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ALLIED FORCE
CENTRAL ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
APO 400

16 January 1944

SUBJECT: Supplies of Fish for Military Hospitals.

TO : Lt. Colonel HENDERSON.

1. There are at present 5 British General Hospitals and 2 C.R.F. (Convalescent) Centers in the Naples area.
2. The weekly fish requirements of these hospitals are 2½ tons, calculated on a basis of 650 pounds per week per 1000 patients. Grade I fish are required (White meat non-oily).
3. Present supplies to these hospitals is said to be adequate but with the addition of two proposed hospitals purchases must be increased.
4. The recent establishment of a fish market under the control of Region III AMG should facilitate the purchases mentioned above.
5. American hospitals purchase no local fish at present.
6. This office will check the matter from time to time.

O. W. HERRMANN
Lt. Col. A.U.S.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS, CENTRAL ECONOMIC COMMITTEE, 16 January 1944.

TO: ALLIED FORCE, Local Resources (Italian) Board.

1. With reference to basic communication dated 15 January 1944. It is recommended that 140 tons of hemp be allocated to the Sicilian Tuna Industry as requested by Headquarters, AMG in a letter dated 7 January 1944.

2. Enclosed is a copy of the original letter "Requirements for the tuna fishing industry" under date of 2 December 1943. AMG Region I (Sicily) is supplying all items requested in that letter except the hemp mentioned above. The tuna industry has adequate stocks of tin plate and other supplies on hand to process the 1944 catch.

3. With 140 tons of hemp it is estimated that the Sicilian tuna industry can supply 7,000,000 pounds of needed food during the coming season which begins in April.

For the Committee:

A. I. HENDERSON
Lt. Col., A.U.S.
Chief Executive
Central Economic Committee

Incl:

- 1- Ltr., "Requirements for the
Tuna Fishing Industry",
2 December 1943.

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ALLIED FORCE
CENTRAL ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
APO 800

TO THE LOCAL RESOURCES BOARD THROUGH THE C.E.C.

reference

With to the letter AMQ/5056/IC dated 7th January 1944. subject
"Hemp - Fishing Industry, Sicily", within about 10 days we will
be in a position to supply about 140 tons of reasonably good Hemp
for shipment to Sicily.

This baled-up hemp will require to be transported from our warehouses
at Frattamaggiore, Caserta and Aversa for shipment, and arrangements
will require to be made accordingly.

AMMASO PROVINCIALE CANAPA
NAPOLI
(Controllato dal Governo Militare Alleato)
/s/ A.S. PACKHOUSE

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COMMITTEE FOR HERRALL

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(BY ELS FROM ANG 15 ARMY GROUP)

FROM ANG 15 ARMY GROUP

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TOTAL 70 QUINTALS PER DAY . B A R I

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Col Henderson
See Notes below.
Hospital supplies
being checked by
Capt Potter. Will report
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10 Jan 44

CENTRAL ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
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TO: _____ 19/44
INITIALS _____

_____ Lt. Col. Henderson	_____
_____ Lt. Col. Merrill	_____
_____ Lt. Col. Legg	_____
_____ Lt. Col. Reiter	_____
① _____ Lt. Col. Herrmann	_____
_____ Major Smallwood	_____
_____ Major Todd	_____
_____ Capt. Plummer	_____
_____ Capt. Northland	_____
_____ Capt. Curran	_____
_____ Capt. Morse	_____
_____ Capt. Austin	_____
_____ Lt. Shanley	_____

_____ Sgt. Collins

FOR: _____

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_____ See me, with all info.

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_____ Circulate to All.

_____ Prepare reply, my signature.

REMARKS:

① Any report yet?

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OR TELEPRINTER MESSAGE IN

TO: 0453
TO: JAN 44

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Col Legg

Col Marshall

FROM: 2 AND 3000 2 PROVINCE

TO: 2 AND 10TH ARMY GROUP AND REGION 4 ADVANCE TO: 1453

INFO: 10: 0023

TOP: 0110A/11

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WHOLE OF PRESENT CATCH OF FISH IS BEING CONSUMED WITH FOOD
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AFHQ Local Resources (Italian) Board.

Sub-Committee appointed
by
Control of Wages Sub-Committee 21 Nov. 43.

Interim Report
27 Nov. 43

1. The following items on the Agenda placed before the Control of Wages Sub-Committee were referred to this sub-committee:- Items 1; 2; 3 (a); 3 (b); 6 and 7.

2. The Sub-Committee comprises Lt. Col. W. E. Lyde ADL (Civil) AFHQ AAE (Chairman) Col. Bain, Captain D. Morse, Acc, Lt. Col. I. A. Lex P. B. S. and Major W. E. S. Miller DMOL (Civil) AFHQ AAE (Secretary).

3. Progress with items on the Agenda is as follows:-

Item 1. Basic wages at present being paid by allied organizations to Italian Civil laborers have been revised.

Item 2. Allied rates of pay have been compared with those at present in force for the employees of Civil Authorities and contractors.

Item 3 (a) Recommendations for hours of work

HEADQUARTERS,
REGION 3, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT.
APO 464, U.S. Army.

TO: Lt. Col. Henderson,
Chief Executive,
Central Economic Committee,
APO 400.

1 January, 1944.

Reference your letter dated 29 December, 1943.

Comments are as follows:

1. GENERAL.

There is no doubt at all that purchase direct or indirect by Allied troops has been a major cause in the excessively high price of fish up to the present.

Owing to the recent restrictions on troops entering Naples, however, this condition will for the time being be somewhat ameliorated.

(a) Purchase by Troops. While obviously desirable, on behalf of the civilian population, to prevent purchase of fish by Allied Forces, it is going to be far from easy to enforce an order of this kind to judge from previous experience in potatoes and meat.

(b) Restaurants. Unless Allied Forces are prevented altogether from frequenting restaurants, it seems undesirable to prevent fish being sold in them. The supply of meat is just as much, or perhaps more of a problem than fish.

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Carl A. Kralge
CARL A. KRALGE,
Lt; Col., SC
RCAO, Region III.

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HEADQUARTERS,
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GARY A. MARBLE,
Lt. Col., SC
HQAO, Region III.

CENTRAL ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
APO 400

Amended

29 December 1943

SUBJECT: Fish in the Naples Area.

TO: R. C. A. O., A. M. G. Region III.

1. A proposal is under consideration to forbid:
 - a. the purchase of fish in the Naples Area by troops,
 - b. the sale of fish in restaurants.
2. Your comments on this proposal are requested, with such supporting information as you may have available.
3. Any other recommendations which you may have on the control of the fish supply, prices, etc., should be included.
4. Your reply must reach this office before the close of business on 2 January 1944.

For the Committee:

C. I. Henderson

A. I. HENDERSON,
Lt. Col., A. U. S.,
Chief Executive,
Central Economic Committee.

Copy to:
AMG 15th Army Group.

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HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 464, U.S. ARMY

22nd December, 1943.

SUBJECT: Control of Fish Market -

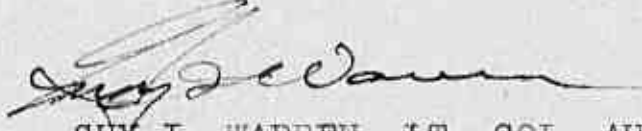
TO : Lt. Col. Carl A. Kraege.

1. Attached hereto find report on the marketing of fish.

2. In view of the fact that the fishing season is practically over, and that the fish entering the market cannot have a significant effect on the general food situation, and considering the fact that a general control plan covering the distribution of all foodstuffs is now being worked out, it is my opinion that the proposed plan suggested in the memorandum does not merit a high priority in so far as the assignment of work in this office is concerned.

3. It is recommended that the Prefect of Naples Province be authorized to proceed along the lines set forth in the memorandum with the assurance that this office will back any reasonable proposal, and that he be informed that at the present time there is not available an AMG Officer who will be able to devote his efforts exclusively to this particular problem.

CE/sc.


GUY I. WARREN, LT. COL. AUS.
Director of Economics &
Supply Division, Region 3.

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HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 464, U.S. ARMY

22nd December, 1943.

SUBJECT: FISH MARKETS.

TO : Lt. Col. Guy I. Warren, Director of Economics &
Supply Division, Region 3.

1. Pursuant to your oral directive of 20th Dec. 43, a study of the fishing situation in the Naples area is being made with a view to establishing control of the fish market.

2. On 21st Dec. 43 a meeting with several fishing experts was held from whom it was ascertained:-

*Very much doubt of
fully representative* a) That the present daily catch of fish does not exceed 75 quintals.

b) That the fishing season extends from April to December but that in the off season the daily catch may equal the present figure.

Agreed c) That all fish is now being sold on the black market at a price ranging from 250-300 lire per kilogram, as compared with normal price of 45-50 lire.

*Must be less than in
earn* *Agreed* d) That no mechanism exists for price control.

3. At this meeting a plan was proposed by the undersigned officer for the purpose of stimulating consideration of the many problems. Its chief points were:-

- (a) The creation of a Fish Control Commission by the Prefect of Naples Province, composed of representatives of the various interests involved, and authorized to, (1) license fishermen and fish distributors, (2) designate piers in the Naples Area at which fish must be unloaded, (3) appoint weighers and checkers to record every catch, and to route the fish to the retail outlets, (4) establish four or five retail fish markets to service

(1) Already done by R. Navy

(2) Agreed

(3) Ditto

*(4) Think done at least 2
enough for Naples etc.*

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various Neopolitan areas, (5) appoint checkers to check the fish delivered at these retail markets, (6) set the maximum amount each consumer may purchase per week (if further control is necessary pasta cards may be used for rationing) and, (7) establish prices.

4. The experts at the conference agreed in general to the plan, selected certain unloading piers and made recommendations for the personnel of the proposed Commission. However, the City Attorney, Palermo, disagreed to certain features of the plan, as follows:-

- a) He argued for the establishment of one wholesale market from which the fish would flow to 130 retail outlets (in my opinion this would dangerously diminish the chance of effective price control).
- b) He argued that rationing was impossible and should not be attempted (in my opinion rationing must be effected, otherwise black market paddlers will buy up the fish before the consumer can get to the counter).

5. It was the consensus of opinion that the fish entering the Naples market is insufficient in amount to constitute a very important factor in the overall food situation (each person could be allowed to buy only enough fish for one meal per week). However, with the advent of the regular fishing season in April, it will be advisable to have an operation some mechanism by which prices can be controlled, and this, it was agreed, is a propitious time to start. Furthermore, as an argument for immediate action, it is likely that the establishment of price control of one food commodity will act as a depressant on other food prices.

6. On 22nd Dec. 43 a conference was held with Lt. Col. Werner who has had some experience with the black market problem. It was his opinion that Palermo's exceptions to the proposed plan are not well taken.

7. It is recommended that the Prefect of Naples Province be urged to appoint a Fish Control Commission, authorized and

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directed to follow through on the proposed plan or any other plan which will achieve the desired results.

Carl Eardley
Captain Carl Eardley,
Control Officer.

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Lt. Col. Guy I. Warren, AUS.
Director of Economics &
Supply Division, Region 3.

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CENTRAL ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
APO 400

29 December 1943

SUBJECT: Fish in the Haglan Area.

TO: Chief, Headquarters AMG.
Attn.: Agriculture Sub-Commission.

1. A proposal (a.) to forbid the purchase of fish in the market by troops and
(b.) to forbid the sale of fish in restaurants
is under consideration.

2. The recommendations of the Region III authorities are being sought. In addition your comments on this proposal are requested. These comments should be accompanied by such supply information as may be available.

3. Any other recommendations which you may wish to make regarding the control of the fish market, prices, etc., should be included.

4. This report must be delivered to this office not later than 2 January 1944.

For the Committee:

A. I. HENDERSON,
Lt. Col., A. U. S.,
Chief Executive,
Central Economic Committee.

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CENTRAL ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
APO 400

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Lt. Col., A. U. S.,
Chief Executive,
Central Economic Committee.

Copy to:
AMG 15th Army Group.

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Appendix F

HEADQUARTERS
ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES
Agriculture Sub-Commission
APO 312

2 December 1943

SUBJECT: Requirements for the tuna fishing industry.

TO : Acting Director, Agriculture Sub-Commission.

1. Tuna around the Sicilian coast produce approximately 7,000,000 pounds of tuna fish annually. This harvest which is made by 25 thousand off of Palermo, Messina, Syracuse, Catania, and at Favignana and Marsala occurs from April to June. Almost all of the product is canned in olive oil.

2. The tuna fishing industry needs now immediately the following if it is to operate next season:

- a. 147 tons of Manila or hemp (140) on average of 7 tons per tonnera.
- b. 34 tons of rope -- an average of 7 tons per tonnera.
- c. 80 tons of flexible galvanized steel cables, an average of 1.5 tons 3/8" to 5/8" diameter -- extra strong, per tonnera.
- d. 184 tons of cork or an average of 8.9 tons per tonnera.
- e. 462 tons of olive oil or 23 tons per each packing plant.

3. Manila or hemp can be secured in the Philippines according to those interviewed. They believe the Japanese were driven out before they could touch this year's crop of hemp and, therefore, it should be available. It is most important that it be secured at the earliest possible moment so that the huge tonnera nets can be put in shape for April. It takes several months to do this, since the hemp is brought here to be rolled into rope.

4. The cork can be secured in Sicily but transportation must be made available. Most of the stock is located in a region from Sant'Agata to Santa Stefano.

5. The olive oil should be assigned to the plants now, since the harvesting of olives is currently under way. This would

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The only item
we are
interested in ✓
This is
being handled
through
Region I

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6. Rafts in of utmost importance and an assignment in the quantities needed should be secured immediately.

7. The steel cables needed for the operation of the tonnars could probably be secured from salvaged or second hand stocks at U. S. Naval bases.

General Comments

8. The precise location of the tonnars are as follows:

a. Trapani, Palermo, Mondello, Arca, Capo d'Orlando, Castelluzzo, Scopello e Scauro, Lido, Scoglitti, San Cusimano.

9. Two tonnars at the Island of Favignana and Formica.

10. One at Sicilian (Mardinello) and another at Catania.

Discussion

11. A tonnara is composed of a series of nets placed off the coast along the route which the school of fish normally follow. The long nets are lowered in such a way that the fish, which swim along on the surface of the star, are lead into path which take them to a vast square where they become finally trapped and taken.

12. The requirements cited in this report apply only to tuna fishing. An overall report for the fishing industry as a whole will follow as soon as the survey of the occupied areas is completed.

13. This report is filed at this time because it is absolutely imperative that the needs of the tonnars be ascertained so as to be ready for operation in April. Much of the time needed here can be sent to areas in Continental Italy where food shortages are even more acute.

14. The figures used in this report are completely reliable. They were derived from owners and operators of tonnars and packing plants who control more than 50% of the tonnars in Sicilian waters. This group included Prince Federico, Commendatore Massimo Isontino and Dr. Vito Federa who also own extensive interests in the tonnars in Tripoli.

15. There is on hand a reasonable stock of new empty tin cans and it appears that a large quantity of used tin cans is being salvaged.

16. Prince Federico will act as spokesman for the tuna fishing industry.

W.A. RABBIT 3080
Comdr., USCGH
Fisheries Sub-Division
Agriculture Sub-Comm.

HEADQUARTERS
ARMED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
Agriculture Sub-Commission
APO 513

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2 December 1944

SUBJECT: Fisheries Requirements

TO : Director, Industry and Commerce Sub-Commission

1. To continue to function, the fishing fleet of Sicily and Region II need the attached list of materials.

2. Your attention is particularly called to cotton of the various sizes for repairing and making nets. None has been available for 4 years. The black market price is 2000 to 3000 liras per kilo. The nets have been kept patched by various engines as long as until the end has about been reached. The life of a sardine net is at about 4 years - each boat has about 5 nets.

3. Sailcloth is in the same position as twine and only secondary in importance. The sailing fleet should be given every encouragement. They require no fuel and they have no irreplaceable engines to wear out. The motor driven fleet (a engines are worn out beyond the availability of spare parts and they will increasingly go out of commission).

4. Fishermen can and will make their own hemp lines if raw hemp is provided from Naples. A lot of rope is also re-made from old Navy and merchant marine worn stocks which should be diverted into fishermen channels. The Navy had already been so requested.

5. These quantities have been obtained from records of past purchases as well as from a survey of the parts covered. They are accurate and conservative and will be immediately absorbed by current needs.

6. They do not cover the needs of the tuna industry which is covered by letter of 21 November 1943 copy of which is attached for convenience.

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W/A/ BARTMAN
Major
Acting Director
Agriculture Sub-Comm.

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Immediate requirements for repair existing gear and keep in condition the 14,676 fishing vessels in Region I and Region II (Region II is taken as Puglia, Calabria and Lucania)

II. Cotton requirements 480,000 kg in Region I and 992,500 in Region II. The lines should be of the following sizes and amounts.

25% in size 40
25% sizes 16 to 40
25% sizes 12 to 16
15% sizes 10 and 11
15% sizes 5 to 9

Some Sicilian cotton is available in Palermo but spinning facilities are lacking.

A survey of the Salerno area reveals the following:

That the first Cottonseed Machine will be ready for operation by January 1, 1944 and is equipped with spinning facilities.

That four other firms, Bispoli Alfonso, Beldi Vincenzo and Lamberti Alfredo will be ready to operate within 30 to 60 days.

Wool - 410,000 kg for Region I and 160,400 for Region II. Raw hemp is not available in the Naples area and specifically at Brattinagione the largest hemp producing region in Italy. A survey of the Naples area reveals that the entire hemp industry is being reorganized under the Naval Flag Officer for Western Italy. It is estimated that the 1943 production, which is now being harvested, will be approximately 15,000,000 lbs. In addition there is on hand in warehouses in Naples raw is of 401,400 kg of hemp. If the raw hemp is shipped here it can be locally manufactured by hand into rope. The sizes required are equal quantities of Nos. 16, 5, 30 and 60.

Waste - 4,132,000 kg in Region I and 2,112,000 kg in Region II required annually. This figure is based on 200 gr per horse power per hour operated 6 hours per day, 300 days per month. (Waste should not be furnished any vessel unable to average 3 tons of fish for 1 ton of fuel.)

Sailcloth - 233,850 meters in Region I and 125,200 meters in Region II. No. 2 but any available medium to light weight American sail cloth assorted weights will do.

Preservatives and Paint - 151,000 kg in Region I and 117,000 kg in Region II. (40% for paint and 60% for preservatives)

Hemp - 419,000 kg for Region I and 168,440 for Region II. Raw hemp is not available in the various areas and especially at Brattasögire, the largest hemp producing region in Italy. A survey of the Naples area reveals that the entire hemp industry is being reorganized under the Naval flag officer for eastern Italy. It is estimated that the 1943 production, which is now being harvested, will be approximately 15,000,000 lbs. In addition there is in hand in warehouses in Naples over 601,000 kg of raw hemp. If the raw hemp is shipped here it can be locally manufactured by hand into rope. The sizes required are equal quantities of Nos. 16, 15, 13 and 60.

Waste - 4,122,000 kg in Region I and 2,112,000 kg in Region II required annually. This figure is based on 200 gr per horse power per hour operated 8 hours per day, 24 days per month. (Waste should not be furnished any vessel unable to average 3 tons of fish for 1 ton of fuel.)

Sailcloth - 225,000 meters in Region I and 155,200 meters in Region II, No. 2 but any available medium to light weight American sail cloth assorted weights will do.

Preservatives and Paint - 101,000 kg in Region I and 117,000 kg in Region II (80 kg for 100 boats and 20 kg for others) 50% medium to light coal tar, 50% sized paint assorted colors.

Fish Hooks - 16,528 gross in Region I and 6,177 gross in Region II. These to be 4 sizes 6, 9, and 10 - 40% sizes 16, 17, and 18 - 20% assorted. Figured 700 hooks to the vessels using this method. They use long lines, 3 to 4 hooks per line and make seasonal changes in sizes and quantities.

These requirements are desired for shipment to Salerno.

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