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ROME, SUPPLIES
FEB. - SEPT. 1944

HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 192/67/CA.

26th September, 1944.

SUBJECT: Supplies by Rail for ROME.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region IV.

1. I have received your R/5407 of 24th September. The operation of the railroad lines mentioned in your paragraph 2 has not, as you state, passed into the hands of the Italians but is still under the direction of the Director General of Military Rail Services, A.F.R.Q.

2. I note that stockpiles of grain and flour no longer exist but that you hope to bring sufficient quantities into ROME to cover the next 21 days.

3. You will continue to receive every possible help from this Commission but I must draw the following facts to your attention:-

(a) Between 4 and 18 Sept railway wagons to lift 4,200 tons of grain into ROME were ready and waiting. Only 1,143 tons were loaded during the period.

(b) Between 10 and 24 Sept wagons to lift 2,450 tons were ready and waiting. Nothing was loaded.

4. It is true that MACERATA and GROSETO are outside your Region and that PERUGIA has only recently come under your jurisdiction but it is equally true that from information given to me by your staff and by the Transportation Sub-Commission, the road haulage organisation in ROME has not functioned effectively in transporting grain from depots to railheads, nor in bringing it into the city.

5. I fully appreciate that this organisation is under the control of the local Italian Government. It is, however, for you to see that the road haulage organisations in ROME are made to function effectively so that the city may be fed, and that even if the depots where the grain and flour is stored exist outside your Region, it is for you to see either that the road haulage organisation of ROME is used for the transportation of this grain or with the help of the Transportation Sub-Commission, on your initiative, that other transport is used.

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6. A very strong letter has been addressed to the Prime Minister by the Acting Chief Commissioner on this subject and I hope that the Italian Central Government and the local authorities will now be galvanized into the very necessary action with regard to their haulage organization which is so obviously required.

(Sgd) M. S. Lush

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

MSL/JG.

Copy to: Eoon Seo (2) for Transportation Sub-Com.
Food Sub-Commission.

TO: Executive Commis onar.

25 Sep 44

1. Before you go to SIENA you should read folio 85.
2. I have spoken with Rail Section of Transportation Sub-Commission (Major Richardson) on this and he gave me the following information:
 - (a) The railways serving MACERATA, PERUGIA, GROSSETO, and TARQUINIA, and indeed for many miles further south, are still entirely run by the Americans.
 - (b) Railway trucks for the last month have been standing idle at these Railway Stations waiting for the grain to be loaded.
3. I was given the following figures to substantiate this statement :
 - (a) Between 4 and 18 Sept, Railway wagons to lift 4200 tons of grain into ROME were ready and waiting. Only 1443 tons were loaded during the period.
 - (b) Between 10 and 24 Sept wagons to lift 2450 tons were ready and waiting and NOTHING was loaded.
4. The object of this minute is to prepare you for a possible complaint about the railways from Col. Poletti at SIENA. The breakdown is NOT on the railways but on the bringing of the grain to the Railway Stations.

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G. TALBOT,
Major.

See 87.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGION IV
APO 394

R/5407

24 September, 1944

SUBJECT: Supplies by Rail for Rome

TO : HQ Allied Control Commission
RC and MG Section
~~for Transportation Sub-Commission.~~

24 SEP Recd

1. The supply of flour for Rome city now depends on the following Grain centres:

Grosseto
Perugia

Macerata
Tarquinia

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2. We understand that the operation of the Railroad lines which serve these places has passed into the hands of the Italians, under the supervision of Transportation Sub-Commission. Owing to the shortage of POL and other Road Transportation difficulties, we are not in a position to arrange alternative means of supplying flour to Rome from such great distances.

3. Present stock-piles of both grain and flour are non-existent. Our weekly requirements, on the present ration scale, are 2250 tons soft grain and 200 tons hard grain.

4. We hope, with the continued help of ACC HQ to bring by rail into Rome the following quantities daily until such time as we have stockpiles to cover at least 21 days:

	Soft	Hard
Macerata	200	
Perugia	300	
Grosseto	300	
Tarquinia		50
	<u>800</u>	<u>50</u>

see 87

5. We feel sure you appreciate that rail is the keystone in this vital matter and it is our desire to keep in very close contact with you. We must ask for your full help in keeping the Italian Railroad Officials to a regular schedule with freight cars and running times in order to effectuate the above plan.

Pl. draw up the schedule and put up to EC
Regional Commissioner

Copies to: Tptn S/Com. HQ ACC
Food S/Com. HQ ACC.

See 87

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Charles P. Lett
col.

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Regional Commissioner

Copy to: Talm S/cm. We rec
Food S/cm we rec. *See 87*
Charles Pletti
col.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Agriculture Sub-Commission
APO 394

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16 AUG Recd

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16 August 1944

SUBJECT: Potatoes for Rome

TO : Economic Section: APT: General O'Dwyer

1. Reference conference Vice-President, Food and Agriculture above subject August 15, 1944.

2. Pursuant to subject above mentioned conference there are no potatoes in depots, storage warehouses or reserve piles in any part of liberated Italy which could be drawn upon to supply Rome with 300 tons of potatoes daily beginning August 16, 1944.

3. Approximately 50 ton of early potatoes daily will be available in the Avézano area beginning about the 21st of August with substantial amounts of late potatoes beginning Sept 1st. Supplies will become available in the Naples-Campobasso area about the first of September to provide a fairly steady supply for the Rome area if transportation can be supplied.

4. There will be no surplus in the Naples area until army buying is suspended or army needs have been supplied.

Stanley Andrews
STANLEY ANDREWS
Major
Acting Director

Dist:

EC and EC Section
Regional Commissioners Region III and Region V. for Agriculture
Officers
Food Sub-Commission

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copy for your information
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

WO/ml

13 August 1944

15 AUG 1944

SUBJECT: Food for Rome.

TO : Executive Director, Economic Section

Yesterday's meeting with Region IV Supply Officers and ACC Sub-Commissions brought out the following:

1. The proposed 40,000 tons per month supply for Rome seems inadequate.
2. Rome would be glad to receive 40,000 tons a month. Total for July was 32,397 tons.
3. There are no trustworthy records either in ACC Economic Section or Region IV to show the actual tonnage delivered.
4. Region IV has had idle trucks in the midst of transportation shortage.
5. Region IV has delayed for over a month complying with Economic Section plan to pool all trucking.
6. 30% of Region IV trucking sent out on order do not go to indicated destination or report back. Inadequate control.
7. Once trucks enter Gates of Rome they are free to go where they like unless caught with the produce by a roving policeman.
8. All Sub-Commissions of Economic Section are worried about Transportation to the detriment of their own problems.

The food supply methods in Rome seem to be in a chaotic condition both in the Economic Section and Region IV.

So that we can tighten this matter up will you please see that the following plan is promptly adopted.

1. Agriculture produces the food - indicate commodity location and amounts available (including charcoal supply) at frequently stated intervals.
2. Food Sub-Commission analyzes needs - allocates and submits to Transportation tonnage required and location.

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3. Transportation provides transportation

- (a) Should help be needed, you and I will take it up to higher authority.
- (b) Transportation responsible for actual delivery to Region IV. Receipt to be signed by Region IV and returned to Transportation Sub-Commission.
- (c) Trucks should move in convoy in charge of sergeant or officer.

4. Region IV should report immediately coming shortages of vital foods.

Please arrange to let me have a daily report from Region IV of previous days deliveries showing commodity - tonnage - mileage and consumption of Military Gasoline by truck and total.

There has been too much bickering between Economic Section and Region IV in the matter of feeding Rome. After last night's meeting I am convinced that each side is wrong and that means that ACC is at fault. A bureau of statistics and analysis begins to operate tomorrow (Monday) under Capt. A. Kaczerek. It is hoped that the Economic Section will be not obliged to grope in the dark any longer. Each Sub-Commission must be held down to its own responsibility. Region IV must accept responsibility once the Economic Section has delivered the produce and obtained its receipt. This plan must be established at once.

WILLIAM O'DWYER
Brigadier General, AUS.
Vice President
Economic Section

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

WC/ml

13 August 1944

SUBJECT: Cooking Gas for Rome.

TO : Executive Director, Economic Section

1. Through some error of calculation, October 1st was set for resumption of cooking gas supply at Rome. I have learned that 1 1/2 hours gas for Rome may be provided within two weeks from Monday, 14 August in the following way:

1. Build bridge to Nolla Mines (Lignite) 25 miles north of Grosseto.
2. Repair 25 miles of railroad track from Grosseto north.

2. This will provide adequate supply of Lignite for electric power and release coal for gas. I have asked General Gray to help and he has gone into action. Col. Oxley from Coal, and Col. Vining R.R. are on the job.

3. The bridge building starts tomorrow, materials have been released and I believe, delivered. Will you please follow up and give me a report of progress.

WILLIAM O'DWYER
Brigadier General, AUS.
Vice President
Economic Section

V.P. See

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Ref attached.

Rome Region instructed by
Valican asked whether Valican
could run their own schooner
service for food (some gasoline etc.)
Econ. Sec reply is attached
Col. Piletti has returned to the charge

personally verbally.

Is there any political reason for
prosecuting the matter?

Bingaline high
On the basis presented
here I see no reason to
change the position
JAC

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23 JUL 1944

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

JBT/ml

ES/42

4 July 1944

SUBJECT: Food Supply for the Vatican.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Rome Region.

Reference your letter, subject as above dated 26 June 44.

1. The food supplies for Rome are not at present delivered by schooner. Besides the economic reasons for this decision, the delivering by schooner is not possible for transportation reasons i.e., lack of port space, berths etc.
2. When these do become available a high degree of co-ordination of their use will be necessary and this would not be possible if schooners were allotted to be run in the way suggested by the Vatican.
3. Furthermore, it is considered that various factors of security, navigation routes, and control were among the reasons for the C in C Med's decision to eliminate privately run schooners, and it would be undesirable to reverse such a decision so soon after it has been made.
4. Food for Rome can only be got there as is being arranged at present through Anzio and possibly Civitavecchia, and eventually by rail Naples to Rome, and any supplies for the Vatican must form part of the whole structure of such arrangements.

HENRY F. GRADY
Vice President
Economic Section

Copy to:
Economic Section (Adv)
your letter 29 Jun 44
refers.

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8 JUL 1944

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ACC MAIN FOR EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER

ROME REGION ARG FOR POLETTI FROM AREAS
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NONE
PRIORITY

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YOUR 7116 JULY 5 RECEIVED. INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN 4 JULY ORDERING REGIONAL FOOD MOVEMENTS TO BE CLEARED THROUGH ACC ADVANCE HEADQUARTERS COLONEL CHAYTON. STRICT ORDERS ISSUED 6 JULY FORBIDING FURTHER CIRCULATION FOOD TRUCKS OUTSIDE REGION 4 AND EXCLUDING REGION 4 NORTH OF ARMY BOUNDARIES. ROME REGION CIVILIAN CAN MILITARY VEHICLES UNDER SUPERVISION TRANSPORT SUBCOMMISSION HERE. VEHICLES CAUSING DISTURBANCE NOT YET BROUGHT UNDER CENTRAL CONTROL AND MOSTLY INDIVIDUAL MARKETERS GIVEN PERMISSION AT EARLY DATE TO BRING MISCELLANEOUS FOOD TO ROME. THESE ARE BEING NOTIFIED OF LIMITATIONS. POLLOCK INSTRUCTED ON ALL MATTERS CONTAINED IN YOU CABLE AND WILL ACT ACCORDINGLY.

HEADQUARTERS
8 JUL 1944
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ACC MAIN DIST

Action - Econ Sec (4)
INFO - DEPC
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FLOAT (2)

Col Shipp to Sec

~~Col Shipp to Sec~~

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REF: 7116

ROME AREA COMMAND (ACTION) RPTD FOR INFO IFS CMA DISTWO CMA AND REGION V CAMPOBASSO
ACC ADV HQ TRANSPORTATION
RPTD ACC REAR CMA SUB-COMMISSION

ACC MAIN

CONFIDENTIAL

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PRIORITY

FOOD SUB COMMISSION

1050/5JULY

FOLLOWING IS PARAPHRASE OF MESSAGE TO HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION QUOTE
BRITISH FOX SUGAR SUGAR STATES INDEFINITE TRAVEL PERMITS BEING ISSUED FROM ROME FOR
CIVILIANS EG QUOTE HAS PERMISSION TO LEAVE ROME AND RETURN QUOTE SIGNED BY LT COL
POLLARD PD VEHICLES WITH PERMITS OPERATING IN PROVINCE CMA AND DRIVERS ARE PURCHASING
LARGE QUANTITIES OF FOOD WITHOUT PROVINCIAL OR REGIONAL APPROVAL PD REQUEST REMEDIAL
ACTION IMMEDIATELY UNQUOTE PD PAREN TO ROME AREA COMMAND FOR ROME REGION FOR REGIONAL
COMMISSIONER FOR (ACTION) RPTD FOR INFO TO PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION ACC REAR HQ
CMA IBS FOR ACC REGION ONE CMA DISTWO FOR ACC REGION TWO CMA AND REGION V CAMPOBASSO
ACC ADV HQ FOR TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION FROM ACC MAIN FROM LUSH SIGNED STONE PAREN
SEVERAL ROME TRUCKS HAVE REPORTED NAPLES AUTHORIZED TO OBTAIN OLIVE OIL PD DEALERS PAYING
EXCESSIVE PRICES IN NAPLES EASY SUGAR FIVE TWO SIX SLASH TWO REFERS ONE TRUCK REPORTED
BROKEN DOWN LINDISI PD VEHICLES WITH SUCH PERMITS ARE OPERATING DETRIMENTALLY THROUGHOUT
SOUTHERN ITALY PD POLICY CAUSING MUCH CONFUSION PD REFER DISCUSSIONS LERG SLASH GATE ON
POLICY FOR ALL SUPPLIES PD EFFECTIVE FOUR JULY NO TRUCKS WILL BE AUTHORIZED FOR INTER
REGIONAL TRANSFERS WITHOUT PRIOR SANCTION OF REGIONAL COMMISSIONER CONCERNED PD REFERENCE
CABLE SIX NINE TWO THREE ORDERS NOT BEING EXECUTED PD ALL CIVILIAN AND MILITARY VEHICLES
UNDER ROME REGION CONTROL MUST IMMEDIATELY BE UNDER CENTRALLY CONTROLLED DISPATCHING
AND MOVEMENT ALLOCATIONS APPROVED BY TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION AT ROME AS IN CABLE
SIX NINE TWO THREE

COPY FOR INFORMATION TO: Hq Region III

ROGER B. DEBY (1)
Captain, AGD
Deputy Adjutant

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192-
22 JUN 1944
HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
Restrict

22 June 1944

REFERENCE : 16080/1/C-1
SUBJECT : Italian Military Personnel
TO : Regional Commissioner,
Rome Region.

1. Reference this HQ letter 192/63/CA dated 6 Jun 44, copy to you.
2. Major CAPPACIO (I) has been selected for duty with Rome Region, in place of Capt. V. Ventrella and is reporting herewith.

FOR THE ESTABLISHMENTS OFFICER

RCE/RS

copy to C.A. Brown.

J.L. Jones
J.L. JONES,
Lt. Colonel,
O-1(B).

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

ALV/ml

Regional Control and Military Government Section

Ref: 192/74/CA.

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21 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Feeding of Civilian Population of Rome and to the North.

TO : Headquarters,
Allied Armies in Italy,
C. M. F.

1. I am in receipt of your letter 1029-3-01 dated 10 June 44.

2. Efforts are now being made to organize transport in Rome. The 548 G.T. Coy, less two platoons, has been sent north of the city. Two platoons are presently committed to haulage from Anzio to Rome. I confirm that as soon as arrangements have been completed for an alternative means of handling the Anzio-Rome run, the two platoons of the 548 G.T. Coy will be relieved of the commitment. It will be absolutely essential, however, to move these two platoons forward to handle further commitments in the north as ACC has insufficient equipment that can be used in that area.

3. Every effort will be made to organize civilian transport in the new areas as fast as possible and you will be notified as soon as ACC can release the 548 G.T. Coy. An operational requirement which will necessitate the withdrawal at present of this Coy will mean that the civil population can not be fed.

Sgt. L. S. Lushy

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner,
for Chief Commissioner.

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1. M. See 71-72.

2. I have seen Transpotation who say
the only action they have taken
to comply with the last sentence
is to apply for a new log!

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SUBJECT: Feeding of the civilian population of ROME

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ACC (for attention Brig LUSH)

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED ARMY IN ITALY
1029/3/01
10 Jun 44

1. At your request, to assist in the feeding of the civilian population of ROME, 548 GT Coy has been despatched to ANETC on loan to ACC.
2. It is emphasised that this transport has been loaned to cover an extremely difficult period until your own resources are in position to deal with ROME. It is certain that in the very near future it will be necessary to withdraw this transport Coy for operational reasons. Will you please confirm that you are taking steps to provide alternative means to cover the commitment now carried out by 548 GT Coy.

Copy to 87

See 74

J. W. H. Williams
Major General, ~~Army~~
Chief Administrative Officer.

Acc Dist
Action - (com (3) (Food & 3 plin) + file.
Estab. In
CA file for action on para 2.

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10 Jun need

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IMMEDIATE
US CIPHER MESSAGE IN

FOLIO NO 51895
10TH JUNE 44

FROM : FIVE ARMY
TO : AAI FOR ACTION
INFO : CG PBS AND ADNAP
ORIG.NO: 6045

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TOR 0325E/10

HAVE ADVISED CAS TO PLACE BID WITH PBS FOR ADDITIONAL 180 TONS
CIVILIAN SUPPLIES. THIS REFERS YOUR 414 CITING 01361.
ARMY HAS NO OBJECTION TO LOADING THIS ADDITIONAL TONNAGE.

2 3 ACTION
G(SD) 5
MOV 4
ST 1
ACC(L) 2
CAS(RPAR) 1

SMG : 0430E/10
T.T. 0545E/10 JGD

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NO & MG SECTION (Brig. Lush)

10 June 44

SECRET

Vapor 5 - Lush

PRIORITY

ARMY FIVE ARMY

INSTRUCT DUNLOP REGION FOUR TAKE OVER DEPOT QUINDEA
WASH TO AMG FIVE ARMY FROM AGO MAIN PAPER AS AGREED
ARCHIBALD TONGARA

Copy to: Food Sub-
Commission.

L.T. MONTAGT, JR.,
1st Lieut. AGO,
ADJUTANT.

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Executive Commission

Brig. Dunlop be informed that Region
IV will take over the depot at Carimola on 10 June.
Hans were agreed with Col Archibald -
Col Isaacson - on the 8th (at our meeting)
only names your ~~own~~ instructions to
Brig. Dunlop.

W. Leag 9/6

I agree - unless we do not get
the 180 how.

W. Leag 9/6.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/192/68/CA

8 June 1944

SUBJECT: Supplies, AMG 5 Army, Port of Anzio

TO : HQ., A.A.I.

1. Fifth Army AMG requires 500 tons a day into the Port of Anzio to implement its supply programme.
2. At a meeting held at HQ. AAI on 4 June, movements C-4 reduced the ACC bid of 500 tons a day to 300 tons a day for the maintenance period 18 to 23 June inclusive.
3. The justification for a bid of 500 tons a day is as follows:

	Tons per day	
	Net	Gross
A. Requirements for Rome at present ration scale and 2 million population basis	430	455
B. Requirements for Rome Province and North Littoria - based on 200,000 population	43	45
TOTALS - - -	473	500

- C. Based on above, a bid for maintenance of 500 tons per day was submitted for period 18 June - 22 June
 - (i) 400 tons per day in accordance with AAI signal CAO 189 dated 25 May (copy attached.)
 - (ii) Plus 55 tons per day on account of reported increase in Rome population.
 - (iii) As in B above.

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5. In view of the above facts, I shall be grateful if the A.C.C. Port of Anzio acceptance can be increased to 500 tons per day.

[Signature]

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner
For Chief Commissioner.

*Signed in absence of Executive
Commissioner in duty.*

Copy to:

Food Subcom.

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Brigadier
Executive Commissioner
For Chief Commissioner.

*Signs in absence of Executive
Commissioner in duty.*

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Food Subcom.

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

SECRET & URGENT

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Ref/192/66/GA.

8 June 1944.

1. Fifth Army AME requires 500 tons a day into the Port of Anzio to implement its supply programme.

2. At a meeting held at HQ AAI on 4 June Q Movements/3-4 reduced the AOC bid of 500 tons a day to 300 tons a day for the maintenance period 18 to 23 June inclusive.

3. I understand that General Robertson and Brigadier Lush had a conversation about this and General Robertson wanted to know how AOC could justify 500 tons a day. Justification is as follows:

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5. Can you please take this up at once with CAO and give him the above justification points on behalf of Brigadier Lush, and try to get the port acceptance increased to 500 tons.

Major P. Friend Jones,
A.C.C. Liaison,
HQ. A.A.I.

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E 7 JUN Rec

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Food Sub-Commission
A.P.C. 394

7 June 1944

ACC/90-1/FOOD

SUBJECT: Supplies AMG 5th Army, Port of Anzio

TO : Executive Commissioner

1. Fifth Army AMG requires a lift of 500 tons per day to implement its supply program.
2. At a meeting held at Headquarters, A.A.I. on the 4th June, Q Movements/G-4 reduced ACC bid to 300 tons per day for the maintenance period 18 to 23 June inclusive. This acceptance leaves a deficiency of 200 tons per day.
3. To meet this situation I approached the Transportation Sub-Commission for schooner tonnage or top loading of large ships, but this has been refused. Justification:-

	Tons per day Net	Tons per day Gross
a. Requirements for Rome at present ration scale and 2 million population basis.	430	455
b. Requirements for Rome Province and North Littoria - based on 200,000 population.	43	45
TOTALS	473	500

c. Based on above, a bid for maintenance of 500 tons per day was submitted for period 18 June - 22 June.

(1) 400 tons per day in accordance with A.A.I. signal CAO 189 dated 25 May. *(copy attached)*

(ii) Plus 55 tons per day on account of reported increase in Rome population.

(iii) As in Para 3(b). *X*

d. 7394 tons gross (7000 tons net) have been shipped to

229

AMG 5TH ARMY SUPPLIES: Cont'd.

Anzio to date. This represents initial shipment of 4000 tons and first ten days shipment of 3000 tons.

a. If port acceptance is limited to 300 tons per day, reserve will be shrunk to 2000, i.e. four days supply before next maintenance period.

W. J. Legg
W. J. LEGG
Colonel
Chief, Food Sub-Commission

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.O. & M.G. SECTION
AFO 394

Ref/192/63/OA

6 June 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Personnel.

TO : G-1

1. Reference is made to your 16080/1/G-1 of 19 May 44. Tenente Colonnello Ugo Landolfi has reported to AMG 5th Army for duty but so far Capitano Vincenzo Ventrella has not reported. It is understood that you will shortly be in a position to say when Ventrella will report for duty.

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

JSR/JR

Copy to:
AMG 5th Army (City Sub-Region)

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- 5 JUN Recd

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HQ ACC FOR ROGER CHARLIE (RD & LBS)

AME FIFTH ARMY

SVG 500

June 14/1958

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PRIORITY

OF FOUR ZERO TRUCKS ALLOTTED FIFTH ARMY FIELD ONE SEVEN ARE IN ORDONAKIS SEVEN
TO BE REPLACED. TO MAINTAIN FOG DISTRIBUTION REQUIRE IMMEDIATELY TWO FURTHER
TRUCKS TERRACINA DEPOT. EXPERIENCE IN RECENT ADVANCE INDICATED THAT WE SHALL
REQUIRE ANOTHER FORTY TRUCKS MAKING TOTAL OF EIGHTY ON FAR SIDE OF ROME

A.C.C. DISTRIBUTION

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To see 56-60 all in connection
with 548 RASC copy moving to
Auzio.

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In lieu of A.P. C 2136.

MESSAGE FORM

192 892

Srl No. Priority

Transmission Instructions

Originator

Date-Time of Origin.

FROM:

MOVNIT

042345

Action

5 ARMY + TRANSPORTATION 5 ARMY + BR INCRE 5 ARMY +
ACC FOR LUSH + 21 AAD + 55 AREA +

TO:

Info

AAI + DISTURBED + MOV FILPOT +
+ 94 SUB AREA + 57 AREA (BY HAND) +

Originator's No. MOV/H 297.

SECRET (.) 06/NA/23 2 Pls 548 GT Coy 83 vchs loaded ann FOLIGLIANO
to ANZIO (.) Move in 4 march units of 20 vchs at half hr intervals (.)
Dep 050530 route 713 + 714 + 7 + head TCP 17 1030 hrs TCP 18 1200 hr
ETA destn 1400 hrs (.) Reporting 21 AAD and Civil Affairs Officer 5
Army (.) 15 MIH 20 VTM (.) Authy AAI SD 1275 4 June (.)
06/NA/021 239 GT Coy Lusk Coy 63 vchs NAPLES to ANZIO (.) 25 vchs dep
050800 and 138 veh dep 052030 for shingle stage area (.) All dep
stage area 052150 HEAD TCP 17 060100 TCP 18 0300 hrs WTS destn 0345 hrs.
route as for convoy 06/NA/023 (.) 15 MIH 20 VTM (.) Reporting 5 Army
authy verbal Br Incr 5 Army (.)
06/NA/019 304 MSSU RAP 14 vchs FRATTAGGIORE to MONTE CIRCEO (.) Dep
051100 TCP 17 1345 hrs TCP 16 1515 ETA destn 1600 hrs (.) route 714 + 7 +
reporting own unit (.)

Following dep NAPLES for ANZIO via route 7 + V Litterno + Cancellone Armone +
Mondragoni + route 7 + Formia + Fondi + Terracina + 735 + Cisterna (.)
All reporting 66 AA Ede (.) Convoy 06/NA/026 Adv Pty 45 LAA Regt 20 vchs dep
060540 ETA 1400 hrs (.) 20 MIH (.) Convoy 06/NA/125 45 LAA Regt main
body 44 offs 861 ORs 186 vchs 54 guns 7 trlrs 53 m/cs dep in 6 march
units of 30 vchs at hourly intervals fm 061700 ETA 070500 (.) 124 MIH
(.) Convoy 06/NA/024 54 AA Ops Room 2 9 HA Regt 37 offs 791 ORs
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intervals fm 051800 ETA head first srl 060800 (.) 10 MIH (.) Recce party
ahead tonight under unit arrangements (.)
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to ANZIO (.)
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ANZIO ET. 1500 hrs (.) Authy AAI SD 129 of 4

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MJDT V MEDY V LRNE NR 2

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FROM DISTHREE 041300 B

TO 57 AREA - MOVWIT- 6//

INFO G (SD) AAI FIFTH ARMY BE INCR? - ACC FOR LSUNXX LUSH

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HEADQUARTERS
5 JUN 1944
A. C. C.

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SD1377 CONFIDENTIAL(.) TWO PLS 548 GENTPT COY WITH RD1 ONE SEC
WKSPS AND DET COY HQ WILL MOVE ON 5 JUNE TO ANZIO UNDER COMB FIFTH
FIFTH ARMY(.) REFS REPORT TO CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFR ANG HQ FIFTH ARMY
ON ARRIVAL

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CONFIDENTIAL
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OUTGOING MESSAGE C.A. Br 2 5785

TO: AMC FIVE ARMY SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: _____
FROM: ACC MAIN CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL
REFERENCE No: 5785 PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: 01.2030 OFFICE OF ORIGIN: Ex. Offr. (B)

SD 1275 of 4 June 56
SUBJECT IS AAI CABLE SUGAR DOG ONE TWO SEVEN FIVE DATED FOUR JUNE PAREN TO
AMC FIVE ARMY FROM ACC MAIN PAREN FIVE FOUR EIGHT COMPANY RASC WILL BE USED
ONLY FOR TRANSPORTATION OF FOOD FROM ANZIO TO ROME.

RECEIVED
5 JUN 1944
A. C. C.

Distribution: C.A. Br (for Ex. Com)
Room Sec (2)
Tn S.O.
G-4(B)

Authenticated by _____
Originator's signature 222

LT MONTANT, JR.,
1ST LIEUT AGD,
ADJUTANT

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DDDT V LRAR NR1236

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FROM AAI 041247B

TO DISTHREE

INFO FIFTH ARMY ACC FOR LUSH MOVEIT

QRY GR33 BT

SD 1231

CONFIDENTIAL (.) FURTHER TO MY SD 1275 OF 4 JUN (.)

ONE SEC WKSPS AND ELEMENT COY HQ WILL ACCOMPANY PLS 543 COY

RASC (GEN TPT) (.) MOVE TO START ~~PLS~~ FIRST LIGHT 5 JUN

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FROM AAI 0411158

TO DISTHREE

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FIFTH ARMY

ACC FOR LUSH

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CONFIDENTIAL.

TWP PLS 543 COY RASC (GEN TPT) WILL MOVE FORTHWITH FRO //FROM
 UNDER COMD 3 DISTRICT TO ANZIO. MOVES UNDER ORDERS MOVWIT IN
 COM// CONJUNCTION WITH FIFTH ARMY. REFS REPORT TO CIVIL AFFAIRS
 OFFR AMG HQ FIFTH ARMY ON ARRIVAL. TPT IS ON TEMPORARY LOAN TO ACC
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File 12.

3rd June 1944

SUBJECT: Italian troops for unloading supplies for Rome
Sub-Region Depot at ANZIO.

TO : Chief Commissioner.

1. I have spoken to the MMIA Liaison Officer here who will
arrange one of the following alternatives:-

- (a) Borrow Italian service troops now with 5th Army
(an officer is going tomorrow briefed with necessary
instructions)
- (b) Arrange to send up to 500 from Italian troops in this
area in consultation with PBS who are now taking over
ANZIO.

2. If (b) is necessary I will arrange release through AAI.

3. I do not think it will be necessary for you to take it up
at any higher level.

MHL/JG.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Ref: 193/2/CA.

5th June 1944

SUBJECT: Unloading of AMG Supplies at ANZIO.

TO : Chief Commissioner.

1. General Robertson, on instructions from the Commander-in-Chief, is despatching to ANZIO two truck platoons (66 vehicles in all) with Allied drivers, for transportation of food to ROME.

2. AAI are sending 300 men from Labour Companies for handling food at ANZIO Depot to relieve the Finance Guards.

ESL/JG.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 192/53/CA.

4 June 44

Subject: Unloading of AMG Supplies at ANZIO.

To : AMG 5 Army.

I refer to 5 Army CP signal 1795 of 2 June 44 addressed to AAI, copy to you. The following information has been received:-

1. SD AAI report that 541 Labour Coy (strength 140) will arrive 4 June and 543 Labour Coy (strength 160) will arrive 5 June.
2. These men come from Apulia.
3. The Finance Guards can therefore be released.
4. No further action required by ACC.
5. Colonel Wood, G-3, 5 Army, has been notified.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Bay Lash.

Plent. 53A

1. Confirming conversation :-
2. S.D. report that 541 ^habam Coy (Strength 440) will arrive 4 Jun & 543 ^habam Coy (Strength 160) will arrive 5 Jun.
3. These men come from Apulia.
4. The Prisoner Guards can therefore be released.
5. No further action required by ACE
6. Col Wood, 63 5th Army, has been notified.

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P.H.

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192 *Yur*

- 3 JUN Recd

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IMPORTANT
US CIPHER MESSAGE
IN

FOLIO NO 45130
2 JUNE 44
TOO 1808B/2
TOR 2240B/2

FROM: FIVE ARMY CP
TO: AAX
INFO: CAS AND 5TH ARMY
ORIG NO: 1795

REQUEST WAS MADE 22 MAY FOR MINIMUM 250 ITALIAN MILITARY
SERVICE TROOPS FOR UNLOADING AND SUPPLIES ANZIO.
UNDERSTAND YOUR HEADQUARTERS RELAYED REQUEST TO MILA.
THESE TROOPS HAVE NOT BEEN FURNISHED. WORK NOW BEING DONE
BY ITALIAN FINANCIAL GUARDS WHO WILL BE NEEDED IN ROME AS
SOON AS OCCUPIED. URGENTLY REQUEST ITALIAN SERVICE TROOPS
BE SENT IMMEDIATELY

G(SD) 5 ACTION
DCGS 1
DCAS 2
G(OPS) 4
ACC(L) 4

Arranged by Mila
2 Labom the 1st
300 men by sent at once
to Huzin to deliver the message
St 46

SAC 0030 R/3
TT 0055 R/3

LEV/gfh

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Transportation Sub-Commission
APO 394

Our Reference : ACC Tn/124/15

Date : 27 May 44

TO : Brigadier Lush,
HQ., ACC.

SUBJECT : Rome Supplies - Transport Arrangements

1. I have carefully been through the position with regard to the Rome Food Supply, in consultation with Lt. Col. Carnes, Road Transportation Section, Lt. Col. Birchett and Major Sowers 5th Army AMG Transport Officers.

2. As you are aware 4000 tons of food-stuff are planned to be landed at the Anzio beachhead every 10 days and this tonnage will be moved away from the beachhead at the rate of 400 tons a day.

3. The warehouses (or dumps) are some 2 to 3 miles from the beachhead and AMG 5th Army have made full provision for moving the stuff from the docks or beaches to the warehouses and on from the warehouses to Rome.

4. G-4 5th Army said they might be able to help in moving the food from the beachhead to the warehouses, but their inability to do so in no way affects the position, as AMG 5th Army have the necessary transport to move the stuff right from the beachhead via the warehouses into Rome and to distribute the food-stuff in Rome itself, and also for North of Rome.

5. The position of vehicles allotted is as follows :-

150 Trucks	-	Region II
169 "	-	" III
119 "	-	" V
29 "	-	" VII
16 "	-	Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, ACC
120 "	-	AMG 8th Army (1001 G.T. Coy - Italian)
5 "	-	Food Sub-Commission, ACC
160 "	-	AMG 5th Army (40 operating in the field to clear from ports and railheads and 120 for maintaining Rome supplies in accordance with prepared plans).

6. AMG 5th Army have been loaning some 100 trucks a day to Region III, but these have now been withdrawn in preparation for the Rome Supply, and priority for the movement of these trucks is such that they will be at Anzio before the Food Supplies arrive.

7. There is no necessity to provide 40 additional trucks to AMG 5th Army.

Supply, in consultation with Lt. Col. Carnes, Road Transportation Section, Lt. Col. Birchett and Major Sowers 5th Army AMG Transport Officers.

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Had it been necessary, it could only have been done by withdrawing 40 trucks from Regions II and III thus causing serious difficulty in the distribution of food supplies in these areas.

L.E. VINING

L.E. VINING,
 Lieut-Colonel,
 Director, Transportation Sub-Commission, ACC.

Copy to : AMG 5th Army (Transportation Division, C.A.S) c/o Region IV
 Roads Section.
 Capt. W.S. Smith, Transportation Officer ACC with Region IV.

P.T.O.

HQ AGO, AGO 304

28 May 16 20
JLB

27 May 1944

Chief Commissioner.

I spoke to Colonel Vining and explained the situation. He is now studying urgently the provision of 67 trucks to transport food from Anzio to Rome which he will probably obtain from Region III complete with drivers, and 33 trucks for the initial issue to Region IV now activated in the field.

To → Brig Zuch TR 27/4

I am completely
shattered by the memo
on the movement of this!

Pl. speak again

W. J. P.

PA

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HQ ACC, APO 394
Sec'y Gen.
Rec'd 27 May 1944
By DFE

27th May 1944.

Chief Commissioner.

1. I rang up General Johnson as instructed. He was away but I spoke to his Chief of Staff who assured me categorically that the 120 trucks provided to 5 Army AMG are considered by General Johnson as for use in ROME City only and that only in the "direct emergencies" will they be used for transporting food from ANXIO to ROME. In order to fulfil that duty General Johnson has applied through AAI to AFHQ for a truck ~~allocation~~ General Johnson has not yet obtained approval but in his last conversation with General Devers the latter was sympathetic.

2. General Johnson's Chief of Staff reiterated at the end of the conversation that he fully understood the position of the 120 trucks allotted to Rome Sub-Region and that you ~~could~~ rest assured that they would not be misused.

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Laurino

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REAR HEADQUARTERS REGION IV
Allied Control Commission
APO 394

C.A. Br 49
9525

TO : HQ. ACC. (R.C. & M.G. Sec.)

31 May 1944

SUBJECT : Road Transport

FILE No.: R4/45I

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Your 192/46/CA dated 28 May 44 is hereby acknowledged.



Seen by J.A.
C. C. C.

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Regional Commissioner

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REAR HEADQUARTERS REGION IV
Allied Control Commission
APO 394

C.A. Br ^{AB}
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TO : HQ. ACC. (R.C. & M.G. Sec.)

31 May 1944

SUBJECT : Road Transport

FILE No.: R4/45I

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Your I92/45/CA dated 28 May 1944 is hereby acknowledged.

James H. Hill
Regional Commissioner



*Secy. by Pa.
Pres. 1/6*

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CORP. COMMISSION
P.C. & M.C. Section
C.M.F.

192/47/CA.

23 May 1944

Dear Adams,

In your absence, under directions from the Chief Commissioner, I sent for Lt. Col. Vining and with his help have arranged distribution of trucks to Base Sub-Region and Region IV on the lines described in the attached letters. I have kept Major Sharp informed. Both matters were urgent and I was greatly horrified to find Region IV now in operation had no trucks at all.

Yours sincerely
45/46

(Sgd) Maxwell Lynt

Col. D.S. Adams,
A/V.P., Economic Section.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED OFFICERS' COMMISSION
S.O. & M.O. Section
APO 394

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ME/192/46/9A.

28 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Road Transport.

TO : S.O.A.C. Fifth Army.
Regional Commissioner, Region IV.

1. I confirm conversation with Col. Ross on 28 May.
2. It is necessary that there should be no doubt as to the transport of food from Amis Warehouse to Rome City.
3. The 180 trucks originally allotted to Rome Sub-region were always intended for use within the City for internal distribution of food and the multiple other calls for transport which must be expected.
4. It had been understood that G-4 GAS would transport the food from Amis in trucks other than these 180. It is now apparent that this is not the case. It is estimated that 67 trucks are needed for the work.
5. In order to meet the emergency which has therefore arisen which might have led to failure in furnishing food to Rome, 47 trucks are being provided by the Transportation Sub-Commission and will be sent to you by road or sea as you demand. The remaining trucks you should detach from the 180 allotted to Rome Sub-region, leaving 133 for work within the city.
6. The 47 trucks will be transferred to Region IV when that Region takes over Rome Sub-region and will not pass to Fifth Army HQ.
7. Acknowledge.

By Order of the Chief Commissioner.

ME/RMS.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: A.I.L. (For Maj-Gen. Robertson)
Rome Section.
Transportation Sub-Commission.

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HW JANTERS
ALLIED COMM. COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. Section
APO 994

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Ref/192/45/CA.

28 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Road Transport.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region IV.

1. In order to fulfill part of your demands for Road transport, 33 trucks have been secured by Transportation Sub-Commission and will be handed over to you on demand. The trucks have been taken from Region III and are now driven by civilian drivers. The responsibility for providing drivers must at the moment rest with you and you are advised to consult Region III in order to take over drivers with trucks.

2. Acknowledge.

By Order of the Chief Commissioner.

REL/RAC.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Room Section

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RESTRICTED 192 27 MAY 44
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

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C.A. Bl

(ACTION) AAI ACC AND FBS FOR INFO
TO: SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: N56/26
FROM: 5 ARMY CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL
REFERENCE No: NR3155 PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: MAY261050B OFFICE OF ORIGIN: SITE/ROME

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YOUR MESSAGE CAO 189 IS SUBJECT. ARRANGEMENTS AGREED TO BY 5TH ARMY AS FOLLOWS. 5TH ARMY TO UNLOAD CIVIL SUPPLIES AT ANZIO AND MOVE FROM SHIPSIDE TO ACC BUMPS OR BARRHOUSES AT ANZIO. ACC TO RECEIVE, STORE AND CARE FOR SUPPLIES INCLUDING GUARD. ACC TO TRANSPORT SUPPLIES TO ROME. THESE ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE WITH G4 CAS. 5TH ARMY CANNOT ASSURE TRANSPORT FOR GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES ANZIO TO ROME

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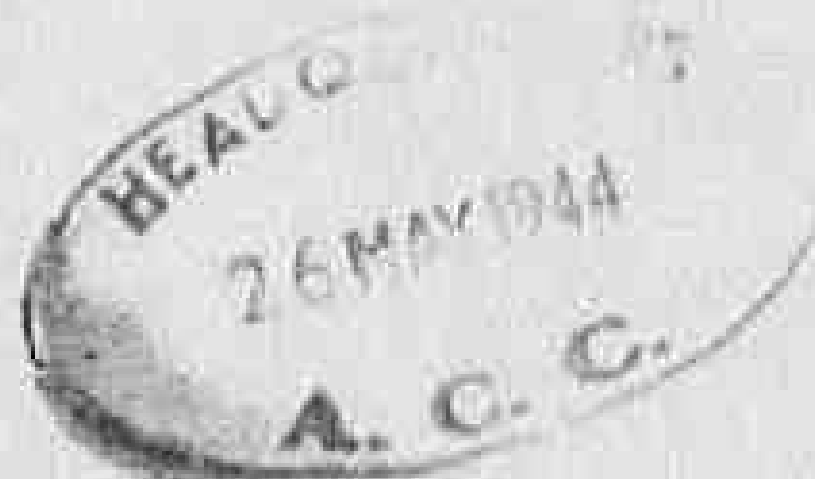
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DATE and Time of RECEIPT: MAY261103B

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Re: Anzio beach head arrangements for feeding Rome.

The arrangements made with A.M.C. 5th Army are as under.

1. Road movement in Naples to Ships with P.B.S.
2. Water movement to Anzio Beach head with G 4 5th Army.
3. Road movement from Beach head to selected dumps, & from dumps to Rome
A.M.C. 5th Army will provide trucks.
4. The above plans are to cover a period of 90 days
A.M.C. 5th Army are quite satisfied that they will be able to carry food from the beach head for 90 days.
It is possible that Region 4 are worrying about transport after the 90 days, by which time A.M.C. 5th Army intend to incorporate all Civil and Army Vehicles for use in Rome 207

itself.
D. Humphreys

25 May 1944

Rome.

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D. Humphreys

25 May 1944

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

192 *26 MAY Recd*

HEADQUARTERS *CAB*
26 MAY 1944

TO: 5TH ARMY AGO FBS SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 447/25
FROM: AAI CLASSIFICATION: NONE
REFERENCE No: CAS 159 PRECEDENCE: IMMEDIATE
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: MAY 25 1850Z OFFICE OF ORIGIN: OTIS/ROME

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TO FIFTH ARMY AOC PBS

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

19 May 1944

REFERENCE : 16080/1/G-1
SUBJECT : Italian Personnel
TO : HQ A.M.G.

I am anxious to obtain the services of two Italian Officers who have knowledge of supplies to assist in the Food supply and distribution for Rome. These Officers would be attached to HQ of A.M.G. Fifth Army for employment with the City Sub Region. I feel that two such Officers can be of great assistance, especially in the early stages of the occupation of Rome.

The matter has been discussed unofficially with the Italian Officials who have agreed to the proposal and have selected the undermentioned Officers :-

Tenente Colonnello Ugo LANDOLFI
Capitano Vincenzo VENTRELLA.

T. Colonnello Landolfi is the Chief of the Food Division at the Italian Ministry of War. I understand that he has already been approved for this appointment.

Capitano Ventrella is employed with the Serv. di Commissariato Militare at Lecce and can also, I am given to understand, be made available.

I strongly recommend that authority be given for the attachment of these two Officers to the Allied Control Commission for the above employment. They should join not later than 29 May 44.

M.S. DUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner,
For Chief Commissioner.

MBP/ES

Copy to:- Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C.
Civil Affairs Br. HQ A.C.C.
A.M.G. Fifth Army (City Sub Region).
Regional Commissioner, Region IV.

Capt Tacchi to note.

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HEADQUARTERS REGION 4
Allied Military Government
APO 394

C.A. Br
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7 May, 1944

REF: R4/400.2

SUBJECT: Food for Rome

TO : H.Q. A.C.C., R.C. & M.G. Section

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Ref. your 192/37/CA of 22 April.

1. The importance of adequate prior arrangement with Peninsular Base Section is fully appreciated. Steps are being taken in this direction.

2. Eventual action must clearly be dictated by the state of affairs in Rome at the time of entry, and a most important factor will be a speedy appreciation of the situation.

You are aware of our plans for maintaining constant contact with AMG 5 Army CAS.



[Signature]
Regional Commissioner

Br. to H.Q. S.M. in his letter 8/5/44

Pa. 22/5/44

SUBJECT: Maintenance - Future Planning

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
1004/12/2

25 Apr 44

MAJAF (2)
Fifth Army (2)
Eighth Army (2)
PES (2)
5 Corps

1. In accordance with decisions made at the conference held to consider the proposals set out in this HQ (Adm Sec) 94/12/2(P) dated 17 Mar (not to AGC or Air Force addresses), the following general principles, as to the use of ports and railroads, for the maintenance of the force and provision of civil supplies during the advance to Rome and Northern Italy will apply.

(a) IAS to be responsible for the repair, development and operation of all ports between Naples and excluding LECORNO.

(b) Fifth Army, Air Force supplies from the WEST, Rome Garrison, and civil supplies for the Eastern and Central Compartments, to be maintained and provided through ports between NAPLES and LECORNO, existing HQ at SPINARESE and TAVIC, and Air on Line 69 AVANCE - LECORNO when available.

(c) Eighth Army to be maintained from HQ on Line 90 to Rome and Line 67 - 65 AVANCE - CHIUSTI as required. Eighth Army may also draw 1,000 tons from CORTONA.

(d) 5 Corps, RAF operating on the East Coast, and civil supplies for the Northern Compartments, to be maintained and provided from CORTONA, HQ on Line 36 and any available ports between CORTONA and LECORNO.

2. Allocations to Fifth and Eighth Armies on Line 90 have already been made in this HQ letter HQV 3/12/44 dated 20 Mar 44. After the advance from the present main front continues, the allocation of rail tonnage will continue to be controlled by this HQ in accordance with present procedure. Similarly, the allocation of tonnage for AVANCE and other ports will be controlled by this HQ and allocations made in the event of the requirements of different users exceeding port capacities. There will be no departure, however, from the general principles set out in para 1 above unless operational reasons so necessitate.

3. If, in the case of stores for Air Force units operating in Western Italy, it is found that the 50 to 100 tons per day is necessary, bids

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(b) Fifth Army, Air Force supplied from the WEST, ROME Garrison, and civil supplies for the Western and Central Comptiments, to be maintained and provided through ports between NAPLES and LEBRON, existing HQs at SPANACE and TRAMO, and HQs on Line 99 AVERSA - ROMA when available.

(c) EIGHTH Army to be maintained from HQs on Line 90 to ROME and Line 07 - 65 ROMA - CHIUSI as required. EIGHTH Army may also draw 1,000 tons from ORTONA.

(d) 5 Corps, DAF operating on the East Coast, and civil supplies for the Eastern Comptiments, to be maintained and provided from ORTONA, HQs on Line 66, and any available ports between ORTONA and AVERSA.

2. Allocations to FIFTH and EIGHTH Armies on Line 90 have already been made in this HQ letter NOV 5/122/24061 28 Nov 54.

After the advance from the present main front commences, the allocation of rail tonnages will continue to be controlled by this HQ in accordance with present procedure. Similarly, the allocation of tonnages for A210 and other ports will be controlled by this HQ and allocations made in the event of the requirements of different users exceeding port capacities.

There will be no departure, however, from the general principles set out in para 1 above unless operational reasons so necessitate.

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3. If, in the case of stores for Air Force units operating in EIGHTH Army area, rail movement over Line 90 to EIGHTH Army HQ is necessary, bids will be submitted to EIGHTH Army as agreed at the meeting held at this HQ on 24 Apr between representatives of HQs, XII AFSC, EIGHTH Army and this HQ. Any adjustments of tonnages not settled with EIGHTH Army will be referred to this HQ for decision.

L. ACT.

Copy to: HAF

AOC
AFSC MTO
XII TAF
XII AFSC
214 G5 RAF
2(Nov)

Major General
Chief Administrative Officer

Chief of Staff
HQ
214 G5 RAF
2(Nov)

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & E.G. Section
APO 394

22 April 1964.

Ref/192/37/CA

SUBJECT : Food for Rome.

TO : R.C. Region IV

1. Brigadier General Tate, G-4 Fifth Army has assumed the responsibility of the transportation to Rome of the food needed for that city during the period of its occupation and control by Fifth Army.

2. It is General Tate's plan to turn over this responsibility to Peninsular Base Section directly Fifth Army ceases to be in control.

3. It is considered that the following action should therefore be taken :-

(a) Definite, clear cut arrangements with Peninsular Base Section must be made by you through the Internal Transportation Subcommittee so that the turn over of responsibility for this movement from Fifth Army to the Base Section can take place without a hitch.

(b) Action must be co-ordinated with AMG Fifth Army (CAS).

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NORMAN ST. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

Copy to: G-4 Fifth Army
G-4 Peninsular Base Section
AMG Fifth Army (CAS) (2)
AMG Fifth Army Field
Economic Sect. (2) (for Food Subcomm)
(for Internal Tpt Subcomm)

See

any further action

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Food p. Rone

Lt Col Shupp.

1. Re 35. I spoke with Maj CATE. As I thought last para of 30 means "it's up to all HQ to make arrangements for the movement of food after S: Army have ceased to be in contact."
2. What is now required is an instruction to Regt IV - who will be responsible when S: Army have finished -
Draft instruction to Regt IV is opposite.

S: 20/4

It makes out the signature as amended, provided it has been cleared with Ford SC & the HQ.

C.O.

S: 20/4

1. I spoke with Food S/C who agree.
2. I also spoke with Col FITCH who said there is the point that his S/C must be mentioned in para 3 (A) of the letter herewith for signature.

S: 22/4

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- Folio DEC Supply Plan. Rome 35
- 17 he wrote and asked FOWIT on 27 March
for permission to move the Schooners up to AN210.
- 24 A Conference was held on 31 March between
FOWIT, FLAMBO and Army Fifth Army (Cate).
At this date the Schooners were forbidden to
go to AN210.
- 27 We were advised of this in writing and of
the fact that suitable alternative arrangements
had been made on 4 Apr.

Action

Cate: (ipm?)
See Legg about last para of 30
~~Put up about 32?~~

Capt Talbot.

Pl see how Cate wants last para of
30 handled.

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Folio 5 1. The subject matter of this file is concerned with 42 schooners and 8 coasters which were allocated to the Economics & Supply division for the carrying of supplies to Rome. They were loaded in preparation for the capture of Rome.

Folio 16 2. The coasters were unloaded and returned to North Africa 39 schooners - with a total of 2010 tons of food are still held at Baia, near Naples fully loaded. Cargo is deteriorating to a small extent.

Folio 6 3. A.A.I. Hq. (Admin. Ech.) AP Hq. Algiers advised that unless this floating reserve of boats could be used before 12th Feb. they were to be discharged and returned to Rome. This has not been done.

Folio 10 4. Letter from Brig. Gen. E.E. Hume, AMG 5th Army dated 17 Feb. 1944. 300 tons of food required daily to feed population of Rome (1500000) As no machinery exists for transport of food supplies to Rome, AMG 5th Army undertook to do so by loading 10,300 tons of food in 8 coasters and 41 schooners. The 41 schooners still loaded (2000 tons) will be permitted to make the first trip to the Beachhead in Rome. The 10 largest schooners may be returned to a pool of shipping in Naples. - Trouble between R.A.S.C. guards and Finance Guards.

5. Get Reply to Gen. Hume's letter.

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Polio 18 8. To Col. Shipley from Col. Snipp dated 27 Mar. 44. Navy has not given their permission

Polio 20 9. To A.C.C. from Maj. Gen. *Hanlon* dated 25 Mar. 44. Setting out present position. No need for conference.

Polio 27 10. Col. Pitch, Transportation Sub-Commission to Main Hq. ACC dated 4 Apr 44 states:

- a) G-4 5th Army has undertaken to move 4000 tons to Anzio when he considers it appropriate.
- b) 5th Army AMG will submit to Gen. Tate supplies necessary after Rome falls.
- c) Schooners at Baia are to be off-loaded at Bai and revert to schooner pool.

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Folio 28 11. Brig. Gen. E.E. Hume to G-4 dated 7 April 1944. 5th Army confirming arrangements and setting out quantities which will be required on fall of Rome.

Folio 30 12. Brig. Gen. E.E. Hume, to D.E.C., ACC dated 7 April 44. (enclosing - copy of letter from Brig. Gen. EE. Hume to Maj. Karl S. Cate. Economics & Supply Division dated 6 Apr. 44.) in which G-4 5th Army assumes responsibility for transportation of food to Rome while under control 5th Army. Thereafter he will hand over responsibility to Peninsular Base Section. Suggested that ACC make arrangements with Peninsular Base Section to include food for civilian population when they take over.

Folio 29 All schooners in Baia Bay were authorized to be discharged with the exception of those required to transport food to Prosinone and Littoria. Confirming that schooners were allotted to AMG by Divisional Sea Transport Officer.

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REFERENCE IS P26443. ALL ROME REPEAT ROME RESERVE STOCKS HELD PALERMO.
3059 FLOUR 309 SUGAR 103 SOUPS 125 MACARONI 64 BUTTER 127 EVAPORATED 28 DRIED MILK
1166 MISCELLANEOUS RATIONS ALL SHORT TONS TOTAL STOCKS HELD FROM THIS SOURCE NOW
TRANSFERRED THIS REGION.

Total 5000 tons approx
Majority says 10,000 - some held at Palermo.
Others in other 5000?

Col Legg is investigating at Palermo
There is a 33% loss.

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Deputy Ex Comm:

Ref ~~1829130~~ ¹⁸²⁹¹³⁰

the supply plan for Rome
now seems to be in as good shape as can
be expected at this stage. I will consult
Col Legg on last para.

Il 10/4.

(Reopened 17/4 no action possible in internal due file being
in action elsewhere)

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT, (CAS)
APO-464, U.S. ARMY

7 April 1944

SUBJECT: Transportation of Food for Rome.

TO : Deputy Executive Commissioner, Allied Control
Commission, APO-394, U.S. Army.

1. In accordance with your request made at the regular conference of the A.M.G. FIFTH ARMY, CAS, on 5 April 1944, the following information is supplied regarding the transportation of food for Rome.

2. Enclosed herewith is a copy of a letter to Brigadier General Tate, G-4, Fifth Army, which explains itself. 28

3. It will be observed that Brigadier General Tate assumes the responsibility of the transportation to Rome of the food needed for that city during the period of its occupation and control by the Fifth Army. It is General Tate's plan to turn over the responsibility for the transportation of food to the Peninsular Base Section at as early a date as practicable. He has no arrangements, however, with Peninsular Base Section to include food for the civilian population of Rome, and has requested that since this matter will be beyond the scope of the Fifth Army, that appropriate arrangements be made between Allied Control Commission and Peninsular Base Section.


EDGAR ERSKINE HUME,
Brigadier General, G.S.C.,
Senior Civil Affairs Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT, (CAS)
APO-464, U.S. ARMY

6 April 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR: Major Karl S. Gate,
Chief, Economics & Supply Division,
AMG, Fifth Army (CAS).

1. Reference is made to copy of the letter in your possession written by Colonel Thomas Fuller, Deputy Chief of Transportation, Allied Armies of Italy, dated 1 April 1944, requesting that all of the schooners now at anchor at Baia Bay be discharged under the supervision of Allied Military Government as rapidly as the supplies therein can be stored.

2. In a conference today with Brigadier General Tata, G-4, Fifth Army, that officer stated that he would engage to transport the food needed by A.M.G. for use in Rome, upon other vessels than these schooners. He stated, however, that he would have no other means than these schooners for supplying food to the areas served by Terracina and Gaeta, and therefore, recommended that we hold a sufficient number of schooners to insure the food for the populations of Frosinone and Littoria provinces.

3. In view of these circumstances, you are authorized to discharge all of the schooners now under your control in Baia Bay, with the exception of such of them as may be needed to enable you to transport the food needed for the provinces of Frosinone and Littoria.

4. These schooners were allotted to A.M.G. for the transportation of food by the Divisional Sea Transport Officer.

EDGAR ERSKINE HUME,
Brigadier General, G.S.C.,
Senior Civil Affairs Officer.

H/z

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT, (CAS)
APO-464, U.S. ARMY

7 April 1944

SUBJECT: Food Supplies for Rome.

TO : Brigadier General Tate, G-4, Fifth Army,
APO-464, U.S. Army.

1. This is to confirm the agreement of G-4 that you will order 4,000 tons of A.M.G. food supplies for Rome to be moved forward and unloaded at Anzio, at such time as in the judgment of G-4, the situation requires. This should cover minimum requirements for about 10 days.

2. Following this first movement, there will be required at some port as near Rome as possible, the following quantities of food supplies:

Within 10 days	-	3,000 tons
" 20 "	-	3,000 "
" 30 "	-	3,000 "
" 40 "	-	4,000 "
" 50 "	-	4,000 "
" 60 "	-	4,000 "
" 70 "	-	5,000 "
" 80 "	-	5,000 "
" 90 "	-	5,000 "

3. The above schedule would cover requirements for 100 days from the date of occupation of Rome, at which time, normal rail and road transport may be available to move the required food supplies.

4. It is understood that G-4 will continue the above scheduled movement of supplies only as long as Fifth Army is responsible for such supply to Rome.

EDGAR ERSKINE HUSE,
Brigadier General, G.S.C.,
Senior Civil Affairs Officer

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Transportation Sub-Commission, AGC.,
C/o Mov & Tr.,
H.Q., A.A.I. (Adm. Echelon),
C.M.F.

Item 13/4

Our reference: AGC Ta/124/11.

Date 14 Apr 44.

TO : Main Hq, A.C.C.,
Economic Section,
H.C. & M.C. Section.

SUBJECT : Food Supplies - Rome.

1. As a result of the memorandum issued by Col. Shirley, G-4, A.A.I. Advanced Echelon dated 25th March this Sub-Commission has taken up the matter and after various conferences the position has been established as follows:-

(a) General Tate, G-4, 5th Army has undertaken to integrate with his other supply demands the move of 4000 tons to Anzio at such time as he considers it appropriate.

(b) 5th Army AMO is to submit to General Tate proposals in terms of 10 day periods of further civil supplies required to be moved after Rome falls. General Tate undertook to consider integrating them similarly in his other demands for movement. It is understood that a copy of this proposal is to be forwarded here when a copy will be sent to you.

(c) The schooners at present under load with supplies are to be off-loaded at Haia as soon as possible and revert to the schooner pool under the control of the DUTO Italy

S.A. Fitch
S.A. FITCH,
Colonel.

Director, Transportation Sub-Commission, AGC.

Copy to :- Major Gate.

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4 APR 1944

C. C.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

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FROM : FREEDOM BOB UING

TO :

PARINA FOR BOON 500 HPD PLANO 2PTD 1BS FOR STUBBLEHINE
FOR HANCOCK

DATE/TIME REC'D: 022255A

DATE/TIME SENT : 021230A

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CITE USM-545/27249 AFHQ 51253 OF 13 FEB

SUBJECT IS HOME RESERVE. AN BOON AS BOON HERE DISCHARGED LIVE LOCATION
AND TONNAGE OF ALL HOME RESERVES BY ITEMS. SPECIAL WORD IS UNLIABLE
FIGURED OF PORTION WELD AT PALERD HAVE UNWISTED ON HEAD SOME LOSS
OCCURRED IN DISCHARGING 6 COASTERS WHICH, SALVOR, ULLA, ARDIA,
KELDA GROUP, PELAGRA

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Info - D.C.C.

C.A.B.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/65/Int

31 March 1944

SUBJECT: Rome Food Arrangements

TO : RC & MG Section

1. Your letter 21/41/OA dated 29th March 1944 has been received.
2. The Minister of the Interior has been informed today by letter that the 2 individuals in question have been approved.

R. G. B. SPICER
Lt Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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Reference ²³ ~~45~~ and ²⁰ ~~42~~ Spoke to Major Cate. ²⁰ ~~42~~ means nothing now, 24
The situation is entirely altered following a conference between FOWIT, 5 Army
and Cate on 3 1st March. Briefly, owing to congestion of shipping at Anzio the
Schooners are not going to be allowed to proceed. That the only definite fact,
otherwise the situation is fluid. One proposal is that 4000 tons of food
(10 days supply) will be moved up when the Bridgehead is bigger in ships by the
size R.N. approve. Another proposal is that P.B.S. will be charged with
including civilian supplies in the Army supplies when Rome Falls. Cate is ¹⁸
backing this latter one, but asks for a day or two and will report. _{2.7.}

2 Apr 44.

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Reference 42. Will you please find out from FLAMBO who asked for
a Conference. I do not read para 1 of this letter () permission from the Navy
to send coasters up to Anzio. Could you get the latest on this position from
Major Cate.

1 April 44

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ALLIED C. I. COMMISSION
H.Q. & H.C. Section
APO 394

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31 March 1944

Ref/21/23/GA.

SUBJECT: Home Food Arrangements.

TO : Admin. Section.
(Attention : Lt. Col. R.G.B. Spicer,
Interior Sub-Com.)

1. Further to this H.Q. letter Ref/21/23/GA of 11 Mar 44.
2. A reply has now been received from C.I.C. Detachment, P.B.S., reference RSN-2773-P dated 16 March and is forwarded herewith for necessary action.
3. Would you please arrange direct with AG Fifth Army as to the employment of these officials.

ROBERT M. FINE
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Counselor.

Copy to: AG Fifth Army. (CAS)

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C.I.C. DETACHMENT,
PENINSULAR BASE SECTION
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CASE NO. BSN-2773 + P

15 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Italian Officials.

1. Pursuant to a request from G.W.I. SHIPP, Lt. Col., AMG, 5th Army, on 8 February 1944, an investigation was made regarding (a) Lt. Colonel LANDOLFI, Ministry of War, (b) Dott. GALLANGA Mario, Ministry of the Interior, for any possible objection to their employment for security reasons.

2. Examination of records of Police Agencies and this office reveal no record of either LANDOLFI or GALLANGA.

LEO J. FAGNOTTA
Special Agent, CIC.

ROBERT L. PINGLEY
Agent, CIC.

APPROVED:

NICHOLAS A. FORTUNATO
Special Agent, CIC
Chief, Investigations Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED FORCES IN ITALY (ADM. SCHELO), A. P. O. 100,
U. S. Army, 25 March 1944.

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TO: Allied Control Commission, APO 394, U.S. Army.

1. It is understood that, in co-ordination with AMB Fifth Army you now plan to establish a food stock-pile at ANZIO. Schooners now loaded at NAPLES are to be off-loaded at ANZIO and additional food may be moved there from NAPLES. It is further understood that Transportation Sub-Committee, ACC will request coasters or other suitable shipping to move food when it appears that Rome is about to fall.

2. It is believed that coasters or other suitable shipping can be assured when they are needed, but none should be tied-up until that time.

3. In view of the above there appears little need for a conference at present.

to be asked from

[Signature]
for

Major General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

HEADQUARTERS
29 MAR 1944
A. C. C.

*Col Adams
& Col Segger
have seen
D.M.*

On Shippo.

1. Plan has about starting to move with 38.

2. As you see from the note on this page Col Adams has left Lake Sec.

3. Support acknowledgment of this letter, with a copy of 38, and informing that no conference is being held at present.

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4. Plan Show to Major Cate
W. 31/84

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
P.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/21/41/GA.

29 March 1944

SUBJECT: Rose Pool Arrangements.

TO : Interior Sub-Commission.

Ref. your letter AOC/65/Int. 6 March.

You are advised that the ~~two~~ individuals
named have been approved by CIC.

NORMAN E. FISHER
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

27 March 1944.

Dear Col Shipley

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The attached letter is the outcome of the memorandum you brought into my office a few days ago. As you will see the Navy have not given permission for the move of the schooners and this is being taken up.

With regard to para. 5, 6, and 7 of your memorandum, all arrangements in connection with storage facilities, off-loading personnel, and ground and water transportation have been, or are being, arranged now by AMB 5 Army (CAS). Major Gate who is chiefly concerned with this says, however, that provided Navy give their approval to move the schooners he is not particularly worried about anything at the moment.

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter which I hope we may continue to call on when necessary.

Lieut. Colonel Shipley,

Comd,

HQ. A.A.I. (Admin Ech).

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Ref: 21/38/CA
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27 March 1944

Subject: Food Supplies - Rome

To: FMIT

1. It is requested that approval may be given to send the 39 schooners now lying at B.I.A. near Naples, loaded with some 2,000 tons of food up to ANZIO to discharge their cargo. This food is required to be held in readiness for civilian supply needs in Rome.

2. All arrangements in connection with this move have been made by this H.Q. and the approval of C.G. 5 Army has already been obtained to the reception of the food at ANZIO.

3. It is requested that an early answer may be given as it is desired to commence building up a stockpile there as soon as possible.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant-General
Chief Commissioner

Copy to: HQ AAI (Admin Echo)
NOIC
DSO
ANG 5 Army (CAS)

Scarslett

Under 2nd Bureau
SUBJECT: Food for Rome.

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25 March 1944.

TO : Lieut.Col.Shipp.

Current Situation.

1. Food off-loaded at Palermo from coasters moved from Naples is lost as far as supplies for Rome are concerned, except for 120 tons of butter and cheese which are being returned to Naples as soon as practicable. The rest of the food has been damaged and will not stand re-shipping.
2. 39 schooners loaded with a total of 2,010 tons of food are still being held in Baia, near Naples. There is some minor deterioration and loss from these cargoes.
3. There is an ample stock of food under A.C.C. control in Naples and vicinity to meet requirements for Rome.
4. The immediate food requirements for civilians in Rome City is estimated by AMG 5th Army at 300 tons per day for the first 30 days commencing from the date Rome falls.

Present Plan.

1. The schooners now loaded and lying in Baia could be moved to Anzio/Nettuno area where food would be off-loaded and stored. This movement has been approved by C.G. AMG 5th Army, Food Sub-Commission, and all authorities of 6 Corps concerned with the matter. It could start immediately provided approval of Royal Navy is obtained.
2. Food in addition to quantity already loaded on schooners may be moved to Anzio/Nettuno area with a view to building up such stocks as may be judged necessary.
3. When Rome is captured, or when the situation may otherwise indicate, additional food will be moved to the Rome area by schooners, liberty ships, or whatever craft may be available.
4. A 15 days supply, in addition to quantity to be stored in the Anzio/Nettuno area, is desired. At present, however, storage space available is limited to 2,000 tons.
5. The storage facilities have been surveyed and personnel necessary to off-load and to operate such storage facilities have already been procured by AMG 5th Army. Italian Labour Battalions will do the off-loading, Allied Personnel operating at the warehouse, and Guardia di Finanza doing guard duty.
6. Requirements of trucks, or other ground transportation, has been arranged with G-4 6 Corps. The G-4 is extremely cooperative as to this and refused the help of any A.C.C. trucks, since he has ample available.
7. Requirements of water transportation must be arranged between A.C.C. and A.A.I. (Adm. Ech.).

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1. The above information I got from Major Cate, AMG 5th Army Supply Officer. He told me that :

1. Col. Legg, Food Sub-Commission, had been consulted on all points.
2. That Col. Fitch did not come into it, because as pointed out above 6 Corps have adequate transport.
3. MEMBO have been consulted on all points. They only come into it in regard to wages of crews and chartering of vessels, both of which have been arranged.

2. From the above you will see that the only authority which is holding back the move of the schooners now loaded with food, is the Royal Navy. It is now necessary for Major Brown, L.O. with A.A.I. (Adm Ech) to approach the Royal Navy through Capt. Trevor, telephone Flanbo 177, who is the Naval officer concerned. His second in command is Cdr. McKewen, telephone Flanbo 177. The Naval attitude is apparently genial, but obstructive, that is to say, several pig gins are consumed with no result, and the attitude seems to be 'let the ~~the~~ starve'.

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E. J. Trevor
E. J. TREVOR,
Capt.

CASH
off-plan
22 March 1944. *14*
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SEABEOP: Food for Rome.

Current Situation

1. The food off-loaded at Palermo from Coasters moved from Naples is lost as far as supplies for Rome is concerned. It has been damaged, and will not stand for re-shipping.
2. 48 schooners loaded with estimated total of 2000 tons are still being held in Naples. There is some deterioration and loss from these cargoes. The Navy is concerned and asks to have them off-loaded.
3. There is an ample stock under AOC control in Naples and vicinity to meet requirements for Rome.
4. The food requirements for civilians in Rome Area is estimated at 600 tons per day commencing from the date Rome falls.

Present Plan.

1. Schooners now loaded will be moved to Anzio-Nettuno Area where food will be off-loaded and stored. This movement is already arranged and will start promptly. It has been agreed by
2. Food in addition to quantity at present loaded on Schooners may be moved to Anzio-Nettuno Area with a view of building such stocks up to a 7 days supply.
3. When Rome is captured, or when situation otherwise may indicate, additional food will be moved to the Rome Area by Coasters, Schooners, Liberty Ships or whatever craft may be available and suited to conditions existing at the time.
4. A 15 days supply in addition to quantity already stored in Anzio-Nettuno Area is desired.
5. Storage facilities and personnel necessary to off-load and operate storage facilities are being arranged by AOC.
6. Requirements of trucks or other ground transportation will be arranged by AOC in coordination with C.G. Rome.
7. Requirements of water transportation is to be arranged between AOC and AFHQ.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED SUPPLY COMMISSION
R.A. & S.C. SECTION
AFV 394

Ref/ 21/24/01

13 March 1944

SUBJECT: Feeding of Rome by Sea.

TO: D.Q.M.G., H.Q., A.C.H.M. (Ain. Ech.) GEN.
(For Lt. Col. Cooper).

1. It will be recalled that at a meeting at Adv. H.Q. on about 20 Dec. 43. General Robertson ordered that the plan be proceeded with for the allocation of schooners and coasters to be loaded with food and held ready to proceed to Rome for feeding the civil population.

2. The plan was proceeded with involving 41 ^{schooners} coasters of 2000 tons capacity and 8 coasters of 5000 tons.

3. On Feb. 10 the 8 coasters were taken away to Sicily and unloaded and put on other work.

4. This entirely upset the plan and it is submitted that a fresh plan properly co-ordinated by the Operational Forces has become urgently necessary.

5. To this end Major Cate (A&S Fifth Army) and Major Glenville (Internal Transportation sub-Commission) will attend any meeting you desire to convene for the purpose.

Copy (2): A&S 5 Army
Food sub-Commission
Internal Transportation sub-Commission,
ACC.

P. Perry Smith L.H.
NORMAN S. PIERCE,
Colonel, Cavalry,
Deputy Executive,
Commissioner.

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Food Sub-Commission
Internal Transportation Sub-Commission,
ACC.

P. Perry Smith Lt. Col.
WOLFEH S. PIERCE,
for Colonel, Cavalry,
Deputy Executive,
Commissioner.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. SECTION
APO 39.

Ref/21/23/CA

11 March 1944

SUBJECT: Rome Food Arrangements.

TO : R.C.E. Spicer, Interior Sub-Commission.

1. Reference your ACC/65/Int letter of 6 March 1944 the names of these two individuals were forwarded to CIC Branch, PBS immediately they were received. A few days ago a telephone call was put through inquiring what the position was. They said that they were still investigating the matter but promised to furnish a reply as soon as possible.

2. It is regretted that no definite answer can be given yet but it is anticipated that the services of both these Italians, if passed by Security, will be required.

FORMAN R. FISKE,
Colonel, Cavalry,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394

6 March 1944

ACC/65/Int

SUBJECT: Rome food arrangements

TO : Executive Commissioner

1. The Minister of Interior states that in Brindisi, the Italian Government was asked to supply the names of 2 individuals to form part of the organization for food arrangements in regard to Rome.

2. Their nomination was forwarded to Lt. Col. Mayne.

3. They have had nothing further since, and would be grateful to be informed in regard to the position.

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R. G. B. SPICER
Lt Colonel
Director
Interior Sub-commission

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Col Fitch

Has this been
through
center
9/18/3

I spoke about the Rome
Planning Supply problem this
morning. The House is
anxious to have a reply to the
memo of 17 Feb (top paper
in this file). Have you ever
seen this correspondence?

2. May the file be
returned when finished as
this is the only copy in 5
Army file.

W. G. Smith

P.T.O.

11.3.44

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Major Cate will contact you on
Major Starnick as soon as
possible. I saw him today and
told him.

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO-464, U.S. ARMY

17 February 1944.

SUBJECT : Food for Rome

TO : Executive Commissioner, Allied Control Commission,
Main Headquarters, APO-394, U.S. Army.

1. Attached hereto are statements by Lt. Col. G.W.I. Shupp, DSCAO, and Major Karl S. Cate, Director of Economics and Supply, AMG Fifth Army, Rome, on the subject of food supplies for that city.

2. In the writer's opinion, our position as a military body responsible for the feeding of the Italian capital is precarious in the extreme. We must have not less than 300 tons of food per day to feed the population of 1,500,000 people, at the rate of 150 grammes of flour per day. This amount is very small and is less than that announced by the Allied Control Commission as in effect in regions south of the operational area. It is not in excess of the amount being fed daily at present in Rome under German domination, according to the consensus of intelligence reports. Unless we have this daily amount of food, we will be faced by the appalling prospect of failure to feed this great city with all the international complications that this would entail.

3. As indicated in the second of Major Cate's memoranda, no machinery existed for transporting the necessary foodstuffs to Rome, and therefore, about December 20th, upon the verbal orders of Major General Robertson, made at a conference in his office, we set up our own system for transporting food supplies to Rome. It was not a task of our seeking. We undertook it solely because no one else was prepared to do so. Our system consisted of loading the stock of approximately 10,300 tons of food supplies on 8 coasters and 41 small schooners, such vessels being held in readiness and under our control in preparation for their immediate transport to the beachhead available to us, nearest Rome.

4. We are now in this position. Our 8 coasters have been taken for other purposes and their contents ordered unloaded. In the case of the 4 schooners sent to Palermo, we sent, on short notice, 6 of our personnel to that city to have an eye on the unloading, and more particularly, to look after warehousing and protection of this food. 175

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the case of the other 4 coasters, the food is ordered to be unloaded here and we will have a similar problem of warehousing and protection. This is in accordance with our latest information.

5. In addition, we are informed that the 41 schooners, loaded with foodstocks of approximately 2,000 tons, will be permitted to make the first trip to the beachhead near Rome, and that the 10 largest schooners, representing 60% of the total capacity, may be returned to a pool of shipping here in Naples. Whether or not we can ever have the use of them again is problematical. Certainly, if we have to make an issue with those in charge of the pool each time we wish to have schooners make a trip to the North, it is inevitable that the foodstocks would fail to come through in sufficient time and in sufficient quantity for our vital needs.

6. When we started loading the schooners, we placed Finance Guards (Guardia di Finanza) on each. This is a normal function of Finance Guards who are responsible for the care of property in port areas. On or about 3 February 1944, Major Cate was informed by the officer he had placed in charge of the schooners that a number of British soldiers under an officer (Capt. Corwell) were being placed aboard without our knowledge and had assumed charge. It has been stated that this officer and these men are of the Royal Army Service Corps (RASC). It was further stated to us that these men were placed on the ships by order of Capt. Trevor, of the District Sea Transport Office (DSTO). We have ascertained that in some instances Finance Guards have been ordered out of their sleeping quarters, and last night, 16 February, two soldiers attempted to remove ship's equipment, and when opposed by the Captain, tried to force the guards to leave the ship. This has caused much illwill.

7. It is the writer's opinion that: (a) replacing of RASC personnel aboard these ships without so much as informing AMG as to what was contemplated, was highly irregular; (b) that our machinery for transporting food to Rome, which would have worked if let alone, is being wholly destroyed so that at present there is no means of transporting required food to the desired location at the necessary time; (c) that some responsibility rests on those who have destroyed our system - one that we set up because no other was in existence - to devise some other plan whereby our minimum amount of 300 tons daily of food supplies can be placed on the beachheads near Rome.

8. If those who have set aside the system we devised are unwilling to assume the task of delivering food, as above state, to the beachheads near Rome, that competent military authority be asked clearly to set forth a statements in writing, of responsibility, showing what should be done and by whom.

EDGAR ERSKINE HUME
Brigadier General, G.S.C.,
S.C.A., AMG Fifth Army.

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IMPORTANT SECRET CYPHER.

TO: DSTO ITALY (R) STLO NAPLES

FROM
FSTO MED.

YOUR 031516 FEBRUARY ROME FLOATING RESERVE.

1. UNLESS THESE VESSELS ARE CALLED FORWARD BEFORE 12 FEBRUARY THEY SHOULD BE DISCHARGED AND RETURNED TO NORTH AFRICA.
2. APPROVED MEDBO

T.O.O. 081530A

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SECRET IMPORTANT

TO PSTO MED (R) STLO NAPLES

FROM DSTO ITALY

AMG WISH TO HOLD LOCHEE, ULLA, ENRICO, ASTRA LOADED AT
NAPLES FOR ROME FLOATING RESERVE AS WELL AS ARSIA,
SAIVOR, EZILDA CROCE AND PELAGOSA.

THEY HAVE ALREADY 44 SCHOONERS LOADED FOR THIS PURPOSE.
MEDBO (ITALY) DO NOT AGREE THAT THE FOUR ADDITIONAL
COASTERS SHOULD AT THIS PERIOD BE IMMOBILISED.
ULLA AND ENRICO ARE ALREADY LOADED AT NAPLES FOR THIS
PURPOSE. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS.

T.O.O. 031516A

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CIPHER MESSAGE OUT

Date - 10 Feb 44 of Origin
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FROM PIAMBO

TO FREEDOM

INFO CG SOS NATOUA CG PB 5 ACMF

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U.S. SECRET (.) PSTO MED CABLED DSTO ITALY AS FOLLOWS
- QUOTE (1) YOUR 031516 FEB ROME FLOATING RESERVE
(1) UNLESS THESE VESSELS ARE CALLED FORWARD BEFORE 12TH
FEBRUARY THEY SHOULD BE DISCHARGED AND RETURNED TO NORTH
AFRICA (2) APPROVED MEDBO (.) END QUOTE (.) WE DO NOT
WISH TO UNLOAD THESE COASTERS AT DURO AND IS THIS TO BE
CONSIDERED AUTHORITY CANCELLING ARRANGEMENTS TO FEED ROME

Internal Dist: by USTN 10 Feb 44

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ACC
MEDBO
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NOTE TO CIPHER

P.B.S. sent by D.R.

HEADQUARTERS
AMG 5TH ARMY
Economics & Supply

To : C. G., AMG, 5th Army
From : Major Karl S. Cate, E & S., AMG, 5th Army
Subject : Unloading of Supplies Forward
Date : 12 February 1944

A. Statement.

1. Forty-two (42) schooners and eight (8) coasters have been allocated to this Division for Emergency Feeding of Rome.

2. Seven (7) coasters are loaded with 8687 tons of supplies; one (1) coaster cargo not yet specified.

Of the schooners,

35 are loaded with 1813 tons of supplies

2 are loading

4 are being repaired

1 is a small passenger ship.

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3. One schooner has delivered to a forward beach head 80 tons of flour and 7 tons of medical supplies, and is now being reloaded.

4. Draught of these schooners varies from 1.6 to 4 meters (5ft 3in. to 13 ft. 2 in.) The smaller ones can only make the run to Anzio or to the Tiber by hugging the shore; the larger ones only in moderate or calm weather. Twenty (20) schooners have draught of 8 ft. or less and might be able to run into the mouth of the Tiber; eight (8) schooners have draught from 8 ft. to 10 ft; 14 over 10ft.

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These larger vessels must wait for arrival of the small schooner fleet, which will be immediately unloaded at Ostia Seaplane Base (in the Tiber) at Fiumicino (canal) or at any other possible unloading point. As soon as the smaller schooners are unloaded, they will be kept on duty forward as lighters to unload the larger vessels.

4. Coasters and larger schooners will shuttle between Naples and forward unloading points.

5. This plan has three grave defects:

- a) Delay in moving slow small schooners forward.
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- c) Delay in unloading coasters until small schooners are unloaded and weather is good.
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C. Recommendations.

1. In view of the difficulties during the early critical days and the urgent need for getting supplies quickly to Rome, it is recommended:

- a) That Army and Navy be urgently requested to furnish ducks and other unloading craft suitable for the coasters or larger schooners as soon as they are at anchor.
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Karl S. Cate

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG 5TH ARMY
Economics & Supply

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KARL S. CATE
Major AUS
E & S., AMT 5th Army

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IBS FOR AMG REGION ONE FOR POLETTI

Four Ships have been despatched to Palermo by C in C.
They are loaded with supplies for ROME. These ships are only to be berthed in
PALERMO and no supplies on them should be unloaded or used.

SECRET

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