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ITALIAN CIVILIAN PROPERTY
SEPT. 1944 - OCT. 1946

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142.
bto. Draft opposite for app. as please
Folio 72, 139 & m. 140 & 141 refer.
J. WPCM 16/10.

As amended. MS 17/10.

Ex Comm. 144.
bto. Letter at 143 submitted for signature
please. Folios 72 & 139 refer. The matter
was referred to Polads A & B & letter is
based on their comments at m. 141
J. WPCM 17/10. MS 18/10 4389

Minute No. 145.

To: Chief Commissioner.

145.

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belonging to an official of the Ministry of the Interior which had been
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as at Folio 139.

Both Polads have been consulted and agree to the enclosed letter which is
submitted for approval.

(Minute 144) - A

M. Carr
M. Carr, Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner,

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E.C.

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Approved

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Mimite No. 145.

To: Chief Commissioner.

145

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(Minute 141) - H

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M. CARR, Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner,

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E.C.

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Approved

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OCT 18 1943

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was referred to Polads A, B & letter is
based on their comments at m. 141
J. W. Carr. 17/10. MS 18/10 4389

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Ex loms.

For information

MC 2219

R.F.C. 21/9

- To 1) Poland 17. 140.
2) Poland 18. *very* *we* *write* *below*.

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This was passed, first to SCAC XIII exp. by folio 73 and their reply is at folio 79. It was then passed to Mr. Sencellaba by folio 80 whose reply, after many reminiscences, is at folio 139.

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Cope.

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

141. =

Ex. Comm'r: Yes. Int'l. (Mad A) Oct 15.
I'm afraid there is no other course possible. It seems clear that the Italian has no hope at all of redress so long as Italy - Yugoslav relations remain on their present level, and we are on a bad wicket for suggesting further intervention in such a case.

Westphalen (Polad B)
Oct. 16th

97

CSO to Comm.

Letter at 95-06 for signature please

Folio 91 and minus 92, 3 & 4 refer. Aut 3/6 ^{H.S. 3/6}

98-99

Issue as amended. 172 (3/6)

109

CAS.

may the Ex Comm. please be informed of the
Action taken on folio 108. Aut 10/7 ^{H.S. 10/7}

121

CSO

Do you agree to folio 120 being sent.

4387

to Joint. Econ. Comm. 90 strong is copies

for action, please. Aut 10/7 ^{H.S. 10/7}

(122)

Ex. Comm. Sec ^{H.S. 16/7}

Ref. minute 1090 of 104.

The letter of Mr. Hoffmann has been forwarded

to the Italian Ministry of Int. - was this. The matter

is entirely in the Italian Govt.

Suppl. Italia

CAS

may the Ex Comm. please be informed of the
Action taken on folio 104. Alouet-Kenedy
12/1

CSO
do you agree to folio 120 being sent.
4387
to Joint. Econ. Comm. 90 thing is copies
for action, please. Aut 10/7 Yes: HS. 16/7

Ex. Comm. Sec HS. 16/7 (182)

Ref. minute 109a of the 104.
The letter of Mr. Hoffmann has been forwarded
to the Italian Ministry of Post - was this. The matter
is entirely one for the Italian Govt.

Suppliment Hella
Capt
CHAS

10/7

57
Can CEM advise Division Division of when
reply to matter to Ministry of Foreign Affairs?
R.H.T. 4/4

63

C.S.O. For signature is letter to
I.M.F.A. Note Legat approval on
draft 61-
SK 12/4.

67.
C.S.O. Reference plus 62. No one seems to know anything
about this cable. If H.C.C. does not understand it
suggest we wire back for clarification.
P.D.A.Os were also contacted.

SPK
10/4/46

Note:- Capt. Keady checked with C.F.A. No action this HQ, see Feb 62

78
H.S. 1614

C.S.O. no further action necessary on f. 77.

558. 2514

4388

P.O. 625 A & B.

92

7/10/85 91

For advice on what action should be

taken please.

178/6912.

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357 2514

4388

P.O. ads A & B.

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For advice on what action should be

taken please.

178/2914

C.S.O. The British Embassy has dog been approached
it has reported the substance of Signor Pinner's letter to
the F.O.

Signor Pinner has not asked for anything to
be done, but I see no harm in passing on his complaint
to Mr. Smolleske without comment.

30/4/46

94

C.S.O. - I suggest referring Italian views & protest
to Smolleske without comment
May 31/46 (P.D. A.D. (Am))

H. G. (Am.)
P.D. A.D. (Am.)

How 11/1/12 25.

letter from NFA at 21 a answer how

CET branch at 24 to info. 11/1/12.

How

32/1

letter at 30 31 submitted to signature - 29
refers. 11/2/12.

How to Comm

44.

letter at 43 submitted in reply to 29 -
42 refers. 11/13/13

C.S.O.

48.

45- 48 for info.

11/25/13

50.

Legal.

P. 49 - may I have your comments pl?

11/26/13

4385

51

C50

(High Econ. Sec)

The station government is perfectly correct. The
occupant has no right over privately owned
property. If occupant's belongings would be decided
as state owned, is so far as they were landowning
property & not personal, the matter would be
different. In any case such ex. doesn't property is
covered by the provisions of P.L. 151 a falls.
Under this legislation the contribution is required to
produce inventory of property in his case. Any reporting
of property it will be easy to

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letter at 43 submitted in reply to 29 -
42 refer. 12/13 H.S. 13/13

48.

C.S.O.

45- 48 for info.

25/3

50.

Legal.

P. 49 - may I have your comments pl?

4385

51

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Regul 8/6

26 Mar H6

P. 49 - Government
place

55

C.S.O. folios 52-54 are explanation of CFM.

It is suggested that these folios be used in fact

as a reply to MAE (49). Please advise!

Att R - yes, draft reply & get legal 5/6

Approval. H.S. 2/14.

SK 2/14

C.S.O.

11.

Will you ask Italian Liaison Office to
Enquire. I suspect the village is Capricornia
on the Vittorio Road. Speak please

RR/28Jan

13.

Ex. Com:

Written report coming from Lt. L.O. 4385
who states that the Palace is the property
of the Zichain Gov. being a National Monument,
but the Prince is ~~an~~ an artist who had some
paintings copied - and is probably interested in
that account. Written reply to follow.

W.P. P.P.P.
23 Jan 46

17.

Live-Com. Phase see 16 amplifying above minute.
W.P. P.P.P.

in the Vittorbo Road. Speer please

33/28 Jan

13.

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PA 28 Jan
23 Jan 46

14.

Live-Com.

Please see 16 amplifying above minute.

W.P.
PA 28 Jan
26 Jan 46

Captured enemy Poland
22.

It is passed to you for action please.

15/2.

Ex. Com.

23.

Material referred to in minute 22 and letter 21 is safeguarded and will be released as soon as circumstances permit. Copy letter to Ministry is attached. 14/2/46 C.E.H. for and

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

A P O 794

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 4756/COS

22 October 1946

SUBJECT: ROSSINI Gualtiero - Household Effects Sequestered in Fiume.

TO : The Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

100

72

1. I refer to your memoranda Nos. 6/1556/709 of 17 April 1946, and 6/2530/1008 of 27 June 1946 on the above quoted subject.

2. The matter was referred to the Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy, who in turn referred it to the Yugoslav Government.

139

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3. A reply has now been received to the effect that the Yugoslav Government considers that matters of this kind will have to be regulated by the Peace Treaty with Italy.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

ML

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner 4383

See m. 144, 145, 146, 147, 148.

18/10/46



DELEGATION OF THE FEDERAL PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF JUGOSLAVIA
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br. 1519/46

12 October 1946

SUBJECT : ROSSINI Gualtiero, household effects sequestered.

TO : H.E.A.C.
Liaison Division.

With reference to your letter No. 4756/136/EC of 17 Sep. 1946, we have the honour to inform you that the Yugoslav Government considers that matters of this kind will have to be regulated by the Peace Treaty with Italy.

FOR THE JUGOSLAV REPRESENTATIVE:

Cedomil Veljacic
Cedomil Veljacic, Secretary.

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SUBJECT : ROSSINI Gualtiero, household effects sequestered.

TC : H.Q.A.C.
Liaison Division.

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FOR THE YUGOSLAV REPRESENTATIVE:

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F 143.

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H.R.

(CAPA V)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APC 794

ECONOMIC SECTION

SEP 20 1946

Tel. 489081 - Ext. 589

HJB

Ref. ES/5.06

18 September 1946

SUBJECT : Claims - Marchese Roberto Giustiniani.

TO : Ministero degli Affari Esteri
Chief Liaison Officer.

133

1. Your letter No. 5/2966 addressed to the Executive Commissioner refers.

2. The above letter has been forwarded to the competent French military authorities:

Commandement Militaire Français en Italie
Direction de l'Intendance
Service du Contentieux
Réparations civiles (Claims).

4381

3. We have now been informed by them that the matter is fully dealt with and that investigations are being made:

4380

H.M. Walker

H.M. WALKER
Colonel, C.E.
Director,
Industry & Utilities Branch.

Copy : Office of the Executive Commissioner. ✓

(Capt. R)

PA 23/9
ES 1/11

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File

Ref. : 4756/136/EC

17 September 1946.

SUBJECT: ROSSINI GUALTIERO - Household effects sequestered.

TO : Yugoslav Delegation to A.C.I.

127

1. With reference to my letter No. 4756/127/EC dated 22 July 46 on this subject, may this office please be advised of the present position of this case in order that the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs may be informed.

For the Chief Commissioner:

A. W. Knisely.

Brigadier,
Acting Executive Commissioner.

File 129 refer F139

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See F139

129
F139

4456 R.

TRANSLATION

THE MINISTER OF MERCHANT NAVY

File 661 Gab.

Rome, 9 September 1946.

Admiral Elery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome.

The Presidency of the Council has asked since some time for the derequisition of the premises presently occupied by the Allied Command in the "Assicurazioni Generali" building in Piazza Venezia.

Since said premises should be occupied by this newly constituted Ministry, I appeal to your courtesy for an intervention in order to speed up the release of the premises.

Trusting in a kind reception of the present letter, I beg you to accept together with my very sincere thanks the expression of my highest consideration.

/s/ S. Aldisio

1379

EC. DIST - Sept 12

ACTION - ECON SEC.

INFO - CC.

- EC.

(Capt R)

Copy

C.A. 17/9/46

Prot. n. 78134/73078-1/1.2.2

My dear Admiral,

The Ministry of Post-War Assistance (Assistance services to civilians victims of war) represents the embarrassing situation in which is day by day increasingly finding itself most of all for lack of suitable premises, being announced before hand the arrival at Bari of ~~25000~~ ~~more than 2500~~ Italian displaced persons coming from Greece, in addition to other groups arriving from Venezia Giulia, Aegean and Balkan Areas, the exact number of which is not known at present.

Now it may be stated that, following to investigations made with the Military Territorial Authorities in Rome, it has been found that in Servignano, Ascoli Piceno, and Monturano there are installations satisfactorily up to date and useable which - though needing some works and demolitions in order to ~~make~~ make use of the connected material - offer the possibility to shelter approximately 8000 persons.

Such installations are actually available and not used by the ~~Al-~~ ~~lies~~, and their care is entrusted to a Slovenian non-commissioned Officer together with seven or eight men.

May I ask you, my dear Admiral, to ~~intervene~~ intervene in this matter with ~~your~~ your high authority, so that the above mentioned installations be urgently released to the Italian Authorities and specifically to the Ministry of Post-War Assistance.

For anything you will kindly be able to obtain in this respect, please accept my deep gratitude and the expression of my deep consideration.

Rome, September 1946

SEP 19 1946

F.C. To handle 134

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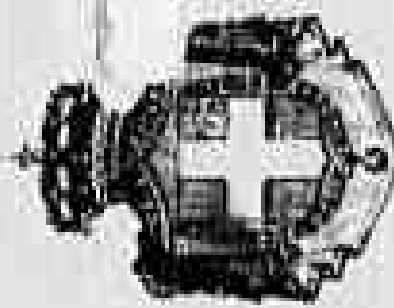
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Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission H.Q.

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Swast (copy) 1 A. 12/9/46
E.C. Dept - 12/9/46
Anten. from H.Q. (with Italian copy) 12/9/46
E.C. (file 4/56/EC)



Ministero degli Affari Esteri

6/2966

AUG 27 1946

Rome, August 22nd 1946

My dear Brigadier Lush,

1 - Marchese Roberto Giustiniani and his wife are the owners of a palace in Sessa Aurunca, which after having been subsequently occupied by both French and British troops, has suffered severe damage amounting to 5.676.200 lire.

2 - On September 22nd 1945 Marchese Giustiniani filed applications for indemnity with both British and French Headquarters in Naples. These applications contain ample and proved description of the a/m damage.

3 - The British H.Q. have informed on January 9th 1946 to have passed on to the French H.Q. in Naples the whole question, stating that "not British but French troops were involved in this case". The a/m applications are presently in the hands of Captain de Mazan of the French H.Q. in Rome (Palazzo di Venezia).

I would be very much obliged if you could recommend this case to the competent French Authorities. While thanking you for your courtesy, I am

Yours sincerely

Brigadier M.S. LUSH
Executive Commissioner

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File

Ref. : 4756/132/100

7 August 1946.

SUBJECT: Documents regarding mineral resources.

TO : The Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Belgrade.

120

Reference your Memorandum 6/2675/1057 dated 13 July 46 on the above quoted Subject, the Yugoslav Military Government have been requested to return these documents if they have them in their possession.

For the Chief Commissioner

A. W. Knisely.

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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See p. 131

P.A. 7/8/46
Ed.

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JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
H.Q. A.M.C. 15 CORPS
G.M.

EX-10000 27
131

REF : JEC/2-163A.

SUBJ : Documents regarding mineral researches.

30 Jul 46

TO : H.Q. Allied Commission
APO 394.

AUG 6 1946

124

Ref your 4756/12/EC of 17 July, the Yugoslav Military Government have been requested to return the documents if they have them. The chances of getting the documents are slight.

T C H Sumner

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gads
(CAPT K)

T.C.H. SUMNER
Major, M.C.,
SECRETARY
JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE.

P.A. 7/12/46
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMI. ON

APO 794

Office of the Executive Commissioner

130

File

Ref. : 4756/130/90

3 August 1946

SUBJECT: ROSSINI Gualtiero - Household effects sequestered.

TO : 3310
13 Corps.

126
With reference to your letter No. 130/AMG/CM/319 dated 13 July 1946 the Yugoslav Authorities have been informed about the case of Signor ROSSINI Gualtiero and the reply will be forwarded to your office as soon as we shall receive it.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE:

A. W. Kinsley.
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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JUGOSLAV DELEGATION
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br. 1107/46

31 July 1946

AUG 2 - 1946

SUBJECT : ROSSINI Gualtiero - Household effects sequestered.

TO : H.Q.A.C.
Liaison Division

1. Receipt of your letter Ref.4756/127/EC is acknowledged.

2. The Yugoslav authorities have been informed about the case of Signor ROSSINI Gualtiero and the reply will be forwarded to your office as soon as we shall receive it.

FOR THE JUGOSLAV REPRESENTATIVE:

Cedomil Veljacic, Secretary
Jugoslav Delegation A.C.I.

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AUG 2 1946

SUBJECT : ROSSINI Gualtiero - Household effects sequestered.

TO : H.Q.A.C.
Liaison Division

127

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2. The Yugoslav authorities have been informed about the case of Signor ROSSINI Gualtiero and the reply will be forwarded to your office as soon as we shall receive it.

FOR THE JUGOSLAV REPRESENTATIVE:

Tomislav Veljacic

Cedomil Veljacic, Secretary
Yugoslav Delegation A.C.I.

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(CAPT K)

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HQ, ALGER CITE ALGER

to BMA RHODES

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File 128
22
17 July 1946

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REFERENCE YOUR BAKER MAN ALE FIVE NINE NINE SIX OF ONE NAME
FOUR SIX PD CONFIRM RECEIPT OF YOUR REPLY REGARDING PETER OBOR
WILLIAM PD MAGNANT CARLO PD WITH THANKS PD

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JULY

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P. H. TUNNARD

PRIORITY

LIAISON DIVISION

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NICHOLAS POMBINO
CWO USA
Assistant Adjutant

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23/7

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Ref: 4756/127/83

22 July 1946

SUBJECT: ROSSINI QUALTIERO - Household effects sequestered.

TO : Yugoslav Delegation to A.C.T.

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The enclosed letter has been received from the ITALIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, requesting that the s/n ROSSINI Qualtiero should be given back his household effects sequestered by the Yugoslav Authorities in January 46.

Please may this office be informed of what action may be taken in this case.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

D. H. TENNARD

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

4371

Encl copy 4756/72/12

A.A. 3/2/46
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See 7-129.143.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
FINANCE DIVISION
13 CORPS

TELEPHONE: Nr. 29701/EXT. 18 Property Control

JS/v
18 JULY 1946

REF : 130/AMG/CP/319

JUL 22 1946

TO : Hqtrs. ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Executive Commissioner

SUBJECT : A.P.O. 394
ROSSINI Gualtiero = Household effects sequestered.

1. Reference your 4756/101/EC of
29 JUNE 1946.

2. Your 4756/73/EC dated 20 APRIL
46, was replied to by this office on 26
APRIL last. As same appears to have gone
astray, a copy is enclosed for your
information.

For the Senior Civil Affairs Officer.

N.T. BEARD, Lt. Col.
CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

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Enclosure (1)

(COPY K)

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C O P Y

130/AMG/CP/319

WGB/tb
26 April 1946

HQ. ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Executive Commissioner
A.P.O. 394

ROSSINI Gualtiero - Property sequestered in Fiume.

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1. Reference is made to your letter
4756/73/SC dated 20 April 1946.

2. I am returning the correspondence
and suggest that you would achieve better
results by taking the matter up through
normal diplomatic channels.

3. The subject is resident in Fiume and it
is felt that communication with the Yugoslav
authorities through the Joint Economic Committee
would be fruitless.

W. T. BEARD, Lt. Col.
CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

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INCOMING MESSAGE
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Liaison Div.
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Originator's Reference: EMA 5996
Date/Time of Origin: JULY 181600G

Message Centre No: H/4774
Date Time Rec'd: JULY 190900
Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: EMA RHODES

TO: ALCOM ROME LIAISON DIVISION FOR EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER

JUL 19 1946

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UNCLASSIFIED:

Ref your 4756/97/EC. POW BAHTANI Carlo. My reply despatched to you Y759/118A of 24th June 1946. Please confirm if now received.

AC DIST

ACTION - LIAISON DIV 2

INFO - CHIEF COMMISSIONER

EX COMR

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FILE

ACTION

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HEADQUARTERS

19 JUL 1946

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

A P O 794

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 4756/124/21

17 July 1946

SUBJECT: Documents regarding mineral researches.

TO : Joint Economic Committee,
c/o AGC 13 Corps.

The attached copy of memorandum No. 6/2675/1057 dated 11 July 1946 on the above-quoted subject from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs is for any action that you may be able to take, please.

For the Chief Commissioner:

A. W. Knisely.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Encl. As above.

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See F-131

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

A P O 794

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 4756/123/EC.

July 1946.

SUBJECT: Documents regarding mineral researches.

TO : The Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Rome.

I acknowledge with thanks your memorandum No. 6/2675/1057
dated 11 July 1946 on the above-quoted subject.

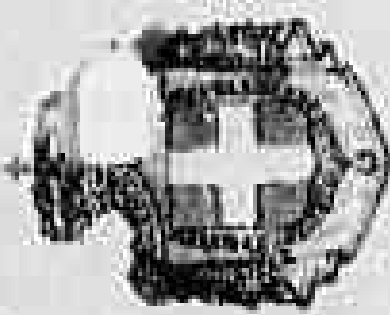
This has been passed to the appropriate authorities.

For the Chief Commissioner:

A. W. Knaich.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Val/DI

Ministero degli Affari Esteri

JUL 13 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Documents regarding mineral researches.

1. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs have been informed that, in June 1945, the Yugoslav authorities had removed from the Mineral Office of Trieste several documents concerning the Italian territory of the zone.
2. As such documents are of great interest for the Italian mineral researches, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs would greatly appreciate if the Allied Commission could ask the Yugoslav Authorities for their restitution to the Italian Government.
3. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs beg to point out, moreover, that the A.M.S. of Trieste have been approached about the matter by the a/m Mineral Office, with note n.476, dated April 4, 1946. *ref*

Rome, July 11th, 1946.



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see M 121-124

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Documents regarding mineral researches.

1. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs have been informed that, in June 1945, the Yugoslav authorities had removed from the Mineral Office of Trieste several documents concerning the Italian territory of the zone.

2. As such documents are of great interest for the Italian mineral researches, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs would greatly appreciate if the Allied Commission could ask the Yugoslav authorities for their restitution to the Italian Government.

3. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs beg to point out, moreover, that the A.M.S. of Trieste have been approached about the matter by the a/m Mineral Office, with note n.476, dated April 4, 1946. *WJ*

Rome, July 11th, 1946.



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PIT/ndo

Ref: 4756/108/83

9 July 1946

SUBJECT: Property, Signora Elisabetta RUSSO.

TO : Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs 31

Reference your letter 6/1863/858, of June 45, Reply has been received to the effect that the mother of Signora RUSSO lives at LUSSELDON BERNATH, Sopionetrasse, No 8, and that all the property at that address is hers (the mother's).

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

D. H. TINNARD

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 4756/107/EG

8 July 1946

SUBJECT: Personal Belongings - P.O.W. BACCHIANI Carlo.

TO : Italian Ministry Foreign Affairs.

Reference your letter 6/2109/836 of 15 May 46.

"AURELIO BACCHIANI states.....

I am an Italian residing in Panos Village Rhodes.

I am the brother of CARLO BACCHIANI. When he departed Rhodes left all his personal effects with a certain MANGANI Giorgio.

Prior to his departure my brother told me that he had left such clothing to the a/m.

My brother was then taken in a Concentration Camp in Egypt and received from him a letter saying to go and draw his personal effects from said MANGANI.

I approached MANGANI and gave me all the clothing paying to him the sum of 6,000 Italian lire being a debt made by my brother.

This property is in my custody.

I have decided to send it to Italy to my sister in law and probably it will be shipped in a few days time."

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

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P. H. TUNNARD

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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Subject:- Italian Affairs

Headquarters Allied Commission
Officer of the Executive Commissioner
Liaison Division

ROME

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24th June 1946

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Personal Belongings- P.O.W. BACCHIANI Carlo.

With reference to your 4756/84/EC of the 28th May 1946 the following information is forwarded.

The Commissioner of Police Rhodes was requested to investigate the position through the C.I.D., and an approach was made to the brother of the above named P.O.W. Aurelio Bacchiani and the following statement was given to the police Inspector:-

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It is now assumed with reference to the Ministero Degli Affari Esteri Memorandum 6/2109/836 para's 2 and 3, that, as the effects have now been recovered and are being forwarded to Italy to the above named P.O.W's wife, that no further action will be necessary by this Administration.

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(L.B. WEBBER)

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for CHIEF SECRETARY

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
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2 July 1946

SUBJECT: Property - Signora Elisabetta RUSSO.

JUL 5 1946

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission, APO 794.
(Attn: Executive Commissioner).

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1. Reference your 709/23/EC dated 15 Feb 46.

2. BAOR have now replied to the effect that the mother of Signora RUSSO lives at Dusseldorf Benrath, Sopianstrasse No 8 and that all the property at that address is hers (the mothers).

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

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

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No. 2 Claims Commission

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No. 2 Directorate of Hirings and Disposals (Fixed Assets)

P.O. 551

C. M. F.

Executive Commissioner,
H.C. Allied Commission,
A.P.O. 394,
C. M. F.

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26 June 46

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Subject:- Petition from Arminio Steffensen 103

The Attached letter from Comm. Gen. Arminio Steffensen addressed to Admiral SIGHE and forwarded by you to this HQ under cover of your minute No. 1946/13 dated 24 June 46, is returned herewith for your attention please as the letter is, in fact, a petition for your intervention, on behalf of the petitioner, with the Italian Government on the subject of a claim for damages caused by German Troops.

Claims arising out of acts by German Troops in Italy do not fall to be the lot of this Commission but, presumably, will be dealt with by the Italian Government.

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(C.J. MacMahon)

Major,

for Colonel

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Tel. 6529,

Sigs Address:

No. 2 Claims and Hirings, RCM.

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Translation

TO : Admiral Stone,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission.

FROM: Comm. Arnaldo STEFFENSEN
Via Cavour 47,
Rome.

24 June 1946

In great confidence that you will give consideration to my pressing necessity, I take the liberty of sending you the present request, conscious that this audacious act has been imposed on me by the tragic situation in which I find myself as a war refugee. I am an old functionary of the Ministry of Transport, who after 40 active years of service was put on the retired list for having reached the age limit, on the 1st Jan 1932, with the grade of Principal Inspector and a monthly pension of 1116 lire.

After great sacrifices and privations, with my modest salary, I succeeded in building a country cottage in the district of Marine Laziale which should have been a last quiet refuge for me and my poor wife in our old age. The war however broke out and with my wife seriously ill with cancer, we found ourselves at the mercy of the German troops who were camping near my house. In Nov 1943 in the midst of the tragic bombardments which saddened our life, my wife had to go to Rome for a medical examination and this momentary absence sufficed for the Germans to requisition violently our villa. This made a return to Marine impossible and in the meanwhile my wife's health rapidly deteriorated and she died here in Rome in March 1944 far from her loved home which had been the centre of so many hopes and anxieties and the only aim of her life and mine.

But things became even more complicated: the villa became the seat of a German command operating on the hills of the Castelli Romani and which was taking active part in military operations that had as their epilogue the forced retreat to the North of their troops beyond Rome.

The military occupation of my villa caused the loss and complete destruction of all the furnishings of the villa itself and of all the agricultural implements pertaining to a small place with a cellar and grotto for wine. Finding myself thus alone and in great sadness for the death of my wife and the destruction of everything which I possessed, furniture, furnishings, linen, clothes, in fact everything, desperation gave me courage and I approached the authorities of that time with a view to recovering that which was necessary for me in order to live. 4359

Concerning this I attach an inventory of what existed in my villa and which was taken away from me.

I will not enumerate the number of requests and petitions which I made to the Prefecture of Rome, to the Ministry of Finance and to the Treasury: after producing staged documents, I was able to present, together with a notary act, a regular petition for war damages to the Intendenza di Finanza of Rome who accepted it and gave me a receipt No. 44483 dated 9 July 1945.

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Always urged by financial need I put pressure to bear and received an official negative reply for a definite settlement of my claim until a decision should be taken at some unknown time by a hypothetical commission which was to assemble at some future date and was to function who knows when. All this is due to an obscure circular No. 80044 issued on the 30 Oct 45 by the Treasury and which deals particularly with cases of looting, rapine, vengeance, dealt with in an article (I think art. 2) of a law on war refugees published I believe in 1940 when the sad consequences of the war were not even remotely thought of. Thus my case was postponed notwithstanding that the Nucleus of the Tributary Police had clearly showed with proved facts, that my case could certainly be included in the actions of war and thus could benefit from a considerable sum. With regard to this it should be known that before the a/m restricted circular was published and without so many subtleties, advance payment was given on a large scale also to people who had suffered looting in general. As can be seen, two weights and two measures. On being repeatedly consulted, the Nucleus of the Tributary Police fully approved my thesis i.e. that the Military occupation degenerated into looting, and thus may be considered among the actions of war: the action having been carried out in preparation and in co-ordination with military operations (art. 2 of the aforesaid law concerning war refugees): it therefore gives the right to have a fair sum in advance followed later by a speedy settlement.

But to speak frankly, such quibbling on the interpretation and meaning of words is being used against the poor undersigned, who invokes with all the force of desperation a financial aid which will permit him to replace part of his furniture, his clothing and items of absolute necessity which are indispensable for an old age aided only by a meagre pension. To take such a rigid attitude over a circular in front of the drama of life, seems to me to be not very human. When one has passed a life of seventy years in struggling and in recent times in an atmosphere of high cost of living, one can invoke a little pity and also expect to receive it.

This is why I have taken the liberty of addressing you, so that with the high position you hold at the end of this unhappy catastrophe of the war which has taken so many victims and created so much distress, you will be able to find a way of assisting my sad case which, as I have explained, can not be included amongst those cases of war refugees receiving immediate help from the Italian Government, owing to quibbling on the interpretation, but which in human substance is the stark reality and necessitates an immediate assistance.

With a generous gesture add my case to the many which you have helped in this country which is under your patronage, and give orders that will put an end to so many years of waiting.

If this should unfortunately be impossible, I would beg you to use your authority with the Ministry of Finance in order that my case, which has been in obedience for four years, may be re-examined, and settled according to humane principles and real justice.

Please pardon the annoyance I am causing you: the great faith I have in you has been the cause of my writing you and lets me hope in your kind and generous interest in my case.

Very gratefully yours,

(Signed) Arminio Steffensen

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Ref: 4756/101/EC

29 June 1946

SUBJECT: Rossini Gualtiero's Household effects sequestered in Piusa

TO : Allied Military Government
XIII Corps

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Reference our letter 4756/73/EC of 20 April 46 and enclosure 6/1636/709 of Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

This office has received no reply to the a/m subject and would appreciate an early answer.

A copy of the letter from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs is enclosed for memory.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

A. W. Knisely.

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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Encl: ltr 6/1636/709 fr DFA of 12 April 1946

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

JUN 27 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

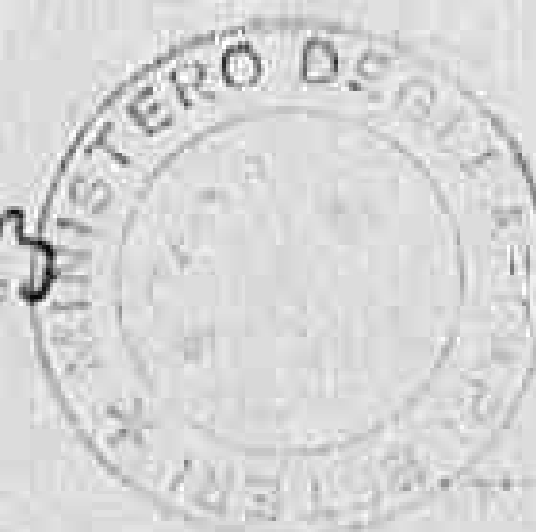
SUBJECT: ROSSINI Gualtiero-- Household effects
sequestered in Fiume.

1. Reference is made to the ⁷²Ministry
for Foreign Affairs Memorandum 6/1586/709
dated 12 April 1946.

2. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs
would greatly appreciate any information
concerning the properties of the a/m official
of the Ministry of Interior, which were
sequestered in Fiume by Yugoslav authorities.

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Rome, June 22nd, 1946.



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Ref: 4756/97/33

24 June 1946

SUBJECT: Personal belongings of P.O.W. BACHILANI Carlo, to be recovered at Rhodes

TO : HQ British Military Administration
Dodecanese

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Reference our 4756/84/33 of 28 May 1946.

No answer has been received. May this office be advised of any action taken in this case as soon as possible.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

D. E. TURNARD

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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Ref. : 4756/96/W.

4 June 1946.

My Dear Mr. Key,

I have to acknowledge with thanks your letter dated 23 May regarding the seizure by the Yugoslav Government of property belonging to Italian subjects in Dalmatia.

I have referred this to Dr. Smoljak, Deputy Representative of Yugoslavia to the Advisory Council to Italy.

Yours Very Truly,

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Mr. David McK. Key,
U.S. Charge d'Affaires ad interim,
Rome.

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Ref: 4756/95/EC.

4 June 1946.

SUBJECT: Italian Subjects in ZARA.

TO : Dr. Smolaka,
Deputy Representative of Yugoslavia
to the Advisory Council for Italy.

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The attached copy of letter No. 15372/95 dated 16
May 1946 from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs stating that
the Yugoslav Government has seized all goods of Italian subjects
living in ZARA is forwarded.

For the Chief Commissioner:

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AMERICAN EMBASSY

ROME, May 23, 1946

SECRET

MAY 23 1946

My dear Admiral:

I enclose copy of a note from the Secretary General of the Foreign Ministry concerning confiscation of Italian property in Dalmatia, together with copy of my reply, in the belief that you can refer the matter to the Yugoslav representative, Dr. Smolaka.

For background information I am also enclosing copies of previous correspondence on this subject between this Embassy and the Department of State. The note referred to in the text of the note cited above is the one which is quoted in attached airgram no. A-483.

Sincerely,

David W. Key

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Enclosures:
As stated.

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

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Rome, May 23, 1946

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Dear Prunas:

With reference to your Note No. 16372/95 of May 16 concerning the confiscation of property of Italian Nationals in Zara and other parts of Dalmatia, I have not failed to inform my Government of the contents of your note, and I have sent a copy of it to the Allied Commission for such action as it may deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

David McK. Key

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His Excellency
Don Renato Prunas,
Secretary General,
Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
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MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
R O M E

16 May 1946

n. 16372/95

Dear Sir,

Ref our letter n.3/12846 dated 14 July 1945, in which I drew your attention to the serious situation of Italian subjects in Dalmatia, I wish to inform you that according to information now received from a reliable source, it would appear that the Yugoslav Government has seized all the goods of Italian subjects living in Zara and in other localities in Dalmatia, who because of the known circumstances, have been obliged to transfer to the peninsula.

Believe me, very truly yours,

Sgd. R. Franas

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Mr. David McKendree Key,
U.S. Charge d'Affairs,
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MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Rome, May 16, 1946

No. 16372/95

Signor Incaricato d'Affari,

a seguito della lettera n. 3/12846
in data 14 Luglio u.s. con cui ebbi ad attirare la Sua attenzione sulla grave situazione dei cittadini italiani in Dalmazia, desidero informarla che, secondo notizie ora pervenute da fonte attendibile, risulterebbe che il Governo jugoslavo avrebbe sequestrato e confiscato tutti i beni dei cittadini italiani già residenti a Zara e in altre località della Dalmazia, che a causa delle note circostanze sono stati costretti a trasferirsi nella penisola.

Mi creda, molto cordialmente

/s/ R. Prunas

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/s/ R. Prunas

Al Signor
David McKendree Key
Incaricato d'Affari degli Stati
Uniti d'America

ROMA

SECRET

No. 1780

Rome, June 21, 1945.

SUBJECT: Transmitting Foreign Office Note Regarding Italians
in Dalmatia.

The Honorable

The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

With reference to my Airgram No. 293 and previous correspondence concerning the present status of Italians in Yugoslavia and in territories occupied by the Yugoslav Army, I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy and translation of a note which was sent to me on June 19th by the Minister of Foreign Affairs regarding the situation of Italians in Dalmatia and particularly in the province and city of Zara, which in 1939 formed part of the Kingdom of Italy.

Respectfully yours,

Alexander Kirk

Enclosure:

1. Note from Minister of
Foreign Affairs.

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Enclosure:

1. Note from Minister of Foreign Affairs.

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June 19, 1945

SITUAZIONE DEGLI ITALIANI IN DALMAZIA

Profughi giunti in Italia della Dalmazia hanno riferito le seguenti notizie in merito alla precaria situazione degli Italiani residenti nella città e nella provincia di Zara, che nel 1939 facevano parte del Regno d'Italia.

Le truppe jugoslave, che hanno occupato detto territorio, dopo il ritiro delle truppe tedesche hanno compiuto vessazioni di ogni genere contro la popolazione italiana, che già viveva in condizioni penose in seguito alla distruzione della città e all'assoluta mancanza di ogni attività economica.

La popolazione italiana è stata confinata in una specie di ghetto ed è sottoposta a continue e terribili sevizie. Numero sono state le fucilazioni e sono stati operati quotidianamente arresti di civili, di militari e di ecclesiastici.

Le Autorità militari jugoslave hanno inoltre ordinato il reclutamento obbligatorio degli italiani residenti a Zara, che sono stati arruolati come militari semplici senza tener conto né della loro origine né del grado da essi già rivestito nell'esercito italiano.

Mentre agli italiani originari della Venezia Giulia e della Dalmazia non è stato accordato alcun permesso di espatrio, gli italiani originari della penisola residenti in Dalmazia vengono espulsi: sono di fatto arrivati nelle ultime settimane da Zara e da Ragusa a Bari alcune centinaia di italiani allontanati da quella regione, ai quali non è stato consentito di portare un bagaglio superiore ai 5 Kg. per persona e somme di danaro oltre le Lire 2.000.

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La situazione degli italiani residenti a Zara che era notevolmente migliorata nella seconda metà di aprile in seguito all'arrivo di un importante contingente di truppe anglo-americane, subì un rincrudimento ai primi di maggio dopo l'occupazione jugoslava di Fiume, Gorizia e Trieste. Vennero infatti arruolati anche quegli italiani che erano stati precedentemente scartati, perché non idonei, e inviati tutti nel campo di concentramento di Scardona, dove sono trattiene gli elementi indesiderabili, ed adibiti ai lavori pesanti presso la vicina miniera di lignite.

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Dopo la partenza da Zara delle truppe anglo-americane la popolazione italiana, ri dotta ormai quasi a sole donne, vecchi e bambini, si è nuovamente venuta a trovare del tutto alla merce delle locali autorità jugoslave, il cui comportamento non è più soggetto ad alcun controllo.

A Zara si è costituito subito dopo l'occupazione jugoslava un Comitato di liberazione nazionale croato "Gradski Oslobođilacki Odber" il quale voto l'annessione di Zara alla Croazia quale Stato componente la Jugoslavia federale. Tale annessione è stata sanzionata dal Comitato Centrale (A.V.N.C.J.) e da allora le Autorità locali jugoslave sono ricorse a tutti i mezzi per cancellare a Zara ogni traccia di italianità.

La situazione alimentare è gravissima. La lira ha perso ogni valore come mezzo di pagamento e alla base di ogni trattazione c'è il baratto.

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Per quanto concerne altre località della Dalmazia risulta che, a prescindere dai vari maltrattamenti inflitti agli italiani, ivi residenti, molti di essi sono stati fucilati dai partigiani jugoslavi a Spalato, Sebenico, Ragusa, Curzola e Lissa, unicamente per avere dimostrato in passato sentimenti di italianità.

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AIRGRAM

SECRET

FROM: American Embassy, Rome

DATE: July 17, 1945

DESPATCHED:

RECEIVED:

SECRETARY OF STATE,

WASHINGTON.

A-483, July 17, 1945.

Reference my despatch No. 1780 of June 21, 1945.

I am now in receipt of following additional letter from
Ministry of Foreign Affairs concerning fate of Italians in Zara:

"Dear Ambassador:

"With reference to my letter No. 15/10238/73, dated June 19th,
I have the honor to inform your Excellency that from a report
presented to the High Commissariat for Veterans by an Italian
officer proceeding from Zara, confirmation has been received of
news reported from other sources on the very grave situation of
Italian citizens residing in that city.

"From the aforementioned report it is learned that the
Italian population has been greatly reduced in number following
daily deportations and even executions. It is calculated that
about 1800 Italians have been killed by Yugoslav Partisans solely
because of their nationality.

"The persons who are reported are forced to undertake heavy
work: in particular, they are employed in the digging operations
of the mines in Bosnia.

"The economic conditions of the Italians remaining in Zara
are equally serious, since while the cost of living is very high
because of the lack of foodstuffs, they have been deprived by the
Yugoslavs from any sort of livelihood and, in general, of their
needs.

"Believe me, dear Ambassador,

"Very cordially,"

(Signed) R. Prunas

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Copy to Ampolad, Caserta.

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Ref: A756/84/EE

28 May 1946

SUBJECT: Personal belongings of P.O.W. BACCHIARI Carlo, to be recovered at Rhodes.

TO : HQ British Military Administration
Dodecanese

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The attached letter has been received from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and is forwarded to you for action.

Please may this office be advised of any action that may be taken in this case.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

P. H. TUNNARD

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Encl: ltr C/2109/836 fr IMFA of 15 May 1946

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

MAY 25 1946

Subject: Personal belongings of P.O.W. BACCHIANI Carlo, to be recovered at Rhodes.

Private BACCHIANI Carlo, actually held in custody at Suez, P.O.W. Camp n° 310, Postal Section M.E. Egypt, before leaving Rhodes, on October 1st, 1943, handed his personal belongings to Signor Mangini Giorgio, son of Emanuele, residing in the same city.

The letter, on receiving the items, has lent to the a/n the sum of Italian lire 5.000 at 20% interest, with the understanding that, had it not been possible to communicate with one another within the year, the pledge to pay the rate of interest would have been indefinitely postponed.

Signor Mangini has now refused to give back said items to the a/n's wife, who has requested them through Private Bacchiani's brother-in-law.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs would be grateful to the Allied Commission if they could interest the competent Authorities in Rhodes, in order that the a/n should return into possession of his personal belongings. A

Rome, May 15th, 1946.



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PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

Subject: Personal belongings of P.O.W. BACCHIANI Carlo, to be recovered at Rhodes.

1. Private BACCHIANI Carlo, actually held in custody at Suez, P.O.W. Camp n° 310, Postal Section M.E. Egypt, before leaving Rhodes, on October 1st, 1943, handed his personal belongings to Signor Mangini Giorgio, son of Emanuele, residing in the same city.

2. The latter, on receiving the items, has lent to the a/n the sum of Italian lire 5.000 at 20% interest, with the understanding that, had it not been possible to communicate with one another within the year, the pledge to pay the rate of interest would have been indefinitely postponed.

3. Signor Mangini has now refused to give back said items to the a/n's wife, who has requested them through Private Bacchiani's brother-in-law.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs would be grateful to the Allied Commission if they could interest the competent Authorities in Rhodes, in order that the a/n should return into possession of his personal belongings. A

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Rome, May 15th, 1948. *pl. 284*

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PRISONER OF WAR DIVISION	
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Ref: A756/32/10

7 May 1946

SUBJECT: Italian Legation Property in Budapest

TO : Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1. Reference your letter 6/3215 of 14 December 1945 and further your more recent 6/1722/719 of 13 April 1946 the following information re the above subject has been forwarded by the British Political Advisor:

"The British Foreign Office have now confirmed the opinion of the Financial Adviser of the Military Mission in Hungary to the effect that Signor Pannas' request for the transfer of this property to Rome cannot be met since there would be legal objections to the movement of this property before the signature of the Peace Treaty with Italy. The British Political Mission in Budapest are prepared however to arrange for the goods to be stored in a safe place pending the signature of the Peace Treaty."

2. May this office please be informed if storage of the Legation property by the British Political Mission in Budapest is desired pending the signature of the Peace Treaty.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

VICTOR L. ODDI

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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*Mr Halford
British Consul
will take action on
further requests for transmission.
May 11/46*

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Office of the British
Political AdviserExecutive Commissioner

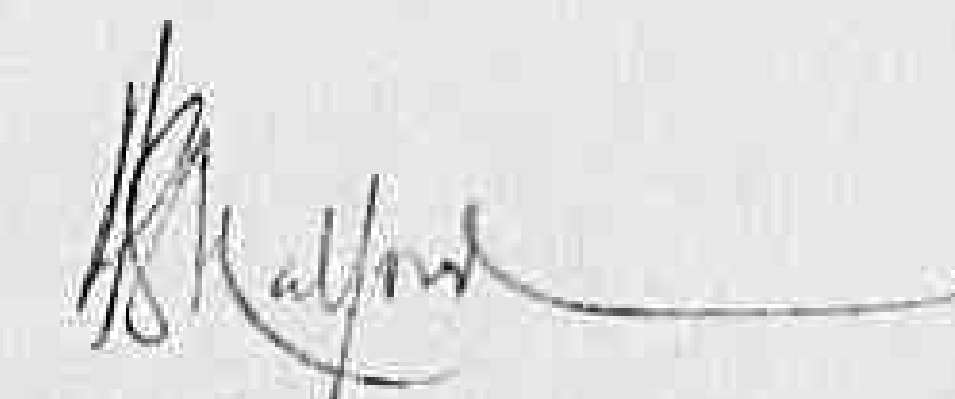
MAY 4 1946

Subject: Italian Legation Property in
Budapest

On December 14th 1945, Signor Prunas wrote to you on the subject of certain property belonging to the Italian Legation at Budapest and its possible transfer to Rome. This correspondence found its way by devious channels to the British Embassy in Rome.

2. The British Foreign Office have now confirmed the opinion of the Financial Adviser of the Military Mission in Hungary to the effect that Signor Prunas' request for the transfer of this property to Rome cannot be met since there would be legal objections to the movement of this property before the signature of the Peace Treaty with Italy. The British Political Mission in Budapest are prepared however to arrange for the goods to be stored in a safe place pending the signature of the Peace Treaty.

3. Perhaps you would inform Signor Prunas of the above.



Br. Political Adviser

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Copy to U.S. Polad,
British Embassy.

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VLD/ob

Ref: 4756/30/BJ

30 April 1946

SUBJECT: ROSSINI Gualtiero - Property sequestered in Pizzo.

TO : Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy

1. Reference the attached letter 6/1686/709 of 12 April 1946 from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, subject same as above.

2. This office has been requested by the Italian government to bring the above mentioned case to your attention for any action you may deem appropriate.

FOR CHIEF COMMISSIONER

VICTOR L. ODDI

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Encls: ltr 6/1686/709 fr IMFA of 12 April 1946
personal letter fr Gualtiero Rossini with a list

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
FINANCE DIVISION
13 CORPS

TELEPHONE: No. 29701/EXT. 18

WGB/tb

26 April 1946

REF : 13C/AMG/CP/319

TO : HQ. ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Executive Commissioner

APR 29 1946

SUBJECT : A.P.O. 394

ROSSINI Gualtiero - Property sequestered in Fiume.

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1. Reference is made to your letter
4756/73/EC dated 20 April 1946.

2. I am returning the correspondence
and suggest that you would achieve better
results by taking the matter up through
normal diplomatic channels.

3. The subject is resident in FIUME
and it is felt that communication with the
Jugoslav Authorities through the Joint Economic
Committee would be fruitless.

N.T. Beard

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N.T. BEARD, Lt. Col.
CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

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TRANSLATION

FROM:

TO:

THEIR FILE N°:

SUBJECT:

COPY

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

D.G.A.E. Office IV

American Embassy - Rome -

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Note Verbale

E.S. file N°: 1.53 CSO

17 April 1946

APR 25 1946

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs wishes to thank the United States' Embassy for their kind note F.O.N. 451 of 20th March 1946 regarding the restoral of Italian equipment and installations removed by the Germans to areas in Germany now occupied by Americans.

It has been resolved upon agreement with the Departments concerned to entrust the collection and coordination of reports from Italian Firms to the Ministry of Industry & Commerce and the technical operations of the same, i.e. translation and printing of the lists of equipment and installations, to the Istituto Ricostruzione Industriale, which Body the Italian Government fully trusts.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs shall, therefore, forward as soon as possible lists of the Italian equipment and installations removed by the Germans, drawn up in English and indicating, whenever possible, the original destination to which the material was transferred.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs takes this opportunity to renew its thanks to the United States' Embassy and to confirm its high esteem.

Copy to E.C.

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Ref. 4756/76/EC

25 April 1946

SUBJECT: Property - Signora Elisabetta Russo (nata Schapira)

TO : Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

In reply to your 6/1863/858 of June 23, 1945.

BAOR:

The following reply has now been received from Headquarters,

"1. The matter referred to has been investigated, and it is stated the a/n owns no property in MISCELLANEOUS.

2. Her mother, Signora Schapira lives at the address given, and states that all the property is hers and hers alone."

VICTOR L. ODDI

Brigadier
Acting Chief Commissioner

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 386.

21 April 1946

APR 23 1946

SUBJECT: Property - Signora Elisabetta RUSSO
(nata Schapira).

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
APO 394.

Reference your 709/23/EC dated 15 February 1946, 505/RU/EC(L)
dated 28 June and 5 September 1945 and our G-5: 386 dated 23 February
1946.

BAOR: The following reply has now been received from Headquarters,

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stated the a/n owns no property in DUSSELDORF.

2. Her mother, Signora Schapira lives at the address given,
and states that all the property is hers and hers alone."

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A. L. HAMBLIN
Brigadier General, GSC
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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VLC/eb

Ref: 4756/73/43

20 April 1946

SUBJECT: Rossini Gualtiero - Household effects sequestered in Fiume.

TO : AMG - XIII Corps

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Attached please find a copy of a letter from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs requesting that Rossini Gualtiero, an official of the Italian Ministry of Interior, be reinstated in the possession of his sequestered properties.

May this office please be informed in due course of any action you may be able to take on the matter.

VICTOR L. ODDI

Brigadier
Acting Chief Commissioner

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Encl: ltr 6/1686/709 fr DMFA of 12 April 1946

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See 7-79 - 101 & 12647

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

APR 17 1946

SUBJECT: ROSSINI Gualtiero - Household effects sequestered in Fiume.

*Forwarded to
Apr 13 1946*

1. Rossini Gualtiero, an official of the Ministry of the Interior, has filed the attached petition with this Ministry asking for the restoration of his household effects sequestered in Fiume by the Yugoslav authorities.

2. In the petition the following facts are stated;

- a) that the a/n in order not to collaborate with the Fascists escaped from Fiume on September 8th 1943.
- b) That the a/n had to leave his household effects, a list of which is enclosed with the petition **4333** in Via della Vittoria 13, where he was living prior to his escape.
- c) That on or about January 1945 the Yugoslav authorities, alleging that the a/n was a spy and a collaborationist, sequestered the said household effects.

3. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs would be grateful to the Allied Commission if they could interest to the matter the competent authorities in order that the a/n be reinstated in the possession of his properties. **A**

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

APR 17 1946

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*To be handled by
APR 13 1946*

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Rome, April 12th, 1946.

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

APR 16 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Shipment of Wooden Cases from Budapest to Rome.

1. Reference is made to Allied Commission's note 382/23(L) dated January the 7th 1945 and to the letter of this Ministry's General Secretary n. 6/5215, dated December 14th 1945, addressed to Brigadier LUSH.

2. An information has reached this Ministry that the British Military Mission, Hungary, have kindly taken the first steps as regards the shipment by plane from Budapest to Rome of the wooden cases containing the material belonging to this Ministry, which was saved at the moment when German troops looted the premises of the Royal Italian Legation in Budapest.

3. With reference to para 3 of Allied Commission's afore mentioned note, this Ministry have no possibility to refer directly to the British Authorities in Hungary owing to the lack of available means of communication and it would be therefore much appreciated if the Allied Commission could kindly approach the British Military Mission in Hungary in order to know the further action they may deem necessary and thank them for their interest in this matter.

4. Any information that the Allied Commission could forward to this Ministry will be highly appreciated.

Rome, April 19th, 1946.



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APR 16 1946

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4. Any information that the Allied Commission could forward to this Ministry will be highly appreciated.

Rome, April 13th, 1946.



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Ref: 382/EX(L)

7 January 1945

APR 16 1946

SUBJ CT: Shipment of Wooden Cases from Budapest to Rome

TO : Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1. Reference to your 14 December letter No. 6/5215 addressed to Brigadier Lush.
2. Your request was passed to political mission Hungary for necessary action.
3. It is requested that for your further communication on this subject you refer directly to the British Military Mission, Hungary.

VICTOR L. ODDI
Captain, CAV
Officer-in-Charge

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED MISSION

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Originator's Reference:

Date/Time of Origin: JAN 021220 A

Message Centre No:

Date Time Rec'd: JAN 030140

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: BMM HUNGARY

TO : CHQ CMF

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Following for HQ Allied Commission Liaison Division
ref their 382/EC (L) of 21 December your request passed to
political mission Hungary for necessary action request fur-
ther communication on this subject through diplomatic chan-
nels.

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ACTION : LIAISON DIV 2

INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

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HEADQUARTERS

1 JAN 1946

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FROM: ~~EMM~~ HUNGARY

TO : GHQ CMF

Precedence: ROUTINE

APR 15 1946

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Following for HQ Allied Commission Liaison Division
ref their 362/EC (L) of 21 December your request passed to
political mission Hungary for necessary action request fur-
ther communication on this subject through diplomatic chan-
nels.

AC DIST.

ACTION : LIAISON DIV 2

INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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4 JAN 1946

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Liaison Division

Ref: 382/30(1)

21 December 1945

SUBJECT: Shipment of wooden cases from Budapest to Rome

TO : Allied Commission,
Budapest (Hungary)

1. Attached herewith is copy of letter from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs concerning the shipment of 7 or 8 wooden cases from Budapest to Rome.

2. It will be appreciated if this office will be informed of the action you will take on the matter and of the nature of the reply to be made to the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Encl: As per para 1 above

VICTOR L. ONDI
Captain, CAV
Officer-in-Charge

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MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI
IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE

Rome, December 14th, 1945

APR 16 1946

Dear Brigadier Lush,

At the time of the German invasion of Hungary, March 19th, 1944, German troops looted the premises of the Royal Italian Legation in Budapest. Only a small part of the material belonging to this Ministry was saved, thanks to the activity of those officials who remained loyal to the legitimate Italian Government. Said material, consisting in chinaware, books and two radio sets, packed into 7 or 8 wooden cases, was entrusted for safekeeping to Mr. Stefano Ambro c/o American Mission, Szabadsa Ter, Budapest, and to Mrs. Marica Moor Tancsics, Veres Palne Utea 34, Illem, Budapest.

This Ministry is very much interested in getting back, as soon as possible, the above mentioned material, and in view of the present difficulties and dangers of ordinary means of transport, it would be greatly appreciated if the Allied Commission could consent that such cases be shipped to Rome by the Allied plane flying between Budapest and Rome.

I shall be very grateful to you, dear Brigadier Lush, for your kind interest in the matter, and I am awaiting to hear from you on the subject.

Very sincerely yours, 43729

Brigadier M.S. LUSH
Executive Commissioner of
The Allied Commission
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forwarded to me by Dr. Bombassei today

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Ref. : 4756/59/10

13 April 1946.

~~MEMORANDUM~~

TO : Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

SUBJECT: Personal effects and valuables of
Signor Alfieri, ex-Italian Ambassador to
Berlin.

1. Reference is made your memo subject as above dated March 23, 1946.
2. The following is report as made by the GMI Branch:

"The full facts as known to this Branch are as follow:
"Some weeks ago a certain Signor Ughi arrived at this Office informing us that the Ministry of Finance had instructed him by signal to report to Col. Campbell immediately, the fact that he had discovered certain property which was personal effects and some valuables belonging to Signor Alfieri, ex-Italian Ambassador to Berlin. Signor Ughi was to take instructions from Col. Campbell. When asked whether he had an inventory of the material he agreed that he had. Asked to show it he refused. Colonel Campbell stated that if GMI Branch were to handle the matter it would be necessary to have (a) a copy of the inventory and (b) for one of the Branch officers to check the physical material with the inventory, accompanied by an Italian representative. The reason for this action being to safeguard the property of the Ambassador".

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"The position regarding disposal of State and privately owned property is well understood and had we been charged with the handling of the affair the effects and valuables would have been passed over to the Italian Ministry of Finance or handed back to the Ambassador. Signor Ughi was in fact so extremely rude and discourteous that we telephoned the Ministry of Finance complaining at his behaviour. The Ministry asked us to send the gentleman back to them saying they would put the matter into more capable hands".

"Nothing further was heard until two or three days ago when a copy message arrived in this Office. Copy attached. No further action has been taken".

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See Memo 67

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3. Attached is copy of cable referred in quotations of para
2 above.

4. There is no further action in view from this head-
quarters.

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MAY

Brigadier,
Executive Commission.

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Direzione Generale Finanza Straordinaria
Ministry of Finance.

Office of his Excellency the Minister
Cipher and Telegraph Office
S.T.

Telegram No. 6971 from Milan the 2nd Ma. 1946 H. 13
arrived the 3 Ma. 1946 H. 11

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Urgent

To the General Express Finance Direction - ROME

2411 - Please instruct your competent local Office to inform the Allied Commission Lombardia that this Office has given orders to the official who impounded to goods of Dino Alfieri should immediately go and confer with Colonel Campbell, Captured Enemy Materials Branch, Palazzo Corporazioni, about valuables and other material discovered hidden in Villa Premeno which are booty of war.

s/ Intendente Bassi.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Message Centre No: H/1917
Date Time Rec'd: APR 120900
Precedence: ROUTINE

Originator's Reference: RAC 4897/117
Date/Time of Origin: APR 111130B

FROM: BHM ROMANIA
TO: TROOPERS ALLIED COMMISSION ROME.
INFO: BHM HUNGARY BULGARIA

*APR 11 1946
No action
S. J. J.*

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1. AT ACC COS meeting held 9 Apr general Viogradov stated a report which I had heard to the effect that ACC proposed (?) to place MA under control of CASBI (the Roumanian organisation charged with custody of enemy property under article 8 of armistice) all Italian property in this country was incorrect. The ACC proposed to prepare complete lists Italian property in connection with coming peace conference but not to hand property over to CASBI.

2. For addressees other than Rome. Records other points discussed follow by Bag.

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INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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12 APR 1946

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FROM: BHM ROMANIA

TO : TROOPERS ALLIED COMMISSION ROME.

INFO: BHM HUNGARY BULGARIA

Precedence: ROUTINE

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INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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HEADQUARTERS

12 APR 1946

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Ref. : 4756/59/FC

April 1946.

MEMORANDUM

TO : Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

SUBJECT: Personal effects and valuables of
Signor Alfieri, ex-Italian Ambassador to
Berlin.

1. Reference is made your Memo subject as above dated March 23, 46.
2. The following is report as made by the OCM Branch:

"The full facts as known to this Branch are as follow:
"Some weeks ago a certain Signor Ughi arrived at this Office informing us that the Ministry of Finance had instructed him by signal to report to Col. Campbell immediately, the fact that he had discovered certain property which was personal effects and some valuables belonging to Signor Alfieri, ex Italian Ambassador to Berlin. Signor Ughi was to take instructions from Col. Campbell. When asked whether he had an inventory of the material he agreed that he had. Asked to show it he refused. Colonel Campbell stated that if OCM Branch were to handle the matter it would be necessary to have (a) a copy of the inventory and (b) for one of the Branch officers to check the physical material with the inventory, accompanied by an Italian representative. The reason for this action being to safeguard the property of the Ambassador".

"The position regarding disposal of State and privately owned property is well understood and had we been charged with the handling of the affair the effects and valuables would have been passed over to the Italian Ministry of Finance or handed back to the Ambassador. Signor Ughi was in fact so extremely rude and discourteous that we telephoned the Ministry of Finance complaining at his behaviour. The Ministry asked us to send the gentleman back to them saying they would put the matter into more capable hands".

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3. Attached is copy of cable referred in quotations of para 2 above.

4. There is no further action in view from from this headquarters.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CAPTURED ENEMY MATERIALS BRANCH

CEM/78A

9 April 1946

APR 11 1946

SUBJECT: Possessions of Italian Internees.

TO : Office of the Executive Commissioner.

Reference your 4756/58/E.C. dated 5 of April 46.

1. This Branch has nothing to do with the recovery of personal possessions, the property of Italian subjects who have been repatriated after interned in Italian Colonies.

2. Application should be made to the Custodian of Enemy Property, A.F.H.Q.

J.A. Campbell
J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel,
Director
CEM Branch

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RECEIVED
OFFICE OF THE
DIRECTOR, ARMY
HEADQUARTERS
WASHINGTON, D.C.

DEPT. OF THE ARMY

9 APR 1946

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR, ARMY HEADQUARTERS

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR, ARMY HEADQUARTERS

Reference your letter of 4/1/46, dated 4 of April 46.

1. This branch has nothing to do with the recovery of personal possessions, the property of Italian soldiers who have been repatriated after interned in Italian colonies.

2. Application should be made to the Division of Army Property, A.G.O.,

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Captured Enemy Materials Branch
HQ AG, APO 304 9 APR 1946
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 4756/58/EO

5 April 1946

SUBJECT: Possessions of Italian Internees.

TO : Director, Captured Enemy Materials Branch.

Will you please advise the Liaison Division of this Office as regards the action to be taken in connection with attached copy of Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs Memo no. 6/1515/655 of 2 Apr 46.

P. H. TUNNARD

Chief Staff Officer
to Acting Chief Commissioner

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P.A. 5
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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785017*Ministero degli Affari Esteri*MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Possessions of Italian internees.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs has received several requests from Italian subjects who have been repatriated after internment in the Italian colonies, who ask to recover their possessions (clothes, furniture, carpets etc.) which were handed over to the Custodian of Enemy Property at the moment of their departure from the internment camps.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs would greatly appreciate if the Allied Commission could kindly inform them of the policy of the competent Authorities in this matter. ★

Rome, April 2nd, 1946



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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Captured Enemy Materials Branch

APR 1 1946

CEM/78/97

30 March 1946

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Personal effects of Ex-Italian Ambassador to Berlin.

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission
Office of the Executive Commissioner
(Attn. C.S.O.)

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Reference memorandum 49 and remarks by Legal Sub-Comm.
on same subject.

1. The full facts as known to this Branch are as follows:

Some few weeks ago a certain Signor Ughi arrived at this Office informing us that the Ministry of Finance had instructed him by signal to report to Col. Campbell immediately, the fact that he had discovered certain property which was personal effects and semi valuables belonging to Signor Alfieri, ex Italian Ambassador to Berlin. Signor Ughi was to take instructions from Col. Campbell. When asked whether he had an inventory of the material he agreed that he had. Asked to show it he refused. Colonel Campbell stated that if CEM Branch were to handle the matter it would be necessary to have (a) a copy of the inventory and (b) for one of the Branch officers to check the physical material with the inventory, accompanied by an Italian representative. The reason for this action being to safeguard the property of the Ambassador. 4313

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Jordan Bates. Maj.

J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel,
Director
CEM Branch

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Direzione Generale Finanza Straordinaria
Ministry of Finance

Office of his Excellency the Minister
Cipher and Telegraph Office
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Telegram No. 6971 from Milan the 2nd Ma. 1946 H.13
arrived the 3 Ma. 1946 H.11

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To the General Express Finance Direction - ROME

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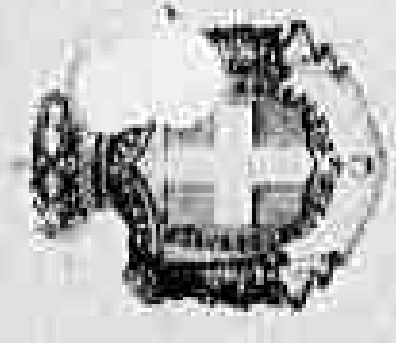
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s/ Intendente Bassi

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri Handed to me by *RTK*
Pl. return in appropriate file *25/3*

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

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ex - Italian Ambassador to Berlin.

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Signor Ughi, as custodian of said property, has refused to hand over the trunks.

2. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs, in agreement with the Finance Ministry, beg to submit to the competent Office of the Allied Commission the following considerations:

- a - Under the terms of the Annex to the IV^a Convention of The Hague, art. 46, the occupying Power can by no means order the seizure of the private property of the inhabitants of the occupied territory; it is excluded therefore that private property be considered as war prize. It enues that the contents of the trunks of signor Alfieri falling beyond doubt under the category of private property, could not be deemed as war prize by the Allied Authorities even if it had been actually traced by the Allied Armed Forces, and not by the Italian Police.
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3. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs would be grateful if due consideration could be given to the above points.

Rome, March 23th, 1945

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

American Embassy
Rome, Italy.

March 20, 1946.

My dear Admiral Stone:

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For your information, I take pleasure in enclosing herewith a copy of a Note Verbale, which, under instructions from the State Department, the Embassy is submitting to the Italian Foreign Office.

Very truly yours,

David McK. Key

Charge d'Affaires a.i.

Enclosure:
As stated.

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

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NOTE VERBALE

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs and under instructions from its Government, has the honor to submit the following information with respect to the restitution of Italian property located in the United States zones of occupation in Germany and Austria:

The United States Government, pending agreement among the occupying Powers of Germany and Austria with regard to the scope of restitution, has given instructions to the Commanders in Chief of the United States zones of occupation in the above-named countries to institute an interim program of restitution to the Italian Government of property which is capable of being identified, except gold securities and currencies removed from Italy between September 3, 1943, and May 15, 1945.

The United States Government accordingly invites the Government of Italy to submit to the Government of the United States one or more lists setting forth such property which the Government of Italy has cause to understand may

To the
Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Rome

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be situated in the United States occupation zones in Austria or Germany. So far as possible these lists should make reference separately to such property understood to be in Austria and Germany, and should include as much description of the property involved as can be given and as may be necessary to make possible the identification of the property by the occupying authorities. All available information with regard to the location of the property should be included.

After the lists in question -- which may be presented serially and may indicate the properties in the urgency of return -- are received, it is intended to invite the Italian Government, where necessary, to send to the United States zones of occupation in Germany and Austria a small mission for identifying such of the property listed as it may have been possible for each of the occupying authorities to find in his zones.

R o m e, March 20, 1946

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Office of the Chief Commissioner

APO 394

Ref: 4756/43/EO ✓

14 March 1946

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

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With reference to your letter 5/244 of 19 February 1946, I have to inform you that the occupation of Via Carducci 6, by the "Comitato Regionale di Liberazione Nazionale del Litorale Sloveno e Trieste" has been under the consideration of my senior Civil Affairs officer in Venezia Giulia for some considerable time.

It has been decided that Allied Military Government will not interfere or prevent any legal action which the Commissario of the Previdenza Sociale Institute may take in the tribunal for the recovery of this property. I understand that the complaint has already been prepared and will be served in a few days.

Yours very truly,

Is/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE

Rear Admiral, USNR

Chief Commissioner

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Dott. Aloide De Gasperi
President of Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
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TELEPHONE NO.

Date 3 March 1946

REFERENCE NO. 130/AMG/227/10

MAR 11 1946

SUBJECT : National Institute of Social Insurance Building - Via Carducci No. 6.

TO : Headquarters,
Allied Commission.

Attn : Office of the Executive Commissioner.

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1. I am in receipt of your letter No. 4756/30/DE dated 27 February 1945 on the above subject.

2. The property in question, No. 6 Via Carducci, belongs to the Previdenza Sociale but is at present occupied by the "Comitato Regionale di Liberazione Nazionale del Litorale Sloveno e Trieste". Occupation of this building by the above-mentioned Slovene Committee has been under consideration by this H.Q. for some considerable time.

3. For political and other reasons it has been considered unwise to take any official action to reject the present occupiers from these premises and to restore it to the rightful owners.

4. It has however, recently been decided that this H.Q. would not interfere or prevent any legal action which the Commissario of the Previdenza Sociale Institute takes in the Tribunale for the recovery of this property.

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5. The situation as it stands at present is that the complaint has been prepared and will be ready for serving in a few days.

6. I will let you know further as to the progress of the case.

H.P.P. Robertson
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H.P.P. ROBERTSON,
Colonel,
Acting S.C.A.C.

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Ref: 4756/31/20

28 February 1946

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Dear Mr. Prime Minister,

I thank you for your letter 5/214 of 19 February 1946.
This matter has been referred to the appropriate authorities
and I will keep you informed of any developments.

Yours very truly,

/s/ N.W. HIND SMITH
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Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Dr. De Gasperi
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Italian Government
Rome.

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Ref: 709/24/20

27 February 1946

SUBJECT: Property enquiry - Signora Elisabetta Russo -

TO : Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

1. Reference your 6/3098/4449 of 1st September 1945 and more recent verbal reminder to the Liaison Division on the above subject.

2. The G-5 Section of AFHQ informs that:

" No reply having been received to the original request addressed in July 1945 to Supreme Commander, Allied Expeditionary Force, a further letter is being dispatched forthwith to the appropriate Military Authority in the area where the property is said to be located, namely HQ, B.A.O.R.

3. Upon receipt of further information on your query this office will forward same at once.

VICTOR L. ODDI
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Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 386

23 February 1946

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SUBJECT: Property Enquiry - Signora Elisabetta RUSSO
nata Schapira

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
APO 394

Reference your 709/23/EC dated 15 February 1946 and
earlier letters 505/RU/EC (L) of 28 June and 5 September 1945.

No reply having been received to the original request
addressed in July 1945 to Supreme Commander, Allied Expedition-
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the appropriate Military Authority in the area where the pro-
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BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

F. G. A. PARSONS
Brigadier

Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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Ref: 709/23/20

15 February 1946

SUBJECT: Property - Signora Elisabetta RUSSO nata Schapira

TO : Commanding General
A.P.H.Q. APO 512
For G-5 Section

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1. Reference your G-5: 386 of 8 September 45 in reply to our 505/RU/20(L) of 23 June and 5 September 45.
 2. The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs kindly urges that the Allied authorities be reminded that to date no reply has been received to the request made by Elisabetta Russo nata Schapira for information concerning her property, located at Russolder Benrath, Sophienstrasse No. 8.

For the Chief Commissioner:

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Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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Encl: 6/1863/858 ltr of 23 June 45 fr TPA

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Ref: 505/RU/EO(L)

11 September 1945

SUBJECT: Signora Elisabeth RUSSO

TO : Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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1. Reference is made to your 1 September Memo 6/3098/1449 regarding Elisabeth RUSSO.
 2. As yet/^{no} information has been received from the military authorities repeatedly queried.
 3. On receipt, information will be forwarded.

505/RUSSO

Officer-in-Charge
Liaison Division

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 386

8 September 1945

SUBJECT: Signora Elisabeth RUSSO.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394. ³¹

1. Reference is made to your 505/RU/EC(L) of 28 June and 5 September 1945. ³³
2. Reply has not yet been received from the Military Authorities in the area concerned to whom the matter was referred.
3. On receipt, information will be forwarded.

For Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:



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M. J. HEYL
1st Lt., AUS.

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WEN/mof

Ref: 505/RU/EC(L)

5 September 1945

SUBJECT: Signora Elisabetta RUSSO

TO : Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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1. Reference is made to memo, no. 6/3093/1449, dated 1 September.
 2. A further inquiry has been made to the proper authorities and a reply requested. Upon receipt of same, we will immediately inform you.

Officer-in-Charge
Liaison Division

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Ref: 505/W/DC(L)

5 September 1945

SUBJECT: Signora Elisabetta RUSSO

TO : C-5 Section
Allied Force Headquarters

1. Reference is made to our 505/W/DC(L) of 23 June.
2. The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs have asked whether an answer can now be made in this matter.
3. Your action would be greatly appreciated.

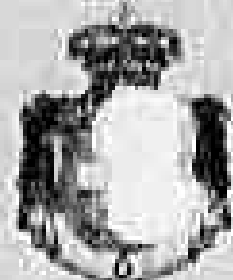
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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Signora Elisabetta RUSSO.

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1. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs will greatly appreciate an early reply to their Memo. 6/1863/858, dated June 23rd, 1945, concerning the property in Germany of Signora Elisabetta RUSSO. *mw*



Rome, September 1st, 1945

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Ref: 505/MU/EC(L)

28 June 1945

SUBJECT: Request for Information Concerning Property Owned by
Signora Elisabetta Russo

TO : G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters

1. Enclosed is 23 June memorandum no. 6/1863/858 from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs requesting information on property of Signora Elisabetta Russo located at Dusseldorf-Bonrath.
2. A possible source of information is likewise indicated in this note.
3. It will be appreciated if this office be, in due course, advised of any reply to be made to this request.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Officer-in-Charge
Liaison Division

1 Encl: As above

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Signora Elisabetta RUSSO.

1. Signora Elisabetta RUSSO, resident at Rome, via Pietro Tacchini n.19, has applied to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs in order to obtain some information concerning her property, located at Dusseldorf-Benrath, Sophienstrasse N.8.

These information could be obtained through Frau Betty Kuhn, who lives at the same address, or Frau Emmy Blechmann, resident at Dusseldorf-Benrath, Marbacherstrasse N.99.

2. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs thank the Allied Commission for those steps they will see fit to take in the matter

Rome, June 23rd. 1945



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Ref: 4756/30/80

27 February 1946

SUBJECT: National Institute Building,
Via Carducci, 6.

TO : SOAO AMG Venezia Giulia.

1. Attached please find copy of letter 5/24 of 19 February from Dr. De Gasperi.
2. Your comments would be appreciated.

For the Chief Commissioner,

N. W. HIND-SMITH

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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TRANSLATION

THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

5/214

Rome, 19 February, 1946.

Dear Admiral,

The manager of the National Institute of Social Insurance has written me the enclosed letter, asking me to help this Institute regain possession of its premises in Trieste, situated in Via Carducci, no. 6, property of the Institute itself, and at present entirely occupied by a private Slav Association.

I depend on your courtesy and understanding hoping that you will intervene with the A.M.G. in Trieste, so that this Institute, whose activity is especially important to the low classes and the classes of the employed, may regain possession of its premises, insomuch as it does not seem possible that any Slav Association needs such extended offices.

Believe me,

Yours truly,

(s) De Gasperi.

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Admiral Ellery W. Stone

Chief Commissioner

Allied Commission

Rome.

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TRANSLATION

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL INSURANCE

Trieste, 4 February, 1946.

To: Prime Minister Alcide De Gasperi,
Rome.

Regaining of property

This management hopes that you will solve the question which has been going on now for about eight months.

The building in Via Carducci, no. 6, belonging to this Institute was occupied by the Central Offices, for which it was built, until March 1944, when, following requisitioning by German authorities, we were assigned a school in Via G. Corsi, no. 1. The premises of this school are unsuitable and entirely insufficient for the administrative and sanitary equipment of these offices, and this insufficiency and instability have already caused damages which have interfered with the regular work.

On May 1, 1945 the premises were occupied by Newzealanders, and later by Tito's troops.

After the agreement of 12 June 1945, these troops left the building and were replaced by civilians belonging to a private Slav concern which took over the entire premises composed of two hundred rooms; for what use was never publicly known.

The requests made to the Internal Commission for Personnel, and to the National Liberation Committee of the local A.M.G., to regain possession of our property, have remained unanswered.

Our situation has gone from bad to worse, and has now become unsustainable and can no longer be tolerated, unless we wish to seriously compromise the regular functioning of our offices, and risk the abstention from work of the employees, due to the cold and rain which penetrate the roof.

In order to settle these offices to the advantage of the Staff and bulk of insurers, who have already complained through the press, and to enable the school we are at present occupying to be used as such, and in order to regain our property, we beg you to use all your influence and authority with those concerned.

With many thanks,

THE MANAGER
Dr. Ernesto DANCHINI

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Il Ministro degli Affari Esteri

3/214

Roma,

19 FEB 1947

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Caro Ammiraglio,

Il Direttore dell'Istituto Nazionale della Previdenza Sociale mi ha scritto l'acclusa lettera con la quale chiede il mio interessamento affinché il detto Istituto possa rientrare in possesso della propria sede di Trieste, sita in Via Carducci N. 6 di proprietà dell'Istituto stesso, ed ora occupato nella sua totalità (200 vani) da una Associazione privata slava.

Mi rivolgo alla Sua cortesia e comprensione affinché Ella, caro Ammiraglio, voglia intervenire presso il G.M.A. di Trieste affinché l'importante Istituto, che svolge attività sociale di particolare importanza per le classi popolari e implegatzie della città, possa rientrare in possesso della propria sede, cioè tanto più che non si saprebbe vedere quale Associazione Slava possa avere effettivo bisogno di un numero così grande di locali per svolgere la propria attività.

Mi creda, caro Ammiraglio

De Santis

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Mi creda, caro Ammiraglio

De Ferry

Ammiraglio Ellery W. Stone
Capo della Commissione Alleata

R. C. M. A.

Istituto Nazionale della
Previdenza Sociale

Trieste 4 febbraio 1945

SEDE DI TRIESTE

oggetto) Riammissione nel godimento
del diritto di proprietà.

Al Primo Ministro

On.le Alcide De Gasperi

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Questa Direzione si permette di rivolgersi a Lei siccome
che il Suo interessamento risolverà la questione di cui è argo-
mento la presente e che si trascina da circa otto mesi.

Lo stabile di via Carducci n.º di proprietà di questo
Istituto era occupato dagli Uffici della Sede, appunto perchè per
tale uso costruito nella sua quasi totalità, fino al mese di apri-
le 1944 quando in seguito ad atto di requisizione delle Autorità
tedesche, alla sede fu assegnata una scuola di Via G. Corsi, n.º 1.
I locali di questa scuola sono più che insufficienti ed inadatti
per la attrezzatura amministrativa e sanitaria della Sede e la lo-
ro insufficienza ed inadattabilità hanno già arrecato danni non
trascurabili che si sono riversati naturalmente sul regolare fun-
zionamento dei servizi e quindi anche sulla massa dei lavoratori.

Il 1º maggio 1945, lo stabile in parola venne occupato
per alcuni giorni dalle truppe neozelandesi e poi dalle truppe di
ritiro.

Dopo gli accordi del 12 giugno a.s. le truppe di ritorno
abbandonarono il palazzo ed al loro posto subentrarono elementi
civili facenti parte di una Associazione privata slava che presero
possesto di tutto lo stabile composto di circa 200 locali. L'uso
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Lo stabile di via Carducci n.º di proprietà di questo Istituto era occupato dagli Uffici della Sede, appunto perchè per tale uso costruito nella sua quasi totalità, fino al mese di aprile 1944 quando in seguito ad atto di requisizione delle Autorità tedesche, alla sede fu assegnata una scuola di Via G. Corsi, n.º 1. I locali di questa scuola sono più che insufficienti ed inadatti per la attrezzatura amministrativa e sanitaria della Sede e la loro insufficienza ed inadattezza hanno già arrecato danni non trascurabili che si sono riversati naturalmente sul regolare funzionamento dei servizi e quindi anche sulla massa dei lavoratori. ⁴²²⁸
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I vari esposti presentati da questa Direzione, dalla Commissione Interna per il Personale, dal C.L.N. Aziendale al Governo Militare Alleato locale, per rientrare in possesso del proprio immobile e dare in tale modo sistemazione decenze agli uffici ed agli impiegati sono rimasti tutti senza risposta.

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D'altro canto gli inconvenienti della sistemazione precaria degli uffici si sono fatti ogni giorno maggiori ed hanno creato una situazione insostenibile che non può e non deve essere più oltre tollerata se non si vuole seriamente compromettere il regolare funzionamento dei servizi e l'astensione, già minacciata, dal lavoro dei dipendenti a causa del freddo e della pioggia che entra dal tetto.

Per poter sistemare convenientemente tutti i servizi a vantaggio del personale e della massa degli assicuratori, i quali si sono già lamentati più volte attraverso la stampa, per restituire la scuola attualmente occupata all'uso per cui è stata costruita ed infine per poter rientrare nel godimento del proprio diritto di proprietà, questa Direzione prega caldamente la S.V. di voler usare di tutta la possibile influenza ed autorità presso chi di ragione.

Ringraziando

IL DIRETTORE

Dr. Ernesto DANCHINI

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CAPTURED ENEMY MATERIALS BRANCH

CEM/97/2

18 February 1946

SUBJECT: Materials at Bolzano.

TO : Ministero degli Affari Esteri
ROME.

Reference your memorandum 6/736/358 addressed to
Allied Commission dated 15 February 46.

- 1/. Your anxiety as to the safety and ultimate
dispositions of material at Bolzano is understood.
- 2/. The material in question is guarded, and all
such as is declared surplus to military requirements
will be released to the Italian Government as soon as
circumstances permit.

Gordon Holmes
J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel
Director
CEM Branch

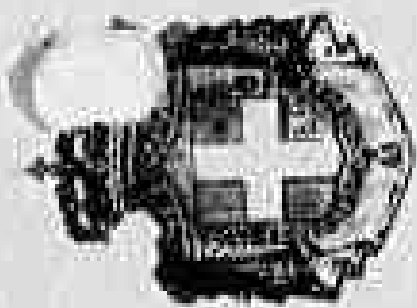
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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

FEB 18 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Italian properties removed by the Germans, and traced in Bolzano.

1. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs has been informed that some Italian valuables and properties are kept by the C.E.M. Allied Office in Bolzano.
2. Such valuables and properties are essential in the Italian national economy.
3. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs kindly request the Allied Commission to safeguard the Italian rights on them and possibly dispose for their return.
4. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs thank the Allied Commission for their kind interest in the matter, and will greatly appreciate an early reply.

Rome, February 12th, 1946



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Rome, February 12th, 1946



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From: Lt-Col D.L. Lloyd Owen, DSO MC, - MA to SAC. 2/

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Supreme Allied Commander
C.M.F.

MA/611

9th February, 1946.

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Dear Brigadier,

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Thank you for your letter of the 6th
February on the subject of the Palazzo Farnese
at Capraola.

I am very grateful for the trouble which
you have taken to obtain this information and hope
that it is what is required by Field Marshal
Alexander.

Yours sincerely
Lt. Lloyd Owen

Brigadier M.S. Lush, CBE, MC,
Executive Commissioner,
HQ, Allied Commission, ROME.

Noted for 12/2
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Ref: 4756/18/EC.6. February 1946.

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In reply to your letter MA/456 of 23 December 1945 and further to my 4756/12/EC of 4 January 1946, I can now give you an answer to the Field Marshal's enquiry.

I am informed that the Palazzo Farnese at Capraola (Province of Viterbo) has been purchased by the Italian Government, and that it is very well preserved and has not been damaged by the war.

The Prince George Loukowski, who is a Polish artist and architect, made some drawings (aquarelles) of the palace in question, some time ago, which were exhibited in Paris and Madrid and other places, and I presume it is on this account that the Prince is interested in the condition of the palace.

I hope this information is adequate for the Field Marshal's reply to Prince Loukowski.

M. S. LUSH

Lt.Col. D.L. Lloyd Owen, DSO, MC,
MA to Supreme Allied Commander,
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

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Ref: 4756/19/23

8 February 1946

SUBJECT: Claim of Ing. Vallini

TO : Ministero dell'Africa Italiana
Rome
Attn: Il Capo di Gabinetto

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1. Reference the attached claim request of Ing. Vallini transmitted through the Ministero dell'Africa Italiana.
2. Since the claim concerns property in Harar, Ethiopia it is kindly suggested that the claim request be forwarded to the British Headquarters concerned; i.e. SAC P.O. Box 4000 Nairobi.

MINISTERO DELL'AFRICA ITALIANA

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Encl: 21099 ltr fr It. Ministry of Africa dtd 2 Feb. 46

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TRANSLATION

MINISTRY OF THE ITALIAN AFRICA

SUBJECT: Engineer VALLINI FIRM

TO : Allied Commission Liaison Division
(Capt. Oddi)

COPY TO: Ing. Enrico VALLINI
Via Taro 35
R O M E

Eng. Vallini, titular of Vallini firm has sent to us the enclosed claim regarding the restitution of his movable property which was confiscated by the English Authorities in Harar and intrusted to the trustee of enemy property, and regarding the payment of services made in credit for the above mentioned Authorities.

We forward the original of the claim with the request that the Allied Commission interest the competent English Authorities for the payment requested by Eng. Vallini

For the Minister
IL CAPO MINISTERO
/s/ ?????

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785017*Ministero degli Affari Esteri*

FEB 7 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Palazzo Farnese at Caprarola (Province of Viterbo).

1. Reference is made to the inquiry concerning Palazzo Farnese at Caprarola (Province of Viterbo).

2. The palace, the property of the Italian Government, was built in 1550 by architect Jacopo Barozzi (Vignola) for Cardinal Alessandro Farnese. It is very well preserved and has not been damaged during the war.

3. Prince George Loukewski, a Polish architect, some years ago made some drawings (sanguigne) of the palace in question, which were exhibited in Paris, Madrid and so on. *A*

Rome, January 24th, 1946



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Ref: 4756/2/EC

30 January 1946

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Message

TO : Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Reference the attached cable RAO/4040/176.

The a/m is passed to your ministry as requested by the British Mission in Roumania.

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Encl: Cable as stated above

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Message Centre No: G/8235
Date Time Rec'd: JAN 29 0930
Precedence: IMPORTANT

Originator's Reference: RAC/4040/176
Date/Time of Origin: JAN 27 1105 B

FROM: EM ROMANIA
TO : ACTION ALLIED COMMISSION ROME

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INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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From: Lt. Col. F.H. McCleary, Chief Staff Officer.

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Ref: 1756/12/EC.

4 January 1946.

I am writing in reply to your letter MA/456 to Brigadier Lush of 23 December 1945. I must apologise for the delay due to the various holidays we all seem to have had recently.

The Italian authorities here have promised to let me have the answer to the Field Marshal's enquiry as soon as possible, when I will forward it on to you.

Lt. Colonel D. L. Lloyd Owen, D.S.O., M.C.,
M.A. to Supreme Allied Commander,
Allied Force Headquarters,
C. A. F.

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From: Lt-Col L. Lloyd Owen, DSO MC - M.A. t. A.C.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Supreme Allied Commander
C.M.F.

MA/456

23rd December, 1945.

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Dear Brigadier,

I have had a letter from Field Marshal Alexander asking me whether I could enquire through the Allied Commission about a palace called Palazzo Farnese which is at Caprarola near Viterbo and belongs to Prince Loukomski.

Although the Field Marshal did not say exactly what the Prince wanted to know, I assume that he would like some information on the condition of the palace and who is at present occupying it.

I would be very grateful if you could obtain this information for me so that I may give the Field Marshal some facts on which he can base a reply to the Prince.

Yours sincerely
David Lloyd Owen

Brigadier M.S. Lush, CBE MC,
Executive Commissioner,
HQ Allied Commission,
ROME.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Liaison Division
Office of Chief of Staff
APO 394

13 October 1944

Ref: 4556/9/COS

Sir D'Arcy Osborne
British Legation to the Holy See
Vatican City

Dear Sir D'Arcy,

This office has finally received answer to yours 6 Sept 44 referring to Professor Mario Manenti. It is from AMG 5 Army and is as follows:

"Ref. MANENTI, passed to us by 427 F.S. Section!
This section was reliably informed on 4 and 5 August that MANENTI had left for ROME on 5 December 43, that he was pro-British and anti-Fascist. House was not searched".

Apparently Prof Manenti has been misinformed as the above letter was sent to AMG 5 Army from the Office of the Senior Civil Affairs Office at Florence. The information furnished that office came from 427 Field Security Section. His house was not searched.

Sincerely yours,

(Sgd) Enoch Brown

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

8th October 1944.

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12 OCT Recd

SUBJECT: Prof. Mario Manenti.

TO : H.Q., A.C.C. - Civil Affairs Section.

Reference R.C. & M.G.S. letter 105/36/CA of 29 September, S.C.A.O.
Florence City reports as follows:

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For the Commanding General:

Shoddyman Capt.
7 E.B. MAYNE,
Colonel, U.D.F.,
Chief of Staff,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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12 OCT 1944
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APO 464 U.S. ARMY

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3rd October 1944.

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5 OCT Recd

SUBJECT: Prof. Mario Manenti.

TO : B.G.A.O. Florence City.

On 12 September this H.Q. forwarded to you by endorsement an enquiry from the British Legation to the Holy See concerning the above named individual. No reply has yet been received.

Will you please look into this matter.

For the Commanding General:

Indyng *Capt.*
D.R.B. MINORS,
Captain Scots Guards,
Q-2 & 3.,
A.H.Q. Fifth Army.

Copy to:

HQ. ACC - RC & MMS (your 105/36/CA of 29 Sept refers).

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

9 September 1944

Ref/105/32/GA.

SUBJECT: Case of Prof. Mario Manenti.

TO : S.C.A.O. AMG Fifth Army.

1. Enclosed will be found copies of a complaint from Prof. Mario Manenti forwarded to this Office with comments by the British Legation to the Holy See.

2. When the necessary action has been taken it will be appreciated if this Office could be informed.

By Encl. 13000 27 col
NORMAN E. FLAKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.O. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

29 Sept 1944

Ref/105/36/OA.

SUBJECT : Case of Prof. Mario Manenti.

TO : S.C.A.O. AMB Fifth Army.

1. The British Legation to the Holy see has made inquiry as to action taken in the case of Prof. Mario Manenti (see our 105/32/OA dated 9 Sep 44).

2. A report of the action taken will be appreciated so that this office can pass the information to the British Legation.

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NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.

8 SEP 1944

I attach herewith copy of a letter I have received from an Italian artist, Professor Mario Manenti, complaining that his house in Florence has been entered by the Allied Police and documents removed. According to him, it is one more case of denunciation. He begs that Mr. Hubert Howard, head of the Ufficio D., which, I understand, is one of your organisations, should be informed of the position.

Mr. Howard who, I understand, is living in Manenti's house, appears to be familiar with the situation.

I have no knowledge of Manenti's past, but his wife is English. He speaks and writes English very well and has lived in England for forty years. Moreover he was driven from his house in Florence by the Republican Fascists because, according to his statement, he and his wife had been helping British prisoners of war. They therefore came to Rome where they were in hiding until the arrival of the Allies. After he left Florence the Germans occupied his house.

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I should be very grateful if you would submit the case to Howard and let me know what he can do in the matter.

Professor/



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Professor Manenti and his English wife are anxious to return to Florence as soon as possible.



British Legation to the Holy See,
Vatican City.
September 6th, 1944.

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COPY

5th September, 1944.

Your Excellency,

Following our conversation of yesterday I am giving you now the details as I know them.

A friend of mine has come from Florence with the news that the Allied Police have entered my house and taken away documents, a portfolio containing personal photographs and other things. This I understand is on an accusation brought against me by a man called Orsini, a servant who was in the employ of the former owner of my property, a Mr. Sargent, sculptor. I don't know this Orsini but I was occasionally asked by Mr. Sargent - when communication was still open - to pay him small sums of money which I sent him. I have always understood that this man caused Mr. Sargent a great deal of annoyance.

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On October 11th, 1943, the Fascists raided my house at 1 a.m. and kept me and my wife at the point of the pistol for 3½ hours while they searched the Villa for escaped English prisoners. From that day our life in Florence was precarious and we escaped here where we were in hiding till the Allies liberated Rome. In the meantime we heard that the Germans had taken possession of the

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Villa and remained there till Florence was liberated. I cannot understand what the actual accusation is. I am told that I am accused of being Fascist and pro-Nazi, both utterly ridiculous for as you know I have always been strongly pro-English having been domiciled in England for 40 years and my wife is English and since the beginning of hostilities my life in Florence has been untenable owing to my pro-English sentiments. Naturally I am very anxious to return to Florence as soon as possible, and I would be very grateful if Your Excellency would convey to Mr. Hubert Howard the difficult position I am in in not being able to defend myself from here and would he kindly stop those people from entering my house and taking things away pending my return when I will be completely at his disposal for any eventual enquiry they may wish. Also in the meantime can he put a "fermo" on Orsini so he cannot get away as he will have to answer for his conduct. I am sorry to bother you with all this but I am sure a few lines from you to Mr. Hubert Howard Chief of Ufficio D, Esta Canina 56, Florence, would clear the position pending my return.

With many thanks

Yours v. sincerely,

(sd) MARIO MANENTI.

Via Treviso 21,
Roma.

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