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LOCAL GRAIN DISTRIBUTION
NOV. 1944 - JAN. 1945

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C.S.O. Up-to-date information on movement of Grain
in North-East Liberated Italy is found on file 7 & see. 9/23/11

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Am' com referred to at Los Angeles

9/23/11. & a solution to the

request in para 3 of 7 was

there given. (See to which)

EG 24/11 See file 10

EXTRACT FROM COS MINUTES DATED 23 JAN 45.

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10. Movement of Grain. Eon Sec reported that part of the GT Company was engaged in the movement of grain from Ancona district to Rome and an average of 300 tons a day was being transported. More transport could be used as there was 70,000 tons of grain surplus to local needs. Another GT Company which was chartered for sulphur was being moved over from the West and would be put on to moving this surplus grain. COS stated 15 Army Group would be arranging to move flour from Leghorn to Ancona to have a stockpile at Brindisi. Eon Sec had written a letter to DCCAG 15 Army Group to tie up with AFHQ plans.

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INTER OFFICE MEMO

18 January, 1945

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Tel: 478807
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Ref:

SUBJECT: Transport of Grain- North East Liberated Italy.

FROM : Food Sub-Commission.

TO : Economic Section.

1. Reference your 15.07/23 of 16 January, 1945.
2. The situation with regard to grain movements out of the North-East area of liberated Italy is as follows:

(a) One GT company operating in the Ancona-Macerata area and is at present moving grain to railhead for Rome at the rate of about 300 tons per day. The whole of the Company, however, is not employed upon grain movement, there being anything from 7 to 15 lorries per day engaged upon the movement of supplies from our Ancona warehouses northwards for Army areas. More transport could profitably be used in this area, as there are at least 70,000 tons of grain there which are surplus to local needs and which will have to be moved to railhead for movements southwards to Rome, or later on northwards into Northern Italy if the need warrants it. Present plans include the immediate stockpiling of 15,000 tons of grain in warehouses along the railway in this area for possible movement northwards.

(b) A second GT Company is working in the Marche-Abruzzi Region to move grain from the surplus areas of Ascoli and Teramo Provinces into the deficiency areas of Chieti & Aquila. This Company, however, also has to perform other supply duties, particularly the distribution of miscellaneous supplies into provinces from the Ortona railhead. Hauls are also very long in this area, and roads are bad; thus the grain can only be moved at a comparatively slow rate, possibly 150 tons a day. Total surplus to be moved is about 30,000 tons.

3. In view of the above, it is considered very advisable that a third GT company should be allocated to these areas, if possible, to enable the movement of grain to be completed before the next harvest.

For the Chief Commissioner:

W. J. LEAG
Colonel

Director Food Sub-Commission

Copy: Chief of Staff
Transportation Sub-Com.

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JAN 18 1945

Transport of Grain - Northeast
Liberated Italy

To: Food Sub-Commission

16 January 5

1. At his staff meeting this morning, the Chief of Staff mentioned that Group Captain Benson, AMG 8 Army, had recently suggested to him there is a critical need for the movement of grain out of the northeast area of liberated Italy.

2. I was under the impression that there are at present two OT Companies lifting grain in that area. However, I may not be up to date.

3. It would be appreciated if I could have a short note indicating the present situation with respect to the transport of grain in that territory.

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L. D. DENSMORE

Colonel, F A

Acting Deputy Chief of Staff
Economic Sectioncc: Chief of Staff ✓
Transportation B/C

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Mr. Picken: see that a copy of ⑤ goes to SCAG 5 Army. 20/12

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

Tel: 558

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19 December 1944

SUBJECT: Distribution of Grain

TO : SCAO, 5th Army.

See 511/24/cos

1. Reference paragraph 11 (b) of Minutes of Conference at Siena held on 17 November 1944.

2. No decision will be made with regard to the distribution of grain in other Provinces unless conditions are found in newly occupied ones similar to those which necessitated the distribution of grain in Ancona, Pesaro and Forli, in which case a report should be sent immediately to this HQ for a ruling to be given.

LAD
L. D. DENSMORE, Col., FA
Acting Deputy Chief of Staff
Economic Section

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SCAO 5th Army. (sent by office, C of S.)

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SUBJECT: Supplies

AMG Rear Eighth Army

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15 Nov 44

HQ AAI Civil Affairs Section

HQ Allied Commission

PO AMG Ancona Province for Prov Sup O

PO AMG Ancona for Major Hardley

AMG Venezia Region

AMG Abruzzi-Marche Region

23 NOV 1944

Reference conversation Spencer - Stewart.

1. This HQ has handed over PESARO and ANCONA Provinces to administration Abruzzi-Marche Region w.e.f. 3 Nov 44, and has therefore no further responsibility for grain shipments to ROME.

2. The position as left by this HQ was as follows:-

- (i) Major Hardley acts as AO Liaison Officer in Ancona (and Macerata) Province and has 1004 GT Coy under his operational command. He is the local medium for transmission of your grain export requirements to the POs involved; co-ordinates inter-provincial aspects of the matter (e.g., the placing of rail shipments) and provides lorry transport.
- (ii) The executive aspects (selection, consignment and accounting) are a provincial responsibility of the Consorzio Agrario who receive directives from the PO or his staff in accordance with your requests.
- (iii) It is not now necessary for correspondence or signals on this subject to be repeated to this HQ but it is suggested that HQ Abruzzi-Marche Region may wish to be informed.

3. Although 1004 GT Coy is at present largely engaged in Ancona it is desired to record that its principal original object was to provide a second echelon of road transport for feeding forward areas (e.g., Bologna Ferrara and Venice) when the La of C lengthened beyond the capacity of our present company. In the event such assistance is only needed for small details but if the operational situation changes request will be made by this HQ for the Company to revert to its original role.

Copies also filed on:-

Local Grain Distr 4814/cos
Lpt of Local Food 582/cos
Supplies for Rome 4811/cos

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Capt Olan
Group Captain,
Officer Commanding,
AMG Eighth Army.

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

Tel : 451

15 Nov 44

Ref : 4815/6/COS.

SUBJECT : Compulsory Food Pools.

TO : Economic Section.

on file 4815/cos

1. Attached hereto is a letter from Mr. Myron C. Taylor to Chief Commissioner outlining a scheme of his own for relieving the difficulties of the food situation in Italy. You will also find attached an interim reply thereto by the Chief Commissioner.

2. Will you please examine this proposal and after you have formulated an opinion will you draft a reply for the Chief Commissioner's signature.

Capt. C. R. ODEN

Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

Copy to : Major Quayle.

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Copies also on : 4816
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

Tel: 316

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14 November 1944

15 NOV Recd

SUBJECT: Southern Region Sitrep - November 8, 1944

TO : Office of Chief of Staff - Att'n: Capt. Norden

1. Reference your inquiry on the above sitrep.
2. Transportation Sub-Commission state action was taken at once with MRS. Twenty-five wagons daily are moving southwards now for use in Calabria and two hundred wagons are now enroute from Sicily to Calabria. Positions should now be easier. Transportation's Sub-Commission representative at Reggio has been instructed to help in every possible way.

c.w. Atkins to C.A.
HARLAN CLEVELAND
Executive Director
Economic Section

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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Office of the Chief of Staff

Tel. 289

Ref. 5809/1/008.

15 November 1944

SUBJECT: Rail cars for grain.

TO : Economic Section.

1. The following information is extracted from
Southern Region Sitrep SR/557 of 8 November:

"CATANZARO position very serious riots possible
owing to non availability of rail cars for grain
distribution."

2. Will you please advise earliest what action has
been taken by you to meet this urgent situation.

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Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

Copy to: 4814 ✓

