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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

11 April, 1944

In reply
refer to: PS/16/7/44

Subject : Philatelists.

To : R.C. & M.G. Section.

1. Reply appended from AFHQ MGS also concurs with action proposed in para 2 of letter of 16 March.

2. Action will therefore be taken by this Sub-Commission to implement paras 2 and 6 of the letter.

J.L. Henderson

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Colonel

Director, Telecommunications and Posts Sub-Commission

Incl: One letter.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

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9 April 1944

SUBJECT: Export of AM Stamps

TO : Colonel N. E. Fiske,
Deputy Executive Commissioner. ✓

1. Reference attached file.
2. At the present time there is no machinery whereby the foreign exchange proceeds of stamp exports could be collected. It is considered undesirable to attempt to create special machinery for this purpose.

F. H. Foley
Colonel,
Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

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Telecomm. & Info Sub. Commission

Please see above from which it would appear that the line of action as in para 2 of your letter 16 MAR. unless you have received different advice from AFAG. In the latter event would you add copy of such advice to this file

2381 (Duffin White)
Major G.
10 Apr. 44.

21 March

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To Finance Sub. Com —

Do you have any
Comments on
the letter in the file
attached, and Col.
Fiske's note?

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ROBERT E. DOB
MAJOR, A. G. D.

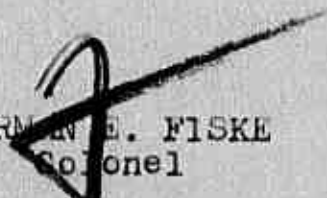
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NOTE:

Why does Telecommunications Subcommittee
(Repeat ~~Telecommunications~~ Sub.) correspond direct with M.G.S.?

The Chief Commissioner has said that the only cure for black market is adequate supply. The action proposed will restrict the supply of stamps available to sell philatelists and thus creating a black market in stamps. I see no objection to supplying the demand for stamps fully. Payment to be made in dollar or sterling exchange.


NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel

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MAR 1944
C.A. Br.
SHE/tj
MAR 1944

TO: Military Government Section, Allied Force Headquarters.

FROM: Telecommunications and Posts Sub-Commission.

SUBJECT: Philatelists - Applications for Stamps.

REFERENCE: RS/16/7/43 : 16th March, 1944.

1. A philatelist in Malta has written asking to be furnished, against payment, by postal order, with a supply of AMG postage stamps. The restoration of the international mail service opens up the way for the receipt by ACC and the Italian Postal Administration of further similar applications, and it is desired to settle the policy which shall be followed.
2. So far as this Headquarters is concerned, and in relation to the features of currency transmission and availability of stamp supplies, the inclination is definitely to return such applications with a statement to the effect that the circumstances do not at present permit of compliance.
3. On the other hand it is felt that the question should not be disposed of summarily, in view of the fact that even during the present time philatelic dealings are maintained in territories in which special war-time stamps have been issued (e.g. Tripolitania, and in view also of the world-wide recognition given by postal administration to the interests of the philatelic fraternity.
4. Such general relative information as is available here is contained in the accompanying copy of correspondence which was furnished semi-officially by the Controller of Posts, B.M.A., Tripolitania.
5. So far as the currency aspect is concerned it would apparently be practicable to bring sterling and dollar remittances to account, on the basis of the existing rate of exchange, but other currencies would not be readily convertible, or welcome.
6. Altogether the line of action indicated in para 2 seems to be the desirable one to take, and it is proposed to follow it unless AFHQ desire to modify it. The Italian Postal Administration would be expected to conform, so far as AMG stamps are concerned. They could be left to deal, as they see fit, with any applications which might come to hand for Italian stamps, provided that no large transfer of currency was concerned.

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17 MAR 1944
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Director, Telecommunications and Posts Sub-Commission.

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Copy to: Regional Control and Military Government section. ✓

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