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ACTIVITIES REPORT.

Shipping Sub-Commission.

February, 1944.

1. During the month under review the main points dealt with by this Sub-Commission have been -

(a) schooner control.

(b) Italian crew wages.

2. The registration of schooners within the whole area of Occupied Italy, Sicily and Sardinia as required by the C. in C., Mediterranean, has continued. 56 vessels of some 6400 deadweight tons having been added to the list. Registration and classification is continuing, and it is hoped may be well advanced by the end of March.

3. Regular meetings with the Comitato Italiano Gestione Navi were held during the month, when the questions of crews' wages, bonus, insurance, etc., of Italian vessels employed outside the Mediterranean area were discussed.

4. During the month a further advance of Lit.5,000,000 was made through the Deputy Ministry of War Transport Representative, Mediterranean, to the Comitato Italiano Gestione Navi to enable the Royal Italian Government to meet running expenses such as crew wages, stores, etc., of vessels requisitioned by them and placed at the disposal of the Allied C. in C..

for Chairman,
Shipping Sub-Commission.

14th March, 1944.

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FROM: Shipping Sub-Commission, 9, Via del Chiostro, Naples.

TO : Headquarters Allied Control Commission, Economic Section, A.F.O. 394.

DATE: 10th February, 1944.

Our refce. S.C.
Your " ES/17.

MONTHLY REPORTS.

With reference to your letter dated 9th February, 1944, attached is report of the Shipping Sub-Commission for the month of January, 1944.

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CHAIRMAN,
Shipping Sub-Commission.

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ACTIVITIES REPORT.

Shipping Sub-Commission.

January, 1944.

1. During the month under review this Sub-Commission has mainly been occupied with the formation of an effective control of Italian coasting schooners within the whole area of Occupied Italy, Sicily and Sardinia. As an initial step, in conjunction with MEDBO (Italy) a Schooner Committee has been set up to allocate vessels against demands which are presented through Internal Transportation Sub-Commission.

During January approximately 400 schooners have been classified and registered as required by C. in C., Mediterranean, and of these vessels have been allocated to carry approved cargoes amounting to approximately 4,000 tons, in addition to the tonnage loaded for the Rome reserve. Registration is continuing and should be completed shortly.

2. Regular meetings have been held with Comitato Armatoriale Italiano in connection with the employment terms and conditions of Italian ocean-going vessels, and the Sub-Commission is in touch with the Combined Shipping Adjustment Board through the Ministry of War Transport, London, on this subject. Charter Party terms are at present under discussion, but rates of hire have yet to be arranged in accordance with costs of ship operation, valuations and in the light of hire rates paid to other nationals.

3. To enable the Royal Italian Government to meet their obligations to crews of vessels requisitioned by them and placed at the disposal of the Allied Commander in Chief, it has been necessary to arrange through the Deputy Ministry of War Transport Representative, Mediterranean, to advance lire 10,000,000 to the Comitato Armatoriale Italiano to meet current running expenses. This advance and any other which may be made in future will be deducted from lire accrued when rates referred to in paragraph 2 above have been settled.

4. The Sub-Commission has been instrumental in the rehabilitation of the services of the Capitaneria di Porto.

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