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Cos

R. See 88 & 89. I can see no harm in agreeing with Foreign Cos. amendments. ~~Shall~~ If so agree I will issue an erratum Slip.

Sir 16/11

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Ensure that the ~~Sir~~ errata on attached cb

Request of UNRRA. MS/17/xi

Qs. 18/11

cc 938 26/11/44

See 92.

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Acting Chief Commissioner

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Attached is submitted for your information/signature/approval.

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Cos.

36-38 is a report on a meeting held on 18 Oct to discuss UNRRA proposals. Please see particularly paras 3 b(3) g, 5 c, d, e.

23 Oct 44

Acting Chief Commissioner 40

Submitted

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Pl. See 41 and A/Cc's pencil H 25

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The minutes of the UNRRA meeting last Thursday

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hereto.

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A/ COS 74.

72 & 73 are the minutes of the UNRRA meeting last Thursday which you should read.

No action has yet been taken on 41, but I know COS discussed this with A/Cs before he left. I was unable to get any further decision than that the A/Cs was going to find someone to replace COL Murphy as Liaison Officer with UNRRA.

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Gen Staff HQS GHQ

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Col (98)

[illegible] ALLIED COMMISSION
AND [illegible]
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref A/33.1/44

19 Nov 44.

SUBJECT : UNRRA

TO : Trade Adv
Transport Advsrs A/C
Legal A/C
Public Health A/C

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1 I attach copies of letter to Civil Affairs Section from CCS of 13 Nov 44, and draft of the proposed memorandum on the operations of UNRRA in Italy.

2 In accordance with para 2 of the letter from the CCS, will you please let us have as soon as possible, any comments, suggestions or objections you may have on the draft.

3 I draw your attention to the following specific points:-

a) Para 4. Should it not be made clear that it is not practical to have dual responsibility for economic control. UNRRA will of course engage in control work in their own ranks, and it may be desirable for Public Health Sub-Commission to be able to delegate to it other work in the field.

b) Para 5. The referencing by the military authorities of "every possible assistance", means wide and vague. I do not know what is contemplated.

c) i. Para 6. The opening words seem to me to be much too wide and hopelessly vague and to impose a wholly unknown obligation on the Military Authorities (including AC).

ii. Para 6 (a). Requisitioning does not directly affect AC as they only regulation through the usual requisitioning channels but this misses quite the whole issue namely that after hostilities cease the military authorities power to requisition may be in serious doubt. UNRRA should be advised to raise this point with AFHQ.

iii. Para 6 (b). The question of borrowing stores is a tricky one and unless UNRRA can undertake to effect a replacement (say within one month) of borrowing) I should have thought that the net effect of borrowing would be merely to deplete the AC stocks available for distribution through its own channels.
However this is a matter for experts; Lean see one of Sub-Comm to comment please.

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iv. Para 6 (c). As to bidding for space I believe this has been the subject of much discussion. Soon See to comment please.

v. "In General" this seems very wide and vague. As to a military body under AFHQ; which is not.

d) Para 7. This is really a matter between FAAU and AAI, and we are not directly concerned. However, the COS would like comments from both U.S. and British legal advisers. It seems to us to be doubtful whether a directive can alter the provisions of the British Army Act or the United States Articles of War, and the status of FAAU personnel must depend entirely on the construction of these acts. In sub-para (c) I do not know what is meant by First class travel in Italy!! Nor is the reference to the right to use officer's messes understood. Though no difficulty is likely to arise in AC messes, it would not be fair to leave FAAU with the impression that they have a right to invade any mess. With regard to sub-para (g), most of the services required are provided by the military authorities, e.g. Army Postal Service, PX and NAAFI, and are no concern of this Commission. So far as transportation is concerned, I should think it should be made clear that no transportation is to be provided by this Commission.

4. You may have some other comments and suggestions, and I should be glad if you will let me have them as soon as possible.

R. K. Sharpe

for G.R. UNDERHILL Brig.
V/ CA Section,
DCOS.

✓ Copy to COS (Joint 2208/81/COS of 13 Nov 44 refers.)

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16 Nov. 1944

Draft 2

TO:

FROM: Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre of Operations

SUBJECT: Operations of United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration in Italy.

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b. Programs for the benefit of United Nations nationals and certain others in Italy.

2. As part of its programs for the benefit of Italy, UNRRA proposes to engage in supplementary feeding of children and expectant and nursing mothers, to give certain medical and sanitary assistance, and to assist Italian refugees.

3. As part of its other programs to be conducted in Italy, UNRRA proposes to take over, in the near future, responsibility for the operation of camps and hospitals in southern Italy, previously operated by the military authorities, in which care is being given to displaced United Nations nationals, particularly Yugoslavs and Greeks. As the necessity develops and with the concurrence of the military authorities, UNRRA may expand this program by acquiring additional facilities and by engaging in other forms of assistance for displaced persons of United nationality and cetain other displaced persons. UNRRA is also authorized to engage in certain epidemic control work.

4. UNRRA will be acting in Italy subject(to the extent that military necessities require) to the same degree of military control as any other civilian organization and subject to general

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5. All military authorities in this theatre, including the Allied Commission, will give UNRRA every possible assistance in the execution of its programs in Italy. The programs for displaced persons of United Nations nationality will relieve the military of an existing obligation. The other programs will supplement the efforts, already a military responsibility, to guard the Italian civilian population from hunger and disease. All of these programs are undertaken as a result of action initiated by the U.S. Government, supported by the British Government, and concurred in by all the other 44 United Nations.

6. The assistance to be given the UNRRA organization shall include, but shall not be limited to, assistance in securing space, supplies and other real and personal property by every available means, as well as in securing necessary transportation.

a) Where UNRRA's operations (as in the case of the camps referred to) relieve the military authorities of responsibility for operations which would otherwise be a military necessity, the use of the requisitioning power to obtain the property necessary for such operations of UNRRA is warranted, and in such case if UNRRA is otherwise unable to obtain such property, the use of this power is directed.

b) UNRRA will eventually establish its own supply lines. But before they are established, and even afterward in order to avoid unnecessary delays, long and cross-hauls, UNRRA may wish to borrow food, medical, sanitary or other supplies or equipment from military or Allied Commission stores or medical or sanitary supplies or equipment from the Central Civilian Medical Depot. Subject always to military operational requirements, and to the extent

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feasible in the light of other demands, UNRRA will be permitted to draw such supplies or equipment upon making appropriate arrangements for replacement in kind.

c) UNRRA will also be permitted to bid for its requirements for rail and coastwise shipping transportation through channels and be given similar consideration to that accorded bids for comparable military and civilian supply movements.

In general, the same facilities as are now afforded to the Allied Commission by other military authorities will be given by them to the UNRRA organization.

7. The following conditions will apply to UNRRA personnel while serving in Italy in connection with these programs. For these purposes, the term "UNRRA personnel" includes personnel of non-indigenous voluntary societies acting under the authority of UNRRA in operations for which UNRRA has direct responsibility. It does not include, however, Italian nationals.

a) UNRRA personnel will be subject to military law as persons accompanying the Allied Armed Forces on active service; they will not be liable to summary punishment.

b) They will refrain from propaganda or political activities, and avoid any action which might bring discredit upon UNRRA or the military authorities - including speculation, bartering, or profiteering.

c) They will be liable to removal from the theatre for misconduct or for other reasons, at the request of the military authorities.

d) They will be regarded as "persons following the 4423 Forces in the field without directly belonging thereto", and will be consequently covered by Article 81 of the Prisoners of War Convention; as such, they will receive certificates under that article, stating that they have a right to be treated as prisoners of war if captured, and setting out the equivalent rank for purposes of status

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and pay, if captured.

e) UNRRA personnel, for whom the rank set forth pursuant to subparagraph d) above is that of an officer, shall have the status of officers for other purposes, in order to enable them to perform their functions in connection with the military authorities. This status will carry with it the privilege of such facilities, where available, as are appropriate to officers of the Forces; e.g., first-class travel and officers' messes. All such facilities, however, are to be granted only upon the terms referred to in subparagraph f) below.

f) Subject to military operational requirements and to the extent available, the military authorities will provide UNRRA personnel with the following facilities, upon payment of appropriate charges therefor to the extent shown in and in accordance with the attached schedule: +

Use of Army postal service (subject to military censorship)
Accommodation (shelter)
Food
Transportation
Medical and dental treatment and hospitalization
Clothing
Personal equipment
Post Exchange and NPI facilities

Where these facilities are separately organized for British and U.S. military personnel, and both are available, UNRRA personnel of British nationality will use British facilities and UNRRA personnel of U.S. or other nationality will use U.S. facilities. Otherwise, such facilities shall be available to UNRRA personnel of any nationality.

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+ Schedule to be worked out with A.F.H.Q.

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SECRET (92)

ALLIED MILITARY COMMISSION
Adm 394
Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref: 383

Ref: 2206/92/CCS 17 November 1944

SUBJECT: Minutes of UNRRA meeting held on 2 November 1944.

TO : See distribution below. (73)

UNRRA, Italian Mission, have requested that the following amendments be made to the minutes of the meeting held on 2 November 1944 at the Allied Commission, issued under this office reference 2206/73/CCS.

1. Minute 3 (a). Delete the sentence "In reply to a question by Brigadier Lush.....course of future operations."

2. Minute 3 (b) (3). Line 6. Delete the words "Governor Lochan admitted that this was so."

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

Italian Mission

14 November 1944

TO: Brig. M. S. Lush

FROM: S. M. Keeny

SUBJECT: Report of Meeting of 2 November

I am enclosing a memorandum from Governor Cochran, asking for two corrections on the minutes of the meeting of 2 November. I am sorry that these have arrived so late and hope that the corrections can be made simply by an erratum slip.

Enclosure (1)

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
G-5 Section, AFHQ
APO 512

11 November 1944

Spurgeon M. Keeny, Chief
UNRRA Italian Mission
ACC, Rome

Dear Sam:

The report of meeting held on November 2nd in Rome needs some corrections. I think the reporter wrote up in such a way as to give the wrong impression on one point. I refer to Par. 3b, quoting as follows: "Governor Cochran admitted that this was so", whereas it would not be possible to follow this course because of conditions obtaining as to $50,000,000 grant. I would like to have this deleted.

In Par. 3a, I think I misspoke when I said that UNRRA was committed to take in any displaced persons from outside Italy, etc. This was my error, and I would like to have this deleted.

I shall appreciate your calling these corrections to attention of proper party.

Sincerely yours,

R. L. Cochran

R. L. Cochran
Principal Representative of UNRRA
for Liaison, Mediterranean Theater

Rec'd - 13 Nov. 4:30

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief of Staff.

Tel : 300

Ref : 2208/81/COS.

13 Nov 44

SUBJECT : Minutes of UNRRA Meeting held on 2 November 44.

TO : See Distribution below.

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Noted on Original

1. Reference the above mentioned Minutes, please insert new para 3 (a) as below :-

"Action by: 3. (a) Transfer to UNRRA of Camps in S. Italy. Brigadier Upjohn told the meeting that preliminary discussions had already taken place and a plan would be ready for Colonel Mitchell to take to AFHQ when he returned. It was not anticipated that the date of transfer would be before 1 January 1945. In reply to a question by Brigadier Lush, Governor Cochran stated that UNRRA were committed to take in any displaced persons from outside Italy should this be necessitated by the course of future operations.

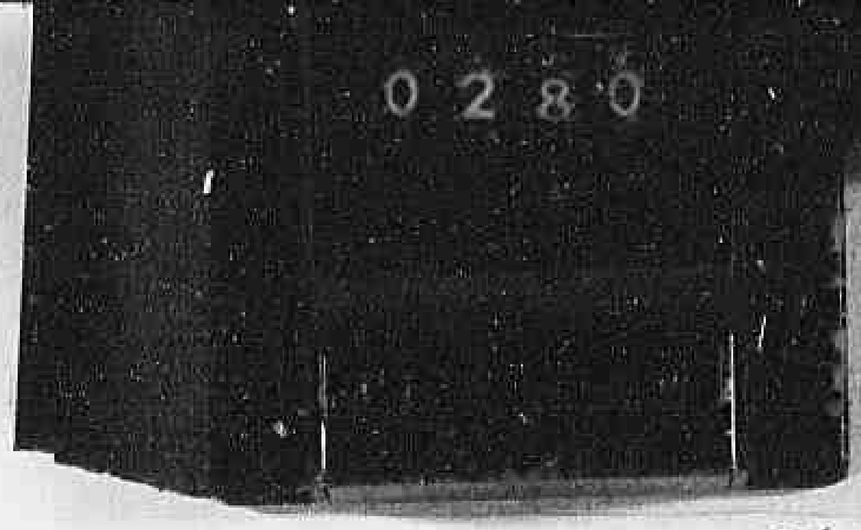
UNRRA In regard to UNRRA taking over requisitioned buildings from the military, some difficulty was foreseen in this connection and it was agreed that the matter should be investigated by UNRRA with Claims and Hirings direct with such assistance as Legal and Finance Sub-Commissions can provide. "

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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Tel : 451

13 Nov 1944

Ref : 2208/8/COS.

SUBJECT : Draft on Operations of UNRRA in Italy.

TO : Civil Affairs Section.

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1. Attached is a draft of a proposed memorandum on the operations of UNRRA in Italy, which has been prepared by the UNRRA legal adviser, Mr. Hawes, at the request of the Chief of Staff. It embodies the points that UNRRA would like to have included in the directive to be issued eventually by AFHQ. The Chief of Staff has requested that UNRRA present such a draft and that it embody any comments that AC would care to add.

2. I am directed by the Chief Commissioner to request that you arrange to have this draft reviewed to ascertain what suggestions, comments, or objections there may be from the point of view of AC. Since the document will cover both US and British personnel, it would be helpful to have comments from both US and British legal advisers.

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Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INTER OFFICE MEMO

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From: Office of the Chief Commissioner

SUBJECT: Operations of UNRRA in Italy

TO: Office of Chief of Staff

FILE No. CC 955

13 November 1944

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Your attention is drawn to the Chief Commissioner's footnote at the bottom of the minute slip:

"This should be checked by Senior Br & U.S. members of Legal S/C and by G-5.

Stone."

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J. A. Quayle.

J. A. QUAYLE
Major, R. A.
Staff Officer to CC

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Incl: Ltr, 6 Nov 44, from S.M. Keeny to Col. G.D. Murphy attaching proposed draft from SACMED.

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ACC 83
C.O.S

6 November 1944

TO : Col. G.D. Murphy

FROM : S.F. Keeny

SUBJECT : Request for Review of Draft of Paper on Operations of UNRRA in Italy, prepared at the request of Brigadier Lush.

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Attached is a draft of a proposed memorandum on the operations of UNRRA in Italy, which has been prepared by the UNRRA legal adviser, Mr. Hawes, at the request of Brigadier Lush. It embodies the points that UNRRA would like to have included in the directive to be issued eventually by AFHQ. Brigadier Lush has requested that UNRRA present such a draft and that it embody any comments that AC would care to add.

I should be grateful if you would arrange to have this draft reviewed to ascertain what suggestions, comments, or objections there may be from the point of view of AC. Since the document will cover both U.S. and British personnel, it would be helpful to have comments from both U.S. and British legal advisers.] I should also like to have it checked by the appropriate authorities to make sure that it covers the important operating questions that are likely to arise.] delete

Attachment (1)

cc: Hawes

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FROM : Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre of Operations.

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4. UNRRA will be acting in Italy subject to the same degree of military control as any other civilian organization to the extent that military necessities require, and subject to general policies laid down by the Allied Commission, so far as questions of a civil nature are concerned. Administratively, however, it is an independent organisation with its own chain of command, and as an international body, it is, naturally, free to determine, within the above stated limits, its own objectives and methods of operation.

5. All military authorities in this theatre will give UNRRA every possible assistance in the execution of its programe in Italy. The programs for displaced persons of United Nations nationality will relieve the military of an exisiting obligation. The other programs will supplement the efforts, already a military responsibility, to guard the Italian civilian population from hunger and disease. All of these programs are undertaken as a result of action initiated by the U.S. Government, supported by the British Government, and concurred in by all the other 44 United Nations.

6. Specifically, the military authorities will afford to the UNRRA organization in carrying out these programs the same facilities as they now afford to the Allied Commission. UNRRA will be given assistance in securing space, supplies and other real and personal property by every means, including requisitioning where necessary. UNRRA will be permitted to draw medical and sanitary supplies, upon payment, from the Central Medical Depot and will participate in the military transport pool.

cc 86

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Post Exchange and EFI facilities

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3 November 1944

To: Governor Robert L. Cochran

From: S. [illegible]een, Chief, ITALIAN [illegible]SION

At yesterday's meeting with AC on supply questions, Mr. Antolini and I were requested by Brigadier Lush to prepare a memorandum suggesting ways of meeting the objections raised by Commodore Stone to the loan of supplies to UNRRA as outlined in General Brofferd's memorandum dated 1 November 1944.

Mr. Antolini and I agreed entirely on the desirability of sending the strongest possible cable to the Combined Chiefs of Staff urging that additional shipping be assigned for this supplemental program. It may properly be pointed out, as Commodore Stone emphasized, that to initiate UNRRA feeding at the expense of lowering the present ration beyond what it would otherwise be is to defeat both the purpose of AC and of UNRRA.

You have shared in these discussions and I understand concur in the foregoing position.

If we do not succeed in getting supplementary shipping we need to be prepared to face the resulting situation. From the UNRRA side I think it fair to offer that if we get the 13,100 tons requested for February and the 17,400 tons requested for March, we agree to repay AC for supplies borrowed up to that time from the imports for these two months provided the AC position is tight enough to require immediate payment.

The question that remains is to determine whether 4403 there is enough cushion in a combination of AC and AFHQ to permit the loan of the 8,635 tons requested for November, December and January. Mr. Antolini and I suggest that the situation be studied

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commodity by commodity and an equitable agreement reached after conference between AC, AFHQ and UNRRA. UNRRA will agree to accept any reasonable substitute for a commodity that is in short supply and is prepared to adjust the figures requested if a careful analysis shows that the request is unreasonable. However, we wish the request to stand as at present until such a review has been made because it is important that we undertake experimental feeding in order to perfect the mechanism of selection of children.

UNRRA will adjust its schedule of calling forward personnel in the light of decisions that are reached. For the present, it is our intention to ask only for camp personnel and for three or four key persons essential for planning of the entire operation.

Mr. Antolini reminds us of the urgency of UNRRA supplying its own transport. I have received a cable, yesterday, stating that 175 one and one-half ton trucks are available and have instructed our Washington office to buy them. Please ask AFHQ to continue its efforts to provide shipping for this transport for this theatre at the earliest possible moment.

Mr. Antolini concurs in the foregoing proposals.

Copies to: Col. Mitchell
Mr. Antolini

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SECRET

ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref: 2208/79/CoS

Ext: 300

11 November 1944

SUBJECT: U.N.R.R.A.

To : See Distribution.

1. Please substitute the attached pages 1 and 2 for the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 November 1944 at Headquarters, Allied Commission, with the representatives of U.N.R.R.A., issued under this Office reference 2208/73/CoS.

Action completed on fol. 73

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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Tel: No. 47630

Ref: 10-12/AG/Diqor.

6 November 1944
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SUBJECT: UNRRA & DISPLACED PERSONS ACCOMMODATION CENTRES - SOUTHERN ITALY.

TO : G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.

1. Your memo G-5 383.7.24 dated 5 October 1944 addressed to UNRRA liaison representative AFHQ refers. The following agreement subject to your approval has been made between representatives of UNRRA and AC. On the basis of this draft UNRRA have called forward their personnel and it is therefore requested that you give this matter your most urgent attention.

This agreement is dependent on AFHQ assisting AC in the supply of equipment, stores and vehicles in the event of commitments of AC (U.S.A.R.A.C.) being extended beyond its present operations in regard to the establishment of additional accommodation centres in Northern Italy.

2. The target date for UNRRA assuming responsibility will be 1st January 1945.

During the intervening period UNRRA personnel will be infiltrated into the administration, taking over duties as mutually agreed. It is realised that it may be necessary to retain some Military personnel in the Accommodation Centres after the date of transfer of administrative responsibility.

3. ACCOMMODATION CENTRES.

The Accommodation Centres to be taken over are:-

SANTA MARIA DI ISURA,
SANTA CESAREA,
SANTA MARIA DI BAGNI,
FERRAMONTI and
GALLIPOLI.

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SANTA MARIA DI LEUCA,
MARATEA and
POGGIARDO.

4. RESPONSIBILITY BY UNRRA.

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The following conditions will govern assumption of responsibility by UNRRA.

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b. MEDICAL SUPPLIES. AC have agreed to continue supply of medical stores until 1st March 1945 on a reimbursable basis.

c. STORES. Title to all N.D. or A.D. equipment and stores, exclusive of vehicles, on hand as at date of takeover will be transferred to UNRRA without charge.

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Owing to serious shortage of transport in AC, vehicles required for maintenance and supply in excess of what is made available to UNRRA on the date on which they assume responsibility for the Accomodation Centres will necessarily have to be hired on a commercial basis with local contractors. The cost of such hire to be borne by UNRRA.

e. P.O.L. P.O.L. will continue to be supplied on repayment from Military sources.

f. BUILDINGS, etc. AC will assist UNRRA to secure continued use of buildings, etc., and in requisitioning additional facilities and buildings when required.

The Accommodation Centres, Sub-Headquarters and Hospitals are at present in requisitioned property. This property has been requisitioned through Army Channels and AC are in no position to ensure continued use of such buildings and facilities if derequisitioned by Army. It is suggested that this important factor as to continued use of requisitioned property by UNRRA be settled by AFHQ in conjunction with UNRRA.

Financial obligations and responsibilities in connection with this requisitioned property needs special clarification.

5. British Red Cross and Friends Ambulance Unit will be approached and asked to permit their members to remain.

Other personnel of the Accommodation Centre and Hospital Staffs, not members of the Allied Forces, will continue to be employed in the Centres, if desireous, and if required by UNRRA.

(SGD) ELLERY W. STONE 4405

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MEMORANDUM

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TO:- G.C.S. 6 Nov. 44.

SUBJECT:- Minutes of UNRRA Meeting held on 2 November 44. Ref. 2208/73/008)

1. Reference the a/m Minutes, it is pointed out that Para.3(a) second sub-para. is not quite accurate.

2. The question of taking over requisitioned buildings is a matter for discussion between UNRRA and their legal adviser who is present in this country, Claims and Hirings, and the Italian Government. The matter therefore rests between UNRRA and AFHQ, and is not a matter for investigation by the Legal or Finance sub-commissions.

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G.E. UNION. Brig.
VF C.A. Sec.
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AFHQ G-5 (For attention Col. Jimmy Litchfill).

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UNRRA title Claims and Hirings direct with foreign Governments where necessary being provided by Legal and Finance Sub Commissions.

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Minutes of Meeting held on 2 November 44 at HQ Allied Commission

U.N.R.R.A.

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See Files (92)

In regard to UNRRA taking over requisitioned buildings from the military, some difficulty was foreseen in this connection and it was agreed that the matter should be investigated by the Legal and Finance Sub-Commissions with Claims and Hirings on UNRRA's behalf.

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(d) UNRRA Personnel Facilities.

AFHQ
CA Sec
Econ Sec

(i) Clearance of Personnel into Italy. Numbers required to be discussed with CA and Econ Secs. Actual clearance of personnel into Italy to be taken up by G-5, AFHQ.

(ii) Billeting. Colonel Mitchell to take up at AFHQ the question of UNRRA being treated as a military organisation and instructions issued to military formations for their requests for accommodation to be treated in the normal manner. In the meantime AC will arrange temporary accommodation.

G-5, AFHQ.

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SUGGESTED AGEND[illegible]OR MEETING ITH AC, Rome - [illegible]vember 2, 1944

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1. Introductory statement by Mr. S. M. Keeny, Chief of Italiah Mission, UNRRA: Presentation of UNRRA directive and supporting documents.

2. Statement by Col. Mitchell, G-5, AFHQ, as to the present status of negotiations between UNRRA Italiah Mission and AFHQ.

3. Problems for discussion:

   a. Transfer to UNRRA of camps in southern Italy maintained by military authorities for United Nations refugees. (By the time of the meeting, preliminary discussions will have been held with the Refugee and Displaced Persons Subcommission.)

      Personnal;
      Supplies;
      Relationships of UNRRA with military authorities;
      Date for transfer.

   b. Supply for UNRRA programs

      Proposal for borrowing small starting stocks pending arrival of first shipments (6,000 tons to February 1);
      Procedure for bidding for shipping space;
      Port and storage facilities;
      Guards for supplies and equipment;
      Procedure for securing surplus military property;
      Procurement of supplies in Italy: authority to purchase and transport.

   c. Local transportation

      Procedure for bidding for coastal, rail, and truck transport.

   d. UNRRA personnel facilities

      Clearance of schedule for personnal transportation into Italy;
      Billeting;
      Local transportation pending importation of UNRRA cars.

   e. Provision of office space and, temporarily, of supplies and equipment until UNRRA shipments are received.

   f. Reimbursement of AC for supplies and services.

   g. Preparation and execution of a memorandum of understanding as to principal factors in relationship between UNRRA and AC.

   h. Proposed agreement with Italian Government.

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1 November 1944

SUBJECT: Supply Requirements for UNRRA
Italian Relief Operations

TO : HQ.A.C.

1. UNRRA's ITALIAN RELIEF PROGRAMME is directed primarily to affording medical and nutritional assistance to nursing mothers, infants and the lower age groups of school children. It is supplementary to any A.C. relief measures and should not be confused with the programme for D.P. Refugee Camps in ITALY which UNRRA will assume responsibility for in due course.

2. UNRRA is anxious to start its Italian Relief programme as early as possible in November and tentative plans are to open in NAPLES and ROME.

3. Supplies to implement this programme will eventually be furnished from UNRRA stocks in U.S. but the shipment and flow of same cannot be scheduled to arrive before Feb.45 - possibly not before March 45.

Operation of UNRRA programme, Nov.thru Jan. (and possibly Feb.) is therefore dependent upon necessary supplies being provided from indigenous stocks and it is hoped that A.C. will be able to meet this need from its resources. It is understood that informal talks have already taken place on this subject between A.C. and UNRRA reps.

4. Requirements. Nov.thru Jan. are as follows:-

	November	December	January	Total
Dry skim milk	150	450	600	1,200
Evaporated milk (or equivalent in cond.)	50	150	200	400
Sugar	75	225	300	600
Fats	75	225	300	600
Flour	400	1,200	1,600	3,200
Pulses	175	525	700	1,400
Farina	25	75	100	200
Fish (dried)	125	375	500	1,000
	5	10	20	35
Total	1,080	3,235	4,320	8,635

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TO : H.Q.A.C.

1. UNRRA's ITALIAN RELIEF PROGRAMME is directed primarily to affording medical and nutritional assistance to nursing mothers, infants and the lower age groups of school children. It is supplementary to any A.C. relief measures and should not be confused with the programme for S.F. Refugee Camps in ITALY which UNRRA will assume responsibility for in due course.

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In the event that the first direct shipment does not arrive by 1 Feb. 45, further provision will be required from indigenous stocks at a rate of approx 5,000 tons monthly.

5. It will be appreciated that UNRRA needs to have a firm commitment in respect of these supplies and it is requested that A.C. please advise this H.Q. what they can provide against requirements at para 4 above.

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6. To the extent that A.C. cannot provide, the only other possible source of supply is from Military stocks, but it is most unlikely that much assistance will be possible from that source in view of the heavy demands which have been made on military stocks for civil account during recent months — and which are still being made.

It is therefore emphasised that UNRRA operations Nov.thru Jan. will be limited almost entirely to the extent that A.C. can assist them, and although it may strain A.C. resources, it is desired that every effort be made to provide UNRRA supply requirements in full from A.C. resources.

7. Payment by UNRRA will be by repayment in kind of all A.C. stocks loaned, but such repayment cannot be counted on before direct UNRRA shipments are flowing regularly — probably April-May at the earliest.

8. Warehousing. It is considered preferable that UNRRA should hold and control the warehousing and distribution of its supplies from the beginning of operations, and that bulk deliveries be made to them - say, a month's requirements at a time This requires that a small warehouse or section of an A.C. warehouse be made available to them. Request that arrangements giving effect to this be negotiated direct with UNRRA reps.

9. Transportation. Earliest possible shipment from U.S. is being requested of the following UNRRA transport: 1,38 x 1½ ton trucks; 25 passenger cars or weapons carriers; 25 motor cycles and 100 bicycles. Action G-5, AFHQ.

Arrangements for the assembly of a/m vehicles will be advised by G-5, AFHQ in due course.

The provision of driver and mechanic personnel, and the maintenance and garaging of this transport will be the responsibility of UNRRA. Request that A.C. assist in the recruitement of Italian drivers, mechanics etc as may be required by UNRRA.

10. Pending the delivery of UNRRA trucks it is requested that A.C. assist to the extent possible with trucks transport as required for UNRRA operations. As however UNRRA will be operating to a very limited extent and only within the areas of NAPLES and ROME it is anticipated that their requirements in this connection will be small. 4,38

11. Request that five passengers cars (requisitioned) be made available for the use of UNRRA personnel pending receipt of their own cars.

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Fats	900	1,200	2,100
Flour	4,800	6,400	11,200
Pulses	2,100	2,800	4,900
Farina	300	400	700
Fish (dried)	1,500	2,000	3,500
Medical	200	200	400
Total	13,100	17,400	30,500

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Tentative requirements April thru June are: April 22,000; May 18,000; June 15,000.

13. Every effort is being made to get port acceptance of Feb.arrivals as at 12 above, and to arrange shipment of vehicles as at 9 above, for January arrival.

These arrivals cannot however be counted upon at this time.

14. Shipping procedure. As priorities of entry and movement of civil supp within ITALY are determined by A.C. all demands for UNRRA supplies and bids for tonnage whether from source or for coastwise or inland movement will be channelled through A.C. and will conform to standard maintenance procedure as laid down in CAL 712 and AFHQ Admin. Memo. No.37.

Request that A.C; include 83,000 tons for UNRRA supplies when submitting tonnage requirements for March. The difference between this figure and March requirements shown at 12 above being provision for part repayment of loans made against Dec/Jan consumption.

15. Urgent action is requested please as at 9 above.

Action at 8, 9 (para 3), 10 and 11 will please be taken by A.C. with UNRRA (Italian Mission) Reps.

CHARLES A. SPOTSWOOD
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

31 October 1944

TO : Governor R. L. Cochran

FROM : S. M. Keeny, Chief, Italian Mission

As requested by Col. Mitchell, I am submitting herewith a list of the personnel for the Italian Mission who are here in Italy, en route, or awaiting transport. It will be noted that the list includes top personnel necessary for organizing the UNRRA operations and personnel for the Yugoslav camps. Preference has been given in the latter category to top personnel, with second choice to such other personnel as are not likely to be found available in Italy and are ready to come forward as soon as transport is provided.

The list follows.

A. In Italy:

1. S. M. Keeny, Chief of Mission
2. Lt. Col. D. A. REEKIE, Chief Medical Officer; responsible for organizing the medical program and for assisting in the selection of children to be fed.
3. A. HAWES, legal adviser; on temporary assignment to assist in completion of agreements
4. A. SORIERI, director of Displaced Persons
5. V. RATAY, on assignment to Displaced Persons for work in camps
6. G. NADZO, Displaced Persons--available for camps work if not required for work with Italian refugees
7. ROSE GUGLIELMO, secretary
8. Lt. Norma PAINTON, Public Health nurse for camps
9. Rita WILLIAMS, secretary
10. Rose WAISMAN, secretary
(Nos. 8, 9, and 10 diverted from Philippeville, Octa[illegible]38)

B. Air priorities from U.S. requested from AFHQ for:

11. A. HACKMAN, director of Supply
12. P. GENTILE, assistant director of Welfare; responsible for organizing feeding for children until Director becomes available
13. L. VARRACHIONE, camps administrator; top man for camps work in Italy
14. Florence GREGG, technical secretary for Col. REEKIE

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C. En route from U.S. by ship:

15. M. KAUFMAN, district welfare officer
16. Miss MCBRIDE, nurse for camps

D. Requested from Cairo:

17. V. LAMOUREUX, sanitary engineer for camps
18. F. BOSQUET, medical requirements officer for Italy

E. Requested from Philippeville:

19. J. METCALF, medical nutritionist

F. Ship transport from U.S. requested for up to 8 persons with priority camp personnel (names subject to substitution if persons named are not ready and others are):

20. Dr. FORCIONE, camps
21. Margaret MORELLI, nurse, camps
22. Petronella COMMINS, nurse, camps
23. Josephine DE BRINCAT, nurse, camps
24. Norma MACKENZIE, nurse, camps
25. Estella BUSHLIN, nurse, camps
26. Dominic CAPONE, sanitary engineer, camps
27. Miss RACCHIANTI, secretary camps

G. Air priorities will probably be requested from Washington for the following within one week:

28. Miss EARAN, nutritionist
29. Dr. BENNING, camps
30. Paul MOHN, consultant on child feeding
31 ROTH, assistant director, displaced persons; available for camps if not required for Italian refugees work
32. Donah SCIAMANNI, administrative assistant with special responsibility for personnel.

H. Notified as available from London:

33, 34. Two persons who are assumed to be top personnel from the list of 30 positions assigned to London. These will not be called forward until details about them have been received.

It is hoped that all of the fore-going personnel can be assembled in Italy before December first.

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The total budget for the UNRRA operations in Italy, including camp staff, now numbers 119 positions. This estimate covers the probable requirements for all Italy, so that a considerable number of them will not be needed for some months. It will

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be the policy of the Mission to recruit all possible help in Italy. Thirty places have been assigned to the London office for recruiting; other persons may become available from surplus UNRRA staff already in Europe. The balance must come from the U.S. The total to come from the U.S. will probably be approximately 40 additional persons over a period of 3 to 6 months. Of this group it is thought that 2/3 can be moved by ship if early clearance can be made at this end.

After the conference with Col. Findlay in Rome on Thursday, and after the receipt of a revised list of persons available in Washington, a further request for transportation may be made in order to expedite the release of military personnel from the Yugoslav camps.

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

1344 Connecticut Avenue, Washington 25, D.C.

10 October 1944

TO: Spurgeon M. Keeny

FROM: Herbert H. Lehman

SUBJECT: General Directive for Administration of Italian Mission

You are hereby designated as Chief of the Italian Mission. In this capacity you will be responsible for carrying out the relief and rehabilitation operations of UNRRA in Italy. For this purpose you are vested with the powers set forth in this directive.

I. PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF MISSION

UNRRA is in Italy to help the people of Italy to help themselves. The Administration's operations in Italy shall, therefore, be so organized as to require the Italian authorities to assume responsibility for actual operations. Assistance by UNRRA in direct operations will be given only when absolutely necessary and when requested by the Italian authorities. UNRRA has not provided for any separate distribution or transport operation. These functions will be performed wholly through the use of existing facilities supplied by the Italian authorities or the Allied Military.

A. Program for Italian Population

Pursuant to Resolution Number 56 of the Second Session of the UNRRA Council, you are authorized, on behalf of the Administration, to undertake operations in any part of Italy with respect to the following:

1. the provision of medical and sanitary aid and supplies;

2. assistance in the care and return to their homes of displaced persons;

3. care of, and welfare services for, children and nursing and expectant mothers.

B. Program for United Nations Nationals and for Epidemic Control

Pursuant to Resolution Number 57, you are authorized, on behalf of the Administration, to undertake operations in Italy with respect to:

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1. the care and repatriation of displaced persons;

2. the control of epidemics

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D. The total net expenditures in foreign exchange which the Administration is authorized to charge against its general resources in respect to operations mentioned in paragraph A above, shall not exceed $50,000,000. The operations undertaken by the Administration under paragraph A above shall be supplemental to and not in substitution for any existing programs presently being operated for the benefit of the Italian people. It is understood that the basic rations and other supplies essential for the Italian population will continue to be supplied by the Allied authorities and/or the Italian Government. The program undertaken under paragraph B is not subject to the dollar limitation contained in Resolution 58.

II. POWERS AND DUTIES OF CHIEF OF MISSION

The Chief of Mission shall be the ranking UNRRA official in Italy with respect to the Italian Mission and shall have the following powers and duties:

A. General

He shall exercise active control and supervision of the administration of the Mission, be responsible for all operations undertaken by it, and coordinate the activities of the several divisions and offices of the Mission.

B. Location of Headquarters

He shall establish Headquarters and maintain district offices at such places as he deems necessary for the efficient administration of the Mission.

C. Program

He shall, within the framework of policy instructions set forth in this and such additional policy directives as may from time to time be issued by UNRRA Headquarters, have authority to adjust programs and direct the use of supply resources of the Mission in such manner as in his judgment will result in the most effective utilization thereof.

D. Personnel

1. He shall have authority to direct the utilization of personnel and their detail among the several divisions and offices as he deems necessary. All personnel of the Mission shall be administratively responsible to him. He shall have power to dismiss any employee when, in his judgment, such action is in the best interests of the Administration. 4-32

2. He shall have authority to appoint personnel in the field within the approved budget. Such appointments shall require the approval of UNRRA Headquarters only if at an annual salary of $5,000

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or more. In the event that Italian personnel are appointed to budgeted positions, such personnel shall in all cases be paid in lire at the scale of wages prevailing in the country.

3. He shall have the power, subject to availability of funds in local currency, to appoint such local personnel, as he deems necessary, to positions not included in the administrative budget.

E. Delegation of Powers

He shall have the power to delegate to personnel of the Mission such of his powers, duties, and responsibilities as he may deem necessary.

III. RELATIONS OF CHIEF OF MISSION WITH ARMY OFFICES AND MILITARY

A. UNRRA Headquarters

The Chief of Mission shall report directly to the Deputy Director General for Areas in Washington. He shall not be administratively responsible to the Chief of the Balkan Mission or to any other liaison office that may be established in Italy.

B. European Regional Office and Mediterranean Liaison Office.

1. His relationship to the European Regional Office shall be confined to providing, for information only, copies of reports submitted to UNRRA Headquarters.

2. His relationship to the Mediterranean Liaison Office shall be as follows:

The Mediterranean Liaison Office shall have responsibility for:

(a) Overall military liaison with AFHQ covering operations which are treated on a theater basis, such as displaced persons, transportation, etc.

(b) Supply and shipping coordination on an overall theater basis and liaison with AFHQ on all supply and shipping questions which are treated on a theater basis. Italian supply and shipping requirements shall be discussed with the Chief of the Mediterranean Liaison Office or his designated representative. Authority to make final decisions on all shipping and supply questions requiring immediate action, and which are dealt with on a theater basis, is vested in the Chief of the Mediterranean Liaison Office. However, if time and operating conditions permit, questions involving major decisions on supply and shipping problems shall be referred by the Chief of the Mediterranean Liaison Office to Washington for approval.

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(c) Liaison with AFHQ on any other matters involving overall theater considerations and for any matter specifically referred to Chief of the Mediterranean Liaison Office by the Chief of the Italian Mission.

(d) He shall provide the Mediterranean Liaison Office with copies of all communications and of all reports submitted to UNRRA Headquarters.

Except as regards the matters contained in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) above, the Chief of the Mediterranean Liaison Office will not be administratively responsible for any operations affecting the Italian Mission and will not be in a position, except as regards the matters described in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) above, to issue any instructions to the Chief of the Italian Mission.

C. Military

1. The Chief of Mission shall be responsible for liaison with AC and MI for Italy.

2. He shall not be responsible for military liaison on an overall theater basis; such liaison to be established through the Chief of the Mediterranean Liaison Office.

D. Civil Authorities, Governmental and Inter-Governmental Agencies

The Chief of Mission shall be responsible also for liaison with all Italian civil authorities, governmental and inter-governmental agencies.

E. Power to Negotiate and Contract

1. He shall negotiate with the Italian Government and other appropriate authorities the draft agreement between UNRRA and the Government of Italy (copy of which is annexed hereto), the final text of which he is authorized to sign on behalf of the Director General upon receipt by him of cabled authority from the Director General. In addition, he shall negotiate such changes or modifications to the basic agreement as may from time to time be necessary, such changes and modifications to be subject, however, to prior approval by the Director General.

2. In addition to the power conferred in paragraph 1 above, he shall have power, on behalf of the Administration, to negotiate and execute all other contracts necessary for the prosecution of the Mission's operations in Italy.

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F. Power to Incur Expenditures

He shall have power, on behalf of the Administration, to incur indebtedness and to obligate the funds of the Administration for the purposes mentioned in paragraph 1 of this directive.

He is hereby authorized to open such bank account or accounts as he deems necessary.

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Surgeon U. S. Navy

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

A. From the Mission to UNRRA Headquarters

All communications relating to the business of the Mission shall be transmitted to the Deputy Director General for Areas. The Chiefs of the several divisions of the Mission may, as necessity requires, transmit communications for their respective Headquarters divisions, but such communications will channel through the Chief of Mission who may make such comments as he deems necessary.

B. To the Mission from UNRRA Headquarters

Communications to the Mission will be addressed to the Chief of the Mission and will be channeled through the Southern European Division to the Deputy Director General for Areas; and will be transmitted by him to the Mission. The chiefs of the several divisions in Washington may transmit communications for their respective divisions in the Mission, and such communications will be transmitted as herein directed.

(Signed) Herbert H. Lehman

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5 383.7-24 5 Oct '44.

SUBJECT:- Proposal that UNRRA take over certain Displaced Persons Camps in Southern Italy.

TO:- UNRRA Liaison Representative at AFHQ.

1. Brig. Lush, Executive Commissioner of the Allied Control Commission, has proposed that UNRRA take over responsibility for the Displaced Persons Camps now maintained by AC at S.Maria di Bagni, S.Caesarea, S.Maria di Leuca and Gallipoli, as well as the hospitals in connection therewith at Maglie and S. Maria di Leuca.

2. It is recommended that this be done and UNRRA is invited engage in the work in question, as promptly as possible, but in any event to assume responsibility for these camps and hospitals by 1 December 1944.

3. The following conditions should expedite UNRRA's undertaking this responsibility:

a) The military authorities(on a reimbursable basis) will continue the present No.36 British ration, now available to the Camps and food now available to the hospitals for a period of three months following 1 Dec 1944; thereafter food supplies are to be provided by UNRRA's own supply lines.

b) Allied Commission (Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission) will be requested to leave at the Camps and Hospitals all vehicles,equipment and stores, there as of the date of take-over, and which would permit the establishment to be managed as efficiently, in so far as these matters are concerned, as they are as of this date, deterioration of equipment and vehicles taken into consideration.

c) P.O.L. will continue to be supplied from Army or through civilian AC sources.

d) With the assistance of AC, in view of the military situation, UNRRA will be required to establish its own facilities, within or outside the Camps, for maintenance of vehicles or camp equipment.

e) UNRRA is to supply personnel to undertake the responsibility for the camps and hospitals; key personnel should arrive at Camps and at Head - quarters at Lecce by 1 November 1944, to permit a smooth takeover on 1 December

f) AC will be requested to assist UNRRA to secure the continued use of buildings and other facilities in the Camps and hospitals, and in requisitioning of additional appropriate facilities and buildings then required.

g) UNRRA, as from takeover date, will assume all financial obligations in connection with buildings and facilities, AC to have responsibility for proper inventory of facilities and contents of buildings,as well as for all claims in connection with such buildings and facilities until takeover date.

h) AC will be requested to allow personnel, not members of Allied Forces, to remain at Camps, especially the Greek,Italian and Yugoslav doctors, nurses, or other medical or administrative personnel, as well as British Red Cross, FAU and similar personnel.

4. In general, it should be contemplated that,for the immediate future Yugoslavs not destined for military service shall be concentrated in these camps. It should be understood,however, that the needs of other displaced persons, now in these camps, shall be the concern of UNRRA, and that in the more distant future, it may be possible for UNRRA, in agreement with appropriate

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5. This Section would be glad to be advised of action taken by UNRRA with respect to the above.

(SGD) CHARLES M. SPOFFORD.
Brigadier-General,G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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Proposed Agreement with Italy.

WHEREAS, the United Nations and Associated Nations have, in the Agreement of November 9, 1943, signed at Washington, D.C., created the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, (hereinafter referred to as the Administration) whose declared purpose is:

> "To plan, coordinate, administer or arrange for the Administration of measures for the relief of victims of war in any area under the control of any of the United Nations through the provision of food, fuel, clothing, shelter and other basic necessities, medical and other essential services; and to facilitate in such areas, so far as necessary to the adequate provision of relief, the production and transportation of these articles and the furnishing of these services;"

and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No.58 of the Council, the scale and nature of operations and the standard of provision in Italy was approved and principles with regard to payment for such operations were adopted, and the Government of Italy (hereinafter referred to as the Government) has requested the Administration to furnish Italy with assistance in accordance with such Resolutions; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No.57 of the Council, the Administration was authorized to carry out operations in Italy for the care and repatriation or return of displaced persons and certain other persons and for the control of epidemics for certain purposes, and principles with regard to payment for such operations were adopted, and the Government has

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indicated its willingness that the Administration undertake, within Italy, operations pursuant to such Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Government has indicated its willingness to be bound by the provisions of the Agreement of November 9, 1943, and the Resolutions of the Council; and

WHEREAS, the Administration intends to carry out its responsibilities for relief and rehabilitation within the territory of Italy, in accordance with the Agreement and the Resolutions of the Council; and

WHEREAS, it is desired that the mutual responsibilities of the Administration and the Government with respect to relief and rehabilitation in Italy shall be definitely established;

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED:

Article 1

Relief and Rehabilitation Programs for Italy

(a) In accordance with the Agreement and Resolutions of the Council, the Administration will conduct in Italy, in agreement and cooperation with the Government, relief and rehabilitation programs falling within the following categories:

(1) the provision of medical and sanitary aid and supplies;

(2) assistance in the care and return to their homes of displaced persons;

(3) care of and welfare services for children and nursing and expectant mothers.

(b) Such programs are to be supplementary to, and not in substitution for, relief and rehabilitation presently being carried on by the Government.

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(c) As a part of such programs, the Administration will furnish supplies and services, subject, however, to the limitations imposed by military operations and necessities, by the Administration's resources, and by Resolution No.58. Moreover, they will be furnished only to the extent that need therefore is established, and that mutually satisfactory working arrangements between the Government and the Administration are concluded.

Article II

Services and Supplies

(a) The Government shall have primary responsibility for the administration of all services and distribution of all supplies furnished by the Administration, to the programs referred to in Article I above. Within the limits of the Administration's resources, the Administration will assign personnel to render direct assistance in the administration of such services and distribution of such supplies.

(b) The administration of such services and distribution of such supplies shall be in accordance with plans agreed upon between the Administration and the Government and in conformity with the policies of the Council, particularly those embodied in Resolutions Nos.7 and 58. Such plans shall, for example, determine the agencies and organizations to be used, the selection of the ultimate recipients of supplies and the terms on which supplies are to be transferred to such recipients.

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Article III

Programs in Connection with Epidemic Control and with Certain Classes of Displaced Persons

(a) The Government will agree with the Administration

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from time to time, as to the nature, scope and conditions of operations which are to be undertaken in Italy, pursuant to Resolution No.57, for the control of epidemics for the purpose of preventing their spread to United Nations areas or to displaced persons of United Nations nationality found in Italy. The Government shall have primary responsibility for the conduct of such operations, but to the extent requested by the Government and within the limits of the Administration's resources, the Administration will furnish supplies and assign personnel to render direct assistance in connection with these operations.

(b) The Government agrees that the Administration may undertake such operations in Italy as it deems necessary for the care and repatriation or return of displaced persons of United Nations nationality, or other persons who have been obliged to leave their country or place of origin or former residence or who have been deported therefrom by action of the enemy, because of race, religion or activities in favor of the United Nations. For this purpose, the Government agrees that the Administration may employ such persons and import into Italy such supplies as it deems necessary. The Administration shall have primary responsibility for the administration of such programs. However, the Government will facilitate the operations of the Administration in this connection to the fullest extent possible, in particular by making available, where possible, necessary hospital facilities for persons coming within such programs.

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Article IV

Financial Provisions

(a) Against all supplies imported into Italy for the purposes of the programs set forth in Article I or Article III, the Government shall deliver to the Administration appropriate documents (the form of which shall be mutually agreed upon) evidencing the importation of such supplies and specifying the cost of such supplies as incurred by the Administration in foreign currency up to the point of their delivery by the Administration in Italy. The question whether the Administration shall forego payment in foreign exchange, by the Government, of the cost incurred by the Administration in foreign currency for such supplies and for its services in connection with such programs shall be determined hereafter in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the Council.

(b) The Government agrees to bear all of the Italian currency expenses which are incurred by the Administration within Italy in the prosecution of relief and rehabilitation programs set forth in Article I or Article III. This obligation shall be limited, however, to the performance of the provisions of paragraphs (c), (d) and (e) below.

(c) The Government shall establish a credit in Italian currency in an amount equivalent, at the then official rate of exchange, to the cost of all supplies and services incurred in foreign currency by the Administration for such relief and rehabilitation programs. The credit shall be established as rapidly as such supplies are delivered or the cost of such services is incurred by the Administration, and, in any event, not later than ten days after notice of such events by the Administration to the Government.

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(d) Upon request, the Government shall transfer, from time to time, to the account of the Administration such amounts out of the credit as

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established as the Administration may deem necessary (1) for payment of its obligations under these programs, (2) for payment of other expenses which are incurred by the Administration in Italian currency in connection with relief and rehabilitation of other areas, but in an amount not greater than ------- per cent of the credit established under (c), and (3) for the maintenance of an adequate working balance for such purposes; and it shall also reserve such part of the credit as the Administration shall determine to be necessary to meet future needs of the Administration for Italian currency for the same purposes. In order to facilitate the commencement of operations by the Administration, the Government shall transfer _____ lire to the account of the Administration on or before November 15, 1944, as an advance against the credit to be established under paragraph (c). If, as a result of slowness in the delivery of supplies, delays occur in the establishment of the credit pursuant to paragraph (c) which make it necessary for the Administration to sell for further advances of Italian currency, the Government will give such requests promptand sympathetic consideration.

(e) The balance of such credit, not demanded or required by the Administration, or reserved for it, shall be available to the Government for the payment of its own expenses in the prosecution of the programs set forth in Article I or Article III. No expenses of any other character shall be charged against the credit without the concurrence of the Administration.

(f) It will be the policy of the Administration and of the Government to maintain the purchasing power of the unexpended portion of the credit established under paragraph (c) or of any balance in the account of the Administration derived therefrom so that the real value of ~~the Administration~~

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supplies and services to be procured for the relief and rehabilitation programs with such credit or balance shall approximate the real value of supplies and services obtainable in Italy when the credit was established. In case of any substantial change in the purchasing power of Italian currency as expressed in terms of such services and supplies, appropriate adjustments in the credit or balance shall be made by mutual agreement between the Administration and the Government.

(g) The Administration shall have the right to use its Italian currency holdings free from restrictions on circulation in Italy and shall have the right to exchange freely such currency into any other type of local currency used in Italy/

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Financial Provisions

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(b) In consideration of the benefits to be received by Italy under this agreement, the Government shall establish a credit in Italian currency in an amount equivalent, at the then official rate of exchange, to the cost of all supplies and services incurred in foreign currency by the Administration for such relief and rehabilitation programs. The credit shall be established as rapidly as such supplies are delivered or the cost for such services is incurred by the Administration, and, in any event, not later than ten days after notice of such events by the Administration to the Government.

(c) Upon request, the Government shall transfer, from time to time, to the account of the Administration such amounts out of the credit so established as the Administration may deem necessary (1) for payment of its obligations under these programs, (2) for payment of other expenses which are incurred by the Administration in Italian currency in connection with relief and rehabilitation

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of other areas, but in an amount not greater than _____ percent of the credit established under (c) and (3) for the maintenance of an adequate working balance for such purposes; and it shall also reserve such part of the credit as the Administration shall determine to be necessary to meet future needs of the Administration for Italian currency for the same purposes. In order to facilitate the commencement of operations by the Administration, the Government shall transfer _____ lire to the account of the Administration on or before November 15, 1944, as an advance against the credit to be established under paragraph (b). If, as a result of slowness in the delivery of supplies, delays occur in the establishment of the credit pursuant to paragraph (b) which make it necessary for the Administration to call for further advances of Italian currency, the Government will give such requests prompt and sympathetic consideration.

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Article V

Facilities, Privileges, and Immunities

(a) The Government will take all practicable measures to facilitate the activities of the Administration, and will provide the Administration and its personnel with the facilities, privileges, immunities and exemptions recommended by the Agreement and the Resolutions of the Council. The term "personnel" includes, in addition to employees of the Administration, employees of non-indigenous voluntary relief socities working under the authority of the Administration.

(b) The Administration will assure the good conduct, integrity and moral character of its personnel, and it will recall such of its personnel as the Government shall request.

(c) The Administration shall have the right, free from export controls or other restrictive measures, to transfer to other areas imported relief and rehabilitation supplies owned by the Administration and located in or in transit through Italy, but in case of such transfer appropriate adjustments shall be made in documents and currency balances referred to in Article III.

Article VI

Texation

(a) The Administration, its assets, property, income and its operations and transactions of whatsoever nature shall be immune from all taxes, fees, tolls and duties imposed by the Government or any political subdivision thereof or by any other public authority in Italy. The Administration shall be immune from liability for the collection or payment of any tax, fee, toll or duty imposed by the Government or any poli-

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tical subdivision thereof or by any other public authority.

(b) No tax, fee, toll or duty shall be levied by the Government or any political subdivision thereof or any other public authority on or in respect of salaries or remunerations for personal services paid by the Administration or by non-indigenous voluntary relief societies to its officers, employees or other Administration personnel (as defined in Article V hereof) who are not nationals of Italy or permanent residents thereof.

(c) No tx, fee, toll or duty of any kind shall be levied by the Government or any political subdivision thereof or any other public authority on any supplies or services imported or rendered by the Administration, irrespective of who owns, holds or receives such supplies or services.

(i (i) if the tax, fee, toll or duty discriminates against such supplies or services solely because of their origin or their use, or intended use, for relief and rehabilitation; or

(ii) If the sole jurisdictional basis for such tax, fee, toll or duty is any activity or transaction of the Administration or the location of any office or place of business maintained by the Administration.

(d) The Government will take such action as is necessary for the purpose of making effective the foregoing principles. In addition, the Government will take whatever other action may be necessary in accordance with Resolution No.16 to insure that belief and rehabilitation supplies and services furnished by the Administration are not subjected to any tax, fee, toll or duty in a manner which reduces the resources of the Administration.

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Article VII

Reports and Records

The Government will furnish the Administration with such reports, records, and information as the Administration shall request pertaining to relief and rehabilitation or necessary to the performance of the Administration's responsibilities. In addition, the Government will accord representatives of the Administration adequate opportunity to observe relief and rehabilitation operations within Italy and will accord such representatives reasonable access to all materials, records, files and books of account pertaining thereto or necessary to the performance of the Administration's responsibilities.

Article VIII

Compliance with the Agreement of November 9, 1943 and the Council Resolutions

The Government will comply with and carry out the principles of the Agreement of November 9, 1943, and the recommendations contained in the Resolutions adopted by the Council as if Italy were a member of the Administration.

Article IX

Modification of Agreement and Supplementary Agreements

(a) The Government and the Administration will give sympathetic consideration to any representations which either may make proposing a review of any of the provisions of this Agreement to determine whether modifications in the light of experience are necessary or desirable. Any such modifications shall be by mutual consent.

(b) To the extent necessary or desirable, the parties hereto will enter into subsequent agreements and arrangements supplementing the provisions hereof.

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Article X

Period of Agreement

This Agreement shall take effect as from this day's date. It

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shall remain in force for one year and thereafter until the expiration of six months from the date upon which either of the parties hereto shall have given notice in writing of its intention to terminate it. Notwithstanding the expiration of this Agreement, Articles III, V, VI and VIII shall remain in force for the purpose of an orderly liquidation until all Administration activities in Italy are completed.

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APO 394
Office of the Chief of Staff

MEMORANDUM

TO : Chief of Staff. 2 Nov 44.

I have seen Colonel Mitchell. The ~~Umbria~~ UNRRA representatives, headed by Governor General Cochran, have a meeting with Civil Affairs Section at 10 and have a lot of work to do. They would ask to be excused from seeing you until 3 o'clock this afternoon. The Agenda of the 3 o'clock meeting is attached.

Colonel Mitchell suggested that the following should attend:-

Mr. Antolini
Colonel Grafftey Smith,
Civil Affairs Section,
Representative of Displaced Persons Sub-Commission,
Representative of Food and Transportation if Mr. Antolini cannot speak for them himself.

Colonel Mitchell thinks the meeting will take about one hour. I have stressed that we only wish to discuss the broad principles and he agrees. It is suggested that after the terms of reference have been clearly explained that the details can be gone into by the people concerned, by amendments on the spot.

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Telephone message from Col. Mitchell, G-5.

Col. Mitchell is arriving tonight with 8 representatives of UNRAA, among them Mr. Keeny and Col. Goldsmith(?)

C.O.S. wishes Col. Findlay (G-5 rep.) to contact them tomorrow morning in a preliminary meeting before a full meeting which is to be held in the C.O.S.'s office at three o'clock tomorrow afternoon (2nd November). ✓

Wm Stripp 1st Lt

C.S.O.,
Office, Chief of Staff.

Copy to:
C.O.S. ✓
Civil Affairs Section
Displaced Persons Sub Commission.

Note - Col. Findlay is at LECCE busy with his Greek party. Major Brown will be available for a short time but all DPR personnel are exclusively busy at the moment 4672

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
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26 Oct 44

28 OCT Recd

Subject: UNRRA Affairs.

To : Acting Chief Commissioner.

1. In order that the coordination and transaction of UNRRA affairs may be handled expeditiously, it is suggested that a directive be issued by the Acting Chief Commissioner in substance as follows:

> The Economic Section is designated as the controlling agency within the ACC for UNRRA affairs. All Sub-Commissions and other offices will render any assistance requested by the Economic Section incident to the conduct of such affairs. For this purpose, direct action, when appropriate, between offices concerned is authorized.

A. G. ANTOLINI
Acting Vice President

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Do you concur?
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

ECONOMIC SECTION

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18 Oct 1944

2? OCT Recd

SUBJECT: UNRRA Activities in Italy.

TO : Acting Vice President, Economic Section, ACC.

1. A meeting was held at 5 p.m. this date in the offices of the Economic Section regarding the participation of UNRRA in Italy. Attending were:

Col. G.D. Murphey - Economic Section
Col. C. B. Findlay - Displaced Persons
Col. J. E. Carnes - Transportation
Lt. Col. J.M. Mitchell - G-5, AFHQ
Lt. Col. R.A. Martino - Requisition Division
Maj. C.H. Wilhelmi - Public Health
Maj. J. Imrie - Food
Maj. K.C. Brown - Displaced Persons
Mr. Antonio Sorieri - UNRRA

2. Col. Mitchell oriented and informed the meeting by a detailed discussion of TAM 309. (TAM 309 is a message from AGWAR, COS, to AFHQ which contains the basic principles and proposals concerning UNRRA activities in Italy).

3. The main topics in TAM 309 amplified by Col. Mitchell were:

a. The decision for UNRRA's engaging in operations in Italy has already been made final at the highest military levels.

b. The division of UNRRA activities into three general categories:

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(1) Responsibility for displaced persons of United Nations nationality.

(2) Medical and sanitary aid and supplies.

See Cable Holdens on Mission

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(3) Care of and welfare services for children and nursing and expectant mothers.

c. The availability of 50 million dollars for the UNRRA program.

d. Medical supplies, food, clothing, etc., furnished by UNRRA are to be in augmentation of, and not as substitution for, those furnished under the military or any other program.

e. Proposed UNRRA shipping program which calls for approximately 15,000 tons of imports monthly.

f. UNRRA contribution of approximately 8 million dollars for medical and sanitary supplies, particularly for items not now in the military program.

g. UNRRA's desire to operate as autonomous organization. This to be considered more with respect to channels of communication and administrative procedure, than as implying independence in the pursuit of physical operations. The autonomous aspect of UNRRA carries particular significance as it is not exclusively an Anglo-American organization. Rather it represents many nations. Hence the views and interests of respective nations will naturally have to be considered throughout the course of UNRRA operations. Parenthetically, it was mentioned that coordination would also have to be effected between the military and additional relief agencies, such as "American Relief for Italy, Inc.," "Red Cross", "American Joint Distribution Committee", "Governmental Committee on Refugees", etc.

4. Col. Mitchell also advised that a message under date of 17 Oct 43 had been dispatched from AFHQ to AFWAR, approving in principle the entrance of UNRRA into Italy. However, consent for sending personnel and supplies was deferred until complete details could be worked out between representatives of AFHQ, ACC, and UNRRA. (Message ref: AFHQ-FX40191, Oct 171928-MAT 322.)

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5. Following Col. Mitchell's discussion, the representatives of the Sub-Commissions present expressed their views which were in substance as follows:

a. Displaced Persons (Col. Findlay) - Request has already been made upon UNRRA to take over refugee camps in southern Italy.

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There has been collaboration between this Sub-Commission and UNRRA representative (Mr. Soriori). Mutual understanding and agreements have been arrived at with regard to the best procedure for transferring the operation of these camps to UNRRA as soon as it is practicable to do so.

b. Public Health (Maj. Wilhelmi) - The coordination of UNRRA medical aid and supply with ACC activities is deemed a very simple matter. No difficulty in carrying out the proposed program is forseen.

c. Food Sub-Commission (Maj. Imrie) - The distribution of food presents the most critical obstacle in the effectuation of the proposed program. Further study should be made with respect to a precise determination as to what "supplemental supplies" will comprise. Such determination is particularly important in order that balanced food schedules may be maintained.

d. Transportation Sub-Commission (Col. Carnes) - The necessity for additional motor transportation was greatly emphasized. If as many as 200 trucks were sent to Italy for UNRRA, there still would exist a deficit to meet over-all needs. The relief program requires not only complete trucks but also other indispensable items such as motor-maintenance supplies, spare parts, tires, and gasoline. Unless motor transportation is furnished in advance or at the outset of UNRRA operations, the UNRRA program cannot be implemented.

e. UNRRA (Mr. Soriori) - The fact was emphasized that there had been no intention, on the part of those who had studied the situation so far in Italy, that UNRRA would begin its 15,000-ton shipments by November 1. The local understanding, as yet, has been that shipments would not start until all details as to warehousing and distribution had been worked out in Italy between UNRRA and the military. It is thought that UNRRA representatives in the U.S. who know the situation in Italy are still of the mind that large shipments cannot begin until much later date.

6. The Sub-Commissions concerned will conduct a continuing study of UNRRA participation. This in order thatACC may render the best assistance toward the earliest initiation of all UNRRA operations.

G. D. MURPHEY
Colonel, G.S.C.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO: AGWAR FOR CCS FOR CCAC RPTN FOR INFO TO CENTRAL DISTRICT UK BASE SECTION (LONDON)
FOR BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF AND HQ COM *** SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 2/18
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INFO - ACTION

SECRET. Para 1. The operations by UNRRA for the purposes stated in paras 1 and 2 of your Tam 309 are accepted and welcomed in principle. (This is Mat 332).

Para 2. The methods and procedures outlined and suggested in the remaining paragraphs of Tam 309 are receiving detailed consideration at this HQ, including of course consideration by ACC.

Para 3. It is believed that it is essential to work out these matters in discussion with your representatives. Visit as suggested both in paras 1 and 3 of cable therefore welcomed earliest but request limit numbers at this stage to 3

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HEADQUARTERS 18 OCT 1944 A. C. C.

M/C NOTE
INCOMING CABLES 1704 2201
COPIES OF WHICH ARE HELD IN OLD SEC. GEN FILES RELATING TO THIS SUBJECT.

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OCT 18
DATE and Time of RECEIPT

Distribution: Copy to 'A' Files.

Date 18 Oct. 31

Brig. Lush introduced Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Jackson. Asked Mr. Mitchell to outline the points for discussion at the 4:00 meeting this afternoon.

Mr. Mitchell, State Department, Washington, D. C. reported:

In Washington, CCS representatives, both British and American, in connection with Italian problems that come up (on the economic side) there is one which relates to the interpretation that the Army puts on the instructions they were given by the President and which the British Army similarly accepted, as to what the Armies were to do in Italy. ;;;; impression at home in respect to the category of things which the two armies are responsible for is that there may be some slight chance that the category may be widened ;;; items of supply increased ..... for one thing - the bread ration. We are anxious to have some documentary evidence as to why 300 grams is the right figure necessary ... if there is anything which can be given to substantiate the necessity for increasing the ration .... any further evidence which is not now included in any available documentary evidence at hand. Minton and Sir _____ in their report of mission see some possible increase in food and power supply..... anything which would warrant a possible increase because of "disease and unrest". All of the supplies which are to be imported into Italy from the "disease and unrest" standpoint are to be supplied by the Army. These supplies would fall into Category "A".

B Other supplies, in order to cut down on the necessity for the continuation of the present rate of supplies - things which the Army will not assume responsibility for other than "disease and unrest" standard - things for the longer range use of the Italian Government - would be called Category "B" supplies.

The two governments, Britian and US, would like to get together and agree on a certain sum of money to be available which would be spent for procurement of Category "B" supplies for Italy. Suggestion - on the assumption that money is $250 million and is to be spent for Category "B" supplies - give us some projects as to how money can best be spent. Cite Project "A", for example, relate the cost in labor, power, transport, etc., to achievement of project in way of cutting down tonnage of present or required imports.

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Mr. Merritt - London: 4866 4867

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Mr. Merritt - London: 4268

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Mr. Merritt :

Suggested that it is to be remembered that this is not to be thought of as "industrial rehabilitation" but as emergency first aid on a very short temm program with a very small sum of money. ;;;;

Mr. Mitchell and Brig. Lush talked about how priority of projects would be determined. Mitchell and Merritt agreed that priority would be effected by achievement to be made.

Mr. Antolini asked if for the most part, the increase of import in wheat, for instance, would come under "B" Category and would be carried as a "B" Category expense.

Mr. Cleveland said that at the last COS meeting in Washington (Oct 6 xx) discussion was on subject of amount of wheat necessary for increasing ration from 200 to 300 grams and that this export was thought of as being in Category "B" instead of "A".

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Mr. Merritt - on developments in London - prior to the President's and Prime Minister's statement at Quebec, a lot of thinking had been given to the need for some sort of a new economic policy to Italy. The Departments in London have now agreed on the objectives of the policy and they have telegraphed to London and received a reply that the objectives have been sent to Washington. Representatives in Washington have been told to discuss this interpretation of the President's and Prime Minister's statement with Washington.

Mr. Antolini asked if for views on the "disease and unrest" in light of shipping, shouldn't we be realistic in our assumptions in relation to shipping. Mr. Mitchell agreed that everything we do and everything we talk about is subject to this whole shipping problem.

Brig. Lush said that food and transport are top priorities in Category "A"; although Allied military interests must be paramount there comes a time when "disease and unrest" become Army interests as well.

It was agreed that on Wednesday, "projects" would be placed before State Department (Washington) and London officials.

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Mr. Merritt - on developments in London - prior to the President's and Prime Minister's statement at Quebec, a lot of thinking had been given to the need for some sort of a new economic policy to Italy. The Departments in London have now agreed on the objectives of the policy and they have telegraphed to London and received a reply that the objectives have been sent to Washington. Representatives in Washington have been told to discuss this interpretation of the President's and Prime Minister's statement with Washington.

Mr. Antolini asked if for views on the "disease and unrest" in light of shipping, shouldn't we be realistic in our assumptions in relation to shipping. Mr. Mitchell agreed that everything we do and everything we talk about is subject to this whole shipping problem.

Brig. Lush said that food and transport are top priorities in Category "A"; although Allied military interests must be paramount there comes a time when "disease and unrest" become Army interests as well.

It was agreed that on Wednesday, "projects" would be placed before State Department (Washington) and London officials.

UNRRA will be discussed at the 4 o'clock meeting.

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29 September 1944

Honorable John J. McCloy
Chairman, Combined Civil Affairs Committee
War Department
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. McCloy,

As you undoubtedly know, at its second Session in Montreal just closed, the Council of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration adopted a resolution establishing the scale and nature of relief and rehabilitation operations to be undertaken in Italy. In addition, the Council adopted another resolution authorizing operations in enemy and ex-enemy territory directed to the care and repatriation of displaced persons of United Nations nationality and to the control of epidemics. I am enclosing copies of these resolutions.

The resolution concerning Italy confines our operations to three types of assistance: the provision of medical and sanitary aid and supplies; assistance in the care and return to their homes of displaced persons; and care of, and welfare services for, children and nursing and expectant mothers. The resolution also limits our expenditures of foreign exchange for these purposes to £ 50,000,000. The resolution concerning assistance to displaced persons of United Nations nationality and epidemic control work imposed no budgetary limitations.

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UNRRA Programs for Italy

Our programs for Italy, pursuanto to these resolutions, are briefly summarized below. It must be understood, of course, that this statement is quite tentative and is subject to modifications as result of further study of the Italian situation and as a result of negotiations with the appropriate authorities.

1. Assistance to Children and Mothers.

Our efforts under the first resolution mentioned above will be chiefly directed to providing care of, and welfare services for, children of school and pre-school age, and nursing and expectant mothers. The major part of the expenditures for this purpose will be for supplies to supplement the provision already being made for these classes of the population. Because of the limitation of our budjet, we expect to confine this assistance to approximately 1,700,000 children and 300,000 mothers. This means that only one out of every five children of the ages included will receive this assistance. The recipients will be those children who are suffering from the more serious cases of undernourishment and malnutrition. The program will furnish each recipient, on the average, additional food up to the value of 750 calories daily. It is understood that such food will be in addition to the basic rations provided by other authorities.

Our operations in this respect will be centered largely on the bigger cities. We are not planning to furnish such supplies in the country or in the smaller communities, except in those which are not agriculturally self-supporting. So long as military operations in Italy continue, we shall, of course, also limit our operations to those areas which may be regarded as in repose.

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Our present estimates indicate that the children and mothers program will require approximately 15,000 tons of supply per month, the major commodities being:

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Dry skimmed milk	3,100 tons
Sugar	860 tons
Fats	820 tons
Flour	5,000 tons
Pulses	2,150 tons
Farina	315 tons
Fish	1,500 tons
Miscellaneous	1,255 tons

The ultimate distribution of these supplies to the recipients will in all likelihood be handled primarily by two Italian organizations, Opera Nazionale per la Protezione della Maternità e dell'Infanzia (ONMI) and the Italian Ministry of Education. The ONMI will be expected to conduct the distribution of supplies to the children of pre-school age and the nursing and expectant mothers. The exact method of distributing food, whether by issue for consumption at home or by other means, will be determined by agreement in the field to meet local conditions. The supplies for children of school age will be distributed by the Ministry of Education, the food being distributed most probably through school lunches.

2. Medical and Sanitary Aid and Supplies.

Our assistance along these lines will consist of the dispatch of medical personnel whose primary function will be the rendering of advice in the restoration of the Italian Public Health Services, and the furnishing of up to ₤ 8,000,000 worth of medical and sanitary supplies, particularly of commodities not now included in the military supply program, over the period

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of a year, to supplement the supplies now being furnished to Italy. With the medical supplies which are being imported into Italy at the rate for all of Italy of approximately $ 1,000,000 worth a month, this will provide a total of up to $ 20,000,000 worth for the whole country over a period of one year, an amount which appears extremely modest for a population of 45,000,000.

Included in the items to be furnished will be raw material from which certain medical supplies may be manufactured in Italy.

Our plan for distribution of medical supplies in Italy is to follow the system being used by A.C.C.

3. Displaced Persons of Italian Nationality.

We are not at present prepared to set forth a program of assistance for displaced persons of Italian nationality, because we do not intend to undertake any work along this line which the Italian Government can itself perform. An equitable division of responsibility between ourselves and the Italian Government can only be reached after further study. Most expenditures, in any event, will be in local currency, and only a small amount of import tonnage will be involved.

4. Displaced Persons of United Nations Nationality.

At the request of the Military, we shall be willing to assume responsibility for the camps in Italy which are already caring for several thousand refugees of United Nations nationality. We are also prepared to expand the program, if necessary.

5. Epidemic Control.

We have not yet formulated any program under this heading . Before taking any definite action, we will consult with A.C.C. and its advisers regarding the nature and scope of our activities in this field.

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6. Budget.

On the basis of the foregoing, we have made the following tentative budget allocation for one year of activities in Italy under the first three programs described above:

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Child Care and Mothers	£ 36,000,000
Medical Aid and Supplies	9,000,000
Unallocated Reserve	5,000,000

The budgets for displaced United Nations nationals and for epidemic control will be in addition to the £ 50,000,000.

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Administration

As indicated above in connection with the programs for assistance to children and mothers and for the furnishing of medical and sanitary aid and supplies, we intend to place the responsibility for distribution upon the Italian government or upon Italian organizations. Consequently, for these purposes, a relatively small staff will suffice. This will probably consist of a small group of executives and a number of technicians, for example, the medical personnel referred to in Section I (2) above. Our operations will undoubtedly start with a small number to which we will add from time to time, as need develops but, at the maximum, we do not expect our mission to exceed 75 professional personnel and 20-30 clerical. Other personnel, as needed, will be recruited in Italy.

This statement does not include personnel who may be needed for work in connection with displaced persons of United Nations nationality and epidemic control.

III

RElations with the Military Program

As indicated in several places above, the assistance which UNRRA is planning to give pursuant to the resolution authorizing operations in Italy is intended to be additional to, and not in substitution for, assistance which is now being given or which will be given as a basic measure for the benefit of Italy generally. The UNRRA Council authorized these operations on the understanding that the scale of supply by the Military or other authorities will be maintained or increased without deduction for the assistance which UNRRA isto afford.

IV

Relationship with Military Authorities

In our operations in Italy, we shall, of course, be guided by general policies laid down by the appropriate military authorities. Subject to such general policies, we should wish to operate as an autonomous organization, with complete control over our personnel and our programs. In dealing with the Italian government we would, of course, clear in advance all questions of general policy with the appropriate military authorities and would keep them informed of our arrangements.

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In delivering supplies to Italian governmental or charitable organizations, however, we should expect to be free to establish the prices at which we make the transfer and the conditions of the distribution of the supplies by the organizations, including the classes of persons to whom the distribution is to be made and the prices at which the supplies are to be sold (unless given away). The prices for sale to the ultimate consumers, however, would not be higher than the prices fixed by the appropriate price control authorities.

V

Assistance from the Military

In carrying out these programs, we are completely dependent upon the military authorities in view of their control over supply, shipping and internal transport, and over many phases of government and economic life within the country. I am writing to ask you, therefore, if you will obtain for us the issuance of directives to the appropriate authorities to facilitate the proposed operations and, in particular, to accomplish the following arrangements:

1. Transportation

(a) Beginning with October 1944, it is essential to have an allocation by the theater commander of 15,000 tons of shipping monthly from east coast U.S. ports to appropriate ports in Italy, over and above existing shipping allocations.

(b) As a beginning supply, we need the transfer, from military stocks in Italy or afloat, of 20,000 tons of the foods listed in Section I (1) or of appropriate substitutes. UNRRA is agreeable to reimbursing the military for these supplies promptly in cash or in kind.

(c) Supplies beyond the 20,000-ton beginning stock can be provided by UNRRA through its own efforts, so long as shipping space is allocated as indicated under (a) above; but if the military authorities prefer, UNRRA would accept an arrangement under which the military procured and shipped all or any part of the needed supplies for delivery to UNRRA in Italy against reimbursement by UNRRA in the United States in cash or in kind.

(d) To the extent that we ship in our own supplies, we should wish to be able to avoid delays in deliveries and unnecessary long and cross-hauls, by making arrangements in the theater (subject to military operational requirements) for deliveries from military stocks against replacement at later dates or other points.

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(e) Our operations will require the use not only of ocean trans-

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portation facilities, but also of storage warehouses and facilities for local transportation in Italy. We would, of course, be prepared to pay appropriate charges for the service of transportation, handling and warehousing, in foreign exchange where incurred outside Italy, and in lire where incurred locally.

We understand that the most serious possible obstacle to this proposal is the existing shortage of local transport. UNRRA cannot discharge its obligations unless it has an adequate and unbroken supply line. Of necessity, we will require the same transport priorities as are accorded to A.C.C.

2. Assistance to UNRRA Personnel

We should like very much to have the cooperation of the appropriate military authorities in securing for our personnel assigned to the Italian program (subject of course to the limitations imposed by military necessity) necessary transportation, shelter, food, clothing, medical aid, communication facilities, and the use of Post Exchange or EFI facilities. This cooperation is essential to our effective operation, in view of the disorganization and inflationary conditions now existing in Italy. Of course, payment would be made for all supplies and services so furnished. As in other theaters under military control, we should also like to have for our personnel certificates of identity, entitling them to be treated as prisoners of war under the Geneva Convention, if captured.

I appreciate that most of the details of the arrangements referred to above cannot be settled in Washington but must be taken up with the military authorities in the theater, and in some cases, with the Italian government. Within this limitation, I respectfully request that the appropriate directives be procured from the Combined Chiefs of Staff so as to enable UNRRA to launch its programs at the earliest possible moment. Should the necessary assistance be forthcoming, we would be prepared to commence operations on a limited scale on November 1, 1944.

Representatives of the Administration are waiting to leave for Italy to attempt to negotiate detailed arrangements along these lines, and it would therefore be appreciated if we could have your reply at your earliest convenience.

Cordially,

/s/
Herbert H. Lehman
Director General

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G-5 Section
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G-5: 383.7-24

4 October 1944

7 OCT Recd

SUBJECT: UNRRA Activities in Italy.

TO : ACC, Regional Control and Military Government Section 18

1. The attached copy of a letter written to the UNRRA Representative at AFHQ represents action taken on your letter of the 19th of September with respect to UNRRA's taking responsibility for certain Displaced Persons Camps in Southern Italy.

2. Should UNRRA agree to the conditions indicated, it is understood that in the event of emergency conditions arising in the North of Italy which require additional resources on the part of the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Subcommission of AC, this Section would be prepared to view the situation sympathetically and to assist insofar as the military operational situation and general civilian needs at the time permit.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

Incl:
as above

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 383.7-24 5 October 1944

SUBJECT: Proposal that UNRRA take over certain Displaced Persons Camps in Southern Italy.

TO : UNRRA Liaison Representative at AFHQ.

1. Brigadier Lush, Executive Commissioner of the Allied Control Commission, Italy, has proposed that UNRRA take over responsibility for the Displaced Persons Camps now maintained by A.C. at S. Maria di Bagni, S. Caesarea, S. Maria di Leuca and Gallipoli, as well as the hospitals in connection therewith at Maglie and S. Maria di Leuca.

2. It is recommended that this be done and UNRRA is invited to engage in the work in question, as promptly as possible, but in any event to assume responsibility for these camps and hospitals by 1 December 1944.

3. The following conditions should expedite UNRRA's undertaking this responsibility:

(a) The military authorities (on a reimbursable basis) will continue the present #36 British ration, now available to the Camps and food now available to the hospitals for a period of three months following 1 December 1944; thereafter food supplies are to be provided by UNRRA's own supply lines.

(b) Allied Commission (Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission) will be requested to leave at the Camps and Hospitals all vehicles, equipment and Stores, there as of the date of take-over, and which would permit the establishment to be managed as efficiently, insofar as these matters are concerned, as they are as of this date, deterioration of equipment and vehicles taken into consideration.

(c) P.O.L. will continue to be supplied from Army or through civilian A.C. sources.

(d) With the assistance of A.C., in view of the military situation, UNRRA will be required to establish its own facilities, within or outside the Camps, for maintenances of vehicles or camp equipment.

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(e) UNRRA is to supply personnel to undertake the responsibility for the camps and hospitals; key personnel should arrive at Camps and at Headquarters at Lecce by 1 November 1944, to permit a smooth takeover on 1 December.

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(f) A.C. will be requested to assist UNRRA to secure the continued use of buildings and other facilities on the Camps and hospitals, and in requisitioning of additional appropriate facilities and buildings when required.

(g) UNRRA, as from takeover date, will assume all financial obligations in connection with buildings and facilities, A.C. to have responsibility for a proper inventory of facilities and contents of buildings, as well as for all claims in connection with such buildings and facilities until takeover date.

(h) A.C. will be requested to allow personnel, not members of Allied Forces, to remain at Camps, especially the Greek, Italian and Yugoslav doctors, nurses, or other medical or administrative personnel, as well as British Red Cross, FAU and similar personnel.

4. In general, it should be contemplated that, for the immediate future, Yugoslavs not destined for military service shall be concentrated in these camps. It should be understood, however, that the needs of other displaced persons, now in these camps, shall be the concern of UNRRA, and that in the more distant future, it may be possible for UNRRA, in agreement with appropriate authority, to operate these camps for the benefit of other than Yugoslav Displaced Persons.

5. This Section would be glad to be advised of action taken by UNRRA with respect to the above.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394

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Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 381/RM/CA. 9th September 1944.

SUBJECT: UNRRA Activities in Italy.

TO : G-5 Section, AFHQ.

1. Mr. Keeny and other observers of UNRRA have visited this HQ and gave observations in connection with the importation of UNRRA into this country after the cessation of hostilities. They do not consider entry before that date feasible or probable, with the exception of activities in connection with Yugoslav refugees.

2. In this connection it has been suggested that the camps now administered by the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission in Apulia should be placed under the administration of UNRRA's Balkan Mission, or alternatively, by the camp staff now at PHILIPPEVILLE.

3. For your information I enclose copy of a note submitted by Mr. Keeny in this respect.

4. I strongly endorse the recommendations submitted in this note. These recommendations will free a great many officers, give UNRRA experience for their Balkan work and hand over the responsibility to them, which, in my opinion, they should properly hold and can take without impinging at all on our activities in this country.

(Sgd) M.S Lush

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner,
for Acting Chief Commissioner.

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Copy to Displaced Persons & Repatriation S/C.

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Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner

Importation of UNRRA or other civilian agencies.
Brigadier H. S. Lush

A/CC 321
13 Sept 4

1. I do not believe that the attached letter G-5: 092.3-1 has been brought to your notice — in at any rate, not till your letter was already drafted.

2. Although it is in conformity with your own letter, I thought you might wish to see it before your letter to G-5 AFHQ was submitted to Captain Stone.

J. A. QUAYLE
Major, R. A.
Chief Staff Officer

1 Incl:
Ltr G-5: 092.3-1, 5 Sept 44.

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G-5: 092.3-1

5 September 1944

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SUBJECT: Importation of UNRRA or other civilian agencies.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission, APO 394.
(Attention: Acting Chief Commissioner).

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1. Reference is made to your A/CC 321 of 23 August 44.

2. At the present time UNRRA cannot operate in Italy or any other ex-enemy country and to enable it to do so will require specific decision from its Council. It is probable however, that the Council of UNRRA will take decision at its meeting on 15 September as to the extent to which UNRRA operations will be carried on in Italy.

3. Should the Director General of UNRRA approve the request that UNRRA provide relief for United Nations nationals in Italy, this could be done within existing authorities vested in him and would not need a specific resolution of the Council. It is thought possible that the Director General may agree to do so.

4. UNRRA activities in Italy before the withdrawal of ACC would be under the control of ACC. This follows on the application of UNRRA Council Resolution Number 1 which provides that,

> "if it appears necessary for the Administration to operate in an enemy or ex-enemy area in carrying out the purpose of the Agreement, it will do so only from such a time and for such purposes as may be agreed upon between the military command, the established control authority or duly recognized administration of the area on the one hand and the Administration on the other, and subject to such control as the military command or the established control authority may find necessary; provided that the Council approve the scale and nature of the operations it is proposed to undertake and the standard of provision..."

5. It is considered that UNRRA operations generally in Italy could probably not begin for at least three months after the modification of the Council resolution and January 1 is suggested as a target date. A possible exception to such a time lag might however be found in the caring for United Nations Nationals in camps in Italy. 4351

6. The above has been discussed with Governor Cochrane of UNRRA who is in agreement with the views expressed.

/s/ Charles M. Spofford
/t/ CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5.

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A/CC 322 23 August 1944

SUBJECT: Importation of UNRRA or other civil agencies.

TO : G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512

1. The attached paraphrase of a telegram from Governor Lehman, UNRRA, to his representative in this country has come to my notice.

2. The implications in the telegram are so important and affect A.C.C. planning for future administrative operations in this country so greatly that I would ask for direction on the policy to be adopted with regard to the importation of UNRRA or other civil agencies, as soon as possible.

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
Paraphrase of telegram from
Lehman, UNRRA, 11 Aug 44

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Hq ACC Sec'y Gen.
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Date-Time 23 Aug 1450 Hrs.
By DRR

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PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED DATED AUGUST 14, 1944:

In discussion recently held here, it has been communicated to us by United States and United Kingdom Council members that responsibility for supplies will be assumed by another agency.

The proposal has been made that UNRRA accept responsibility for health services; for feeding and care of children; and for displaced persons in Italy.

The object is a maximum effect politically and morally in Italy and in other countries while not involving a cost of substantial amount and with operation by UNRRA limited.

A precise description has been supplied to us with regard to the work which is planned, for example in connection with displaced persons the recommendation has been made although such recommendation is not to be brought up as a question of principle that included among displaced persons will be displaced Italians.

Supplies which will be requisite for services of this kind will also be included in our responsibility.

A proposal along these lines may be expected by us at Montreal.

Although there is no commitment by the Director General, the explorations which are necessary should proceed at once.

Your special attention should be given to these matters and there should be obtained all possible information which may be necessary with a view to appraising the problem including requirements of personnel, supplies and finance. An outline and a general report while not essential would still be useful.

To be sent at once are specialist in the matter of welfare and health; these will make fuller report regarding this proposal.

The foregoing telegram was repeated as UNRRA 357 to Naples and as UNRRA 486 to London.

(From Lehman No. 2 for UNRRA for Keeny.)

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HQ ACC. APO 394
929 Sec'y Gen.
Rec'd 31 Aug 1055
By

30th August 1944.

Acting Chief Commissioner.

1. Mr. Keery with the other observers of UNRRA saw me today. They told me in the main what their observations were in connection with the importation of UNRRA into this country after the cessation of hostilities. They do not consider entry before that date feasible or probable with the exception of activities connected with the Yugoslav refugees.

2. In this connection they have suggested that the camps now administered by the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission in Apulia should be placed under the administration of UNRRA's Balkan Mission, or alternatively by the camp staff now at Philippeville.

3. I strongly endorse this recommendation which will free a great many officers, give UNRRA experience for their Balkan work and hand over the responsibility to them, which, in my opinion, they should properly hold and can take without impinging at all on our activities in this country.

4. If you agree I will forward the note to C-5 with your recommendations.

M.S.C.

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Seen by a/cc
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Draft No, 1: Keeny, Aug. 29

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Yugoslav Refugees: A Tentative Summary

1. Numbers: The number now in camps in Egypt is about 28,000; in Italy about 9,000. The inflow has declined sharply to about 1,000 for August, and the Yugoslav leaders predict that this low rate will not be greatly exceeded and may even decline further. They further state their belief that the number coming from the North of Italy will be small--perhaps not more than a thousand or two that will need to be placed in camps.

2. Suitability of Camps: Italy is by far the best place for the refugees who can be kept there. Philippeville will probably come second, but this remains to be demonstrated. Egypt is definitely unsuited for children under five and for all badly undernourished children. If the foregoing judgments are sound, the Italian camps should be used to capacity and expanded if possible--the decision about expansion being made after a comprehensive review of the requirements in Italy for refugees of all sorts and consideration of the possibility not only of taking over other houses near present camps but also of opening new camps in installations that can perhaps be freed. If the health record at Khatatbah continues bad, and if Philippeville turns out well, some of the refugees now at the former place might be returned to the latter.

3. Philippeville: UNRRA should carry out its minimum agreement for this camp; but the actual need for it should be under frequent review in order that staff urgently needed elsewhere may not be held idle there.

4. UNRRA should offer to take over the camps in Italy on the same general plan as that worked out for Philippeville, with UNRRA paying maintenance costs only and not for installations. This offer should be based on a camp population of 5,000, with a provision to pay for as many more as would be installed in permanent camps. The offer should not cover those in transit camps. Hospital facilities should be provided, as far as possible, by strengthening the permanent hospitals at Maglie and Santa Maria de Leuca rather than by installing new temporary hospitals. Jan.1 is suggested as the date of final transfer, with any available UNRRA help assigned under present leadership in the meantime.

5. That steps be taken to give help to refugees in Yugoslavia as soon as possible instead of bringing the refugees themselves out of the country.

6. That the camps in Italy be placed under the administration of the Balkan Mission if there is no operation in Italy; if there is an Italian UNRRA Mission, the scale of assistance should be made as nearly uniform with that given in Egypt as possible.

7. That a detailed budget be submitted, showing personnel required and dollar costs. The latter should not exceed 50 cents per day per perspn.

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Folio 10 is reply by 1st D.P. Sub Commission setting out list of personnel required should UNNRA agree to take over certain camps. For info only.

19 Aug.

J. Keenan — Maj

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I RNEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS SU. OMMISSION
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

IDP/1083/33-15 Tel. 489081 Ext. 392 17 August 1944 Recd

SUBJECT : Detail of Personnel required by U.N.R.R.A. to take over certain Allied Refugee Camps in Southern Italy.

TO : A.F.H.Q. (G 5)

1. Reference your cable FX 75052 dated 25 July 1944.

2. In consultation Mr. SORIERI, after his visit to No 1 Sub-Section, herewith list of personnel needed by UNRRA to take over the following:-

(i) HQ No 1 Sub-Section, Lecce
(ii) S. Cesarea Camp
(iii) Di Bagni Camp
(iv) Di Leuca Camp
(v) Ferramonti Camp
(vi) Gallipoli Camp
(vii) Maglie Hospital
(viii) Di Leuca Hospital

A.
OFFICERS:

Officer Commanding Sub-Section	1	
Camp Commanders	4	
Finance (Accounts and payments personnel)	1	
2nd i/c & Supplies (one as part time Commander for Gallipoli)	6	
Transport	1	
Medical Doctors Superviser	1	
Doctors	2	
Hygiene	4	per Camp ?
Nurses Camps and 2 Hospitals	10	(3 Nurses at Di Leuca trained as Mid Wife)
Movements Officers	1	
Welfare Superviser	1	
Welfare	6	
Nutritionist	1	

B.
OTHER GRADES:

'A' Clerks	9	4345
Finance	1	
Supply	3	(If own D.I.D. to be maintained additional staff required)
Warehouse Clerks	8	
Tpt Clerk	1	
M.T. Repair	1	
Drivers	6	(Non Refugee)
Cooks Supervising	4	
Hospitals 2 Orderlies	10	(Possible Refugees)
Cooks	4	
Storemen	2	
Clerks	2	(Possible Refugees)

1. Reference your cable FX 75052 dated 25 July 1944.

2. In consultation Mr. SORIERI, after his visit to No 1 Sub-Section, herewith list of personnel needed by UNRRA to take over the following:-

(i) HQ No 1 Sub-Section, Lecce
(ii) S. Cesarea Camp
(iii) Di Bagni Camp
(iv) Di Leuca Camp
(v) Ferramonti Camp
(vi) Gallipoli Camp
(vii) Maglie Hospital
(viii) Di Leuca Hospital

A.

OFFICERS:

Officer Commanding Sub-Section	1	
Camp Commanders	4	
Finance (Accounts and payments personnel)	1	
2nd i/c & Supplies (one as part time Commander for Gallipoli)	6	
Transport	1	
Medical Doctors Superviser	1	
Doctors	2	
Hygiene	4	per Camp ?
Nurses Camps and 2 Hospitals	10	(3 Nurses at Di Leuca trained as Mid Wife)
Movements Officers	1	
Welfare Superviser	1	
Welfare	6	
Nutritionist	1	

B.

OTHER GRADES:

'A' Clerks	9	
Finance	1	
Supply	3	(If own D.I.D. to be maintained additional staff required)
Warehouse Clerks	8	
Tpt Clerk	1	
M.T. Repair	1	
Drivers	6	(Non Refugee)
Cooks Supervising	4	
Hospitals 2 Orderlies	10	(Possible Refugees)
Cooks	4	
Storemen	2	
Clerks	2	(Possible Refugees)

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For the Director:

C.F. FOTHERGILL
Lt. Colonel
Deputy Director

Copy to:
C.A. Branch - for information
UNRRA (A.C.C.) " "

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AFHQ, NEAR FOR CG MBS FOR CG CHRAN INFO MIDEAST FOR BERRA

AFHQ SIGNED EACMED

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FX 78235

ROUTINE

AUG 021200

CIR FMHD 3 AUG 1944

3 AUG Recd

REFERENCE YOUR CD 2363 OF 25 JULY. IMPORTANCE OF PLANS TO BROADEN MISSION FULLY APPRECIATED. IT IS NOT HOWEVER FELT THAT AT THIS STAGE IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO GIVE UNQUALIFIED APPRO VAL TO PROPOSAL. STILL LESS AGREE TO PRESENCE OF MISSION OF THE SIZE SU GGESTED. UNTIL POSITION OF UNRRA IS MORE CLEAR IT IS FEARED THAT ANY BROADENING OF THE MISSION AS SUGGESTED MIGHT LEAD TO DUPLICATION AND OVERLAPPING WITH ACC WHOSE RESPONSIBILITIES ARE AT PRESENT CONSIDERABLE. RELUCTANT NOW TO ADD ANYTHING TO THESE RESPONSIBILITIES WHICH MIGHT BE BURDENSOME. ALTHOUGH WILLING TO RECONSIDER IN SAY 6 WEEKS. PARA PREPARED ACCEPT WEEK ON BASIS ATTACHED TO ACC AND UNDER ITS ORDERS

GC Skipp

Red underlining above corresponds to red underlining folio 7

ACC DIST

INFO-ACTION	UNRRA	1
INFO	SEC GEN	1
	C A BR	1
	ADM SEC	1
	ECON SEC	1
	DIPLOM	1
	A/CC	1
	FILE	2
	FLOAT	1

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DEC

You and EC will wish to see this.

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AUG 030930

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Seen by A/CC & E.C. 9/8.

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Col Shipp

1. Signal (~~dtd~~) refers to Italian Observers mission which ~~it~~ is now proposed to increase from 3 or 4 to the following :-

1 Chief
1- Industrial Rehab^tn specialist
1- Admin Ec + fin. problems
1- Ch head offr
1- Agr Rehab^tn Specialist
1- Requirements & Sup "
1- Tn specialist
1- Ch Warehouseman
1- Welfare specialist
4- Diaper specialists
? - adm offrs
2- stenographers

2. This mission seems to be a branch of UNRRA

27/7/44

Col Fiske

You will want to see.

27/7

4343

28/7

Dear J

TO: CINC AFHQ INFO COS ROME

FROM: LT BULLOCK HQ 2678 CA REGT

REF NR: CA2363.

DATE/TIME/ORIGIN: JUL2619033

1704

MSG CNTR NR: M54/26

CLASS: NONE

PREC: ROUTINE

27 JUL Recd

CABLE RECEIVED FROM LEIMAN 23 JULY IS PARAPHRASED AS FOLLOWS:

"WHEN IN ALGIERS I DISCUSSED PROBLEM OF ITALIAN OBSERVERS MISSION WITH GENERAL WILSON. (FOR UNRRA FOR COCHRAN FROM LEIMAN NUB 200) AT THAT TIME MEDITERRANEAN WAS ON TRAVEL MISSION OF 3 OR 4 INDIVIDUALS TO OBSERVE DISPLACED PERSONS PROBLEMS. UPON RETURN PROBLEM FURTHER EXPLORED. NOW FEEL IT DESIRABLE TO BROADEN MISSION AGAINST POSSIBLE DECISION BY CENTRAL COMMITTEE OR COUNCIL INDICATING DESIRABILITY MORE EXTENSIVE EXAMINATION ITALIAN RELIEF AND REHABILITATION SITUATION. ACCORDINGLY HAVE APPROVED COMPLETE BUDGET FOR FOLLOWING 16 POSITIONS: CHIEF OF MISSION, INDUSTRIAL REHABILITATION SPECIALIST, ADVISOR ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL PROBLEMS. (TO COMMANDER IN CHIEF AFHQ FOR G-5 FOR STOFORD ACTION REPEAT FOR INFORMATION TO ACC ROME FOR KENNY UNRRA SIGNED ROME FROM COCHRAN CATO) CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER, AGRICULTURAL REHABILITATION SPECIALIST, REQUIREMENTS AND SUPPLY SPECIALIST, TRANSPORTATION SPECIALIST, CHIEF WAREHOUSEMAN, WELFARE SPECIALIST. 4 DISPLACED PERSONS SPECIALISTS, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS, 2 STENOGRAPHERS. PLEASE DISCUSS WITH GENERAL WILSON AND OBTAIN APPROVAL AGAINST ABOVE CONTINGENCY. IN ANY EVENT OBTAIN IMMEDIATE APPROVAL FOR WILLIAM HALE, ADVISOR ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL PROBLEMS, WHO WILL OBSERVE ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL AND DISTRIBUTION PROBLEMS IN ITALY. WEEK PRECEDING ALGIERS. MEANWHILE, KEEP KENNY INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS." UNRRA REQUEST FOR APPROVAL BE TAKEN UP WITH GENERAL WILSON WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON IMMEDIATE APPROVAL OF HALE. PLEASE ADVISE ME ALGIERS REPEAT CAIRO

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ACT- UNRRA
INF- SUCT GEN
CA MI
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...ILSON. (FOR UNRRA FOR COCHRAN FROM LEHMAN RUB 900) AT THAT TIME ENGAGED WAS ON SMALL MISSION OF 3 OR 4 INDIVIDUALS TO OBSERVE DISPLACED PERSONS PROBLEMS. UPON WHICH PROBLEM FURTHER EXPLORED. NOW FEEL IT DESIRABLE TO BROADEN MISSION AGAINST POSSIBLE DECISION BY CENTRAL COMMITTEE OR COUNCIL INDICATING DESIRABILITY MORE EXTENSIVE EXAMINATION ITALIAN RELIEF AND REHABILITATION SITUATION. ACCORDINGLY HAVE APPROVED COMPLETE BUDGET FOR FOLLOWING 16 POSITIONS: CHIEF OF MISSION, INDUSTRIAL REHABILITATION SPECIALIST, ADVISOR ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL PROBLEMS. (TO COMMANDER IN CHIEF AFHQ FOR G-5 FOR SPOFFORD ACTION REPEAT FOR INFORMATION TO ACC ROME FOR KENNY UNRRA SIGNED BOND FROM COCHRAN CAIRO) CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER, AGRICULTURAL REHABILITATION SPECIALIST, REQUIREMENTS AND SUPPLY SPECIALIST, TRANSPORTATION SPECIALIST, CHIEF WAREHOUSEMAN, WELFARE SPECIALIST, 4 DISPLACED PERSONS SPECIALISTS, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS, 2 STENOGRAPHERS. PLEASE DISCUSS WITH GENERAL WILSON AND OBTAIN APPROVAL AGAINST ABOVE CONTINGENCY. IN ANY EVENT OBTAIN IMMEDIATE APPROVAL FOR WILLIAM WELK, ADVISOR ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL PROBLEMS, WHO WILL OBSERVE ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL AND DISTRIBUTION PROBLEMS IN ITALY. WELK PROCEEDING ALGIERS. MEANWHILE, KEEP KENNY INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS." UNDS [illegible] REQUEST FOR APPROVAL BE TAKEN UP WITH GENERAL WILSON WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON IMMEDIATE APPROVAL OF WELK. PLEASE ADVISE HQ ALGIERS REPEAT CAIRO

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27 JUL 1944
A. C. C.

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AFHQ SIGNED SACMED

NR EX 75052

JULY 25/1135

NONE

NONE

CITE : PHGEC

WILL CONSULT UNRRA REPRESENTATIVE WITH AFHQ, MR COCHRAN, ON PROSPECTS. MEANTIME WOULD APPRECIATE DETAILED ECTIMATES OF PERSONNEL THAT WOULD REQUIRE TO BE RELIEVED BY UNRRA PERSONNEL WITH BRIEF PARTICULARS OF DUTIES WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS, MEDICAL, ADMINISTRATIVE, OCCUPATIONAL, LEADERSHIP, CAMP MANGEMENT, NURSING. MISTER SORIERI SHOULD STUDY PROBLEM AND REPORT, ASSUME MISTER KEENY HAS BEEN CONSULTED. COCHRAN NOW IN MIDEAST NO ANSWER PROBABLE BEFORE 1 AUGUST

A CC DIST

ACTION UNRRA (2)
INFO A/CC
FILE (2)
PLCAT
(Dispatch copy)

5 refers.

Dispatch as drafted.

JULY 25/1312

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SECRET

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AFHQ

ACC ADVANCE

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15 July 1944

SECRET
ROUTINE
Civil Affairs Branch

SUBJECT IS DISPLACED PERSONS PD PARENTO AMIQ FOR GEORGE FIVE FROM ACC ADVANCE PARENT AM CONSIDERING POSSIBILITY HANDING OVER CAMPS AT SANTA CESAREA CMA DI LECCA CMA SANTA MARIA DI BAGNI CMA PERRAMONTI TO UNRA IN ORDER TO SAVE PERSONNEL PD CAN YOU INFORM WHEN UNRA WILL ARRIVE AND WHETHER THEY WOULD BE LIKELY TO ACCEPT PD THE CAMPS HAVE CAPACITY OF SOME TEN THOUSAND INCLUDING TWO HOSPITALS

1 to 4.

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L.T.MONTAPT, Jr.
1st Lieut. AGD
ADJUTANT

Disper

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TO: Deputy Executive Commissioner. 14 July 1944.

Policy - Displaced Persons.

Reference folios 1 - 5

1. Col. Findlay has written a short and interesting summary of the present position which on the whole is very satisfactory. The letter at 199 is not so fierce as it sounds and in actual fact very cordial relations exist.

2. Three points he raises on page 2 (a) and (b) are being dealt with by him and no action is required. Regarding (c) I think we should write to AFHQ to see whether UNRRA would agree to take over these Camps. UNRRA observers are expected in this country shortly and it might be as well to discuss the matter with them on their arrival.

See 5 Vol III

G.W.I.SHIPP,
Lieut.Col.

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HEADQUARTERS
INTE ES AND DISPLACED PERSONS SUB C ISSION
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

SECRET

CBF/drc

IDP/577/38.

11 July 44

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12 LUG. 1944

SUBJECT:- Inspection of Camps.

TO :- HQ A.C.C.,
(att. Brigadier Lush).

1. Southern Camps.

(a) I have just completed a tour of my Southern Camps - I was very impressed by the great improvements effected recently by the Engineer Services.

The Health of the Camps has been well maintained.

I was disturbed by the reports of auto-cratic and Prussian behaviour on part of the Bari Central Partisan Committee.

I enclose a copy of a warning which I have addressed to the Committee.

The Camps at Tuturano and Arnesano are being handed over - A new temporary, mainly tented Camp at Gallipoli has been opened for Royalist Yugoslavs.

If evacuation is NOT reopened for Royalists, one of my other Camps will have to be reserved for them.

Some 800 orphans received mostly by air last week.

(b) Future Policy.

In order to provide sufficient personnel for further North I am of opinion that the Camps at Santa Cesarea, Di Leuca, Santa Maria di Bagni and Ferramonti might well be taken over as permanent Camps by U.N.R.A. - These Camps would have a capacity of some 10,000 and would include the 2 main hospitals of Di Leuca and Maglie.

The Allied Camp Staffs average - 2 Executive Officers, 5 EM/OR's and 1 Red Cross Worker. In addition there are 1 or 2 Italians or other nationals, Doctors at each Camp.

2. Central Italy.

(a) Aversa Camp (Lunatic Asylum) has been half taken over from the Italian Refugee Branch. It is hoped that we will have the whole of Aversa by the end of July.

Cine Citta, Rome. Hitherto mainly as a Transit Camp now capable of receiving longer term population.

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FLORENCE - A temporary "Transit Camp" to ROME etc.

LEGHORN - A temporary "Shipping" Camp to NAPLES.

3. Evacuation.

It is anticipated that evacuation will commence to French North Africa in August, and that, may be, evacuation will re commence to Egypt.

Contd/.....

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3(Contd). (present permitted figure of 30,000 will be reached this week).

4. Difficulties.

(a) Maltese from Tripoli - Some 400 in Rome - being moved to CINE CITTA - Another 1000 further North.

(b) Considerable numbers of different nationals being collected at BARI - viz., GREEKS, CHINESE, RUSSIANS etc.

(c) Acute shortage of A and B personnel - Essential for U.N.R.A. to take over Southern Camps before the "Gothic" Line is taken.

C. B. FINDLAY.
Colonel.
Director.

Copy to:-

No. 1 Sub Section, LECCE.
Major Attayer, c/o Region II, A.C.C., BARI.
Major Knight, B.R.C.S.
Italian Refugees Branch, A.C.C.

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381 B

HEADQUARTERS
INTERNEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

CBF/drs.

IDP/575.101-9.

11 July 44.

SUBJECT:- Camp Committees.

TO :- Committee N.L.A.Y.
thru 'Z' Military Mission.

1. I have just completed a tour of the Camps under my command in Southern Italy - I am well satisfied with the state of the Camps and particularly with the progress made in providing clothing, comforts and amenities for those who have suffered so much from the war - I hope progress will continue to be made.

2. I welcome the aid of the Camp Committees in maintaining the discipline and welfare of the Camps but I cannot continue to tolerate the interference of your Central Committee in the following respects:-

(a) Hospitals are provided by the Allies for the benefit of all those who are ill, irrespective of race, religion or political beliefs - your CentralCommittee have sought to dictate who will or will not be admitted to these Hospitals.

(b) Red Cross Clothing and Comforts. These are also provided by the Allies, out of their own scanty stocks, for the benefit of all those who are in great need - again irrespective of race or religion or political beliefs. Members of your Central Committee have in certain cases endeavoured to ensure that the clothing and comforts should be given to only those of their Political Beliefs.

(c) Camp Staffs. Cases have occurred when your Central Committee have endeavoured to remove members of the Camp Staff - who have been performing their duties excellently. My Camp Commandants are glad to have the help and advice of the Camp Committees in maintaining efficient Staffs, but these staffs will only be removed with their consent.

(d) Transit Camp, Bari. Members of your Central Committee have in many cases far exceeded their permitted powers and have caused fear in the inmates. The Allies are fighting that fear should be removed from this world.

3. I now order that no member of the Cental Committee will visit the Southern Camps without the written permission of O.C. No. 1 Sub Section, I.& D.P.S.C., Lecce. Members of the Central Committee may still visit No. 1 Transit Camp provided that prior to disinfestation and screening their remarks are confined to what is permitted.

4. I warn the Central Committee that unless the above interferences and abuses cease:-

(a) I will entirely stop all visits by members of the Central Committee or their agents to all camps under my command.

(b) The Director of the Red Cross states that he will regretfully have to remove all his workers, clothing and comforts from the Camps.

C.B.FINDLAY.
Colonel.
Director.

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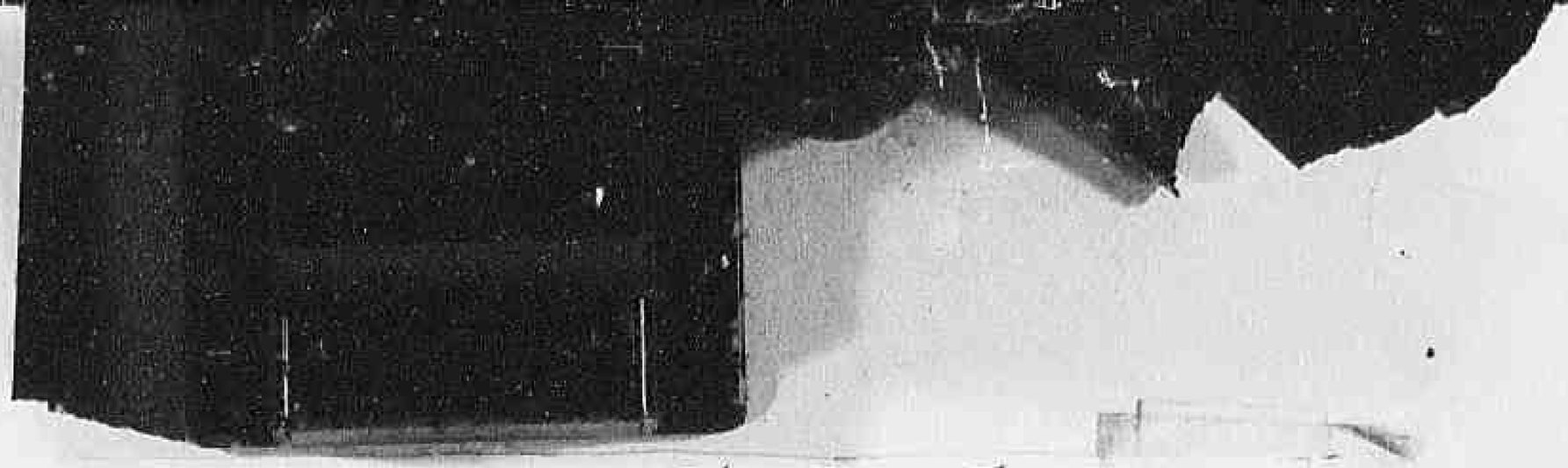
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T.T. FINLAY.
Colonel.
Director.

Copy to:-
'B' Military Mission
HQ No. 1 Sub Section, [illegible], Lecce
HQ Region II, Bari.

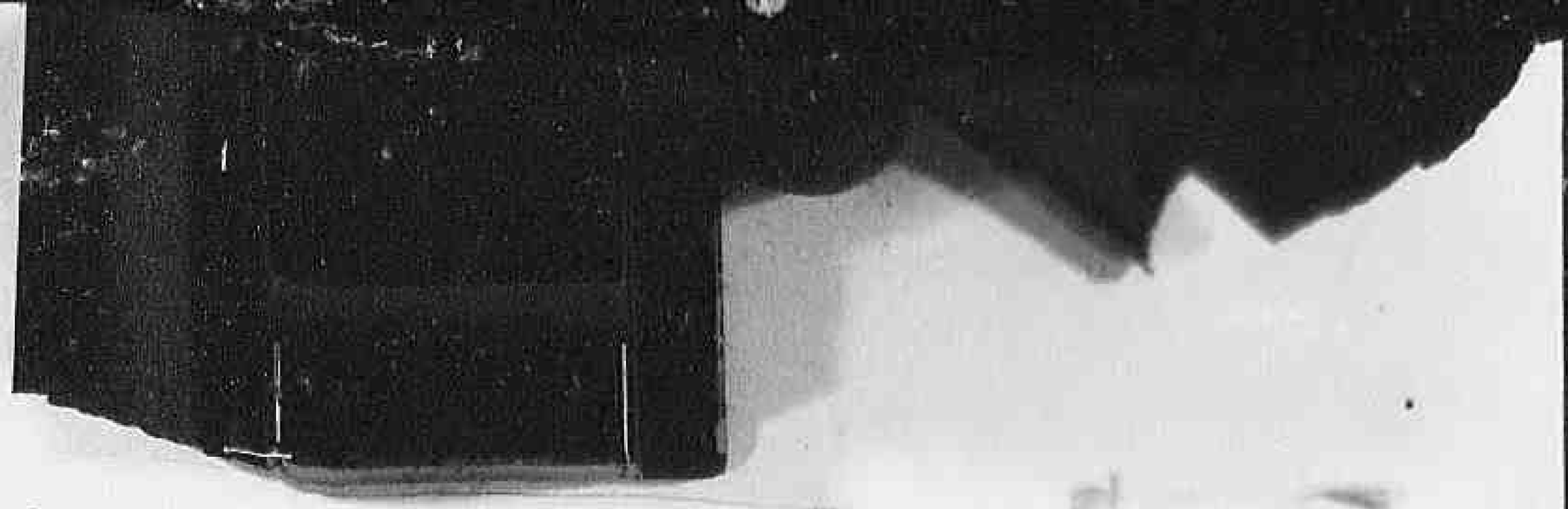
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160.

E.C. Agree with your minute. I think we should urge JCS/AFHQ Directive CG XIII Corps To that Jugs that Econ Cm will be disbanded & Jugs Dir permitted to flow East if a different kind is sub-Tobe

Encl
CC

22/10

(181)

Chief Commission

Draft to AFHQ submitted. 25/10.

(182)

OCT 25 RECD
1545

E.C.

Good - but I would like reference made to early dispatches re VE - where frequent reference was made to necessity for economic autonomy for VE. This was AFHQ's justification for the various joint undertakings which Embassies FAC objected to. Now we see that altho US & UK are disposed to help economics each of the line, the action is not reciprocal, & supplies in our area are not to exist for VE Jugs each of the line, the joint undertakings merely are a one-way stretch to assist the JUGS, as I always felt they would be

Encl
CC

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22/10

(181)

Chief Communications

Draft to AFHQ submitted. OS/25th

(182)

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1545

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FWS
cc

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26/10

(185)

Letter at 184 cancelled – PA on instructions of Executive Commissioner

FS 7/11

PA
FWS 7/11

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C80 - Folio 168 for info. Emd

~~172~~ 171

Covert. Fwr 4/10.

C80 - Folio 192 for info. ~~Will~~ It is assumed CC will want Ec. Sec to prepare a reply and I will follow him up to that end.

Emd 4/10

173

Ex. Com.

C80 - Folio 172 (particularly para 3) for info

Fwr 11/10.

Emd 10/10

178

Ex. Com.

C80 - Folio 177 for info. Klein. I think. is what Brig Parsons wanted & I will send him a copy.

Emd 18/10 Fwr

179.

Chief Commissioner.

P. 177 submitted with reference to your note on P. 175.

This is all part & parcel of the refusal of the Yugs. to honour the agreement & the Conclusion of the Joint Economic Council & all things flow.

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At which time have come to take the matter up with

[illegible] authorities at

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and I will follow them up to that end.

Emid 4/10

173

Ex. Com.

C.S.O. - Folio 172 (particularly para 3) for info

Emid 10/10

178

Ex. Com.

C.S.O. - Folio 177 for info. Their I.G. is what Boing Persons wanted & I will send him a copy.

Emid 18/10

179.

Chief Commissioner.

P. 177 submitted with reference to your note on 175.

This is all part & parcel of the refusal of the Yugs. to honour the agreement & the failure of the Joint Economic Council to get things done. With the time have come to take the matter up with A.F.H.Q. pointing out to them the question as to whether it is policy to let the Yugs get away with anything or whether we, on our side cannot do rough & tough in

Sanctions

OCT 19 RECD 1207

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MINUTE Misl

TO: Executive Commissioner.

Reference is your minute Misc in Volume 1 of this file. (163)

Request approval and signature of Chief Commissioner on letter opposite to Ambassador Kirk. (162) (160)

A copy of letter WS/15.1a/0 of 22 September to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs acknowledging their letter of 8 September is attached.

E.B. McKinley D.

E. B. McKINLEY
Brigadier General, USA
Acting Vice President
Economic Section

CWM:jcs
24/9/45

24/9.

(164)

Chief Commissioner

(163) Submitted. This is the French position

DS 25/9

Note 27/9

Tn S/c cabled Milan on 7 Sept. Two follow up signals ~~latest~~ to Genoa, latest on 25 Sept asking for quantity on hand & reason for failure to reply to first ~~two~~ signal & daily removal. No reply.

Coal Div. advises it has all been moved. This coal piles up at Savona because it is only 24 hr. unloading port and ~~and~~ sometimes have to wait for wagons to move it out.

Enc

165

Thanks for 22/9.

C.S.O. - Re minute 155 and folio 154. All coal from 2997 Savona has been moved. No further action

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reference is your minute #128 in Volume 1 of the file.

Request approval and signature of Chief Commissioner on letter opposite to Lancaster Kirk.

A copy of letter BS/15.12/0 of 22 September to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs acknowledging their letter of 8 September is attached.

E.B. McKinley 22.

E. B. McKINLEY
Brigadier General, USA
Acting Vice President
Economic Section

EBM:jcs
24/9/45

Sgd
24/9.

Chief Commissioner

Submitted. This is the Truscan position

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Encl

Thanks 27/9. 165

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Encl 27/9

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C.S.C.

Follow this up please with Econ Sec and report.

(Intd) M.S.L.
10/9.

156

Capt Amsbury

Ref 154 this was mentioned at this morning's S&C meeting. Pl follow up with [illegible]

Sj 11/9

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Chief Commissioner.

Attached is submitted for your ~~approval~~ signature ~~authorization~~

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For CCs & your info please see folio 119

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Khan & the basic letter.

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Basic letter referred to is at folio 128A

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Draft letter to Dr Kaiser for CCs signature

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V.P. Econ Sect:

May I know, for C.C.'s information, what has happened to the CRAC telegram (COM 241) is correct? If so have we got resolved the question?

DV 1/11

Ec Com - attached is letter from V-P Ec Sec in reply to your min. 1

Encl 7/11

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Chief Commissioner.

Attached is submitted for your information/signature/approval.

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NOV 5 REGD

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DS 11/10

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Originator's Reference FX 52641
Date Time of Origin 101119 A

Message Centre NC: G/3479
Date Time Rec'd 131430 A
Precedence PRIORITY

NOV 14 1945

FROM : AFHQ SIGNED SACMED
TO : USFET, INFO: CONCOMB: BERCOMB: ALCOM TSFET MAIN

13 NOV 1945

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4. Understand investigations already being discussed regarding supply of coal for ITALY ex RUHR at EDC conference in LONDON

(CAPT CRAWCROOKE)

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5. This also answers to 337 of 8 November from October TSPET main and SC 5195 of 8 November from TSPET main.

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REQ (Br) (10)
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: WCL 19685

Date / Time of Origin : NOV 0922HRS

Message Centre No: G3388

Date Time Rec'd: NOV 110930A

Precedence: ROUTINE

NOV 13 1945

FROM: WAR CCS CITE CCAC FOR CLAC

TO : ACTION: ALLIED COMMISSION INFO: AFHQ FOR FHQEG AND UK BASE SECTION FOR CABINET SECRETARIAT.

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This is COM 289. Refer paragraph 5 M04352, Coal from TURKEY.

Turkish coal could not be financed by United Kingdom as part of basic programme, since sources for procurement by the United Kingdom against these do not include third countries.

Action Direction - Econ Sec 11
(CSO (6), Supply Group,
Program Br., Requisition Br. (3))

Advance Copies to - Commerce SC 2
Finance SC
Food-Agric. SC 2
Ind.-Utilities SC 3
Tn. SC 2

Info - Chief Commissioner
Exec. Comm. 2
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Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers

Rome, 31 October 1945

NOV 2 1945

My dear Admiral,

the decision of the Allied Commission to reduce of about one half the import of coal for the month of November because of the strikes in America is a cause of great preoccupation for our Government, for it will certainly make much worse the industrial crisis, which will strike all Italy with the incoming winter, involving all civilian life, and increasing unemployment.

The proposal of completing the reduced contingent of coal with black coal and anthracith dust from America, by which the Allied Commission tried to meet Italian requirements, can only meet a small part of such requirements, for black coal, because of its physical and chemical characteristics, cannot be used easily in industrial plants.

I shall as soon as possible give you precise information about the limitations which the intended reductions will cause, and the ensuing very serious repercussions on every industrial activities and on the whole civilian life of our Country; and I beg you, my dear Admiral, to intervene personally so that the supplying of coal to Italy during the next month may take place according to the fixed plan, completing if necessary American supplies with coal from some other source.

Considering the seriousness of the situation, I informed our Ambassadors in Washington and London, asking them to bring to the attention of the respective Governments the consequences that such an action would have.

Thanking you for whatever action you will deem it advisable to take, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

See No. 201 & M208

S. Ferruccio Parri

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

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DATE/TIME OF ORGIN:

Message Centre No: G/2598
Date Time Rec'd: NOV 011600A
Precedence: ROUTINE

NOV 2 1945

FROM: CCS AGWAR FROM J H HILLDRING MAJOR GENERAL DIRECTOR CIVIL AFFAIRS DIVISION CITE CCAC FOR CLAC

TO: ALCOM INFO AFHQ, US BASE SECTION FOR CABINET SECRETARIAT .

UNCLASSIFIED:

This is COM 248.

Refer MOC 332 and WAR DEPARTMENT cable 6681.

Description and proximate analysis coal shipments to ITALY unde. Civilian Supply Program.

1. Information as to specific analysis each coal cargo unavailable. However, general description is available based to some degree on ports of loading and general analysis of type coal now available for export of which approximately 90% of UNITED STATES exports to EUROPE will be strip coal, straight run of mine of 4-inch resultant.

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3. CHARLESTON and GULF Ports should analyze about 33 to 39% volatile, 6 to 14% ash, sulphur up to 3% and approximately 2100 AST.

4. High quality gas, low volatile coking and sized coals not currently available. Suggest maximum use be made of strip coal which is available and that any stocks of high grade coal in ITALY be conserved for specific and users requiring quality coal.

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31 October 1945.

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My dear General:

The provision of coal for civilian consumption is now no longer a military commitment but as President of the Allied Commission I think you would be interested in the attached copy of a telegram MOC 352 on the subject of the grave reduction in coal shipments during the month of October.

I have asked both the British and US Ambassadors to do all that they can to impress upon the governments the gravity of the situation with regard to unemployment and I attach copy of my letter to Mr. Kirk which gives you the picture. If you feel that you can with propriety draw the attention of the CCS to the situation, which is aggravated by the fact that we are obliged at the same time to ask for a further 100,000 tons of wheat to be imported monthly, I should be most grateful.

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Sincerely yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Lieut.General Sir N.D. Morgan, KCB, CB, DSO, MC,
Supreme Allied Commander,
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

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31 October 1945

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My dear Mr. Ambassador:

You will have seen the letter which Mr. Cleveland sent you with a copy of MCC 352 on the coal situation.

Needless to say, it is most serious for coal shipments to fall off at this time, just when the increased shipments and distribution of this vital commodity were promoting employment and confidence in the North in the face of the coming winter.

I hope you will do everything you can to bring the seriousness of this situation to the attention of the highest levels of the Government in Washington.

Sincerely yours,

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

The Honorable Alexander Kirk
The American Ambassador
119 Via Vittorio Veneto
ROME

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31 October 1945

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My dear Sir Charles:

I believe you will be interested in the attached copy of MCC 352, and the letter to Ambassador Kirk by Mr. Cleveland on the subject of the falling off of coal shipments during the month of October.

We would very much appreciate anything you can do to bring the seriousness of our coal situation to the attention of the highest levels of government in London. You will agree, I am sure, that it might be little short of disastrous for coal shipments to be cut just at this time when the coal program was starting to build up employment and confidence, especially in the northern areas.

Sincerely yours,

ELLERY W. STONE

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Sir Noel Charles
The British Embassador
Via Monte Bello
ROME

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INCOMING MESSAGE

Originator's Reference: FX 50977
Date/Time of Origin: OCT 301030A

Message Centre No: G/2471
Date Time Rec'd: OCT 311230A
Precedence: PRIORITY

From: HQ MTOUSA SIGNED COMGENMED CITE NAGDS

To : ACTION USFET INFO BERCOMB, CONCOMB, ALCOM

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31 OCT 1945
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Sec #1099

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Subject coal for ITALY.

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AGWAR has promised resumption of shipments as soon as possible but state that no pickup in shipments can be expected until 1 November. In view of repercussions of unemployment problem, the essential nature of industries affected and the lack of domestic heating, the November coal position for ITALY is causing us gravest concern. Immediate requirements are 200,000 tons run of the mine coal for general purposes similar to American high volatile coal now being shipped.

Please advise if release can be made of 200,000 tons coal for ITALY. If total amount not available, request any portion that can be released. Also, request dates and locations of release. In view of the extreme urgency of the situation, we will undertake movement to ITALY by the use of rolling stock and locomotives of this theater which would have been used to move coal from ports in

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(FX 50977 cont'd)

This is sent to you because the situation may become so critical as to involve the military end, also, because we understand that ECO does not control the entire coal production from the RUHR. Request, therefore, that you press this matter urgently on our behalf.

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Your 7755 para 2 undesirable that Italian Govt representatives should attend at present time. Please confine to AC representatives who will act as adviser to US AND UK members.

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27 October 1945.

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My dear Mr. Ambassador:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of 25 October with reference to the effect of strikes in the United States on shipments of coal to Italy and the information you have received from the State Department regarding future coal shipments to this country.

Sincerely yours,

ELLERY W. STONE,
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner.

The Hon. Alexander Kirk,
American Ambassador,
Via Veneto 119,
ROME.

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For Coal Section.

Para 1. Has been decided that EDO should start taking cognizance of Italian coal requirements through US and UK representatives of EDO.

Para 2. Pending assumption responsibility by UNRRA suggested member from AC should attend meeting in role of adviser to US and UK members.

Para 3. Allocation meeting will be 1030 hrs Tuesday 6th November and council meeting 1500 hrs Thursday 8th November.

Para 4. Suggest your representative who will advise US and UK members should report to Paton Griffith room 408 King's Building in Dean Stanley Street at 1000 hrs 6th November.

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AMERICAN EMBASSY
Rome, Italy
October 25, 1945

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

my dear Admiral:

With reference to the effect of strikes in the United States on shipments of coal to Italy, I have received from the Department of State the following telegram which may supplement information on the subject already available to you:

"There has been grave concern here over the coal shipment situation as six out of forty-two cargoes originally scheduled for September loading failed to move due to lack of coal. Out of forty-eight scheduled for October loading, we have information to date that only two have sailed due to coal shortage as result of strike. However, strike was settled yesterday morning, October 17, and miners return to work Monday, October 22. Solid fuels administration states it cannot expect any pickup in shipments until November 1, since it will take approximately two weeks after miners return to work to realize any appreciable increase in production. They have made assurances, however, that coal shipments will be resumed as soon as possible and continued at maximum rate possible until the entire allocation is completed."

Sincerely yours,

/s/ A. Kirk

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Economic Section

Tel: 550 HC/gsw

Ref. Es/ 31 October 1945

SUBJECT: Coke for Sardinian Smelters

TO : The Chief Commissioner
(Through the Executive Commissioner)

1. Reference COM 241, dated 16 October 1945, to the Executive Commissioner's Minute #1 dated 17 October.

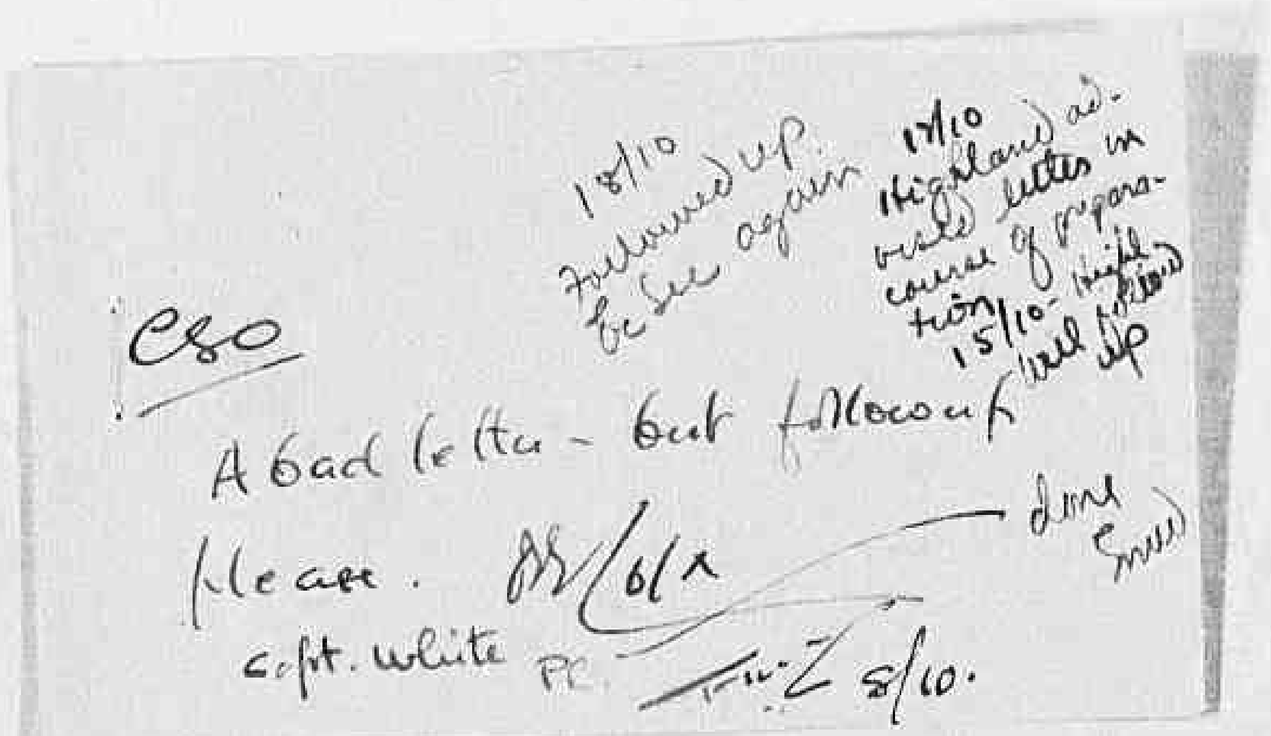
2. It appears that there was insufficient coordination among the affected offices of the Economic Section with respect to coke for Sardinian lead production. An attempt will be made to secure such coordination in the future by careful review of outgoing cables like MOC 324.

3. The story is briefly the following: One of the first military requisitions put forward by ACC was MGS 144, which requisitioned a large number of items required to reactivate the Sardinian lead and zinc mines and smelters. After considerable delay in Washington, this requisition was disapproved as a military requirement and referred to the Combined Liberated Areas Committee at the time when Category "B" was first established. CLAC referred the matter for advice to the Combined Raw Materials Board which stated that lead and zinc were in world short supply and that therefore Sardinian production should be reactivated with particular reference to the requirements of Italy's own industrial rehabilitation program, and possible other European needs.

4. Most of the material on this requisition was in short supply, and procurement of the items, which was authorized in the very first Category "B" requisition, has been considerably delayed. However, it is now becoming available and Sardinian production can now commence when coke is made available for operation of smelters.

5. One item on the original program, which was carried over into Category "B", was 7,000 long tons of coke. Of this quantity, 4892 tons were shipped a short time ago on the SS HARRY PERCY. The Economic Section has decided to off-load 1892 tons in Naples for use on the Italian mainland, and to use the remainder in starting lead production in Sardinia. This quantity (3000 tons) should be sufficient for approximately three months operation. Thus, we have in effect "borrowed" 1892 tons of coke for immediate use in Italian industry rather than stock-piling this quantity in Sardinia for use during the first months of 1946. This "loan" will be repaid in kind in a couple of months out of local production. Since coke for Sardinian lead operation was procured with Category "B" funds, it will be necessary for us to follow closely the production there and to make sure that smelting operations receive the required quantity of coke promptly, as soon as it is needed.

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6. A MCC signal is being sent to Washington which will clarify the position and emphasize that there was no intention of cancelling the requisition for materials for lead and zinc mines.

7. The same situation should not arise with respect to other Category "B" requisitions, since this is the only one which included coal or coke. All other coke shipments are handled as part of the FEA Program of Basic Supplies.

HARLAN CLEVELAND
Acting Vice President

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D R A F T.

Ref: 5016/ /EC. October, 1945.

SUBJECT: Attitude of Yugoslavs in V. GIULIA.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters.
Attn: G-5 Section.

1. The attitude of the Yugoslav representative an the Joint Economic Committee in TRIESTE with respect to the provision of coal from the ARSA coal mines is completely negative,(vide attached memorandum). (177) Coal produced in VENEZIA GIULIA which should be made available for the economy of both Zone "A" and Zone "B" (i.e. territory West and East of the Morgan Line) is stated to be not available for Zone "A".

2. This attitude appears to me typical of the whole approach of the Yugoslav representatives to the economic aspect of the agreement and is, of course, in line with the only too apparent policy of sabotage which the Yugoslav Government has adopted towards the agreement as a whole.

3. The result of course is that, in the economic field, the resources of the remainder of Italy have to be tapped to provide supplies which should normally come from VENEZIA GIULIA as a whole.

4. GOC, XIII Corps, finding that the population in Zone "A" will shortly be without food and timber, naturally demands that the neighbouring provinces in the West should provide. We naturally must see to it that provision is made.

5. The result on the administrative side is extreme difficulty in effecting adequate local government, education, etc. In this respect I am told that quite apart from the acts of the civilian Slovenes, the Yugoslav troops are successfully intervening in rendering impossible local government as laid down in General Order No.XI.

6. I would ask ~~first~~ what is Allied policy in this respect? What pressure, if any, is being brought to bear on the Yugoslav Government to

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7. It is not for me to recommend the methods to be adopted. Clearly it would be impossible to impose sanctions locally, i.e., in Zone; it might be politic to abolish the Joint Economic Committee as a ~~gesture of disgust.~~ solution and to stop this one direction flow of aid.

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But it would seem that the rest must be accomplished at Governmental level and to this end I would ask that action be taken.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Copy to: US Embassy
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
COMMERCE SUB-COMMISSION
COAL DIVISION
APO 394

Tel : 303

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Ref : AC/CD/12027/Commerce

17 October 1945

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Subject : Istrian Coal.

To : Executive Commissioner
Attn.: Chief Staff Officer.

1. The latest news on the Istrian Coal situation is that there will be no coal available from the Istrian mines in the immediate future.

2. Col. Bickerstaff, Economics Chief XIII Corps, has stated to-day that despite all overtures on our part the Jugo Slavs have refused to permit us to enter the disputed territory in which the mines are located to ascertain what might be available for use in Italy.

3. Several arrangements to ship coal from Arsa to users in the Trieste area have been made but when the time came to finally put them into effect there was always some objection on the part of the Jugo Slavs.

4. For example an arrangement was made to transport Coal from ARSA to POLA by road truck and onward by ship to Italy (Trieste). The Jugo Slavs now say the road Pola-Arsa is impassable and the arrangements is called off.

5. We shall keep you informed of any further developments.

for P.R. Walker

P.R. EVANS
Colonel
Coal Division.

Copy to:-
Mr. Sullivan, Director
Industry & Commerce S/C.

See Hint 178-180 181, 182

see 184 & 2377

Leo (Capt White)

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Col. Denmon—
Why wasn't
This done? Para 1.

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INCOMING MESSAGE
HQ ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Ref: 13363
Date/Time of Origin: OCT 16 NFT

Msg Center No C/1154
Time Rec'd: OCT 161300A
Prec: ROUTINE

FROM: WAR FROM CCG CITE CCAC FOR CLAC

TO : ALLIED COMMISSION,INFO AFHQ FOR FHQCG AND UK BASE SECTION FOR CABINET SECRETARIAT

ROUTINE

This is COM 241. Coke for Sardinian smelters.

1. Your MCC 324 ACCOL not understood A D (and?) appears that it has not been coordinated with other parts of AC.

2. Refers (references?) para 1, procurement of coke for lead smelting known to AC reference CCM 80, MCC 191, CCM 103 and MCC 157 PE moreover YT-35 which covers this procurement was sent to you with CCM AIR 46 August 3.

3. Refer para 2, requisition MCS-144, now CLAC I-2, is in active procurement in UNITED STATES and UNITED KINGDOM for mining supplies. Supplies ex UNITED STATES are procured with Y T-1 through 11 and are being shipped October-November 1945. You should contact UNITED KINGDOM for status on their procurement which is very often discussed in TAP-PAT series. MCC 157 requested coke and coal for operation of smelters.

4. Further ref para 2 and para 4, do not understand statement lead demand does not warrant reactivation lead and zinc mines PE CRMB has recommended since 1943 reactivation Sardinian mines to meet Italian and European requirements. Lead is still in short supply and on RCL of CRMB and certainly needed in ITALY. Numerous cables in CAL-LAC and COM-MCC series discuss subject.

5. Refer para 3, your figures MCC 324 ore stocks and coke requirements do not agree with data filed by AC starting with report on subject mines dated October 18, 1943 prepared by Col KOENIG. Since coke requirements are indicated to be 1450 tons at maximum capacity of mines, shipment now on way sufficient for 5 to 5 month

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FROM: WAR FROM CCS SITE CCAC FOR CLAC

TO : ALLIED COMMISSION INFO AFHQ FOR PHOSC AND UK BASE SECTION FOR CABINET SECRETARIAT

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6. SS JOHN WILLIAM GATES, TB Nr 13 (COM diagram 52 refers) loading October 6. Sailing papers not yet received. Will forward soonest.

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INFO: Chief Commissioner. Exec Comm 2.
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Econ Sec 4. Finance SC
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INCOMING MESSAGE

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Originator's Reference: 11951

Date/Time of Origin: OCT 161902Z

Message Centre Ref: G/1157

Date/Time Rec'd: OCT 161700

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: WAR FREQ OCS CITE JOAC

TO: ALLIED COMMISSION FOR AUSTRIA FOR STATE DEPT INFORMATION AMLG NOB FLOTO AND UK TRUST STOTRON FOR CABINET SECRETARIAT.

UNCLAS XMTD.

This is COM 216. Refer MAC 923.

Coal tonnages for October and November loading ex UNITED STATES for ITALY civilian supply.

1. Paragraph 3, COM 126 states direct military coal requirements for both UNITED STATES and ITALIAN Govt DoA troops are to be met through normal military supply channels. Italian civilian October coal loading schedule calls for 42 cargoes and tentative November loading program calls for 56 cargoes coal, all of these shipments ex UNITED STATES are under the civilian supply program and not for military use.

2. Due to serious coal supply position which may develop in UNITED STATES suggest a l effort be made to receive maximum coal deliveries for civilian account and if necessary utilize storage facilities in ITALY to build up stocks.

3. Specifications on coal shipments will be subjected cable to follow.

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ACTION: REQ GR 5

INFO: MILITARY GOVERNMENT

EX COMMISSIONER 2

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OA TO US EMB

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FILE

ADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 5016/EC.

12 October 45.

SUBJECT: Coal Distribution - Northern Italy.

TO : Economic Section.
(Attn: Col. Densmore).

1. Reference Coal Division, Commerce Sub-Commission, memorandum to A/VP, Economic Section, FSB/jv dated 26 Sep 45, returned to you herewith.

2. I am directed by the Chief Commissioner to request you to follow through energetically on the two sections marked with an arrow on the memorandum.

F. H. McCLEARY
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Encl.

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P- C&O

Action as directed by CC — & follow up.

DCT 9
CC0952

Exec. Commissioner.

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Attached is submitted for your ~~signature~~ approval
information

Econ. Sec. should be requested to follow these subjects: call for the two sections marked

Coal Division, Commerce Sub-Commission, memorandum to Brig.Gen.McKinley, PE/jv dated 26 Sep 45, subject: Coal Distribution - Northern Italy.
Sections referred to in Chief Commissioner's note:

...2. The organisation of an Italian Coal Office in Milan as already agreed by the Italian Government, together with the necessary regional agencies, has not proceeded far. A man called Chiossi has, up to the 13th September, been in charge, his organization being variously called the Coal Monopolio, Commissariato Carbone, and Settore Carboni, but he had proved most uncooperative, apparently regarding himself as the Coal Controller of the North and paying no regard to the Rome Government, AMG or to Coal Section Division representatives. At the request of Col. Glendenning of Industry Sub-Commission he has been suspended. It is essential that a successor be promptly appointed in his place, and the office properly organized to deal with the heavy coal distribution program. The Memorandum of this Division will propose that the Northern Italy Coal Office shall be a Government Office, to coordinate the requirements of the various Industrial Comitati through the Council presided over by the Ministry of Industry and Commerce.....

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Exec. ~~Chief~~ Commissioner.

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COPY

Chief Staff Officer to Executive Commissioner

Istrian Coal

522/EC

12 October 5

Col Evans
Coal Section
Economic Section

Reference Annexure B, para 7, Brigadier Anderson's Economic Report on Venezia Giulia.

Brigadier Parsons, G-5, AFHQ, who was here yesterday, was asking if it was possible to provide a little more detailed information regarding the Istrian coal. Can you provide such information?

FHMcC

Lt Col
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ROUTINE

OCT - 5 1945

From: AFHQ

To: PENBASE. PENROUTY. ABC. ABCOM ROME. BTA. ACABSET VIENNA. JSTPS. JSTPOS. CINCMED. ROME SUBA N. 13 CORPS. CMFSI ROME. INFO AGWAR. TROOPERS. BOLCOMB

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Subject Coal Importation and Allocation PSN BOLCOMB for Econ Coal.

1. Effective 1 October 1945, the CE, AFHQ is relieved of responsibility for the supply of coal in the theater and CH(Coal Sect) AFHQ is dissolved as of that date.

2. Procedure for supply of coal for military use will be as follows:

A) Coal requirements of the U.S. Army will be obtained through normal supply channels.

B) Instructions for the supply of coal to British Forces (including military, civil and railway requirements of the British Zone of AUSTRIA) will be issued by CHQ, CMF.

3. Civil requirements for ITALY is a responsibility of ALLIED COMMISSION. Civil requirements for VENEZIA GIULIA and UDINE Prov is the responsibility of 3RD 13 CORPS in coordination with and through the ALLIED COMMISSION to this HQ.

4. Matters affecting both military and civil coal in ITALY (ED railway requirements, allocation of ships to ports etc) will be coordinated by ALLIED COMMISSION with the appropriate HQ. Where these conflict, military requirements will receive first priority.

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Action - Coal Div
Info - Chief Commissioner
Econ Sec 2. Industry 2
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(Carl White)

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E.C.

Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers

47176/18/4

Rome, 30 September 1945

OCT - 3 1945

Dear Admiral,

considering that the agreement of July 8th last, which guarantees the payment of their salary to the workers of the Northern provinces, is shortly to come to an end, the Government has prepared, as you know, a great plan of works destined to absorb an important part of the manpower which will remain unemployed.

However, we cannot expect this sole regulation to solve the serious and complex problem of unemployment in Northern Italy, also because the carrying out of the planned works and the transfer of the workers from one kind of work to another cannot take place at once; it is therefore difficult to assure the passage to the new situation without dangerous breaches and trouble.

Such a result would be considerably facilitated by a larger allocation of naphta and coal, to give a longer delay to the plants and give to the manufacturers the hope that normalization is shortly to take place, this to have a lesser number of workers discharged.

I shall be most grateful, my dear Admiral, if, considering the vital importance of the request, you again intervene personally, to obtain for the next few months, which represent the most delicate moment of the crisis, greater supplies of coal, and also of naphta, to meet the urgent requirements of the industrial zones, especially in Northern Italy, and also in Sicily, for whom it is of vital importance, as I already wrote to you, to increase the production of electric power, which is the basis of civilian and economic life.

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

S. Ferruccio Parri

LEC Personal
Will you please note file.
He is leaving on recess.
6/10 (Mrs) LEWIS C.C.

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

See M 171

30 DIST - 3 Oct 1945

Action : Econ Sec (2)
Info : Chief Commr
Exec Commr

trans. s/c

Spoke to Hefland 8/10 + 10/10 EMW/BU

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Tel: 267

27 September 1945

Ref: 15.12/0 /ES

SUBJECT: Unauthorised Allocation of Coal, Liguria Region

TO : Regional Commissioner, Liguria Region

1. The following report has been made to the Chief Commissioner by the Economic Section with respect to the matter of coal allocation in Liguria Region:

"a. Contrary to the policy laid down, in agreement with the Italian Government, by the Headquarters and in contravention of orders issued, AMG Liguria Region have authorized the issue of Gas Coal for the following Gas Works, viz:

San Remo	130 tons per month
Savona	300 " " "
La Spezia	230 " " "

"b. Major K. C. Wilson, Regional Industry Officer, was present at the meetings of the Milan Coal Committee, to the personal knowledge of the writer when it was definitely laid down that for the time being, owing to the world shortage of coal, and the small quantities being imported into the North, no coal was authorized for the reactivation of Gas Works. Later at a meeting of the Coal Requisition and Allocation Committee held in Rome on 31 August 45, minutes of which were sent to the Liguria Region, it was decided that the Gas Works should be started not earlier than 15 November 45.

"c. The case of La Spezia would seem particularly flagrant as in this case the local AMG Supply Officer, Capt. Corwin, acted without any authority from his own Headquarters and issued 230 tons per month for Gas Works, which I found were working merrily.

"d. In view of the general order prohibiting reactivation before 15 November, it will be appreciated that local action of this nature has done a great deal of harm, particularly in the other towns and cities of the North who are all awaiting permission to restart."

2. A very serious view is taken of this matter. It is directed that you inform this headquarters relative to the position and your re-

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commendations as to appropriate action that should be taken not only as it affects the officers directly concerned, but officers responsible for their supervision.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

/s/ M S. Lush

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 501/ECL

29th September 1945.

I have written officially about coal distribution in your Region for October. If the report is correct there is lack of understanding and control somewhere. Will you take a personal interest and let me have facts.

M. S LUSH.

Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner.

Colonel J.G.Selby, MC.,
Regional Commissioner,
Liguria Region.

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Ref: MS/15.12/0

25 September 1945

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My dear Mr. Ambassador:

This is in connection with your letter relative to the question of Italian representation in the European Coal Organization.

For your information, attached is a copy of a letter from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, reference 6/3206/1500 of 8 September 1945, and of Allied Commission reply MS/15.12/0 dated 22 September 1945.

This is the latest information I have on this subject.

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Sincerely,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USN
Chief Commissioner

The Honorable Alexander Kirk
The American Ambassador
119 Via Vittorio Veneto
ROME

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

LDD/cc
22 Sept. 1945

Ref: ES/15.12/0

SUBJECT: European Coal Organisation

TO : Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Italian Government
ROME

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1. Your letter 6/3206/3500 of 8 September is referred to.

2. As we understand it, the plan for representation of Italian interests on the European Coal Organisation as stated in the first paragraph of your letter is correct. The Allied Commission representatives have not yet been selected; however, when appointments are made, you will be notified. You may be certain that the best interests of Italy will be carefully considered and adequately presented to the Coal Organisation.

(sgd) L. D. DEGGINGER
E. B. McKINLEY
Brigadier General, USA
Acting Vice President

cc: Admiral Stone

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Chief Commissioner.

Attached is submitted for your ~~approval~~ signature
information

NK 21/5.

Noted by CC 2364

~~Ex~~ Ex Cent

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Reference is made to Mr Tollett's letter as folio 1 & 2 hereto. Please see folios 2 & 3 for action taken by Econ Sub/C. This matter was referred to the C.C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Economic Section

Tel. 460

Mi:jes

Ref: ES/15.12

19 September 1945

SEP 21 1945

SUBJECT: Lignite, Request for.

TO: Chief Commissioner
(Through Executive Commissioner)

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1. Reference R/0454, 10 September 1945, from Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

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2. Attached is reply telling the Regional Commissioner that transportation is available and showing where rail bids should be placed to ensure movement of the lignite.

3. Original refusals to ship lignite to the north were based upon the uneconomic use of transportation and the planned availability of imported coal for the north. Upon review it is now believed that the surplus accumulations of lignite should be moved to the north and appropriate instructions have been issued.

E. B. KOTTELLY
Brigadier General, USA
Acting Vice President

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

CONTROL COMMISSION
COAL DIVISION
APO 394

Tel : 347

Ref : AG/CD/104/Locmarce.

PAS/mr

17 September 1945

Subject : Request to move 20,000 tons Lignite from Valdarno Mines to Milan
Regional Commissioner

To : HQ. A.M.G. Leghorn Region.

1. Your letter Ref : R/C&M is acknowledged and noted.

2. Transportation A/C have agreed to the movement of this Lignite and we return Transportation-Aid Forms for Railway wagons from Florence to Milan. These bids should be made for a definite number of rail wagons each day, and should be renewed weekly as required. They should be presented at office of Mr. Giuliani. Ogpa Compartimento, Florence.

3. Trucks for Road Transportation of the Lignite from Valdarno Mines to Florence have been arranged between the C.I.C.D. Company and Local Transport Company through S.I.A.O.

for J.A. Russell
P.R. WARD
Colonel
Coal Division.

Copy to :
Chief Commissioner.
Transportation Sub-Commission A.C.
Rep. of Chief Commissioner, Milan
— Economic Section. —

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LOMBARDIA REGION
APO 394

13 SEP 1945

R/Ol&L 10 September 1945

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SUBJECT: Lignite, Request for

TO : Commerce Sub-Commission
Headquarters, Allied Commission

1. Reverting to a renewal of the request submitted by the S.I.E.D. Company, producers of lignite, they desire to ship the 20,000 tons of dry lignite from their mines at Valdamo to Milan by truck, then by rail to Milan.

2. The first request was turned down by your Sub-Commission on the grounds that all lignite was under control and furthermore it was impossible to find trucks according with the Italian regulations. We have investigated the facts surrounding this matter and find that none has been moved.

3. It has been the practice for years to ship lignite from Valdamo to Milan for civilian purposes, and inasmuch as it will mean a saving of an estimated 10,000 tons of coal, according to the coal experts, which can be put to a much more appropriate use in Italy, we can see no reason why our request should not be approved. Every venture at trade between the two countries is helpful, and we should not ignore the full exploitation of local resources. At least we'll have to try.

4. The Transportation Sub-Commission states that they can lay on both the required number of motor trucks and rail cars to do the job at once.

5. Unless you foresee the normal economic movement of goods, Surely HQ - AG does not wish to impede, your early approval of this request is desired.

Charles Poletti SEP 1945

CHARLES POLETTI
Colonel
Regional Commissioner

13 SEP 1945

Copy to:
Chief Commissioner -
Trans. Sub-Commission, AG.
Dep. Chief Commissioner, Milan.

Coal Division 120.22	
Col. Poletti	2360
Lt. Col. [illegible]	
Maj. [illegible]	
Capt. [illegible]	
Capt. [illegible]	
AMG Lombardia	
AMG Milan	

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: European Coal Organization -

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1. Minister De Casperi, with letter nº 44/12123/28 of July 6th, 1945, warmly requested Admiral Stone to interest himself in that Italy be made a member of the European Coal Organization. Pursuant to this request, the Foreign Office have addressed on August 27th a Note Verbale to the Italian Embassy in London in which, without prejudice to an eventual admission of Italy to the aforesaid organization, it is stated that, for the time being, her needs in the field of coal could best be illustrated within the Coal Organization by a British and American official of the Allied Commission. The latter would act as Counsellors of the representatives of their respective Governments in all questions connected with the allotment of coal to Italy.

2. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs would be therefore very grateful if the Allied Commission would kindly provide, as soon as possible, to the appointment of the aforesaid officials.

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Action Section

Info Section

Rome, September 8th, 1945

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(C) 5076 apt 159

To: SUBNAVEAH (CPS) ROB PALERMO RPTD ALCOM LO PALERMO

5085 10 September 1945 ROUTINE

SEP 12 1945

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PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS ALLOCATION DIESEL OIL AND COAL SICILY PD REFERENCE YOUR DIGRAM SIX SEPTEMBER ONE NINE FOUR FIVE PD

PARA SUBNAVEAH (CPS) ROB PALERMO RPTD ALCOM LO PALERMO FROM ALCOM SITR ACSOS PARA

PARA TWO PD SHORTAGE HYDROELECTRIC PLANTS SICILY NOT UNDERSTOOD IN VIEW LAST REPORTED STOCKS WHICH ON ONE SEPTEMBER WERE AS FOLLOWS SCION REPORTED EAST SICILY THREE EIGHT SIX THREE ONA SARDINIAN EAST SICILY NINE ZERO TWO FOUR ONA INVASION WEST SICILY FOUR FIVE SIX ZERO ONA SARDINIAN WEST SICILY FIVE SEVEN EIGHT EIGHT PD

PARA THREE PD IN ADDITION FOLLOWING VESSELS SHOULD HAVE ARRIVED CCLOA HARTLEPOOL ONA PALERMO ONA FOUR ZERO ZERO ZERO IMPORTED SUBICOLOR TARANTO HADJIPATERAS ONA CATANIA ONA FIVE ZERO ZERO ZERO SARDINIAN SUBICOLOR AND IN ADDITION ONA KAVARNOS DARDANOPOULOS ONA DUE CATANIA ONE ONE SEPTEMBER ONA FOUR FIVE ZERO ZERO IMPORTED PD

PARA FOUR PD NO POSSIBILITY REPLACING SARDINIAN COAL WHICH HAS BEEN USED IN ELECTRIC PLANTS FOR YEARS AND FOR WHICH PLANTS ARE ADAPTED PD

PARA FIVE PD TOTAL MONTHLY ALLOCATION OF ONE FIVE ZERO ZERO ZERO TONS IMPORTED AND ONE SIX ZERO ZERO ZERO SARDINIAN COAL IS MAXIMUM AND MUST BE DISTRIBUTED TO

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(CAPT ARNOLDY) Ernst

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GOBBLYGOOK (GOG) HOLD FOLLOWING REPEAT ALOOK TO FOLLOW

8085 10 September 1948 SECRETARY

RIGHT ADVANTAGE BY ADMONITION PD

PARA SIX PD PLEASE REFER OUR SIGNAL FOUR EIGHT NINE SEVEN ONE SIX SEPTEMBER ON

ALLOCATION OF DIESEL OIL PD

PARA SEVEN PD REQUEST YOU DISPATCH LIAISON OFFICER REPORTED IF FURTHER

INFORMATION REQUIRED PD

Economic Section

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NICHOLAS PIGGSBY
Col. USA
ASST. ADJUTANT

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FILE

Ref: 5016/154/AC. 11 Sept. 45.

Subject: Routing of Correspondence.

To: AC Liaison Officer,
PALERMO.

I am directed by the Executive Commissioner to instruct you to approach the Naval authorities at Palermo and ask them to address all correspondence to this HQ through your office. We have lately received a signal dated 6 Sept. from COMNAVNAW (OPS) NOB Palermo addressed direct to Allied Commission through Base Area Allied Command.

E. TALBOT

CSO
To Executive Commissioner.

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ROUTINE

SEP 11 1945

From: ACTPT MILAN
To: REG TH OFFICER SENOR INFO NAIL OFFICER GENOA. ALSON CITE ACTPT BONE

RESTRICTED

Understand from BONE that NUCE coal dump has accumulated at SAVONA. Arrangements must be made for rail clearance of this with utmost urgency. Report action being taken.

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Info-Action - TC OC 2
Info - Chief Commissioner
Zone Sec 2
Coal Dio
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Ref: 5016/EC ✓

8 Sep 43

SUBJECT: Coal - Sicily.

TO : A/VF, Economic Section.

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I should like to know what action is being taken on cable W/6781 dated 7.Sep.43 from COMNAVNAW (GPS) NOB PALERMO. I wish we could get the naval authorities, Palermo to correspond through the Liaison Officer.

M S. LUSH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

MSL/JG.

C. S. O.

Write to ACAO & ask them to persuade Naval authorities to use proper channels.

MR [illegible]

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PARA 2.

Due to extreme drought practically all hydroelectric plants in SICILY are inoperative. Most thermal electric plants burn coal and are operating only at low efficiency due to lack of coal or low quality Sardinian coal furnished increased in allocation diesel or could take some load off electric company because some ice and other plants have alternate diesel power supply and could use local diesel generated power in lieu of power from electric company. City of CATANIA now without electricity due to lack of coal. Imperative short quantity and quality coal supplied SICILY be increased as soon as possible. Situation SICILY different from north due to drought which in worst in many decades. Living conditions not good wi be worse unless relief is given power to pany on which so many industries and municipalities depend. Governments ALLIED COMMISSION take immediate measures to correct situation. The urgent need is now and until some days after rains come.

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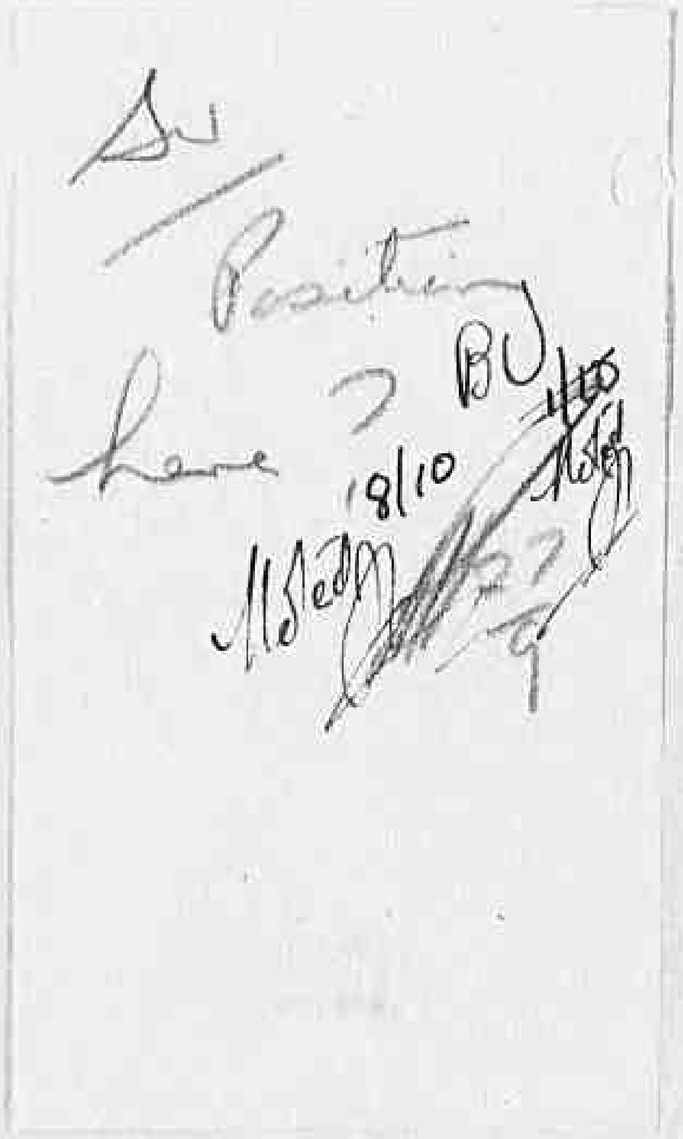
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Ref: 5016/151/EC

10 September 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Economic Section

1. Reference is made to our memorandum 5016/145/EC of 1 September in which a copy of Colonel Green's report on the Sardinian coal mines was sent to your section. It was requested that this report be studied and that your comments be submitted on your file with a draft reply to the United States Ambassador's two letters of 14 and 28 August 45.

2. May this office be informed what progress is being made in connection with this matter?

Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

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Spoke to Mr. Andrews
papers with Paul & draft
Mr. Paul which had been filled up
by Mr. Anderson. Promised to
follow things up to us & send out some-
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FM CTC TRIESTE RPTD INFO FO FRUMEX AND ACWAR

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SUBJECT IS ISTRIAN COAL YOU SIX NINE SEVEN ZERO TWO CX CMX SIX FD

EARLY TO TRIESTE RPTD FOR INFO FRUMEX AND ACWAR FROM ACMCC PARIS

PARA ONE FD ALLIED MEMBER JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE TRIESTE REQUESTED JUGOSLAV

DELEGATES TO ALLOW ALLIED MINING EXPERTS TO INSPECT AND ADVISE ON PROMPT

DEVELOPMENT ISTRIAN MINES FD REQUEST REFUSED FD

PARA TWO FD PRESENT OUTPUT ONE MILLION ZERO TONS PER MONTH CMA USTE ECONOMY CMA AND

NO INDICATION OF MINES BEING TAKEN TO INCREASE FD THERE ARE NO RAIL CONNECTIONS FD

COAL CAN ONLY BE MOVED BY SEA FD ISTRIA MINES NOW BEING STRIPPED BY NAVY FD

FAR THERE IS JUGOSLAV ESTIMATE MONTHLY PRODUCTION TO BE TEMPORARILY ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO

ZERO TONS PER MONTH FD IT IS THOUGHT THAT THIS IS LOW AS IT LEAVES NAY ONLY PRODUCED

ONE MILLION ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO TONS PER YEAR FD JUGOSLAV NEEDS DIFFICULT TO

ESTIMATE BUT IF LATTER FIGURE WERE ACHIEVED THERE SHOULD BE CONSIDERABLE EXPORTABLE

SURPLUS FD

PARA FOUR FD AT LAST MEETING JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE JUGOSLAV DELEGATES ASKED FOR

THREE ZERO ZERO ZERO TONS SHIPPING FOR CONSTANT USE FROM MONA PORT TO JUGOSLAV PORTS

CMA STATING IF SHIP PROVIDED TOGETHER WITH NECESSARY EXPLOSIVES CMA THEY EXPECTED

MAKE AVAILABLE FOR EVERY TWO FIVE ZERO TONS PER DAY FD THIS REQUEST UNDER CONSIDER-

ATION REFERRING AUTHORITIES ABLE FOX MOW QUICK FD

PARA FIVE FD REPRESENTATIONS IN BELGRADE ON LINES OF PARA ONE ABOVE CONSIDERED DESIR-

ABLE FD

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Copy To: Exec Comm (4 Sept 45)

Economic Section

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(Capt Arnold)

Brig. D.L. ANDERSON

NICHOLAS PICKERING
CWO, USA
Asst. Adjutant

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FROM THE PRESS WASHINGTON

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SUBJECT: Istrian coal.

1. Please report earliest present state of negotiations with Jugoslavs on joint economic TRIEST committee or elsewhere and what are prospects of obtaining Istrian coal for ITALY.

2. Are Jugoslavs themselves able to use maximum production or do qualitative or transportation factors prevent this.

3. Advise whether in your view of representations in BELGRADE would be of assistance.

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ACTION : COAL DIV

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3 September 1945

SEP -4 1945

Colonel Denmore:

The Chief Commissioner wishes to know what action has been taken in regard to this matter.

L. W. S.

1 Incl: Ltr of 1 Sep 45 from Mr. Kirk, re Italian-Polish coal negotiations

(Capt Arnold)

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3 September 1945

Dear Mr. Kirk:

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This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of 1 September with regard to the Italian Government coal negotiations with Poland. In view of the urgency of the situation, I appreciate your having informed Colonel Densmore directly.

Sincerely,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

The Honorable Alexander Kirk
American Ambassador
119 Via Vittorio Veneto
Rome

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CONFIDENTIAL

AMERICAN EMBASSY
Rome, September 1, 1945.

Dear Admiral Stone:

I received yesterday your letter dated August 25, 1945, with regard to the Italian Government coal negotiations with Poland and am pleased to learn that the Italian Mission will depart shortly for Warsaw.

With reference to the statement of policy expressed by the United Kingdom representative on the European Coal Organization, transmitted to you in the War Office message of August 22, you will recall that the somewhat similar views of the Department of State on this subject have already been brought to the attention of the Italian Government informally, as recorded in my letter to you dated August 7, 1945. I have reported the British viewpoint to Washington but assume that either the British Embassy or the Allied Commission will convey it to the Italian Government. In view of the imminent departure of the Italian Mission, I arranged to inform Colonel Denmore orally in the above sense today in order to avoid delay should you wish to take additional action promptly.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ A. KIRK.

Ellery W. Stone, Rear Admiral USNR,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
Rome, Italy.

cc: Exec. Commr.
Econ. Section (Col. Tansmore (3))

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Ext 451 ABA/el 145

Ref: 5016/145/EC 1 September 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Economic Section

1. The Executive Commissioner was in the course of sending a copy of Production Division's Memorandum EC/15.12 dated 24 August 1945 to the U.S. Ambassador in response to his letter of 14 August 1945 when a letter dated 28 August 45 was received from the Ambassador enclosing a further report on the Sardinian coal mines prepared by Colonel Green, copies attached.

2. An interim acknowledgment has been dispatched.

3. Will you please cause this report to be studied and thereafter submit on your file with comments and a draft detailed reply to the Ambassador's two letters of 14 and 28 August 1945.

4 Incls:
as above

Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

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30 August 1945.

My dear Mr. Ambassador:

Thank you for your letter of 26 August 1945, enclosing a copy of Colonel Green's report on the Sardinian coal mines for the period August 6 - 11, 1945.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

The Honorable Alexander Kirk,
American Ambassador,
119 Via Vittorio Veneto,
Rome.

cc. Exec Comm.
cc files

(Capt Arnold)

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Ref: 5016/144/EC

31 August 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Economic Section (Attention: Acting Vice President)

1. Attached are Executive Commissioner Office's files 5016/EC and 4048/EC.

2. Attention is drawn to folio 116 on file 5016 -- a letter from the United States Ambassador to the Chief Commissioner regarding the question of Italian representation in the European Coal Organization. If you will notice, on file 4048 there is a letter from Major General A.C. Duff, Chief Administrative Officer, AFHQ, regarding the same question, as well as the Chief Commissioner's reply (folios 1-2 and 3 respectively).

3. In view of this, it would be appreciated if you would prepare a reply to Ambassador Kirk (for the Chief Commissioner's signature) forwarding it, together with the two files, to this office when ready.

Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

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AMERICAN EMBASSY

Rome, Italy
August 28, 1945

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
Rome, Italy.

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My dear Admiral Stone:

I take pleasure in sending you herewith for your information a copy of a further report on Sardinian coal mines prepared by Colonel C. A. Green following his second visit to Sardinia during the period August 6 - 11, 1945. A copy of Colonel Green's first report on the Sardinian mine situation (No. 105 dated June 30, 1945) was forwarded to you with my letter of July 2, 1945.

Yours sincerely,

/s/ A. Kirk

Enclosure:

Report on Sardinian Coal Mines, August 6 - 11, 1945.

SEE FW 5A

DISTRIBUTION: 2342

Exec. Comm. (for Econ. Sec., Coal Division) (3) (With only copy of report)

CC Files

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5016 by E&C Commissioner (142)

Ref. HE/15.12/0 29 August 1945

AUG 30 1945

My dear Mr. Prime Minister: (126)

1. Your letter of 23 August 1945 and enclosures dealing with the coal situation in Sicily are acknowledged. The figures of coal allotment are unfortunately at variance with the facts and I think you will agree when you have examined the figures given below that if we have erred at all in the allotment of coal to Sicily, we have erred on the side of generosity.

2. Firstly, the monthly allotment is not, as stated in your letter, but has been as follows for many months:

Imported coal	15,000 tons per month
Sardinian coal	16,000 tons per month. (110)

Within Sicily, coal is distributed as shown on the attached schedule.

3. Secondly, there is at the moment no shortage of coal in Sicily. From information given by the High Commissioner in a cable dated 31 August, stocks held on the 16th of August were as follows:

	Imported	Sardinian	Total
East Sicily	3018	13901	16919
West Sicily	3815	3447	7262
Total	6833	17348	24181

This represents a 14 days' supply of imported coal and a 33 days' supply of Sardinian coal. In addition, the following ships are expected to commence the discharge of coal on the dates shown: 23/1

s/s Fort Verechores	4527 tons imported coal due Catania 17 August
s/s R. Walton Moore	4445 tons imported coal due Palermo 22 August
s/s Wisla	4500 tons Sardinian coal due Palermo 25 August
s/s Katingo Hadjipateras	5000 tons Sardinian coal due Catania 31 August

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4. The rate at which coal is now being imported into Sicily is about 370,000 tons per annum. The importation figure in 1939 was 314,000 tons and between the years 1935/38 the highest figure of imported coal was 500,000 tons per annum. You will see, therefore, that compared to pre-war days, Sicily is receiving very much more generous treatment than any other part of Italy and having regard for the world shortage of coal and the great difficulty there is in getting coal supplies for Italy, I think you will agree that the Sicilians have very little cause for complaint.

5. I would suggest that if one or another Sicilian user is going short of coal, the cause must be faulty distribution and I would recommend that the system be investigated.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Professore Ferruccio Parri
President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome

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SCHEDULE "A"

MONTHLY COAL ALLOCATIONS - SICILY

USER	Imported	Sardinian	Met. Coke
ISR Sicily	9,000	-	-
Palermo Electr.	2,200	800	-
Catania Electr.	1,000	5,000	-
F. Empedocle Electr.	500	2,000	-
Palermo Gas	800	50	-
Catania Gas	330	30	-
Messina Gas	150	20	-
Trapani Gas	70	10	-
Aranzilla, Sicily	550	1,300	-
Palermo Cement	-	750	-
Villafranca Cement	-	900	-
Insulare, Catania	-	500	-
Sanderson, Messina	-	300	-
Sulphur Mines	300	100	-
For Allocation by High Commissioner	800	4,500	30
	14,750	16,190	30

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

25 August 1945

(127) AUG 29 1945

My dear Mr. Ambassador:

This is in reply to your letter 23 August relative to Italian Government negotiations with Poland concerning the possibility of obtaining coal in exchange for certain Italian exports.

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As previously indicated, the Allied Commission has requested ECO to express its observations on the subject. Attached is copy of Message 3820 of 16 August to TROOPERS for ECO. Also attached is copy of reply from TROOPERS (Message 68620 CA 16(Coal) dated 22 August. Your attention is directed to the following statement in TROOPERS' reply:

> "You should, however, make it clear to the Italian Government that any bids for coal from ECO or other sources will have to be accompanied by a statement showing the amount expected to be received from Polish sources."

Unless you inform me to the contrary, I will take it that you will convey the above information to the Italian Government.

With respect to paragraph 2(b) of letter (Ref. AC/5127/P/Commerce) dated 4 August 1945 from Commerce Sub-Commission to the Ministry of Foreign affairs, it is confirmed that only essential food oils, classified as Category "A" items on the Reserved Commodity List, such as those oils used for food flavoring are subject to allocation by the Combined Food Board (Examples: Lemon oil, bitters, orange oil, sweet orange oil and tangerine oil).

We concur that the Italian Mission be permitted to leave immediately in connection with the Polish coal negotiations.

Sincerely,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Copy to: British Embassy

The Honorable Alexandor Kirk
American Ambassador
119 via Nomentana 216
ROME

(Capt Peabody)

Copies to: Chief Commissioner (2)
Commerce, Foreign Trade Div.
Commerce, Coal Division
British Embassy
Economic Section, AC

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TROOPERS

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Your 2830 16 August.

1. We consider this matter is not one upon which guidance of ECO should be sought at any rate in the first instance but rather the view of MMIO.

ECO will be informed by the British member of general contents of your telegram and MMIO viewpoint.

2. Accordingly we have consulted U KINGDOM representative on ECO and the U KINGDOM view is that proposed exchange is in principle one to be facilitated.

You should however make it clear to the Italian Government that any bids for coal from ECO or other sources will have to be accompanied by a statement showing the amount expected to be received from Polish sources.

3. We are repeating your cipher to British Army Staff WASHINGTON with copy of this reply.

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INFO: Chief Commissioner
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TROOPERS FOR EUROPEAN COAL ORGANIZATION

3820 16 August 1945 ROUTINE

SECRET FD

PARA ONE FD SUBJECT IS ITALIAN DAMS POLISH COAL NEGOTIATIONS FD

PARAS TO TROOPERS FOR EUROPEAN COAL ORGANIZATION PARIS

PARA TWO FD THE AMERICAN EMBASSY ROME HAS INFORMED THIS HEADQUARTERS THAT ITALIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON HAS PRESENTED MEMORANDUM TO STATE DEPARTMENT STATING THAT ITALIAN EMBASSY AT MOSCOW HAS DISCUSSED THE QUESTION OF INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS FOR IMPORTATION OF POLISH COAL IN EXCHANGE FOR ITALIAN GOODS WITH THE POLISH GOVERNMENT AND THIS HEADQUARTERS IS PREPARING TO FACILITATE PERMISSION FOR ITALIAN EXPERTS TO GO TO WARSAW OR POLISH EXPERTS TO COME TO ROME FD PARA THREE FD THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS EXPRESSED ITS AGREEMENT WITH THE SUGGESTED NEGOTIATIONS SO LONG AS THE ARRANGEMENTS DO NOT INTERFERE WITH THE PLANS OF THE EUROPEAN COAL ORGANIZATION FD

PARA FOUR FD YOUR OBSERVATIONS ARE REQUESTED FD

Economic Section

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NICHOLAS PISCHINO
CPO, USA
ASST. ADJUTANT

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Ref: 5016/135/EG. August 1945.

My dear Mr. Ambassador:

(134) In reply to your letter of August 14th, I attach a memorandum from the Deputy Vice President of the Economic Section which answers the points raised by Colonel Green.

Sincerely yours,

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

The Honourable Alexander Kirk,
US Ambassador,
US Embassy,
ROME.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION
PRODUCTION DIVISION

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Ref. ES/15.12

24 August 1945
AUG 25 1945

SUBJECT: Sardinian Coal Mines - letter from American Embassy dated 14 August 1945.

TO : Chief Commissioner

1. Paragraph 4 of Colonel Green's letter draws attention to the scarcity of consumer goods. Condition in Sardinia is no different to that which obtains throughout Italy and is probably better because during recent months the Italian Government has given the priority of supply to Sardinia in order to attract labor from the Mainland. However, supply is such that sufficiency for everyone is not available.

2. Reference para 5: The Italian Government asked that German POW be made available to work in these mines but AFHQ have not agreed. When the High Commissioner for Sardinia heard that German POW were to be brought over, he threatened to make a political issue out of the proposal. The High Commissioner is also politically opposed to importing Mainland labor for the Sardinian mines but in this he is being overruled by the Italian Government.

3. Reference para 6: It is not correct to state that none of the materials referred to in Colonel Green's report of 30 June have been delivered. The three most important items were Diesel Locomotive Injectors, Piping and Ball Bearings.

(a) Six locomotive injectors were sent to Sardinia by the A.Ca.I. in June. The manufacture of additional injectors was ordered from a machine shop in Rome. According to the A.Ca.I., these have been delivered and shipped to Sardinia.

(b) Pipe was procured for the Sardinian mines from two sources. Release was obtained for pipe from the War Materials Disposal Committee and also from British Stores. Release was to the A.Ca.I. holding company of the Sardinian coal mines and shipping was bid for through normal channels.

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(c) Ball bearings for the Sardinian coal mines, to the extent of three shipments, have been received in Italy and transhipped to Sardinia during the past two months. In addition to these, ball bearings were located in North Italy and released to A.Ca.I.

(d) It should be pointed out that efforts are being made to force the Italian agencies to work for themselves and to assist them only after their efforts have failed.

4. Reference para 7: In a personal letter which General McKinley received from Washington, it was stated that scrapers could not be manufactured, delivered to Sardinia and installed under a period of 9/12 months. Unfortunately, I can not obtain access to this letter again until General McKinley returns. As soon as he does return, I would suggest that Colonel Green be shown the letter so that he may take such action in assistance to the obtaining of the machinery as he can.

5. Reference para 11: The continued functioning of the distillation plant has become a political issue between the High Commissioner for Sardinia and the Italian Government. The High Commissioner apparently threatens that there will be a general strike in Sardinia if the plant is closed down. The Italian Government do not appear inclined to press the matter too far although they are being pressed by us as you will see from the attached copy of a letter which is the last one sent to them.

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6. Reference para 13: I am advised by the Food Sub-Commission that the calory value of the normal rations plus the supplementary rations which the miners are receiving is 2400. I presume therefore that Colonel Green refers to the calory value of the normal civilian ration which has no connection, it seems to me, with the output of the miners.

D. L. ANDERSON
Brigadier
Deputy Vice-President

Attachment

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION
PRODUCTION DIVISION

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Ref. E3/15.12

10 August 1945

SUBJECT: Closing of the Coal Distillation Plant at S. Antioco

TO : Dir. Gen. of Industry and Mines, Div. VII
Ministry of Industry and Commerce
Italian Government
Rome

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your memorandum N/R N. 2223 dated 31 July 1945 setting forth the reasons for not closing the above mentioned Distillation Plant. Your statement that the Plant was allowed to resume its activity by the Allied Authorities is not understood as you have been continuously pressed by the Allied Commission to cease its uneconomical operation.

2. The proper method to prevent spontaneous combustion in the 30,000 tons of coal lying at S. Antioco Harbor would be to turn it over and not to consume it wasterfully in the Distillation Plant.

3. It is to be hoped that your efforts to have the Plant closed down will succeed.

/s/ D. L. Anderson

D. L. ANDERSON
Brigadier
Deputy Vice-President

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Chief Commissioner
Executive Commissioner

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Rome, Italy
August 14, 1945

AUG 28 1945

My dear Admiral Stone:

Thank you very much for your July 27th letter concerning the Sardinian Coal Mines. Green has just returned from a second visit to these mines. His comments in connection with certain of the points as enumerated in your letter follow.

"4. The only consumer's goods available for sale in Carbonia are 2,000 pair of repaired shoes which have just arrived and for which no selling price has as yet been established. There is no part worn clothing for sale. The Coopertiva have a small amount of printed cotton cloth suitable for women's dresses. This is being sold at 320 lire per meter.

5. The Italian Government are opposed to the employment of German prisoners of war in the mines since they are of the opinion that sufficient Italian labor can be made available. This may be true but working conditions in the mines are such that the labor turn-over for the new workers is excessive. In the last sixty days Carbosada has hired a total of 1732 additional men. 956 of these men have either left or been discharged. The net increase is, therefore, only 776.

In the vicinity of the mines there is accomodation for a maximum of about 8,000 prisoners of war, but repairs are necessary to the buildings, specifically the kitchens and latrines. The light and water supplies would also have to be refitted. The cots etc. were removed by the Italian military authorities. I was informed that the cots could probably be obtained from Cagliari.

6. I was informed by the Mine Management that to date none of the materials referred to in my June 30th report have been delivered.

7. The Mine Management are interested in obtaining scraper equipment. It is hoped that everything possible will be done to bring this about. I have had considerable experience in Washington in connection with the obtaining of mining machinery for the U.K. deep and surface mines. I am of the opinion that the scraper equipment could be made available in less than twelve months. I should be very glad indeed to work with AC in connection with the procurement of this machinery.

11. To save coal, I am convinced the Distillation Plant should be promptly closed. The major output from the plant is coke, but the sulphur content is too high for many of the more important industrial uses. About fifteen percent of the high sulphur coke is mixed with good quality coke for use in various types of smelting. The balance of the coke is used for heating purposes where coal would be equally satisfactory. Currently the Distillation Plant is carrying stocks of

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6,000 tons of coke. It should be noted that with the exception of the gasoline and small quantity of the furnace oil, all fuels and lubricating oils which are obtained from the Distillation Plant are so high in sulphur that they are shipped to Leghorn or Padua for further refining, after which they are put on the market.

13. Since rations are distributed through the Cooperativa, it would be a simple matter to have the local AC officer report the detail distribution weekly. The Cooperativa places prominently on display a list showing each week the rations which are to be made available. Currently the miners appear to be getting their supplementary rations, but the normal consumer's ration is insufficient. This week the total daily calory value will be 752."

Yours sincerely,

Rear Admiral Ellery W, Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome, Italy.

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Mr. Picken:

We sent a note to Col. Densmore together with 3 copies, asking whether or not there was any objection tothe proposals.

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE
UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA

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AMERICAN EMBASSY

Rome, Italy,
August 23, 1945.

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AUG 23 1945

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
Rome.

My dear Admiral:

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I refer to my letters dated August 1 and August 7, 1945, regarding the desire of the Italian Government to negotiate with Poland and Czechoslovakia concerning the possibility of obtaining coal in exchange for certain Italian exports.

As was stated in earlier communications, the United States Government views favorably the undertaking of these negotiations without unavoidable delay, provided that any arrangements reached would not conflict with the plans of the European Coal Organization for the orderly distribution of European coal resources and, consequently, that the recommendations of the ECO be sought before final arrangements are made. I understand that the Allied Commission has already requested ECO to express its observations on the subject.

I am now in receipt of a communication from Washington in which it is pointed out that the Italian Government sees advantage in commencing discussions with Poland at the earliest possible date, in view of recent Polish commitments to Sweden and Russia in respect of coal, and that the Department of State approves departure of the Italian mission for Poland as soon as possible. The Department has conveyed this view to the Italian Embassy in Washington.

Specifically, the Department of State suggests that the Italian mission be permitted to leave immediately, inasmuch as the Italian negotiators could receive any recommendations which might be made by the European Coal Organization after the mission arrives in Poland or actually commences discussions.

In connection with the possible export of Italian products to Poland, and with reference to paragraph 2(b) of a letter dated August 4, 1945 addressed by the Commerce Sub-Commission to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on this subject (Ref. AC/5127/P/Commerce), I should like to note my understanding that only essential food oils, as distinct from essential oils in general, are subject to allocation by the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

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Sincerely yours,

/s/ A. Kirk

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Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers

n. 590 Rome, 23 August 1945

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My dear Admiral,

the High Commissioner for Sicily told me that the situation of the island is getting very serious because of the lack of coal.

The monthly allotment has still been kept at the levelestablished in September 1944, of 11500 t/ per month, of which 7800 of Sardinian coal of indifferent quality; this amount which was then thought indispensable to cover the most urgent requirements, is really inadequate; the situation is made still worse by the exceptional drought of this year which has greatly reduced the amount of power which can be produced by the hydroelectric power plants, and makes a greater distribution of power necessary, on the part of the thermoelectric plants, and therefore implies the use of more fuel.

This difficult situation has made it necessary to reduce still further railroad traffic and suspend the supplying of electric power to many industrial concerns, including those which are most useful for civilian life (mills, manufactures of pasta, etc.) as from the enclosed signals sent by High Commissioner Aldisio

All this is causing a state of misery among the population of the island, and therefore unrest; the consequences cannot be foreseen, and appear to be getting worse every day.

For this reason, I beg you, my dear Admiral, to see without delay that the Economic Section of the A.C. (Brig. Gen. Anderson) grants the urgent request made by our Ministry of Industry and Commerce, to have the coal supplies to Sicily normally raised from 11500 to 15000 t/ per month, and, above all, to issue orders for the shipping of extra coal to the harbours of the island for the month of August.

Thanking you for whatever you will do to settle this difficult situation, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

s. Ferruccio Parri

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Admiral Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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Translation

COPY

of the signal sent from Palermo on 18.8.1945 at 13 hours received at 12.30 hours on the 19th.

PRESIDENCY COUNCIL MINISTERS - MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE - FOOD MINISTRY ROME (Cab. Pz. AM)

N. 5723 Cab. Though this High Commissarint strongly insisted to have the coal supply for Sicily, for General Electric, increased, Ministry Industry Commerce states the Allies refused any increase whatever, even small. All water supplies are exhausted in the island, and the usual allotment of coal hasn't even arrives. The production of electric power has therefore become impossible, and to-morrow, many industries, including those destined to the alimentation of the population such as mill, manufact ros of pasta, will come to a standstill. In particular, the prefect of Ragusa reports communication about suspension of power supply on the part of 'Generale Elet rica' and paralysis of agricultural activity, milling and mining industry, hospitals and nursing centres. Prefect of Caltanisetta reports suspension of power supply to sulphur mines where about two thousand five hundred miners are at present unemployed. The consequences may be very serious for every industrial activity also because of the state of mind of the population which is quite exasperated. Beg to make a last supreme effort with the Allies to avoid general unrest the consequences of which it is impossible to foresee.

HIGH COMMISSIONER ALDISIO

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Translation

C O P Y

of signal sent from Palermo il 20.8.1945 at 14.30 hours
received at 1 hour on the 21st.

PRESIDENCY COUNCIL MINISTERS - MINISTER OF INDUSTRY COMMERCE AND LABOUR - MINISTER OF TRANSPORTS - ROME - (Cab. Pza Am.)

10855 Approv. As coal failed to arrive, State Railways had to reduce passengers trains and goods traffic, which were already small, for requirement of regional exchanges. The coal stock which is to arrive represents barely one fourth of the general monthly requirement allotted for the month of August. As I already said in a previous signal, the situation of the island is getting hourly more difficult in all sectors, for besides railroad traffic, all industries, including mills and pasta manufactures are coming to a standstill because of the lack of electric power. I beg you to take action, stressing the fact that the small amount of national coal which has arrived is mixed with plenty of stones and sand; this is bad for the plants and produces a smaller amount of power.

HIGH COMMISSIONER ALDISIO

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My dear Mr. Ambassador:

I wish to make further reference to my letter of the 6th of August on the matter of Italian - Polish coal negotiations.

Brigadier Anderson has now returned from London and he advises me the impression gained from the discussions of a general nature during his visit is that it would be an uneconomical use of shipping to supply Polish coal to Italy and that, if Polish coal were to be made available for use in Central and Western Europe, there would be a saving in shipping if it was used in the Scandinavian countries and if a corresponding quantity of British coal was diverted to Italy. Brigadier Anderson emphasized the point that his conversations were purely informal. The European Coal Organization has been asked for their observations.

The Italian government has meanwhile, submitted to the Economic Section of this Commission a list of commodities which it desires to export to Poland in exchange for coal. This list is in the process of screening an exportable surplus according to the requirements of paragraph 3 (a) of our letter, AC/5127/FO/Commerce, of 31 July to the Italian Prime Minister, copy of which was sent to you, whereas certain commodities will need to be reported to the Combined Boards in Washington for allocation according to the terms of paragraph 3 (b) of my same letter.

I am entirely in agreement with the Department of State's views to the effect that the Italian - Polish coal negotiations are rightly a matter for which arrangement should be worked out between Italian Government and Allied Commission. If the Italian Government desire to use post-liberation dollar accounts to effect part payment to the Polish Government, they would in the normal course have the

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U. S. bank or banks holding such accounts make a formal application for license to the U. S. Treasury Department. As the State Department indicates, the request will receive consideration. I shall be grateful if you will, therefore, inform the Department of State accordingly.

Sincerely,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone
[illegible] W. Stone
Rear Admiral, USCG
Chief Commissioner

Honorable Alexander Kirk
American Ambassador
119 Via Vittorio Veneto
Rome

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18 August 1945

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SUBJECT: Joint Economic Committee - Transportation for Arsa Coal.

TO : Assistant Chief of Staff
G-5 Section, AFHQ

1. At the fifth meeting of the Joint Economic Committee at Trieste on 10 August, the Jugoslav delegates asked if 3,000 tons of shipping for constant use could be made available to the Jugoslav Government, to move coal from the Arsa Port to Susac, Split and other ports on the Jugoslav coast. They stated that if this shipping were provided and also explosives which were required, they expected to be able to make available for export to Italy or elsewhere 250 tons of Arsa coal per day.

2. The Allied delegates replied that the question of shipping would have to be decided by AFHQ.

3. HQ, Allied Commission, are able to arrange for the supply of the required explosives, but do not wish to do so unless the promised coal is forthcoming.

4. Your views on the provision of shipping are requested.

5. A prompt reply is requested in order that further discussion with the Jugoslavs may take place at the next meeting on 3 September 1945.

D. L. ANDERSON, Brigadier.

D. L. ANDERSON, Brigadier
Chairman
Joint Economic Committee

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Chief Commissioner
through Executive Commissioner
Secretariat, Joint Economic Committee

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