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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Swedish commercial negotiations.

1. Reference is made to this Ministry's memorandum 6/3906/18071, dated October 6th, 1945.

2. Following upon the negotiations with the Swedish delegation mentioned in the aforesaid memorandum, an agreement of commercial nature was drawn up as per enclosure (in duplicate). Said agreement was initialed on October 19th, 1945. However, at that time the Swedish delegation reserved their final approval.

3. The Swedish Legation in Rome has now advised that the agreement has the approval of the Swedish Government.

4. The Italian Government is ready to sign the agreement, which is but the practical application of the scheme previously submitted, as soon as the Allied Authorities will give their assent thereto, especially concerning the goods comprised in list "A" of the Reserved Commodity List of Combined Boards.

5. It has so far been impossible to ascertain the real balance of the old Italo-Swedish clearing, the settlement of which has been postponed until a later date, when it will be possible to fully compare the records of two Clearing Institutes. It is, however, estimated that said balance will be almost even, probably with a small credit in favour of Italy.

6. Sweden undertakes to supply mostly raw materials indispensable to the resumption of the Italian productive activity, and half-finished and completely finished articles which are necessary to reconstruction. Said commodities are urgently needed by the Italian industries and it would be appreciated if the agreement could be examined, as soon as possible, related to the export of citrus

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7. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs will appreciate it greatly if the Allied Commission will consider the above question as being very urgent and thank them for their interest in the matter.

Reference is made to this Ministry's memorandum dated October 24th, 1942.



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Italo-Swedish commercial negotiations. 1

1. Reference is made to this Ministry's memorandum no 6/3682/1710, dated October 2nd, 1945.

As it is known, Mr. BOLLMAN, Assistant Manager of the Commercial Division of the Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, came to Rome for a few days, accompanied by some officials and technicians, in order to examine the possibility of re-establishing commercial exchanges between Italy and Sweden.

3. During the conversations which took place at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the possibility of a re-establishment of trade was contemplated, and the Swedish representatives stated that the Swedish Government would be willing to supply Italy with a certain amount of wood pulp, a commodity which is necessary for the revival of Italian textile and paper industries as well as with machinery, iron and special steel, urgently needed for the industrial reconstruction of the Country. (See enclosure no 1).

4. Italy, on her side, could supply the products mentioned in enclosure no 2, where those comprised in the "Reserved Commodity List of Combined Boards" are marked with an asterisk.

5. The sum and total value of trade would amount to, approximately, 50 million Kronas per half year, a figure which is roughly the same as the average for the last few years.

6. As far as payments are concerned it has been so far impossible to ascertain the real balance of the previous clearing and it is therefore believed that the 5007 clearing should

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1. Reference is made to this Ministry's memorandum no 6/3692/1710, dated October 2nd, 1945.

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concern only future trade.

7. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has the Allied Commission to examine the plan and to advise them of the possibility of stipulating a formal agreement accordingly. In particular authorization is requested to export to Sweden commodities listed under class "A" of the "Reserved Commodity List of Combined Boards".

8. In consideration of the importance of the supplies from Sweden, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs would greatly appreciate an early reply.

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Rome, October 6th, 1945



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Italo-Swedish commercial negotiation.

- 1.- Reference is made to the Ministry's memorandum No 6/3422/1944, of September 19th, 1945, subject "Swedish Commercial Mission - Entry into Italy".
- 2.- As the Allied Commission is aware, there is in Rome, at present, a mission of Swedish officials and experts, sent by the Stockholm Government, to examine on what bases trade between Sweden and Italy could be resumed. The president of the mission is Mr. Bohmann, Assistant manager of the Commercial division of the Swedish Foreign Ministry.
- 3.- It is foreseen that, on the Italian side, it will be established that Italy is not in a position of a debtor towards Sweden; this will undoubtedly facilitate the stipulation of a commercial agreement.
- 4.- The Ministry for Foreign Affairs will continue to keep the Allied Commission informed on the progress of negotiations. *mm*

Rome, October 2nd, 1945.

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- 2.- As the Allied Commission is aware, there is in Rome, at present, a mission of Swedish officials and experts, sent by the Stockholm Government, to examine on what bases trade between Sweden and Italy could be resumed. The president of the mission is Mr. Sohlmann, Assistant manager of the Commercial division of the Swedish Foreign Ministry.
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- 4.- The Ministry for Foreign Affairs will continue to keep the Allied Commission informed on the progress of negotiations.

Rome, October 2nd, 1945.

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