadier MAURICE LUSH
Executive Commissioner
Allied Commission

JAN 10 1946

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SEZIONE ASSISTENZA

Dear Brigadier Lush,

As requested by you, I have the honour to enclose herewith a copy of the letter written to the Hon. Marshall Alexander on the subject of the return to Egypt of some 500 boys and girls of Italian parents who have their home there.

The position at present is the following: a group of about 15 girls have been sent home as a result of their parents securing from the Egyptian government a special permit to enter Egypt. It looks as if any other boy or girl wishing to go back home needs the same special permit.

Would it not be possible to obtain a general permit or at least to refuse it only to those against whose parents can be raised special objections? I beg your kind help on humanitarian and moral grounds.

I learn that more than half the boys and girls from Tunisia, Algeria and Morocco are being sent home.

*Very sincerely yours
+ Ruth Riben*

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Rome, 30th of July, 1945

SEZIONE ASSISTENZA

Sir,

As I know how valuable is the time at your disposal for matters of supreme interest, it is with a feeling of deep reluctance that I approach you on the following subject.

Since the beginning of the Italian war there are in Italy something like 500 children whose parents, all of Italian nationality, have their homes in Egypt. They are of varying age, mostly girls, some fully grown up and some in their teens.

It is now almost a year since the question of their going back to their homes is being advocated by the Representative of the Holy See in Cairo, Bishop A. Hughes, but, so far, without avail.

In an interview Bishop Hughes had with the first Secretary of the British Embassy in Cairo towards the end of January it has emerged that the main reason that opposed the return to Egypt of children of Italian nationality was the ill feeling that it might have created amongst the members of other colonies.

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To Field-Marshall
The Hon. Sir Harold R.L.G. ALEXANDER
Supreme Allied Commander
Mediterranean Theater
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Since such remarks were made, sufficient time seems to have elapsed to allow a new examination of the feasibility of the above described return. As a matter of fact it may well be that with the ending of hostilities in Europe it will be taken for granted that whenever possible people will be allowed back to their countries and homes. It might even be looked on with sympathy that the first to be favoured will be the children.

In order to minimise any remaining opposition or resentment, the return could be limited to the boys under a certain age and to the girls.

I beg therefore to be allowed to request you, Sir, in my capacity of Chief of the Welfare Section of the Apostolic Nunciature in Italy kindly to see to it that the Italian families in Egypt may soon see their children back home. I need hardly stress the humanitarian grounds that prompt me to this respectful request. It is above all the necessity of strengthening the family life of a great number of people and of giving back to children the healthy influence of their parents.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 2202/104/51

14. December 1945

SUBJECT: Miss Sylvia Giarus'

MESSAGE TO: American Embassy, Rome
British Embassy, Rome

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The attached letter of appeal from Miss Sylvia Giarus' to be permitted to enter U.S.A. has been received by the Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.

He is desirous of knowing whether the matter could be settled between the American and British Embassies and the letter is passed to you for your consideration and kind attention.

For the Chief Commissioner:

P. G. McCLEARY
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 2202/EC

// December 1945

Dear

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I have been asked by Brigadier Lush to forward the attached correspondence to you in hopes that perhaps something can be done.

I would be most grateful if you could let me know what you think in order that I may prepare a reply for the Nunziatura Apostolica.

Yours

G. R. PRINCE, A.M.

J. G. Benton, Esq.
Visa Officer
British Embassy
Rome

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Mediterranean Theater
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8 December 1945

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My dear Miss Giarue:

The Chief Commissioner has asked me to acknowledge your letter of 17 November.

While this Commission is not in a position to obtain your passage to the United States, the matter is being placed before the proper authorities and will be given full consideration.

Sincerely yours,

L. W. STEARNS
Lt Col, AGD
Staff Officer to CC

Miss Sylvia Giarue
D.A.D., Claims & Hirings
60 Claims & Hirings
C.M.F.

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What can be done
Sir,

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FLORENCE
17th November 1945.

DEC 10 1945

I am a girl 21 years old. The reason why I have applied to you is profound. You are the only one who can take into consideration this case. I do not want to speak about my sorrows or about this awful position of mine. I wish to prevent a future situation which can lead me to a deed of irreparable despair. My name is Sylvia Giarud, born in Khartum (Sudan) on 1st Feb. 1924, I came here in June 4th 1940, with some other girls of my country Cairo (Egypt). I have lived in Cairo since I was 8 years old after I had left Khartum with my parents. I have not had a home since I was 16 being during this time always in Florence studying and trying to keep myself busy at school.-

Before the Allied Forces came in Florence the Germans wanted to take us to the North. I escaped with part of homeless girls living in a provisional "college". -

I have been suffering an awful a lot during five years and I still suffer knowing that every one goes back to his home, and I am still here. Please I beg you to believe me, I need a home; I can't live here alone waiting for a transport to come. In the meanwhile things get worse. Winter is coming. There is too much cold, and I can't face winter. -

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I do not ask any material help, because I do not wish it. I live on my own earnings as Interpreter/Technical in a British Unit:- 60 CLAIMS AND HIRINGS. C.M.F. - I want what I am entitled to. I know that you can help people in the same position as I am. Why am I not one of those lucky to have your attention? Please why do not you send me home? I need a home. I deserve it. I am not asking for a luxury liner to reach the States. My Uncle :- Frederick de Gervais, American citizen, living at 5622 Bercourt Ave. Los Angeles (43) CALIFORNIA, is waiting for me. All documents he could sent through the American Consulate of Florence, are held by me. -

I have submitted to you a case which need your attention. I will be so very grateful to you for any action taken.

I will appreciate your kind consideration, troubling you heartily.

Yours,
Sylvie Name

D.A.D., Claims and Hirings,
60 Claims and Hirings.
C.M.F.

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