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PROTECTION OF GERMAN INTERESTS
DEC. 1945 - MAY 1946

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Ex. Com.

Ref. your letter to the Brit.

Embassy of 186.

I am in agreement to the U.S. Govt's proposal to use part of the Villa Walden for the U.S. Res. Com. HQ.

3/10/46

Malpica
H. B. D. (Br.)

194.

Executive Commissioner. (H. B. D.)

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The Embassies approval has been given at folio 192 and minute 193.

If you approve, I will draft a letter to the Italian Government granting the permission requested.

3/5/46

A.W.K. 2/5

Ex Comm.

196

CSO Letter at 195 for signature. please. The Embassy approval has been given at folio 192 and min 193 original request in at folio 179. *Adm* 4/5 - H.S. 4/5.

197/45

Ex Comm.

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CSO Ref folio 197. Letter at 198 for signature per

H.S. 7/5 - Adm B
6/5 2/4

3/6/46

McAlister
29. Dec. (Br.)

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MB 4/5

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Ex Comm:

Cso Ref folio 197. Letter at 198 for Signature per *MB 7/5 MB 6/5*

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A/c.c. Letter at 180 for Seguelux, please
folio 142 + 178 refer. *Adm 26/14*
244

187

To Polael 13/17

May the acc please have your views
on folio 186

Adm 26/4

188

C50

I see no objection to Dr. Rotten's occupying the
premises - they are vacant + very suitable. As regards
rental, arrangements will be made with the Acc. Vienna
+ the Acc. Berlin. It is important that Dr. Rotten's occupancy
of the premises shd not be allowed to appear as a
transfer of title to the Austria Govt.

26/10/46

Adm 189
P. A. A. (Br.)

C50 - I agree with Polael (B)

Wesley Jones

Pol. Adl (Am)
Apr. 30/46

To Polad is

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May the acc please have your views
on folio 2186

AKB-26/4

4. 188

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Pol. Ad (Am)

Apr. 30/46

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163.

Ref folio 160 n minus 161. Will you please
obtain the Esc Comm. views on this matter.
If he agrees, I will ask Polad B. to comply with
para 3 of min 162.

164.

A/C.C.

Ref 160 and n's 161-163.
Do you agree with CFA's suggestion at
para 3 of his m 162? J.S. 5/4

CSO

165.

CSO

2 agree
CFA drafts letter for Polad B accordingly

166

M.S. 6/4

C.F.A.

Ref min 165, please draft letter for A.C.C.'s
signature. A.S. 8/4

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CSO, Ex. Commissioner's Office

Letter drafted and signed

A.S. 8/4

B.V. [Signature]
CFA P.T. Col.

9 April, 1946

ALCOM

126

Letter on 125 submitted for signature
in answer to 123; uninit from
Polads at 124 indicate their assent.

18/ 7/3

152.

Chg Letters at 148 & 151 submitted to signature -
140 refers. 18/ 14/3

C.F.R.

161

18/ folio 166. This office can trace no
previous correspondence in this matter.

Have you any further info. please? If not
may the Ex Comm have your comments.

ALB 2/4

162

To : Executive Commissioner

1. Reference your minute 161.
2. I remember that the Executive Commissioner asked the two Polads to enquire into this matter. My files do not, however, contain any relevant documents.
3. In my own personal view the Foreign Office decision is correct. We have no authority, however, to state to the Italian Government that they will be reimbursed for the expense of managing German State property, with German assets or by foreign exchange credit (which I assume means a dollar-sterling credit). We could not give such a notification to the Italian Government without a CCS directive. I suggest therefore that Polad (B) reply to the Foreign Office, suggesting that the Foreign Office take the matter up with the State Department in order that an agreed CCS directive be sent to ALCOM through AFHQ.

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140 refers.

14/3

C.F.A.

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B.E.L. Timmons
Lt. Col.
CFA

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106.

Ext. 106.

104. ~~Ext. 106.~~ submitted for signature in answer

104. ~~Ext. 106.~~ H. 18/12.

Have you checked with RAdt (Bretton) ~~see 101.~~

~~If not - he is seeing me~~

H. 13/12.

105.

ref. min. 107 - spoke Bing Law. He does not want the villa neither does RAdt. He is writing to confirm. On receipt to you with v.o. 1.

H. 21/12.

Ext. 106.

110.

letter in answer to 104 submitted for signature.

105. ref.

H. 29/12.

H. 31/12.

H. 31/12.

Ext. 106.

118.

Ext. 106.

I presume you have no objection to the proposition contained in letter of 117 3124

H. 13/2.

CSO - No objection. H. 2/5/46

119.

CSO. No objection.

120.

H. 20/10/46

110.
Ex. 100.
letter in answer to 104 submitted
105. refers. 29/12
FBI 31/12

~~Polad (A)~~
Polad (B)

I presume you have no objection to the
proposition contained in letter of 11/7/31

118.

119.

18. 13/2.

C50 - No objection - Jg 2/5/46

es. N. ag. 21.

After Ex Comm.
 letter ab is submitted in answer to 117, 119 &
 120 refer.
 Polad (A) none for
 Polad (S) Nam. His 12/46
 Have you any objection to the proposal contained
 in letter ab 123?
 124.
 125.
 N. 20/10/46
 25/2. H.S. 26/2
 H.S. 2/3

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Ex. Com

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Please see folio ¹⁴³97, letter from Mr Theodoli
of I.R.C.

126
2.

Miss S.

99

Please follow up. Who is responsible
can A.C. or Embassy release?

Here

18/12/62

101

Letter at ¹⁴² submitted in signature is answer to
The U. Govt is in the high place the trustee
of German property for the United Nations & I think
they should be informed of this request. at
the moment they apparently know nothing
of it. As soon as we hear from them we
ask Poland if they have any objection & if they
have the property is released. 1/3

Here

105

Could the ex. c. please sign letter
at 101. ~~I will then pass 101 to Controller~~
~~to Public Health who are copying. see 6531/EC~~

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18/1/3

Ex Comm

Letter at ¹⁴² submitted for signature
in reply to ¹⁴¹ see no 101, 99

11/1/3 1123

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Ref. : 6534/30

6 May 1946.

SUBJECT: Protection of German Interests.

TO : C-5 Section,
A.F.H.Q. (Attention Maj. Trumson)

Reference telephone conversation of today (Major Trumson-Captain Knisely speaking).

I enclose herewith Volume I of File No. 6534/30 for your information.

May this please be returned as soon as possible.

For the Chief Commissioner:

A. W. Knisely.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Ref: 6534/198/EO

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9 May 1946.

SUBJECT: German Consulate-General at NAPLES.

TO : The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Rome.

The British Consul-General at Naples has for some time been looking for more suitable official premises than those which he at present occupies. He has now decided that the former German Consulate-General at No. 122, via Francesco Crispi, Naples, would meet his requirements. These premises are at present held in trust by the Italian authorities on behalf of the Allied Commission.

As regards the leasing of the former German Consulate-General, which is German State property, the ultimate power of disposal is vested in the External Property Control Commission of the Allied Control Commission, Berlin. Since, however, it may require some time before arrangements can be completed in Berlin and since the British Consul-General requires urgently to take possession of the premises, it is proposed, pending settlement of the whole question in Berlin, that the Consul-General should be permitted to take out a temporary lease forthwith and pay an agreed rental to the trustee which rental would be subject to adjustment at a later date. Three estimates of a fair rent have been obtained from impartial Italian sources and are lire 400,000, lire 400,000 and lire 275,000 per annum respectively. It is suggested that a figure somewhere between the two extremes would be just, but nearer the higher figure - viz: lire 350,000.

I should be grateful, therefore, if you would, as a matter of 3121 urgency, instruct the curator of these premises to enter into negotiations with the British Consul-General on the above lines. In the meantime the British Embassy have undertaken to notify the representatives in Rome of the other three Powers occupying Germany and will initiate action for the final settlement of the question in Berlin.

For the Chief Commissioner,

15/M.S. LUSH
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Verbal answer given to the Embassy 31/5
all
See 7-203
see 17/99
Copy to: Poland "B".

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Office of the British
Political Adviser

MAY 4 1946

Executive Commissioner,

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3. I should accordingly be grateful if you would request the Italian Government as a matter of urgency to instruct the curator of the premises in Naples to enter into negotiations with the British Consul-General with the object of concluding a temporary arrangement on the above lines. In the meantime, the British Embassy will undertake to notify the representatives in Rome of the other three Powers occupying Germany and will initiate action for the final settlement of the question in Berlin.

[Signature]
Dr. Political Adviser

3.v.46

Copy to U.S. Polad,
British Embassy

(CAPT K)

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Ref: 6531/195/83

6. May 1946.

SUBJECT: Villa Volkensky.

TO : The Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

With reference to your memorandum no. 6/1837/767 dated 23 April 1946, there is no objection to the Italian Red Cross using part of the former German Embassy, the Villa Volkensky, as their Headquarters.

For the Chief Commissioner,

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M. S. LUSH

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Copy to: Polad "A"
Polad "B".

See no 196.

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

American Embassy,
Rome, May 1, 1946

MAY 2 RECD

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My dear Admiral Stone,

I refer to Brigadier Lush's letter of April 27, 1946 (Ref. 6531/180/EC), regarding German property in Rome. This Embassy has no objection to the use of a portion of the Villa Volkonsky by the Italian Red Cross.

Sincerely yours,

David M. K.

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

(CAPT K)

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See Memo
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Ref. : 6531/7/80

1 May 1946.

SUBJECT: Austrian Commercial Representative in Rome.

TO : Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Rome.

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With reference to your memorandum No. 6/1854/784 dated
24 April 1946.

There is no objection to Dr. ROTTER, the Austrian Com-
mercial Representative, using the premises of the ex "Istituto
Storico Austriaco" in Via Broletti 111, provided that it is made clear
to Dr. ROTTER that the title of the property remains German and that
a suitable agreement can be reached between the Allied Control Com-
mission of Berlin and Vienna regarding the payment of rent.

This question has been taken up by the Allied Commission
and you will be informed of the result in due course.

For the Chief Commissioner:

A. W. Knisch. TH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copies to:- Poland 'A'
" 'B'

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Ref. : 6534/6/30

1 May 1946.

SUBJECT: Austrian Commercial Representative in Rome.

TO : G-5 Section,
A.P.H.C.

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With reference to the enclosed copies of Memoranda No. 6/1854/784 dated 24 April 46 and No. 6/1665/695 dated 10 April 46 from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

On the recommendation of the Political Advisers to the Allied Commission, Dr. ROTTER has been allowed to use the German premises at No. 111 Via Broletto on the understanding that the title of the property remains German and that a suitable arrangement can be made by AOC Berlin and AOC Vienna regarding the question of rent and lease.

Will you please take up this matter with the two Control Commissions and advise me in due course of their reply.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of my letter to the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

For the Chief Commissioner:

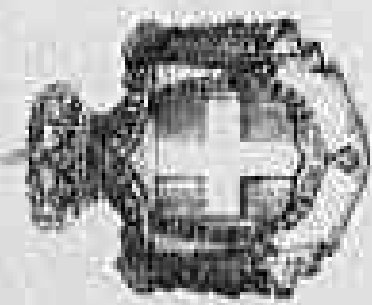
E. W. HIND-SMITH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to:- Field 'A'
" " 'B'

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

APR 25 1946

Subject: Austrian Commercial Representative in Rome.

1. Reference is made to Memorandum n° 6/1665/695 dated April 10th, 1946.

2. Dr. Adrian ROTTER, appointed Austrian Commercial Representative in accordance with paragraph 7 of the Italo-Austrian Commercial Agreement signed on April 4th 1946 and previously approved by the Allied Council in Austria, has arrived in Rome on the 13th of April.

Dr. Rotter would like to use as offices of the Austrian Commercial Representative the premises of the ex "Istituto Storico Austriaco" in via Buozzi 111.

3. Following the agreement between the Swiss Legation in Rome, the Allied Commission and the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, on September 10th 1945, the premises of the "Istituto Storico Austriaco" in Rome and other properties belonging to the German and to the ex Austrian State were taken in custody by the Italian Government as a trustee of the Allied Authorities, until final destination could be adopted concerning such assets.

4. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs, in view of the fact that the American, British, French and Soviet Governments have recognized the Austrian State, that the Allied Council for Austria has approved the Italo-Austrian Commercial Agreement of which the appointment of Dr. Rotter in Rome is a consequence, and that the Italian Government has asked the Allied Governments to agree to the exchange of political Representatives with the Austrian Government, would highly appreciate if the Allied Commission could inform them if and at which conditions the request of Dr. Rotter could receive a favourable answer, which the Ministry for Foreign Affairs is ready to give. ⁴

Rome, April 24th, 1946



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see M39473-1 April 1946

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Rome, April 24th, 1946



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see M39493-1 April 27

(S. K. K.)

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MINISTRO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

6/1665/695

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Italian Commercial Representative in Vienna and
Austrian Commercial Representative in Rome.

1. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs beg to inform the Allied Commission that the Italian Government, in accordance with paragraph 7 of the Italo-Austrian Commercial Agreement approved by the Allied Control Commission in Austria, has appointed as Commercial Representative in Vienna Dr. Murilio Coppini and as Secretaries Dr. Roberto GAJA and Dr. Nazareno ROVIDOTTI.

2. The Italian Government has furthermore approved the appointment of Dr. ROTTER as Austrian Commercial Representative in Rome.

Rome, April 10th, 1946.

Original sent direct to Commerce

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Ref: 6534/184/EO

29 April 1946.

SUBJECT: Interned Diplomats - Claims for Property.

TO : S-5 Section, AFHQ.

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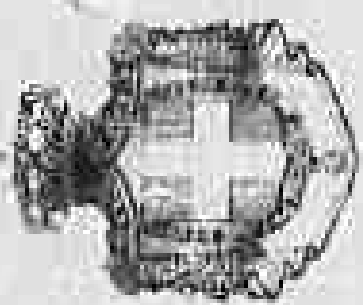
With further reference to my letter no. 6534/EO of 26 April 1946, I now enclose a copy of a memorandum dated 26 April 46 from the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs regarding this matter.

K/A. W. KNISELY
Capt

for Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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APR 29 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Property of interned German Diplomats.

1. Reference is made to the Allied Commission's note 6531/144/EC dated 15 March 1946.
2. The list of German diplomats' property in Italy has been forwarded to the competent Italian Authorities (Ministry of Treasury - Allied and Enemy Property Office) with the following recommendations.
3. German officials composing the staff of the former German Embassy and of German Consulates at the so-called Social Republic do not hold diplomatic status, as their appointment with the Italian Government had ceased and they had received later on new appointments by the German Government with the so-called Italian Social Republic.
4. Therefore the property of the a/n German diplomats is to be dealt with as the property of any other German citizen.
5. The Ministry of Treasury has been requested to promote the seizure of the property as per enclosure and to inform the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the present condition of it and of names of officially appointed seizers.

Rome, April 26th, 1946



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Rome, April 26th, 1946



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File 182

Ref. : 6534/17

26 April 1946.

SUBJECT: Interned Diplomats, Claims for Property.

TO : C-5 Sec. AFIR

With reference to your letter G-5: 694, 112-75 of 5 March and to your telephone conversation of April 26 I am returning the original correspondence as requested.

A. W. Kinsley,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Ref. : 6534/180/83

27 April 1946.

SUBJECT: German property in Rome.

TO : The American Embassy, Rome.
The British Embassy, Rome.

Villa Volkensky

The a/u villa is German property and as such is held in trust.

The Italian Government, through the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs has approached the Allied Commission for the use of the North part of this building for the Italian Red Cross H.Q., thereby allowing the "Proveditorato Stadi" to return to its own quarters.

I strongly recommend this move and request your approval, please.

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier,
Acting Chief Commissioner.

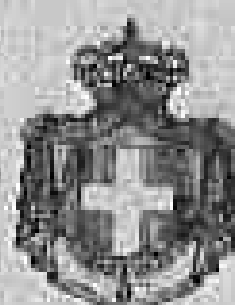
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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

APR 23 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: ~~D. 1832/767~~ Villa Volkonsky in Rome.

1. The Italian Red Cross has applied to the Italian Cabinet in order to have the disposal of some premises of Villa Volkonsky in Rome.

2. The Italian Government has approved of such disposal, which is urgently needed by the Italian Red Cross, so as to restore to the "Provveditorato Studi" of Rome the building of Via Euglie 5, which it occupies at present.

3. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs hopes that the Allied Commission has no objection to the a/m ~~disposal~~, also in view of facilitating the humanitarian tasks of the Italian Red Cross.

Rome, April 20th, 1946

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Ref. : 6534/178/EC

19 April 1946.

SUBJECT : Derogation of Villa Volkonsky.

To : Real Estate Section, RASL.

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Reference this HQ letter 4754/715/EC of 15 April 46 on the s/g subject.

I have now been informed by the Italian Government that the property in question has not, in fact, been requisitioned, and so I request that no further action be taken by you.

The unnecessary inconvenience caused is regretted.

A. W. Knisely.

Brigadier,
Acting Chief Commissioner.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 US Army

SUBJECT: Villa Volkonsky

RES/600
17 April 1946
APR 18 1946

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission
Office of the Executive Commissioner

In reply to your 4755/715/EC dated 15 April 1946, relative to the Villa Volkonsky late German Embassy.

This property is not in occupation nor under requisition by this Headquarters and in our submission we have no power of control over it.

As we understand, this property was the property of, or leased to, the German Government, and so long as Germany was belligerent was under the protection of the Swiss Diplomatic Authorities, as representing the Protecting Power.

When Germany ceased to be belligerent it is presumed that ownership of, or control over the property passed to the United Nations, but it is not clear who is held to be trustee for the United Nations. It might presumably be held to be either the Advisory Council for Italy or the Italian Government.

It will be recalled that when a proposal was put forward that this property should be put at the disposal of the Supreme Allied Commander, in the event of the move of AFHQ to Rome, application was made by this Headquarters to you, under reference DO/ACCN/123 of 17 Oct 45, to obtain permission since it was at the time considered that power of disposal must be obtained through you. Your letter 6531/96/EC of 16 Nov 45 to AFHQ enclosing copy of your 6531/94/EC of 15 Nov 45 to the Italian Prime Minister refers. We conclude therefore that this Headquarters has no power of disposal over this property and is not in a position to take any action. We presume that any proposal to put the Villa at the disposal of any Italian Agency would have to be submitted to the United Nations Governments concerned through whatever channels are seen to be appropriate.

Atkins
Brigadier
Commander
Rome Area Allied Command

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Ref: 6537/175/80

18 April 1946.

SUBJECT: Interned Diplomats (Claim for property).

TO : G-5 Section, AFHQ.

Ref your G-5: 091.112-75 of 5 March 1946.

I enclose for your information the result, to date, of enquiries made by Allied Commission Liaison Officers, in respect of the property mentioned in your a/q letter.

As further information is received, it will be forwarded to you.

A. W. Knisely.

Brigadier,
Acting Chief Commissioner.

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Ref: 4755/715/EO

15 April 1946.

SUBJECT: Derequisitioning of Villa Volkonsky.

TO : Real Estate Section, RMAC.

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1. Forwarded for whatever action you may deem necessary to take is copy of memo from Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs dated 9 April 1946.

2. Would you please notify this headquarters as to action taken in order to formulate a reply.

Steve Riggins
Captain, Brigadier,
Acting Chief Commissioner.

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ALLIED COMMIS-ON
OFFICE OF CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER
BOLZANO

REF: ACLO/EZ/103.9
DATE: 11 April 1946
SUBJECT: Property of interned German Diplomats.
TO : Executive Commissioner,
HQ, Allied Commission, Rome.

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APR 15 1946

1. Reference your 6531/14/EC of the 13 March, enclosing a list of private property in Italy belonging to members of the German Diplomatic and Consular Staff.

2. As requested, I have caused enquiry to be made with a view to tracing the property in question, the result of which is as follows:

Para 1 - BOCK Dr. Guenther.

- a) Motor car "Mercedes Benz" Type 320 was registered as a captured enemy vehicle No. 5093855 and used by A.M.G.: Bolzano, during 1945. On 12 Jan. 1946, the car was handed over to Venezia Regional Headquarters, Padova, on the order of the Regional Commissioner.
- b) The furnished apartment referred to consists of two rooms in the Gasthof Kabis at Tunes. The furniture belongs to the owner of the Gasthof but Dr. Bock had certain personal effects stored there. Enquiries reveal that on three or four occasions last summer, a person named BUCKY Raoul entered these rooms and carried away certain property owned by Dr. Bock.

Bucky Raoul, until recently, was detained in the Prison of Bolzano, and is now on provisional liberty awaiting trial for other offences committed in the Province; unfortunately he is in Milano at present and cannot be interviewed respecting this property. Still remaining in one of the rooms occupied by Dr. Bock are 3 wooden boxes, two cases, a hat box and two sacks containing salt

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ALLIED COMMISSION
OFFICE OF CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER
BOLZANO

REF:

ACLC/BZ/108.9

DATE: 11 April 1946

SUBJECT: Property of interned German
Diplomats.

GWB/mab

TO : Executive Commissioner,
HQ, Allied Commission, Rome.

APR 15 1946

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belonging to members of the German Diplomatic and
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this property. Still remaining in one of the rooms
occupied by Dr. Bock are 3 wooden boxes, two
cases, a hat box and two sacks containing salt

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and rice. The rooms have been locked and the manageress has been instructed to allow no person to enter without an authority from Allied Commission, Bolzano.

Para 8 - HOFMANN, Dr. Hamilkar.

The "Fiat Sedan" car was handed over to A.M.G. Bolzano on the 18 May 1945, but there is no record of a trailer having been received. Official records show that the car was "stripped" presumably for spares for other A.M.G. vehicles.

All that remains is the body which at present is deposited in the yard of the Garage Touring, Bolzano.

Para 10 - MUELLER Rudolf.

- b) The vehicle "Opel Admiral" was handed over to A.M.G. Bolzano in 1945 and is registered as a captured enemy vehicle No. CAP/M.5903854.

This car is now in possession of and used by Allied Commission, Bolzano.

Para 12 - NEUGEBAUER, Miss Elise.

The wooden case in question was seized by the Carabinieri together with other property and it is now deposited at the Legion Caserma of the CC.RR., Via Druso, Bolzano.

Para 16 - RAHN Dr. Rudolf.

- b) This car "Fiat Topolino" in the first place was seized by the Partisans in Trento Province and later recovered by the Carabinieri.

In November last A.M.G. Trento assigned the car to the Vigili del Fuoco for their use. It is still in their possession and at present lies at the Fire Station, Trento. I understand the car was in very poor condition when received by the Fire Brigade and was minus two wheels.

- d) This money (2.030.000 Lire) was received by the Provincial Finance Officer, Bolzano on 30 Sept 1945, and paid into the P.F.O. account, Banca d'Italia, on 1/5th Oct 1945.

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- f) The property in question is at present deposited in the Legion Caserma of the CC.RR., Via Druso, Bolzano.
(Also see para 12).



S. W. Miller
S.W. MILLER,
Colonel,
C.L.O. Bolzano.

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Ref: 6531/170/80

12 April 1946.

SUBJECT: Interned Diplomats
(Claim for Property).

TO : G-5 Section, AFHQ.

Ref your G-5: 091.112-75 of 5 March 46 on the a/q subject.

Intensive inquiries are being made through the Allied
Commission Liaison Officers at Lombardia and Bolzano and as soon as
any definite information is received, you will be advised.

A. W. Knisely.

Brigadier,
Acting Chief Commissioner.



Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Derequisition of Villa Volkonsky in Rome.

1. The Italian Red Cross has applied to the Italian Cabinet in order to have the disposal of those premises of Villa Volkonsky in Rome which, as shown in the enclosed sketch, are situated north of the aqueduct parting the villa's compound in two sections.
2. The Italian Red Cross has an urgent need of these premises as it has to restore to the "Provveditorato Studi" of Rome the building of Via Puglia 6, which it occupies at present.
3. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs would greatly appreciate if the Allied Commission could grant its authorization to the a/n derequisition, also with a view of facilitating the humanitarian tasks this institution is very efficiently carrying on.

Encl.

Rome, April 9th, 1946



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9 April 1946

SUBJECT : Upkeep of German State property
in Italy.

APR 9 1946

TO : Mr. A.S. Halford
Political Adviser (B)
Allied Commission

1. I write with reference to your letter 216/9/46
of 1 April, 1946, subject as above.

2. The Allied Commission has at the present time
no authority to approach the Italian Government along
the lines suggested by the Foreign Office. A CCS direct-
ive to ALCOM would be required before we could inform
the Italian Government that their expenses of managing
German State property located in Italy will be
reimbursed in one of the following two ways:

- (a) from liquid German State assets in Italy; or,
- (b) by a foreign exchange credit (which I assume
means a dollar/sterling credit).

3. All liquid German State assets in Italy have
been seized by ALCOM upon CCS direction and may not be
disposed of except by specific CCS authority. Similarly,
as ALCOM does not dispose of any dollar or sterling
foreign exchange, we could not state to the Italian
Government that they would receive a dollar/sterling
credit for any purpose, unless we had received specific
CCS authority thus to commit the US/UK Governments.
Accordingly, a CCS directive is needed before ALCOM
would be in a position to take either step suggested
by the Foreign Office.

4. I may say that both I and the Chief Financial
Adviser agree with the Foreign Office view. It is now

E. A. White
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solely a question of getting the matter into the right channel. I therefore recommend that you reply to the Foreign Office, suggesting that they take the question up with the State Department, in order that an agreed CGS directive may be sent to ALCOM through AFHQ.

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier
Acting Chief Commissioner

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Office of the British Political Adviser,
H.Q. Allied Commission,
Rome.

216/9/46

1st. April, 1946.

To: Executive Commissioner's Office,
Allied Commission.

Subject: Upkeep of German State property in Italy.

Copy: U.S. Polad,
Chief Financial Adviser, AC
British Embassy.

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You asked me some time to enquire the Foreign Office view on the Italian Government's question regarding the 100,000 lire a month which are required for the upkeep of German State property at present held by the Italian Government in trusteeship for the Allied Commission.

2. The Foreign Office consider that if the upkeep of German State property in Italy were charged to the Italian Government, it would prejudice the title of the Allied Control Commission which has vested all German external assets in the German External Property Commission. The Foreign Office hold, therefore, that, pending decisions on accounting, the Allied Commission in Italy should arrange for the advance by the Italian Government of the sums required on the understanding that the Italian Government will be reimbursed out of any German State funds in liquid form which may be available in Italy or by foreign exchange credit.

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Subject: Upkeep of German State property in Italy.

Copy: U.S. Polad,
Chief Financial Adviser, AC
British Embassy.

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HEADQUARTERS
LOMBARDIA REGION II, 2ND GROUP
ALLIED COMMISSION=
APO 394

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23 March 1946

SUBJECT : Property of Interned German Diplomats

TO : Executive Commissioner; Hq Allied Commission, ROME.

1. Reference your 6537/143EC, dated 15 March 1946, subject as above. The attached "Tally-In" from the Super-Garage dated 18 January 1946 shows the Horch car and an Opel car being delivered to Rome. From our records we cannot determine if this Opel is the same vehicle referred to in para. 5 of Property List Belonging to German Diplomats. I am informed by C.I.D. that another Opel, which was used by Major Cunliff is now in custody of Mr James Wilson, U.S. Consul in Rome.

2. Para. 16 of list shows 1 Horch Car which is receipted for on attached "Tally-In" sheet.

3. Paras. 13 and 14 refer to Major Farrot. This officer is now assigned to S.O.I. Rome and can be contacted there.

4. The balance of this investigation is being turned over to Captain Darrus, Investigating Officer for the 2675th Regiment located in Milan.

FOR THE CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER:

Clyde A. Warren
CLYDE A. WARREN,
Major, AUS
Deputy Chief LO

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TALLY IN
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Rec No

Shipped by Co. "O" 2675th Regt. A.C. Date January 18th, 1946

Consignee G-4 (A) Pool, 2675 Regt. AC Authority Capt. A.M. Mc PHAIL

NUMBER AND KIND OF PARTS CARS	CONTENTS	UNIT	TOTAL
CHRYSLER HQ 0416	5 tires and wheels	1	1
MORCH HQ 006	6 tires and wheels	1	1
OPEL HQ 003	5 tires and wheels	1	1
PACKARD HQ 083	5 tires and wheels	1	1
/////////////////LAST ITEM/////////////////			
A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY: HERMAN H. BURDICK 1st Lt. Inf. Motor Officer			
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Sgt. P.J. Usselman
Shipper

Received the above articles in apparent good order and condition
(except as notes) this date

Pvt. W. D. Davis
(Signature)

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Ref: 6531/144/28/87 ✓

15 March 1946

SUBJECT: Property of Interned German Diplomats.

TO : The Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Italian Government, Rome.

1. Attached is a list of German diplomats' property in Italy, requested by your Government.

2. It would be appreciated if you could inform this office as to the present status of the property listed and the possibility of ultimate recovery.

For the Chief Commissioner,

M. W. HIND-SMITH

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Vigadier
Executive Commissioner

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List of private property in Italy
belonging to members of the German Diplomatic
and Consular Staff.

1. BOCK, Dr. Guenther, Counsellor

- b) a furnished apartment consisting of two rooms at
RIVES - S. Pietro, near Bressanone, Prov. di Bolzano
and trunks and cases. The greater part of these be-
longings has been stolen. (See letter of January 15th
1946 addressed to the Commanding Officer of the Diplo-
matic Internment Centre in Salomaggiore.

4. FAHER, Karl Otto, Consul General (last address: S. Cristina,
Prov. di Bolzano)

- 3 old paintings
portrait of almight, by Largilliere, dated 1672,
portrait of Louis XV as infant,
Russian Madonna (on wood)

handed over by Capt. Dean Keller, of AMG, Vth (US)
Army at the beginning of August 1945 to: the
Superintendent of Monuments and Galleries of the Italian
State, Signor Rusconi, Castel Buon Consiglio, Tronto, Italy.

7. HAUT, Friedrich, Chancellor

Furniture and household goods, consisting of
1 living room
1 bed room
1 servant's bed room
1 Kitchen
different furniture (garden chairs)
clothes and other various objects
left behind at Villa Elide, GIOVI/Mignanego,
Prov. of Genoa, Via Vittorio Emanuele 27.
Villa Elide was temporarily used as Office of the
German Consulate General in Genoa.

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9. KOESTER, Dr. Hans, Consul General

1 small suit case
containing personal manuscripts and other valuables
in safe-deposit at a bank at Merano.
In care of Mr. Otto Hauff, Merano, Via Miramonti 26.

10. MUELLER, Rudolf, Consul General

- a) furniture and luggage stored at
Messrs. Rottensteiner, at Bolzano, in care of
Dr. Anton Welpner, Bolzano.

17. SCHAEFER - HUMMELIN, Dr. Max, Consul General

- a) 1 automobile "Diat 1100"
number-plate BS 18362
equipped with radio
The car is in the hands of the Liberation
Committee of Toscolano-Maderno, Lake Garda
- b) 1 camera "Contax" with Zeiss-Tessar 1 : 2,8 teleob-
jective.
In the hands of the Liberation Committee of Gardone,
Lake Garda.

19. TOMICICH, Edgar G., Commercial Attache

- a) 1 flat complete with furniture
at P A I, Lake Garda
in care of Signor Arnaldo Dalla Chiara, lawyer at Pad.
- b) 1 automobile "Alfa Romeo" 2500
1 automobile "Opel Olympia",
in care of Signor Armando Casazza, Milano,
Piazzale Gabriele D'Annunzio.

21. WUCHERPFENNIG, Paul, Chancellor

- b) personal papers and documents
1 electric stove
left behind at "Villa Maria", Fasano, Lake Garda.

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Ref: 6531/143/127/33 ✓

15 March 1946

SUBJECT: Property of Interned German Diplomats.

TO : OLO Lombardia
OLO Bolzano.

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1. Attached is a list of German diplomats' property in Italy which was handed over to the British forces and Allied Military Government in your district.
2. Would you please investigate the whereabouts of this property and the possibility of its ultimate recovery.

For the Chief Commissioner,

M. W. HIND-SMITH

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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List of private property in Italy
belonging to members of the German Diplomatic
and Consular Staff

1. DOCK, Dr. Guenther, Counsellor

- a) 1 automobile "Mercedes Benz" Type 320
fully equipped, number-plate ROMA 0393 GD
factory-no. 14 2042 -96
motor-no. 14 2041 - 100

handed over to the AMG in Bolzano on June 18th, 1945.
Traffic licence of the Italian Ministry of Communica-
tions dated March 17th, 1941.

- b) a furnished apartment consisting of two rooms at
FUNES - S. Pietro, near Bressanone, Prov. of Bolzano
and trunks and cases. The greater part of these belongings
has been stolen. (See letter of January 15th, 1946
addressed to the Commanding Officer of the Diplomatic
Internment Centre in Salsomaggiore.

8. HOFMANN, Dr. Hamilkar, Counsellor

1 automobile type "Fiat Sedan", 1200 cc., with baggage-
trailer; fully equipped with three spare tires and 1
spare tire for the trailer.
The car was stored with the garage "Himmel" at Merano.
It was requisitioned later and is probably now held by the
AMG at Bolzano.
It is asked to return the car and trailer to Mrs. Yvonne
Hofmann, wife of Dr. Hofmann, who at present is at the
Hospital "Martinsbrunn" at Merano.
Mrs. Hofmann has the licence of the car.

10. MUELLER, Rudolf, Consul General

- b) 1 automobile "Opel Admiral", number-plate LB 1502
handed over to the AMG in Bolzano, Lt. Wilmore, Executive
Officer.

12. NEUGEBAUER, Miss Elise, Secretary

- 1 wooden case (brown wood with iron bands)

containing 1 black furcoat, 1 black overcoat (wool),
several dresses, shoes, underwear, linen, pictures and
other small objects of personal use.
This case was stored with Reverend Giese in Merano.
It was confiscated there later and brought to the Allied
Military Authorities at Bolzano pending an investigation.

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16. RAHN, Dr. Rudolf, Ambassador

- b) 1 automobile "Fiat-Topolino", property of Mrs. Rahn, handed over to the AMG by Baron van Gles, Gles, Prov. of Bolzano, where the car was left behind.
- d) Lire 2.030.000,-- (two millions thirty thousand) representing private savings. This sum was given in safekeeping to Signor Allonghi, lawyer, at Merano, Rennweg, and has been notified to the Allied Military Authorities.
- f) 1 wooden case containing clothes, uniforms, shoes etc.
2 wooden cases containing 1 travel-typewriter "Olivetti" books and pictures and other small objects. These cases were stored with Reverend Giese in Merano. They were confiscated there later by the Allied Military Authorities and brought to Bolzano pending an investigation.

List of private property in
belonging to members of the German Diplomatic
and Consular Staff

3. DOMES, Dr. Alfred, Attache'
- 1 typewriter "Erika"
 - 1 bicycle
 - 1 Radio "Marconi"
 - 1 camera
- handed over to officers (Major Parrat) of the British FSS
in the hotel "Principe di Savoia" in Milan on May 4th, 1945
(see letters addressed to the CO of this Centre in this matter.)
5. GUMBERT, Gerhard, First Secretary
- 1 automobile "Opel Captain", number-plate Roma OD 0290
handed over to Colonel Norman E. Fiske, US Army, (Allied
Commission in Milan) in Merano on May 15th, 1945.
6. von HALEM, Dr. Gustav Adolf, Minister Plenipotentiary, at present
in Asperg near Stuttgart, Germany.
- 1 automobile type "Fiat 1500", convertible, with baggage-
trailer, colour black with red leather upholstery, number
plate: OD Milano 12983. The car was handed over to Colonel
Norman E. Fiske, US Army, (All. Comm. in Milan) in Merano on
May 15th, 1945.
11. MEISSNER, Dr. Hans Otto, Consul
- b) 5 suit-cases
containing clothes of Dr. Meissner and his wife. This property
was stored at the house of Signor BUCHER, Swiss citizen, owner
of the Grand Hotel in Bellagio, Lake Como, and was taken away
for the purpose of examination by Allied officers in November
1945. It is not known where the property is stored at present
(for details see letter of January 21st, 1946, addressed to
the CO of this Centre).
13. OVERBECK, Karl Kuno, First Secretary
- 1 camera "Leica", in leather case, and two films.
Handed over to Officers (Major Parrat) of the British FSS
in the hotel "Principe di Savoia" in Milan on May 4th, 1945
(see letters addressed to the CO of this Centre).
14. PARST, Dr. Walter,
- 1 radio Marconi- 8 valves
 - 1 radio Marconi- 5 valves
 - 1 electrical stove

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handed over to Officers (Major Parrat) of the British FSS in the hotel "Principe e Savoia" in Milan on May 4th 1945 (see letters addressed to the CO of this Centre).

15. PAUSCH, Dr. Walter, Consul

1 automobile type, "BMW", 45 HP, convertible, motor number: 97477; car number: 233015; number-plate: TS 12828; colour: ivory-black, confiscated at Montecatini on June 21st, 1945, by Capt. D.A. Thompson, US Army, on orders from HQ. FVE 334, at Florence.

16. RAHN, Dr. Rudolf, Ambassador

- a) 1 automobile "HORNER" (Cabriclet) with luggage-trailer number-plate GD 006, handed over to Colonel Norman E. Fiske, US Army, (Allied Commission, Milan) in Merano on May 15th, 1945.
- c) furniture and household goods, left behind at Villa Cristofori in Fasano, Lake Garda. This property was handed over to Major Spingarn, US ARMY, in Gardone, Lake Garda, in the first days of May, 1945, and later on notified again to the CO of this Centre with letter dated Sept. 1st, 1945.
- e) one small strongbox containing the sum of approximately Lire 380.000,-- (threehundredeighty thousand) This strongbox was left behind in the lower part of a safe at Villa Maria in Fasano, Lake Garda. When the Embassy went away from Fasano, the safe in question was standing in the room situated at the end of the annexe to the office in the garden of the above villa.
- g) 1 apparatus for the projection of movie pictures left behind at Villa Cristofori in Fasano, Lake Garda,

17. SCHAEFER/RUEGELIN, Dr. Max, Consul General

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- c) 1 leather suit-case, containing 6 silk shirts, 8 pair of stockings, 1 black suit, 1 gray suit, 2 silk pyjamas, 1 umbrella, 1 wrist watch (silver), 1 camera "Leica", valued about Lire 133.000,-- This property was taken from Dr. Schaefer-Ruegelin's luggage at the hotel "Bella Riva" at Fasano, Lake Garda, after the latter had been taken into safekeeping by the US Military Authorities by whom the hotel was occupied at the time.

18. SCHOLZ, Dr. Herbert, Consul

1 trunk containing 1 overcoat (wool), several suits, shoes, underwear and other personal belongings. Colour of the trunk grey, with initials.

1 bag of yellow pig-skin, with initials containing shirts,

payamas, shoes etc.

1 bag of dark brown leather, with initials, containing photographs, books and other personal belongings.

This luggage was left behind at the Luftwaffenlazarett 13 (former German Military Hospital) at Cernobbio, Lake Como, and, was handed over there to Lt. Whitehead, American Supervising Officer at the Hospital, at the end of June 1945 when the hospital was closed. Lt. Whitehead passed the luggage on to the office of the American CIC at Cernobbio.

20. UNSOLD, Leonhard, Employee

about Lire 150,000.-- (hundredfiftythousand) handed over to the AMG in Milan by Signor Simonelli, manager of the hotel "Principe e Savoia" at Milan. (see letters of Sept. 16th, and Nov. 13th, 1945, addressed to the CO of this Centre).

21. WUCHERPFENNIG, Paul, Chancellor

a) 1 radio "Marconi-Fido", Model 1945
1 pair of black shoes (for men) type "Bally", new
1 piece of wollen material for suits (herringbone)
2 furvests
several pieces of underwear
left behind at the hotel "Bella Riva", Fasano, Lake Garda and brought, later on, to a storage room at Toscolano, Lake Garda, by officials of AMG.

b) personal papers and documents
1 electrical stove
left behind at "Villa Maria", Fasano, Lake Garda.

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6531/EC
Ref: ~~2209~~/100/121

6. March 1946

Dear Sig. Theodoli,

I thank you for your letter C-471/693 of 22 February 1946, forwarding your request for the use of some of the buildings in the Villa Volkonsky.

All former German diplomatic property is now, however, held in trust by the Italian Government, and I think it would be best if you first spoke to the Undersecretary of State in the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, or to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and informed them of your request. They can then approach the Allied Commission (as they did in the case of the Villa Massimo) and, provided the U.S. and U.K. Embassies have no objection, the property will be released to them, and in turn to you. The Swiss Government ceased looking after former German property in the Summer and although Villa Volkonsky was at one time earmarked for AFHQ, its disposal does not rest with them.

As soon as I receive a formal request from the Italian Government I will consult with the Embassies and let you have my reply.

Yours sincerely,

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Sig. Ugo Theodoli
Secretary General
Italian Red Cross
Rome.

Copy to: Dr. Bombassei.

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CROCE ROSSA ITALIANA
COMITATO CENTRALE

IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE

G-474/693

Roma, il 22 February 1946
Via Toscana, 12

To Brig. N. S. Dush
C.B. O.D.Z. M.C.
Executive Commissioner
A.C.

FEB 26 1946

Dear Brig. Dush,

Further to our conversation of the other day when I took Gen. Helbig to see you about premises for the Rome IKC Provincial Committee, I beg to inform you that what we are interested in are the buildings north of the aqueduct that divides the Villa Volkonsky, former German Embassy, into two.

Mr. Sommaruga of the Swiss Legation who, as representative of the Protecting Power, looks after former German property, tells me that, as far as he knows, the disposal of the premises in question rests with ARHQ.

Should this be the case, I will be grateful for whatever you will be able to do to assist the Italian Red Cross in this connection.

Sincerely yours,

Ugo Theodoli
Ugo Theodoli
Sec. Gen. IKC.

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COMITATO GENERALE

IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE

3-471/693

Via Torino, 12

To Brig. M. S. Lush
C.B. C.D.M. M.O.
Executive Commissioner
A.O.

FEB 20 1949

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Further to our conversation of the other day when I took Gen. Helbig to see you about premises for the Rome IMC Provincial Committee, I beg to inform you that what we are interested in are the buildings north of the aqueduct that divides the Villa Volkovsky, former German Embassy, into two.

Mr. Sommerage of the Swiss Legation who, as representative of the Protecting Power, looks after former German property, tells me that, as far as he knows, the disposal of the premises in question rests with AMHQ.

Should this be the case, I will be grateful for whatever you will be able to do to assist the Italian Red Cross in this connection.

Sincerely yours,

Ugo Theodoli
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Sec. Gen. IMC.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 091.112-75

5 March 1946

MAR 7 1946

SUBJECT: Interned Diplomats (Claim for Property).

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
APO 394

1. Herewith is an amended statement of German Diplomats property in Italy.

2. From a perusal of the statements, it will be noted that some of the property was requested by the Italian Government, some by British forces, and some by AMG in Bolzano.

3. Although the Diplomats have now been transferred to an Internee Camp at APTMG Germany, information is requested as to the present status of the property listed and the possibility of ultimate recovery.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

G. A. Parsons
G. A. PARSONS,
Brigadier,
Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

Incl:
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Ref. : 6531/125/EC

8 March 1946.

SUBJECT: Evangelio Church of Rome

TO : The Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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1. Reference your letter 6/92 /455 dated 28 February 1946.
2. The Allied Commission has no objection to the proposals put forward in this letter.

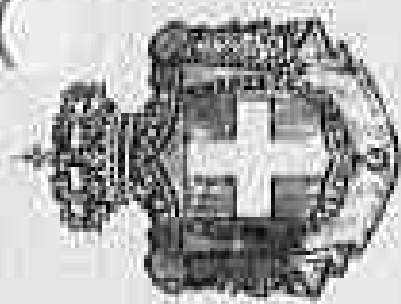
For the Chief Commissioner

L/N.W. HIND. SMITH
MAY

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MAR 2 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Evangelic Church of Rome -

1. The Rector of the Evangelic Church of Rome, Reverend E. Dahlgrum, has applied to this Ministry for permission to temporarily dispose of the premises of the Istituto Archeologico Tedesco, located in a building adjoining the Church (Via Toscana 7). The building belongs to the Church and the Istituto Archeologico is the lawful tenant thereof.

2. Rev. Dahlgrum declares that his Church derives its means of existence almost solely from the rents of said premises and that this income has stopped with the cessation of the Institute's activities in the Fall of 1943 when the exhibits and sundry materials were taken to Germany. The Director of the Institute left shortly thereafter and failed to return.

3. Rev. Dahlgrum contemplates the leasing of said premises to UNRRA, from which he has received an offer, and to a private school sponsored by a group of Swiss citizens.

4. A proviso could be inserted into the leases safeguarding the return of the premises to the Istituto Archeologico as soon as it will be in a position to resume its activities. Rev. Dahlgrum approves of such proviso.

5. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs, who have no difficulty in approving the acceptance of the request made by the Rector of the Evangelic Church of Rome, desire to know whether the Allied Commission are likewise prepared to give their consent as per comma C of paragraph 2 of A.C.'s note 6531/56/EC dated September 1st, 1945. *A*

Rome, February 28th, 1946

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MAR 2 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

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Rome, February 28th, 1946

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Ref: 6531/121/EC

27 February 1946

SUBJECT: German Property in Italy.

TO : The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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1. Reference your 6/710/346 of 12 February 1946.
 2. The Allied Commission has no objection to the proposals put forward in paras 2 and 3 of the above quoted letter.

For the Chief Commissioner,

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

FEB 12 1946

Subject: German property in Italy.

1. Reference is made to Allied Commission's note 5531/52/20 dated 1st September 1945.

2. The Italian Government has received applications on the part of several artists who are desirous to temporarily utilize the studios of the Villa Massimo.

3. The University of Rome has also applied for permission to occupy the "palazzina" enclosed in the park of Villa Massimo as its provisional Faculty of Architecture, the building which was originally housing said Faculty having been seriously damaged by air-raids.

4. In view of the contents of ^{paragraph} comma "c" of paragraph 2 of the Allied Commission's note under reference, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs should be grateful to the Allied Commission if they would kindly signify their approval to the Italian Government's allocation of said property for the purposes outlined above.

5. The legal right of later disposing of the real estate would be expressly safeguarded in the deeds granting their temporary use to the occupiers.

Rome, February 12th, 1946

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FEB 12 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: German property in Italy.

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Rome, February 12th, 1946

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Ref: 6531/116/30

2 February 1946

SUBJECT: Istituto Suore Maria Ausiliatrice - Naples

TO : Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1. With further reference to your 6/5232/3268 a letter written from the U.S. Naples Liaison Office to the Bank of Naples reads as follows:-

"I have now been informed that the disposal of 122 Via Francesco Crispi (former German Consulate) is under discussion with the British Consul General Naples. I understand further that the damaged buildings of the Istituto Suore Maria Ausiliatrice have been repaired.

"In consequence it would appear to be undesirable to allow any occupation of the buildings at 122 Via Francesco Crispi to be carried out until the final disposition of the buildings is settled."

2. This is forwarded to you for your information.

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Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS
NAPLES LIAISON OFFICE
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO. 394.

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29 January, 1946

SUBJECT : Istituto Suore Maria Ausiliatrice-Naples. FEB 1 1946
TO : Direttore Banco di Napoli.

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With further reference to my C/1812 of 27 December 1945, I have now been informed that the disposal of 122 Via Francesco Crispi (former German Consulate) is under discussion with the British Consul General Naples. I understand further that the damaged buildings of the Istituto Suore Maria Ausiliatrice have been repaired.

In consequence it would appear to be undesirable to allow any occupation of the buildings at 122 Via Francesco Crispi to be carried out until the final disposition of the buildings is settled.

JAC Penrycick
112 J. A. C. PENNYCICK
Colonel
Chief Liaison Officer
Allied Commission.

Copy to:- A.C. HQ. with ref to 870/EG(L)
of 24 Dec 1945.
Prefect of Naples.
British Consul General (for info).

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TRADUZIONE

Con ulteriore riferimento alla mia nota C/1812 del 27 dic. 45, sono stato informato che la disposizione di Via F. Crispi 122 (prima Consolato Tedesco) è in via di essere discussa con il Console Generale Britannico, Napoli. Inoltre sono informato che gli edifici danneggiati dell'Istituto Suore Maria Ausiliatrice sono stati riparati.

In conseguenza sarebbe indesiderabile permettere che l'occupazione degli edifici a Via F. Crispi 122 avvenisse fino a che la disposizione finale degli edifici su nominati non venga stabilita.

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Ref: 870/30(1)

4 January 1945

SUBJECT: Istituto Suore Maria Ausiliatrice - Naples -

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TO : Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1. Reference is made to your 6/5232/3268 Memorandum of 20 December 1945, subject as above.

2. The competent authorities to which your request was forwarded have replied as follows:-

"Consent to a lease of part of the ground floor of the German Consulate General to be used by the Istituto Suore Maria Ausiliatrice for school purposes was already given by this office on the 27th December, following a request made to us direct by the Bank of Naples."

(Ref: C/1816 of 28/12/45 fr AG Naples Comune)
signed by A.G. Ramseyouck Col. Commissioner

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VICTOR L. O'DI
Captain, Cav
Officer-in-Charge

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NAPLES COMMUNE
APO. 394.

28 December 1945

C/1816.

SUBJECT : Istituto Suore Maria Ausiliatrice-Naples.

TO : HQ. A. C.
Office of the Executive Commissioner,
Liaison Division.

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Reference your 870/EC(L) of 24th December 1945.

Consent to a lease of part of the ground floor of the German Consulate General to be used by the Istituto Suore Maria Ausiliatrice for school purposes, was already given by this office on the 27th December, following a request made to us direct by the Bank of Naples.

J. A. C. Pennyquick

J. A. C. PENNYQUICK
Colonel
Commissioner.

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Liaison Division

Ref: 870/33(1)

24 December 1945

SUBJECT: Istituto Suore Maria Ausiliatrice - Naples

TO : Provincial Commissioner
Naples Province

1. The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs informs this office, by letter 6/5232/3268 of 20 December 45, that the Institute "Suore di Maria Ausiliatrice" of Naples has applied to the Curator of the building at Via Francesco Crispi n. 122, formerly housing the German Consulate General of that town, for a lease of part of the ground floor to be used for school purposes.

2. In view of the educational aim of the request, the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs has no objection thereto.

3. Would you kindly advise this office if the consent can be given for the aforesaid lease.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE:

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

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Istituto Suora Maria Ausiliatrice - NAPLES -

1. The Institute "Suore di Maria Ausiliatrice" of Naples has applied to the Curator of the building at Via Francesco Crispi n.122, formerly housing the German Consulate General of that town, for a lease of part, of the ground floor to be used for school purposes.
2. In view of the educational aim of the request, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs has no objection thereto.
3. The consent of the Allied Commission to the concession of the desired lease, as per paragraph 2, comma 'b' of Allied Commission's note 5531/56/50 dated 1st September 1945, would be greatly appreciated. **A**

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Rome, December 30th, 1945.



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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Istituto Suore Maria Ausiliatrice - NAPLES -

1. The Institute "Suore di Maria Ausiliatrice" of Naples has applied to the Curator of the building at Via Francesco Crispi n. 132, formerly housing the German Consulate General of that town, for a lease of part, of the ground floor to be used for school purposes.

2. In view of the educational aim of the request, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs has no objection thereto.

3. The consent of the Allied Commission to the concession of the desired lease, as per paragraph 3, comma 4, of Allied Commission's note 6531/56/EC dated 1st September 1945, would be greatly appreciated. *A*

Rome, December 30th, 1945.



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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 6534/105/20

SUBJECT: Villa Volkenski

TO : The Under Secretary of State
The Presidency of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome

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1. Reference your letter 53732/7.2 of 12 December 1945.
2. As Allied Force Headquarters is not now moving to Rome, the Supreme Allied Commander will not require the use of the Villa Volkenski.
3. The application for the Allied use of this villa, made in this Headquarters letter 6534/24/SC of 15 November 1945 may therefore be considered to have lapsed.

For the Chief Commissioner:

W. S. LUSH

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Copy to:
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Polad (B)
CA Section
RIAG (Attn: Brig. Low)

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 US Army

Ref: DG/6
21 December 1945

SUBJECT: Late German Embassy

DEC 28 1945

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission
Office of the Executive Commissioner

In confirmation of today's conversations, Brigadier LOW - Lt-Col
McCLEARY.

Reference has been made to GHQ CMF and it is confirmed that there
exists no longer any requirement for the use of the late German Embassy,
the Villa Volkinsky. The previous application for the Allied use of this
villa may therefore be considered to have lapsed.

Alm
Brigadier
Deputy Commander
Rome Area Allied Command

P Reply to I.G. accordingly - See 109.

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TRANSLATION

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FROM : The Presidency of the Council of Ministers.
TO : Allied Commission - Rome
Subject : "Villa Volkenski"

DEC 7 1945

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Admiral Stone, by his letter N.6531 ⁹⁴EC dated 15 november last, requested of President Parri the use of "Villa Volkenski", residence of the former German Embassy in Rome, which the Italian Government, at present, is holding for account to the Four Powers occupying Germany.

The above mentioned villa was to be allocated to the Commander in Chief of the Allied Forces at the moment the Allied Forces Headquarters transferred to Rome.

According to the press the transfer in question will not take place, we would appreciate if you will indicate whether Admiral Stone's request is to be considered/concluded.
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Signed : The Undersecretary of State

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Presidenza
del Consiglio dei Ministri

CABINETTO

N.° 53782/7.2

Proposta al Foglio del

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ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

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OGGETTO Villa Velkenski -

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L'ammiraglio Stone con sua lettera n. 6531
94/EG del 15 novembre u.s. scrisse al Presidente Farri
per ottenere l'uso della Villa Velkenski, sede dell'ex
Ambasciata Tedesca in Roma, della quale attualmente
il Governo Italiano è consegnatario per conto delle
quattro potenze che occupano la Germania.

La Villa doveva esser assegnata al Com-
mandante in capo alleate al momento del trasferimento
a Roma del Quartier Generale delle Forze Alleate.

Poichè da notizie apparse sulla stampa
sembra che tale trasferimento non abbia più luogo,
si prega di voler comunicare se la richiesta dell'ammiraglio Stone debbe ritenersi superata.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

P. Ad.

ISTRUTTORE GENERALE

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