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RUK RECORDS, BOLZANO
JULY 1946 - JAN. 1947

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief Commissioner

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~~SECRET~~

Ref: 4063/20

9 August 1946

Subject: RUK Files

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

1. I am seriously concerned with regard to the RUK files now in my custody. These files are documents of the greatest importance, not only to the Italian Government, but to the Allies themselves. Owing to shortage and constant changes in staff I have been unable to complete even the registration of the files which is one of the most important steps to ensure their security. Moreover, unless these files are micro-filmed we run the risk of the loss of the extremely valuable information which they contain through accident or design.

2. Owing to the difficulties of staff mentioned above, the files at the moment are practically completely in the hands of German staff. I have no evidence to doubt their integrity but suspicions have arisen during the last two weeks which bring me to the conclusion that if we are to be certain that no information leaks out about these files to unauthorized sources, these Germans should be decently re-interned pending decisions by U.S. and U.K. Governments on proposal in para 5 below. The temptation is far too strong.

3. It has been suggested that these files are the property of Allied Commission in Germany and I would urge that a rapid decision be made as to their future disposal.

4. In the meantime I am compelled to treat them merely as archives and to limit my work on them to the registration of the documents and to restrict access to them, as approved in your letter, to the absolute minimum.

5. I would recommend that so long as they are kept in Rome these files should for purposes of investigation be passed over to the custody of the Joint Diplomatic Research Section which is under the aegis of the US and UK Embassies working on Italian secret archives in Rome. Such disposal would release the Allied Commission from a responsibility which I feel they can no longer accept without an increase in staff of several specially qualified officers when it would be almost impossible to obtain. US and UK Embassies agree in principle and, if you concur, they will submit detailed proposals to their respective Governments regarding personnel, pay, etc. Meanwhile, Germans mentioned in para 2 should not be allowed to disperse, in case it is decided that their specialized knowledge is indispensable.

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6. If it is decided not to microfilm the documents, then they can be transferred to the Joint Diplomatic Research Section as soon as accommodation can be found. If it is decided to microfilm them, then the transfer should take place in instalments after the photographic process.

7. In the meantime I am allowing access to these files under the conditions laid down by you to a member of the Italian Government who wishes to examine them in connection with Italian taxation.

M. S. LUSH

MELBURY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Copy to: Chief Commissioner
US Embassy
UK Embassy
Archives Branch

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794
ARCHIVES BRANCH

REPORT

8 August 1946
AUG 9 1946

At a Meeting with Dr. Bombassei and Col. Domenico Fumarola
Chief of Italian Finance Office - on 5 Aug. 1946.

1. Dr. Bombassei said it was understood that RUK files were in Rome and it was requested that access should be permitted for them to be examined by Italian Government.
2. Major Harrison said that the conditions under which the Italian Government could examine the RUK files were in preparation but that the investigation of files might interfere with present instructions to commence Microfilming and until the policy to Microfilm was altered, he could not promise that access to the files would begin immediately.
3. Col. Fumarola asked whether the files were in Rome and how long it would be before access could be arranged.
4. Major Harrison said that without the instructions of the Executive Commissioner he could say nothing further but that immediately any information was available he would get in touch with Dr. Bombassei upon the matter.

N.M. Harrison

N.M. HARRISSON,
Major,
Chief Archives Officer.

Add. Since the above Meeting, a letter has been drafted by Executive Commissioner to AFHQ upon the future policy of these files. At present under examination POLAD (A) & (B).

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see M 105-107

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~~the~~ To Arc Wier Div.

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Have you any comment on

folio 165. please Aug 20/

Executive Commissioner

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1. Ref folio 165, up to the present NO reference of any French material has come to light in the cataloguing of RUK files nor is it expected, since most probably ROGERS, which had also a Branch in PARIS would record movement of French plant and machinery, exactly as the ROGERS Branch of Rome (and later at St. Ulrich) recorded the Italian Plant and Machinery, removed.
2. Under par. 3 of fo 165, it should be noted that work by the "Ruk files staff" is only permitted to catalogue and number Ruk files for microfilming under AFHQ instructions and that this work will have to be speeded up at once under AGWAR's wish to commence ~~xxxxxxx~~ the filming of certain files soon.
3. In order to conduct any investigation whatever, more specific information would be needed
 - (a) what kind of material - machinery, plant, goods etc.
 - (b) town or district of the upper Adige concerned.

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MM Harrison maps
Direct Adige
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Executive Commission

Letter to French Representative for your signature, please

26-11-46

~~McKarron~~ ~~mayor~~
Archives, Del

AMC-111

Executive Commission

Ref. fo 152, the French Flag Officer visited Archives yesterday & after discussion was shown ROK file-rooms. Since their interest was prompted chiefly "in case anything was necessary to examine" — and it was apparent that at this stage, very little data seemed relevant, he will report to the French Representative and, if the latter wished to pursue the matter, he would make a further appointment. ~~McKarron~~ ~~mayor~~ ~~Director~~

11 Feb MC

3/12/46

15b.

Ex Comm:

Folio 15'5" for info. Please

Folio 15'4" Index.

J. inform 13/12. JH 14/12

MC 469

to Comm: 159.

Letter to Folios 15'7 & 15'8 for info. please.

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W. H. K. M. C.
Director

106.

Ex Comm.

Folio 155 for info. please
Folio 154 Exd.

INC 15/2 463
13/12. H. 14/12

Ex Comm.

159.
Folios 157 & 158 for info. please.
21/12 H. 23/12
MC 23/12

161.

Ex Comm.

C.S.O. Folios 160 for info. please Ans. 16/11
H. 16/11

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Archives Branch.

124.

Letter opposite signed by E.C. for despatch. E.C.'s copy withdrawn. Draft in Min 3, para (b) approved.

11/12/80

Ex/Comm

132.

Letter at 131 for signature please
126 & 130 refer.

G. MCM 3/9. 12/9

133.

O/C Archives.

Will you please speak to Ex Comm.
re letter at 131.

G. MCM. 4/9.

Executive Commission

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discussed

Matter placed with Major Bates as instructed. CEM
Branch cannot trace who forwarded the letter. Chief Clerk?
now in your office, denies taking any action in matter.
(125) Letters have been acknowledged & filed in Rule series -
Presume no further action necessary by me. 11/12/80
Staff archives.

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Executive Commissioner.

Ref. fo. 1²⁶ and enclosures, these are replies to a circular letter issued by Lt. Col. CAMERON CURRY when i/c Ruk Investigation.

It is noticed that several are dated as far back as July, altho Ruk was handed over to Archives Alcom on July 3rd and why these have been sent to Major ROWARTH is not understood.

Until decision of CCoS as to ultimate disposal and who will continue the investigation, nothing more than an acknowledgement of the correspondence is being done by Archives.

Suggested reply to CLO Bolzano is attached for approval.

22.8.46

H. M. Harrison
may 29

Major Harrison to speak DS/26/11/11
2.128

Csa.
Executive Commissioner

Here with

- (a) Acknowledgment to C.L.O. Bologna of his letter
- (b) Draft to C.E.M., enclosing copy of Maj. Bate letter referred to in para 2 of draft and a list of the correspondence received from BOLZANO - for your approval -
- (c) The letter will be acknowledged for filed in RVR

H. M. Harrison
may 29

D.S. 29/8
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DS/30/11/11

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Executive Commissioner

Ref to 115. P.S.O states that implement of German staff will be decided by S.I.B. in due course.

MMHawes
May

17-8-46

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Executive Commissioner

Ref Mm 112. Under the present circumstances it is requested that access to RUK files should be limited for ^{summarise} this time being to the 250 cases mentioned in Mm 108. These

summarises can be examined in my office without access to the files themselves. Draft amended accordingly —

MMHawes
May

17-8-46

As amended. SS/17/8

#122.

Ex Comm.

at 121

1) Letter re-submitted in accordance with your amendments. M.S. 20/8

2) 1's 118-120 for info. M.S. 20/8

See MMHawes
22/8/46

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Ex Comm.

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17.8.46 AMKarrisson major

As amended. SS/12/18

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Ex Comm.

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2) 1's 118-120 for info. M.S. 20/8

See AMKarrisson 22/8/46 108

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Ex Comm.

1. Commenting on Signal to CCOS. para 3 in stating 4 million documents has, we opine, over estimated this by nearly a million.

2. If Micro Unit is required to be available for 9 months, a staff for preparation of file numbering & recovery will also be necessary from Archives. This, I suggest, will increase total filming Schedule of AL CORP + RUK by 9 months to minimum of 2 1/2 years!

MS/24/111 AMKarrisson major 18.8.48

22.8.46

Executive Comm

108-109

Reference of 99 - investigation of loss of 2 film packs
is continuing under P.S. Bach (Capt Ellis) in the
meantime the information upon the one important pack of 2
has been traced to the Ruk files (Bachman) via list of
the Contracts filmed has been made (40 in all)
amounting to many millions in value & checked personally
by me - All film packs are stored pending transfer decision
from Hawes Major

13-8-46

C.S.O.

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Ref 95. Is any further action required beyond that now being
taken of Vol II for 103 103
taken of Vol II for 103 103
13-8-46

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Executive Commissioner

1. Ref. fo. 16, the promise by Chief Commissioner for copies of RUK
films to be sent to Italian Govt., was apparently made through
CHM by arrangement with the Military Microfilm Unit then a
ached to them at Polzano. Since then this film Unit has joined
the Joint Dip. Research Sectn in Rome and RUK filming closed down.
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CCOS further approval.

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13-8-46

for the purpose
Major

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C.S.O.

Ref 95. Is any further action requested beyond that now being

taken at Vol II p 103 ¹⁰³ for access to Ruk by Minis of Finance?

13-8-46

for the purpose
Major

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Executive Commissioner

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3. In the meantime, a signal has been sent by AFHQ (G-5) yesterday to CCOS requesting that RUK files be transferred to custody of J.R.D.S (copy to ALCOM in transit).
4. Draft of reply to PRIME MINISTER's request (fo. 95) is attached.

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See also n's 108 and 109

Arch. n's

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10 n's what about para 7 on page 102?

H.L. 158

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105.
To Executive Commissioner.

Letter at 1013 was taken today by Col. F.G. Parsons for delivery

to AFHQ. Copies have been distributed as detailed

McKesson
May
Chief Archives Officer

105-106

Ex Comm.

4104 for info. M.S. 918.

By Harrison (Archives) 105-107

In the letter I have said that an Italian Officer

(name redacted) may see the files. If the

Col. arrives with an official letter advising permission

giving reasons can you supervise. 9/80

Will Dr. Bombassei be coming.

Executive Commissioner.

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105/5/8

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Ex Comm.

7-104 for info. M.S. 9/18.

Aug Harrison (Archives) 10-107

In the letter I have said that an "Official Officer"

(meaning Col. Bembassei) may see the file. If the

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tell Dr. Bembassei to carry on.

Executive Commissioner.

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In view of this, it is felt that access for the purpose of investigating any contracts other than the 250 (above) could NOT be satisfactorily supervised by my present Staff in conformity with conditions laid down by AFHQ and should await the proposed transfer to whoever is detailed for this work.

In the meantime Ruk files are still "sealed" by P S Section pending examination of certain material therein.

I have told Dr. Bembassei that a careful review upon the whole question of access is being made and that I will advise him of your decision

13-8-46

pm Harrison
Major

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Translation

THE ALLIED COMMISSION
IN ITALY

Rome, 29 January 1947

THE FRENCH REPRESENTATIVE

No. 3181/27/42

Capt. HERON de VILLEFOSSÉ
French Representative with
the Allied Commission

to

The Brigadier, Executive Commissioner,
Allied Commission.

SUBJECT : French industrial material transferred by the Germans to the
Upper Adige = RUK Archives.

REFERENCE : Your letter 4063/EC. of 26 Nov. 1946.

I have the honour to draw your attention to the facts given
below :

1. - We have just received instructions according to which

a) an appreciable part of the considerable French industrial material
taken away by the Germans is at present in the Upper Adige ;
b) we are being asked to supply every information concerning its nature
and location.

2. - I have contacted in this matter the CEM Sub-Division and
it appears that :

a) in fact a very considerable quantity of industrial
material of the United Nations is in the Upper Adige ;
b) CEM are unable to give for the moment but the most
general information on its nature and location ;
c) Only access to the RUK archives which on the other
hand have been exactly located in the Upper Adige, would permit to
trace the whole quantity and to proceed to the restoration of this
industrial material.

3. - As a result of and following our visits to Major HARRISON
(Ref. Par. 2 of your letter 4063/EC) who told us that he was at our
disposal for any "precise question" regarding the RUK files, I have the
honour to ask you kindly to give or arrange for instructions to be given
which may permit to CEM and to my Staff to work in conjunction with
the RUK files staff, in order to clarify and settle this particular
matter.

/s/ Capt. Villefosse

See LACAB/4063/12/CB

Cap. K

COMMISSION ALLIÉE
EN ITALIE

LE REPRÉSENTANT FRANÇAIS

N° 3181/27/42

Révisé 29 Janvier

1947

Le Capitaine de Vaisseau
HERON de VILLEBROSSE
Représentant Français à la
Commission Alliée

Monsieur le Brigadier,
Exécutive Commissioner,
Allied Commission

O B J E T : Matériel Industriel Français transféré par les
Allemands dans le Haut-Adige = Archives de la
RUK

REFERENCE : Votre lettre 4063/EC du 26 Nov. 46

J'ai l'honneur d'attirer votre attention sur les
faits ci-dessous:

1.- Nous venons de recevoir des instructions suivant
lesquelles a) une notable partie du très considérable
matériel industriel français spolié par les Allemands se
trouve à l'heure actuelle dans le Haut-Adige;
b) on nous demande de fournir toutes informa-
tions concernant leur nature et leur emplacement.

2.- J'ai pris contact à ce sujet avec la CEM Sub-Di-
vision d'où il ressort que:

a) En effet une très importante quantité de
matériel industriel des Nations Unies se trouve dans le
Haut-Adige
b) La CEM ne peut pour l'instant que donner
des renseignements extrêmement généraux sur leur nature
et leur emplacement

c) Seul l'accès aux archives de la CEM qui
ont d'ailleurs été précisément trouvées dans le Haut-A-
dige, permettrait de retrouver la totalité et de procé-
der à la restitution de ce matériel industriel.

3.- En conséquence et comme suite aux visites fai-
tes au Major HARRISON (Rif. par 2 de votre lettre 4063/

N° 3181/27/42

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Représentant Français à la
Commission Alliée

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EC) qui nous a dit être à notre disposition pour toute
"question précise" au sujet des RUK files j'ai l'honneur
de vous demander de bien vouloir donner ou faire donner

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des instructions permettant au CEM et à son Etat-Major
de travailler en conjonction avec le RUX files Staff,
afin d'éclaircir et liquider cette question particulière.
re.

W. N. H. / m.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794
ARCHIVES DIVISION

Ref. 15/AB/CEM

17 January 1947

Subject: RUK Files.

To : C.E.M. Branch.

1. With reference to Master List of CEM Files will you please confirm that File 92 Part 1 (1/9/45 to 16/5/46) is still in your possession.
2. Under Executive Commissioner letter of 3rd July 1946, all files pertaining to RUK should have been handed to Archives Division from that date. (copy herewith for information).
3. Will you please arrange for series 92 files to be handed in at the earliest possible moment, as these are required for reference.

N.M. Harrison
N.M. HARRISSON,
Major,
Director,
Archives Division.

Copies to: Ex.Cem.File. 4063
File 28.2/AB.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AIC 794
ARCHIVES DIVISION

CONFIDENTIAL

14 January 1947

Subject: Access to RUK Files.

MINUTES OF CONFERENCE - Monday 13th Jan. 47.

Present: Col. Pumarola -
Major Harrison
Capt. McCracken
Ten. Buonchristiani
Dr. Zeisel.

1. Major Harrison said the Conference had been called to discuss how best the information in RUK Files could be made available to the Italian Government. Since this was being amended and added to as the preparation of the Library Catalog progressed, it was felt that such particulars could only be released at certain periods.

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4. Dr. Zeisel here explained the format of the RUK organisation, and the relation of Ruetungskontor and Roges to this set-up.

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7. Another list of firms who had purchased goods from ROGES (German) Dumps and Warehouses AFTER 8/2/45 (date of AFHQ order prohibiting this) was also stated to be available for the Italian officials.

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8. Fonderie Acciaierie (File 26.6/AB). It was explained by Major Harrison that, with reference to the application of the above firm through Ministry of Finance, NO photographic copies of records could be supplied to firms or individuals. AN Italian official was always permitted to view the documents concerned and satisfy enquirers as to their verity.
10. The Conference closed with thanks from Col. Pumarola for the co-operation shown by Archives AC.

DISTRIBUTION: Exec. Commissioner.

G-5 (for info)

Intendenza di Finanza (info)

Archives (RUK Section)

N. HARRISON,

Major,

Director,

Archives Division.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794
ARCHIVES DIVISION

Ref. : 28.1/AB.

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20 December 1946

A Conference held at Archives Division - 19th Dec. 46.

Present: Col. Dom Fumarola - Director of Italian Finance,
Major N.M. Harrison - Archives Director,
Capt. McCracken (A) - Archives Officer.

1. Major Harrison stated that the Meeting had been called to carry out arrangements whereby accessibility to the RUX files could be made for Italian officials in accordance with AFHQ (G-5) instructions.

2. Major Harrison read out the conditions (translated) and Col. Fumarola agreed to all the points.

3. Col. Fumarola asked whether any further "taxable" information was now available either upon removed plants, and machinery, or clothing and materials such as boots etc?

4. Major Harrison stated that ROGERS might be available later but that the files were still being listed and catalogued and were still incomplete. In view of the variety of items continually coming to light there were three categories which Italian Finance officials might care to examine:-

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- (b) Firms who had recovered their plant with the Allied permission from Bolzano Tunnels or elsewhere but who still held undeclared funds in the Banks, paid them by the Germans.
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5. It was under (c) that Major Harrison suggested a release of information, since the Italian Government was at present unable to make enquiries until they were certain of what the RUX files could supply.
6. Col. Fumarola said that he was quite in agreement with this suggestion.

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7. Major Harrison introduced Capt. McCracken and stated that until further notice, this Officer would act for a certain time as the ALLIED OFFICIAL stipulated to be present at all visits of Italian Officials in accordance with G-5 instructions.

8. It was agreed that Col. Fumarola would advise Archives Division when his officials would visit the RUK Section, probably early in the new year.

9. Major Harrison in conclusion asked Col. Fumarola (a) if he would contact Col. BATTENBY (Director A.F.A.) upon any financial questions in order that AFA might be fully advised as to the contacts made with the Banks etc (b) that if possible a copy of any correspondence with the firms under investigation could be sent to Archives Division in order that the files in question could be kept to date.

10. Col. Fumarola agreed to do this and expressed his thanks for the excellent assistance which was being given to his Department.

M. Harrison
MAYN

N.M. HARRISON,
Major,
Director,
Archives Division.

Copy to: A.F.A. for info (9).
AFHQ (G-5).

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 963.20P

// December 1946.

SUBJECT: Access to RUK Files by Italian Government
TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

Reference your letter, 4063/EC (Archives
Division) dated 5 December 1946.

The table of conditions, under which the
Archives may be entered and RUK records examined by
officials of the Italian Government, submitted this
Headquarters as Enclosure A to the above referenced
letter is approved.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL LEE:

A. L. Hamblen
A. L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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J. G. Hamblen

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

A.P.O. 794

Office of the Executive Commissioner
ARCHIVES DIVISION

Ref. : 4063/EC.

5 December 1946

To : APHQ G-5 Section.

Subject: Access to RUK by Italian Government.

Reference your letter G-5 963.20 P of 13 July 46.

1. The present state of RUK files now permits accessibility by the Italian Government in accordance with your instructions.
2. Up to the present owing to a Security black-out imposed at the request of SIB and FBS only certain abstracts from the files were able to be seen by Italian Officials of the Ministry of Finance.
3. This black-out has now been lifted. After screening it was decided to dispense with the services of the German staff and they have now been paid off. One employee of Czech nationality has been retained.
4. Numbering of all RUK documents is continuing. A total of over one million has been completed out of an approximate 3 million. Approval for RUK files to be microfilmed will allow increased staff to complete this work but may somewhat interfere with examination of certain files whilst filming and documenting is in operation.
5. In accordance therefore with your instructions a table of conditions has been prepared under which Archives may be entered and RUK records examined by officials of Italian Government. (Enclosure A).
6. If these conditions are approved, steps will be taken to procure an Allied Official under (d) and the Italian Government advised that access to the RUK files is now permitted, subject to these conditions.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copies to: POLAD (A) & (B).

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

ENCLOSURE A

Subject: Conditions of access to Archives and examination
of R.U.K. records by Italian Government Officials.

- (a) Access to RUK files will be allowed only to approved officials of the Italian Government.
- (b) The names of these Italian Officials will be agreed with the Director of the Archives Division, and the number of officials will not be in excess of a number which can be supervised by one Allied Official. If a change is desired in the Italian officials, prior-approval must be given by the Director of Archives Division.
- (c) Examination of records will be carried out in a special room set apart for the purpose in that part of Alcom Hq. allotted for the storage of RUK files.
- (d) Investigation of documents will be carried out under continuous and close supervision of an Allied official who will be:-
 - (i) A British or American subject.
 - (ii) Of officer status.
 - (iii) If possible, German speaking.

The above Allied official will be permanently in the room with the Italian officials.

- (e) No documents will be removed either from its file or taken from the examination room.
- (f) All documents handed over to the Italian officials for examination will be signed for and will be checked and accounted for at the end of each day's work.
- (g) No information obtained from the documents will be communicated to any private individual or to the representatives of firms.
- (h) Officials who are nominated under (b) will sign a certificate to the effect that they undertake to observe conditions (e) and (g).

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 4063/BC

26 November 1946

SUBJECT : RUK Filer.

TO : Office of the French Representative.

1. In reply to your 3063/44 of 20 Nov. 1946.
2. The catalogue now in course of preparation will take considerable time before completion.
3. In the meantime I have asked Maj. Harrison, Director of the Archives of this Commission to get in touch with you and to give any assistance he can in the matter.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

W. HIND-SMITH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Archives Div 28/AB

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Translation

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the French Representative
APO 794

No. 3083/44

20 November 1946

FROM: Le Capitaine de Vaisseau
HERN de VILLEFOSSE
French Representative to AC.

TO : The Executive Commissioner,
Allied Commission.

1. I thank you for your letter No. 4063/146/EC dated
20 November 1946 regarding the NTK archives.

2. While waiting for a definite decision to be taken by
the CCS, I should appreciate it if you could give me as soon
as possible information concerning the catalogue in preparation
to enable me to form an opinion as to which parts of the
archives in question will contain matter of interest to us.

See 7.149

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the French Representative
APO 394

No. 3083/41

20 Novembre 1946

Le Capitaine de Vaisseau
HERON de VILLIERS
Representant Francais a la
Commission Alliee

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Monsieur le Brigadier General,
Executive Commissioner
Commission Alliee

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1.- Je vous remercie de votre lettre no. 4063/146/EC du
20 Novembre 1946 concernant les archives de la RUK.

2.- En attendant qu'une decision definitive soit prise
par le CCS, je vous demande de bien vouloir me donner, des
qu'il sera possible communication du catalogue en preparation,
afin que je puisse me rendre compte de l'interet qu'il y au-
rait a prendre connaissance de telle ou telle partie des ar-
chives en question.

Pour et P.O.:
Le Capitaine LUQUET
Adjoint "Guerre" au
Representant Francais

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Ref. : 4063/146/30

20 November 1946

SUBJECT: RUK Files.

TO : Office of French Representative.
A.C.

1. In reply to your letter of 18 June regarding the documents known as RUK files.
2. Owing to certain technical difficulties, plans for the reproduction of these files are at present awaiting the further approval of Chiefs of Staff Washington.
3. Immediately a decision is reached, I will communicate with you again upon the matter.
4. In the meantime if nature of the information required could be stated, Archives Division will endeavour to obtain this from the files which are at present in the process of catalogue preparation.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Archives Div

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

ARCHIVES BRANCH

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Ref: 22/AB.

10 October 1946

SUBJECT: RUK Files.

TO : Directorate of Microgram Services,
Air Ministry, LONDON.

Reference your letter 735/1111/SH(1) of 21 Sept. 46
we inform you that the six film copies of Jobs 68-79 have
not been received.

N.R.
(Archives)
H.M. HARRISON, Major
Chief Archives Officer.

Copy to: Executive Commissioner File.

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(from M.C.M.) g. m. c. m.

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

SEP 20 1946

Ref. : 7/AB.

18 September 1946

SUBJECT: Property at Cadorago.

TO : The Property Adviser,
to the Ambassador.

Reference your letter MI/038 of 12th September.

1. Since it is understood that the above property has been released to Mr. HERRIMAN there is no objection to the Title Deeds being handed over to the owner.

2. A receipt should be obtained and placed in the file concerned, this office being notified in due course.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER BOLZANO

SEP 23 1946

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SUBJECT IS CASES OF FILES AT MERANO PD EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER DIRECTS
THAT IMMEDIATE STEPS BE TAKEN TO FREEZE FOUR CASES OF FILES AT MERANO
DUMP AND TWENTY FIVE OTHER CASES OF FILES SAID TO BE ELSEWHERE IN MERANO
PD ON NO ACCOUNT MUST THESE CASES BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE ITALY WITHOUT
FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS THIS HEADQUARTERS PD

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A P O 794

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 4/AR.

September 1946

My Dear Dr. Geyde,

NR

Reference your letter of 23rd August, contact has been made with Avvocato SCUDATO and copy of his reply is attached.

My Archives Officer Major Harrison has also visited Pastor DAHLGREN and has been informed that up to the present no arrangements have been made with him regarding the renting of the building at No. 79 Via Sardegna.

Pastor DAHLGREN states that upon receipt of a letter from the Italian Government he will immediately commence the necessary negotiations in connection with a lease between yourselves and his ecclesiastical commission.

In order that the building may be thoroughly cleaned and prepared for occupation at the earliest possible date in October, I should be grateful if you would be so good as to issue early instructions in this matter.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

M. CARR

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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File

Ref. : 4063/141/80

20 September 1946.

SUBJECT: RUK Files.

TO : Polad A.

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1. Reference your letter dated 19 September 46 on this Subject, a copy of my letter No. 4063/80 of 16 Sept 46 has been forwarded to the British Political Adviser.

For the Chief Commissioner:

A. W. Kinsely.

Brigadier,
Acting Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Political Adviser (A)

SEP 20 1946

September 19, 1946.

MEMORANDUM TO: Executive Commissioner

SUBJECT : RUK Files

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Thank you for your letter of September 16, 1946, (Ref. 4063/EC) outlining the present status of the RUK files and Italian Government access thereto. I assume that a copy of this letter has been made available to my British colleague.

Joseph N. Greene, Jr.
Joseph N. Greene, Jr.,
Assistant Political Adviser (A)

cc - POLAD (B)

(Cable)
[Signature]

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A P O 794
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref. : 4063/EG

16 September 1946

SUBJECT : Access to RUK by Italian Government

TO : Political Advisor (A).

Reference your letter to Major Harrison Archives Branch of
Sept. 9th, 1946.

(a) The statement that the FBS report will in no case be later than Sept. 14 cannot be confirmed. In order that the numbering of all RUK documents shall continue as soon as possible, FBS have promised to release certain rooms and the files within them by the end of this week. The numbering of over three million papers will however take some time to do, depending upon the staff employed.

(b) That military personnel are not available to process the documents is incorrect. My Archives Branch are ready to commence processing the files for filming immediately approval is received from OCS that the documents shall be microfilmed here. This is expected daily.

(c) The reply to your four questions can be answered in the negative.

(1) Instructions in writing to the Italian Government of the conditions of access have not been issued. Decision is awaited as to how the RUK files shall be administered and by what staff.

(2) The only application by the Italian Government is enclosed. This is for copies of filmed matter when microfilming has been completed.

(3) The Italians have NOT been informed in writing of the present blackout of the files.

(4) No plan has been proposed by the Italians as to how they intend to use their privilege. It is believed that they have a German speaking Italian interpreter whom they propose to use.

I am able to assure you, however, that certain access is being permitted in accordance with my letter to AFHQ (4063/EG. para 7) of Aug. 9th.

After two visits by Col. FUMAROLI of the Ministry of Finance, arrangements have been made for two officials to work in Major Harrison's

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office, abstracting data from certain Summaries already copied upon some 950 claims of Removed Plants to Germany, Austria and France.

The Ministry is completely satisfied with this arrangement; they state they do not require access to any supporting documents and consider there will be ample information for their purpose for the present.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Poland (B)

U.S. Poland (AMHQ)

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TRANSLATION

THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

24200/54

Dear Admiral,

You had the kindness to inform me with your letter of 9 March 1946 that the documents existing in Bolzano with regard to the installations, machineries and other economic items taken out of the Italian territory by the Germans and normally known as ROK archives, were going to be reproduced in several copies, some of which would be put at my disposal.

As now we are preparing the prospects of the installations taken from the various Italian firms and enterprises (some of these have been already presented to Allied authorities with a view to recuperation), it would be particularly useful to be able to dispose of the above mentioned documents in order to complete the prospects and facilitate the recuperative action of the competent Allied authorities, especially with regard to the final destination and the present whereabouts of the looted items.

I take therefore the liberty to appeal to your usual kindness asking you kindly to give the necessary orders for the remittance of some copies of the documents concerned.

Thanking you sincerely for the steps you are going to take in this matter, I remain with kindest regards,

Yours truly,

/s/ Do Gasperi

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome.

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Ref. 4063/DC

22 August 1946

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

In response to your letter of 22 July 1946 regarding the documents known as RUK files.

Owing to certain technical difficulties which have arisen since my letter of March 9, 1946 (Ref. 23/5.16), plans for the reproduction of these files are at present awaiting the further approval of Chiefs of Staff Washington.

Immediately a decision is reached, I will communicate with you again upon the matter.

In the meantime access to summarized information upon certain cases will be made available to an authorized Official of your Ministry of Finance.

Yours very truly,

/s/ HILARY W. STONE
REAR ADMIRAL, USNR
Chief Commissioner.

Doctor Alcide De Gasperi
President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Political Adviser (A)

SEP 12 1946

September 9, 1946

SECRET

MEMORANDUM TO: Major N. M. Harrisson,
Archives Branch, Allied Commission

SUBJECT : Access to RUK files by the Italian Government

I should be grateful for your comments on the following notes, which constitute my understanding of the present position with regard to RUK records and access thereto by the Italian Government. I should also be grateful to have the answers to the questions raised at the end of this memorandum.

Custody and administration of the RUK records is presently vested in the Office of the Executive Commissioner, Archives Branch.

No Allied Military personnel are presently assigned specifically to guard, handle, or process the records.

German personnel who had been processing the records were taken off this work on or about August 8, owing to suspicion of security leakage. Since that time no work has been done on the documents, and no access to them has been allowed.

FSS are presently investigating possible security leaks. Their report is due as soon as possible, and in no case later than September 14, 1946.

ALCOM is empowered to grant access to the records to the Italian Government, under the terms of instructions from G-5, AFHQ, dated July 13, 1946, (File No. G-5: 963.20P). This instruction was issued after consultation with the State Department and Foreign Office, and specified that only officials of the Italian Government might examine the files, provided such investigation be done under continuous and close supervision of an Allied Official and that certain other mechanical precautions for preservation of the documents be observed.

Even after completion of the FSS report, and lifting of the present security blackout on the files, there is no indication that military personnel will be available to process the documents or to provide the machinery for fulfilling the conditions under which Italian Government access to the files may be granted.

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After consulting with the British and American Embassies, the Allied Commission informed G-5 on August 9 (Ref. 4063/EC) of the possible security leaks and recommended turning custody of the documents over to the Joint Diplomatic Research Section. The two embassies had indicated that they were submitting to their respective Governments recommendations for personnel to enable them to fulfill the obligations thus contemplated. Thus it has been assumed that not only processing but also access to the files would depend upon transfer of custody and administration from ALCOM, which in turn depended on the two Embassies indicating their willingness and ability to provide the requisite personnel.

The US Embassy has now been informed by its Government that, owing to shortage of funds, additional personnel to work on the RUK files cannot be supplied. The US Government does, however, appreciate the importance of the problem, and will continue to attempt to find a way to assign adequate personnel.

The British Embassy is presently awaiting further instructions and possible assignment of personnel, following personal enquiries in Rome by Lt. Col. Thompson.

Irrespective of other aspects of the problem I should be grateful for answers to the following questions:

1. Has the Italian Government ever been informed in writing of the conditions under which its officials may have access to the RUK files? If so, may I please have a copy of the letter so informing them?
2. Has the Italian Government since February 1946 asked in writing to have access to the documents, especially those pertaining to removals from Italy of industrial plants? If so, may I please have a copy of their request?
3. If the answer to question 1 is in the affirmative, have the Italians ever been informed in writing of the present blackout on the files? If so, may I please have a copy of the letter?
4. Have the Italians ever indicated how they propose to exercise the privilege of access to the RUK files, indicating whether they have qualified personnel, a detailed plan of procedure, and any specific objective? If so, may I please have a copy of the letter.

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J. N. Greene, Jr.
Assistant Political Advisor (A)

Copy to:
Executive Commissioner
POLAD (B)
USPOLAD, AFHQ

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

A P O 794

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 4063/EO.

3 September 1946

SUBJECT: RUK Files.

TO : The Director C.E.M. Branch
c/o Vice President
Economic Section.

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Reference ACID/EZ/9 from CIO Bolzano dated 19 August
copy to you.

(originally)

1. It is noticed that the correspondence attached thereto,
although addressed to this Headquarters, has been logged and
forwarded to Major Rowarth at Milan.

2. It is presumed that my order dated July 10 has been
brought to the attention of your staff since a letter of July
12 signed by Major Bates as acting Director confirms this. (CEM/92/119).

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3. An explanation as to the reason and a report stating
whether any action has been taken by CEM would be appreciated.

BY ORDER OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to Archives Branch.

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this letter not sent
Maj Harrison investigating matter personally.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794
Captured Enemy Material Branch

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CEM/92/119

12 July 1946

SUBJECT: Correspondence on R.U.K. Files.

TO : Executive Commissioner Office
Archives Branch.

Reference your letter C2/497 dated 9 July 46.

1. All files appertaining to R.U.K. matters will be physically transferred to ARCHIVES on 12 July 46.
2. If and when further R.U.K. correspondence is received it will be passed over without delay.
3. Assistance in any matter in which the Branch can be of service will at any time be gladly given.

F.C.G. BATES
Major R.A.S.C.
Acting Director,
CEM Branch.

1. Copy to: Executive Commissioner
1. " " Economic Section.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
OFFICE OF CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER
BOLZANO

REF: ACLO/BZ/9

DATE: 19 August 1946

SWM/mab

SUBJECT:

TO : HQ Allied Commission (3)
attn. Executive Commissioner

1. When the RuK files originally came into our possession, AFHQ (G-5) authorized CEM Branch to obtain the German credits outstanding with Italian contractors. Numerous replies have been received to the letters, some of which have already been sent to CEM Branch in Rome, the remainder are enclosed herewith for you to see their value.

2. I don't know what the policy is, now the RuK files are with archives, but from previous checking with the RuK files it appears the Italian firms are none too truthful in their business replies. If it is the policy to allow them to get away with it, then there is nothing more to be said. If it is not, then it will be more difficult as time passes to arrive at the truth and I recommend steps should be taken now to reconcile their reports with the facts contained in the RuK files.

S. W. Miller, Colonel
S. W. MILLER, Colonel,
Chief Liaison Officer,
BOLZANO

Encl.

Copy to: C.E.M.

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List of enclosures sent under ACLO/BZ/9.

Date	LOG No.	Name	Town
4th July 1946	4117	Laboratorio Elettromeccanico Ing. Curzio Reimann	Milan A-597/223
8th July 1946	4135	Mario De Paoli	Milan A-638/475
8th July 1946	4143	M.A.I.S.	Milan
11th July 1946	4154	COSTRUZIONI AERONAUTICHE NOVARESI	Novara A-524/453
12th July 1946	4166	O.M.C.S.A.	Milan
12th July 1946	4165	Siemens Società per Azioni	Milan H-1/466
16th July 1946	4174	VOLUGRAFO	Torino A-449
22nd July 1946	4178	Filotecnica Salmoiraghi S.A.	Milan
18th July 1946	4169	Renzo Pendino	Turin
8th August 1946		Bombrini Parodi Delfino	Rome
27 June 1946		S.A. Innocente Mangili Adriatica	Milan 1= 3/342
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Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref. : 28/AB.

30 August 1946

SUBJECT : RUK Files.

TO : Chief Liaison Officer Bologna.

1. Reference your letter AGLO/RV/9 of 22 Aug. 1946.
2. Has any action been taken by Major Rowarth to acknowledge receipt of the 12 letters enclosed with your letter?
3. The final disposition and the policy as to any further investigation of these matters is at present under discussion with CGS Washington through AFHQ (G-5).
4. In the meantime will you please forward any future correspondence on these matters immediately to my office for action.

BY ORDER OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: File 4663/EO.

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Ref. 4063/EC.

22 August 1946

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My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

In response to your letter of 22 July 1946 regarding the documents known as HUK archives.

Owing to certain technical difficulties which have arisen since my letter of March 9, 1946 (Ref. ES/5.16), plans for the reproduction of these files are at present awaiting the further approval of Chiefs of Staff Washington.

Immediately a decision is reached, I will communicate with you again upon the matter.

In the meantime access to summarized information upon certain cases will be made available to an authorized official of your Ministry of Finance.

Yours very truly,

ELDER W. STONE

Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner.

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Doctor Alcide de Gasperi
President of the Council of Ministers
ITALIAN GOVERNMENT.
Rome.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 963.20P

16 August 1946.

AUG 19 1946

SUBJECT: RUK Files.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

Reference your letter 4063/EC dated 9 August 46
and AFHQ reply G-5: 963.20P dated 14 August 46.

1. A copy of MAT 1036, dated 14 August 46, in which
your proposals have been conveyed to the Combined Chiefs
of Staff, is attached for your information.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A. L. Hamblen
A. L. HAMBLER
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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TO FOR ACTION : AGWAR WASHINGTON FOR CCS FOR CCAC
FOR INFO : CABINET OFFICES WHITEHALL FOR ECS
REF NO : EX-70490
SIGNED : SACMED CITE : PHEG

This is MAT 1036

Ref MAT 1021 and 1035.

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1. Para 10 of MAT 1021 contemplated that RUK files be placed temporarily under ALCOM. Latter now states owing to run down and lack of suitable personnel it can no longer handle these files, but that Joint Diplomatic Research Section under ARMS British and US Embassies is prepared to accept them and that the Embassies are making recommendations as to staff to their respective Governments.

2. In view of foregoing and impending demise of ALCOM your approval to the transfer is requested.

3. When considering para 12 of MAT 1021 you should be aware that recent check shows that collection consists of over 4,000,000 documents and would require 9 months to photograph with equipment at present available and produce 2 copies only.

4. If photographing is desired will you please state number of copies required and when photographing to take place before or after transfer to Joint Diplomatic Research Section in latter event as the military period will probably terminate before photography could be completed would the Military Film Unit be available.

ORIGINATOR : G-5

DATE : 11.11.46

INFORMATION : AG

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MC OUT 248A 14 August 46

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THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

A P O 794

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 28/AB.

17 August 1946

SUBJECT : RUK Files.

AUG 20 1946

TO : Director of Microfilm Service,
Air Ministry LONDON.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of three (UNCLASSIFIED) sacks of films dispatched from LONDON to The Captured Enemy Material Branch, Allied Commission.

2. After a careful check it has been established that TWO films Packs of Job No. 61 and 67 are MISSING. Will you please confirm that 6 packs of each Job were dispatched.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

J. M. Harrison
for Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Executive Commissioner File 4663. ✓

Enclosed:

Receipt No. 870 for 70 (only) films Job No. 55 - 67

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" Job No. 80 - 91

918 " 54

" Job No. 92 - 100.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 963.20P

15 August 1946

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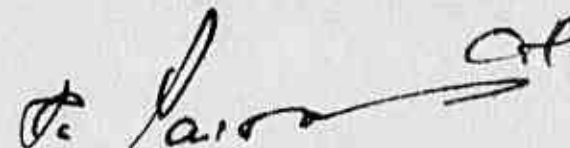
SUBJECT: RUK Files - General.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

1. Your proposal to transfer the RUK records to the Joint Diplomatic Research Section has been submitted to the CCS for approval.

2. The continued employment of your German staff is a matter for you to decide on the information you have. If you decide that they should be interned there would be no difficulty in arranging that they will continue to be held available.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:



A. L. HAMBLER
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Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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Telephone conversation with Capt. Duncan who stated that a signal was sent by Col. White (G-5) to Washington yesterday asking that permission for the transfer of these files to J.D.R.S. be approved.

Copy of this signal will be coming here shortly.

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N.M. Harrison
N.M. HARRISSON,
Major, 427
Chief Archives Officer.

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To : Political Advisor (A).

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Reference your letter dated 25 July 46 re German Civilians.

Submission in para 2 of above to American - British G-2 Sections of Hq Berlin in deferred subject to decision of AMHQ requested in my letter 4063/80 of 9 August, copy to you for reference.

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FOR CHIEF COMMISSIONER

Wm Hargreaves Major
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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