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220.12 - Axis Diplomats Interned
AT TAORMINA (5686)
August 1944 - August 1945 (5783)

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THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
TO HIS HOLINESS THE POPE

2, via Boncompagni, Rome.

July 5, 1945.

Dear Captain Neuburg:

The following is the list of the German diplomats and their families together with the Chief Clerk (Chancellor) and the private Secretary of the Ambassador:

H.E. Baron Ernest von Weizsaecker, German Ambassador to the Holy See
H.E. Baroness von Weizsaecker, wife of the Ambassador
Mr. Albrecht von Kessel, Counsellor
Baron Sigismund von Braun, Secretary
Baroness von Braun
Two children
Mr. Bruno Buyna, Chief Clerk (Chancellor)
Miss Charlotte Rahlke, private secretary

I have just checked with the Vatican and am assured by the latter that the list is complete. The Vatican also assures me that no domestic servants of German nationality are employed by the persons appearing on the list.

Baroness von Braun, I understand, has two very young children and might conceivably request the attendance of an Italian nurse or nurse of another non-German nationality. However, this is just a guess on my part, as she may not need one at all.

Sincerely yours,

Harold H. Tittmann

Harold H. Tittmann
Assistant to the Honorable Myron C. Taylor

Captain W. B. Neuburg,
Liaison Division,
Headquarters Allied Commission,
Rome.

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JULY 050915B
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5 ARMY, G-5 FOR HUMB CITE OUR F 268.
HQ ALCOM

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Axis diplomats at TAORMINA is subject. Ref your cable 2749 dated 2 July.

BOLOGNA airport is most accessible to SAISONAGGIORE internment Hotel. We must have fully 24 hours notice prior to arrival in order to arrange transport from BOLOGNA. A nominal roll in duplicate showing name, former position and all details of family if in ITALY to accompany the group. In view of FK 17387 from AFHQ suggest that ELLINE be dropped at ROME. Advise if this is possible.

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M/O Note.

2749 is actually 5 ARMY cable of 17 June. ALCOM signal of 2 July is 1038.

HEADQUARTERS
6 JUL 1945
A. B.

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Info - Chief Commissioner
Liaison Div
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File 2
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SECRET

6 July ✓
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AMG FIFTH ARMY

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2 JULY 1945

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SECRET PD

PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS MOVEMENT OF AXIS DIPLOMATS FROM TAORHINA TO SALCOMAGLIONE PD
PARIN TO AMG FIFTH ARMY FROM HQ ALCOM CITE AGEX/PARIN

PARA TWO PD REFERENCE IS YOUR SIGNAL TWO SEVEN FOUR NINE OF ONE SEVEN JUNE PD

PARA THREE PD NOMINAL ROLL IS CIN WOHLERWEGER EDVIG CMA GERMAN SOIN BRICK CARL
CMA GERMAN SOIN EDLING GEORGE CMA GERMAN SOIN VON SPITZEL COUNT CMA GERMAN SOIN
EDLING WALTER CMA GERMAN SOIN HAIN 1925 CMA GERMAN SOIN VOIGTJONASCHES HECHETTE

CMA GERMAN SOIN GRAY MARIANNE CMA GERMAN SOIN GATHER VONDER JOHANNES CMA GERMAN
SOIN ANIERE REITEROLD CMA GERMAN SOIN MESNER PHILIPPE CMA GERMAN SOIN THIN HEINRICH
COUNT CMA AUSTRIAN SOIN THIN INNA COUNTESS CMA AUSTRIAN SOIN ROMAN FRIDA CMA
ROMANIAN PD

PARA FOUR PD PLEASE DESIGNATE AIRFIELD AT WHICH AIR LEFT ARRANGED BY TRANSPORTATION
SUB COMMISSION HQ ALCOM IS TO TERMINATE PD

PARA FIVE PD ~~XXXXXXXX~~ REQUEST YOU TO FURNISH TRANSPORT AND ESCORT FROM AIRFIELD
TO FINAL DESTINATION

Copy to Transportation Sub-Commission, HQ. Alcom
Attn: Major Stolt-Gardner

Liaison Division

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Officer in Charge

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WHE/mof

Ref: 220.12/EC(6)

2 July 1945

SUBJECT: Movement of Axis Diplomats

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission
attn: Lt. Colonel C.H. Christensen

1. Reference is made to your LC/BL/27/m.3 of 30 June,
subject as above.

2. According to WHQ authority, letter no. 091.112-75 of
14 June, (copy enclosed), movement of Axis diplomats from Tacumina
to Reisonaggiore is reinstituted.

Officer in Charge
Madison Division

1 Encl: as in para 2 above.

Copies to: ~~Executive Commission's Office~~
Supply Division, Economic Section
Director, Transportation Sub-Commission

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

CSG/gs

Our Ref :- AC/84/27/Tn.3.

30 June 1945

SUBJECT :- Movement of Axis Diplomats.

TO :- Liaison Division
(Attn. Capt. Newberg.)

1. Reference is made to this office letter AC/84/24/Tn.3. dated 27 June 1945 and to telephone conversation of this morning, Capt Newberg - Capt. Gower.

2. It is now understood that all arrangements for this movement are being made by A.F.H.Q. and that no further action is required on the part of this Sub-Commission.

For the Director :-



C.N. CHRISTENSEN
Lt. Col.

Copy to : Executive Commissioners Office
Supply Division, Economic Section
Director Tn. S/C

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: LO/CAT/32
Date/Time of Origin: JUL 01NFT

Message Centre No: E/7641
Date Time Rec'd: JUL 011710B
Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: ALCOM LO CATANIA
TO : ACTION HQ ALCOM FOR EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER

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1. Subject is Axis diplomats.
2. Reference your signal 864 dated 25 June.
3. WOLLENWEBER LUDVIG, German, BRINK CARL, German ELLING GEORGE, German, VON SPIEGEL COUNT, German, EHLLING WALTER, German, HAHN MRS, German VOIGTJOHANNES HENRIETTE, German GRAFF MARLANNE, German, GATHEN VONDER JOHANNES, German, ANDERS REINHOLD, German MESSNER PHILLIFE, German, THUN HEINRICH COUNT, Austrian, THUN ER NA COUNTESS, Austrian, ROMAN HORIA, Rumanian.
4. All adults.



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ACTION: Liaison Div
INFO: Chief Commissioner
Ex Commissioner 2
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2 July ✓
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ALCOM LO CATANIA

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29 JUNE 1945

PRIORITY

SECRET PD

PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS AXIS DIPLOMATS

PARM TO ALCOM LO CATANIA FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACHUK PARM

PARA TWO PD REFERENCE IS OUR NINE NINE ZERO TWO OF ONE SIX JUNE PD

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ABLE TARE SLANT THREE TWO OF ONE EIGHT JUNE PD

PARA THREE PD REQUEST SOCIETY NOMINAL ROLL ALL NOT ALL PERSONNEL

AT ZACHINA INCLUDING CHILDREN CMA SERVANTS CMA ETC SOIN NAMING

NATIONALITY OF EACH

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Liaison Division

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Officer-in-Charge

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Ref: 220.12/EC(L)

26 June 1945

SUBJECT: Axis Diplomats - Taormina (Sicily)

TO : Col. Walton
Chief Supply Division, A.C.

1. Verbal request, this date, is being complied with, by following nominal roll of Axis Diplomats, now interned at TAORMINA Sicily:-

2. Chancellor Karl Gustav Wollenweber
Mr. Georg Elling
Mr. Horia Roman
Mrs. Hahn (widow of deceased Consul Johannes Hahn)
Consul General Baron von Spiegel
Consul Count Heinrich Thun
Countess Thun
Mr. Walter Ehling
Mr. Johannes Vonder Gathen
Mr. Philip Maissner
Mr. Reinhold Anders
Miss Henriette Voigtjohannes
Miss Marianne Graf
Mr. Karl Brink

3. Location appointed for above : Salsomaggiore (30 Km from Parma), Hotel Valentine.

2 copies to Ex Com. office

Officer in Charge
Liaison Division 7

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4 INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

LIAISON

Originator's Reference: LO/CAT/32

Message Centre No: E/5592

Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 18 NPT

Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 18 1830B

Precedence: IMPORTANT

FROM: ALCOM LO CATANIA

TO : HQ ALCOM FOR EXEC COMMISSIONER

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED

Subject is German diplomats at TAORMINA. Ref signal Nr 9902 dated 16 June.

1. Diplomats, ^{GUSTAV}WOLLENWEBER LUDWIG, BRINK CARL, ELLING GEORG.
2. Household, HAHN Mrs, THUN Countess, VOIGTJOHANNES HENRIETTE.
3. Staff, GRAFF MARIANNE, GATHEN VONDER JOHANNES, ANDERS REINHOLD, MEISSNER PHILIPPE.

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Info - Chief Commissioner
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HEADQUARTERS
10 JUN 1945
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Action taken
on 655778/EC

19 June ✓
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ALCOM LO CATANIA

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16 JUNE 1945

ROUTINE

RESTRICTED ID

PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS GERMAN DIPLOMAT AT TACOMINA PD

PARISH TO ALCOM LO CATANIA FROM HQ ALCOM CITE AGING PARISH

PARA TWO PD PLEASE ADVISE LEAST DELAY HALSS GERMAN INTERVIEW CIA
GERMAN ONLY CIA NOT AT TACOMINA CIA INCLUDING CIA IF POSSIBLE CIA
STAFF OR HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS

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Liaison Division
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27 JUNE 1945

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PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS AXIS DELEGATES TO REFERENCE IN OUR SIGNAL
SIX NINE FIVE OF THIS DATE PD

PARCEL TO ALCOH LO CANTINA FROM HQ ALCOH CITY ALCOH PAREN

PARA TWO PD REQUIRED IN PRECISE TOTAL BY WEIGHT AND PIECES OF
PACKAGE OF AXES DELEGATES AT TACUANA

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Liaison Division

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Officer-in-Charge

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ALCOM LO CATANIA

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27 JUNE 1945

PRIORITY

SECRET PD

PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS AXIS DIPLOMATE

PARAH TO ALCOM LO CATANIA FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACXKX PARAH

PARA TWO PD PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST APPROXIMATE TOTAL AMOUNT BY WEIGHT
OF BAGGAGE OF AXIS DIPLOMATE NOW AT TAORMINA

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Officer-in-Charge

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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APO 394

Tel. 478303 Transportation Sub-Commission CSG/tp

Our Ref. : AC/84/24/TN3 27 June 1945

SUBJECT : Axis Diplomats - TAORMINA (SICILY).

TO : Liaison Division.
(Attention Capt. Newberg).

- I. This letter confirms telephone conversation of this morning Major Stait-Gardner/Capt. Newberg.
2. Reference is made to para. 4 of Economic Section letter ES/I. 2I dated 26 June 1945 (not to you) in which it is stated that there is a group of Axis diplomats at TAORMINA whose movement to MONTECATINI is required. (Details available from Capt. Newberg - Liaison Branch). This matter has been referred to this S/C for action.
3. As pointed out to Capt. Newberg on the phone this morning, in order to enable arrangements to be made for this movement the following information is required:-
- (a) Names of individuals to be moved.
 - (b) Address of location in TAORMINA at which *Guards released* they may be contacted and from which they *will require* will require transport to Airfield.
 - (c) Destination - giving address.

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- (b) Address of location in TAORMINA at which they may be contacted and from which they will require transport to Airfield.
- (c) Destination - giving address.
- (d) Has this movement been cleared with I5 Army Gp.?
- (e) What arrangements have been made for escorts; how many escorts are accompanying?
- (f) Weight of baggage to accompany individuals.
- (g) Weight of baggage to follow . 60 New 900 kg
- (h) Date when movement is desired.
- (i) Who will individuals be handed over to on arrival.

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 Liberty. 24/6.

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4. The information asked for in 3 (a) and 3 (c) above has now been received from you and it is requested that the other particulars called for be supplied as urgently as you consider the circumstances warrant in order that the necessary action may be taken by this Sub-Commission.

5. Referring to para. 3 (c) above it is noted that destination is now changed to :-
Hotel Valentine
SALSOMAGGIORE. (30 Km. from PARMA).

For the Director.



C.N. CHRISTENSEN,
Lt. Colonel.

Copy to : Executive Commissioners Office.
Supply Division, Economic Section.
Director, Tn. Sub-Comm.

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C.N. CHRISTENSEN,
Lt. Colonel.

Copy to : Executive Commissioners Office.
Supply Division, Economic Section.
Director, Tn. Sub-Comm.

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Ref: 220.12/EO(L)

27 August 1945

Dear Mrs. Roman:

In reference to your inquiries as to periodically sending sums of money to your husband, Mr. Horia Roman, I have been instructed to inform you that there would be no restriction on any reasonable sum of money sent your husband if transmitted through the Banca d'Italia or any other bank which has a branch at his present location.

Sincerely yours,

W.B. NEUBURG
Captain

Mrs. Tessa ROMAN
No. 1 Via Aurelia
Rome

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION.

VES/jc

DPR/10-44/RW

Tel: 478381

26 August 1945.

SUBJECT : Interned Diplomat - Horia ROMAN.

TO : Liaison Division, Allied Commission.

1. Reference your 220-12/EC(L) of 8 August 1945.
2. I am instructed to inform you that the money referred to may be transmitted through the Banca D'Italia or any other bank which has a branch in SALSOMAGGIORE.
3. There would be no restriction on any reasonable sum of money being sent to Mr. Horia Roman periodically.

For the Director.

V.E. SIMCOCK
Major G-II

27 Aug. ✓
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Tessa Roman
Via Aurelia 139

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Ref: 220.12/EC(L)

8 August 1945

SUBJECT: Interned Diplomat - Horia Roman

TO : Displaced Persons and Registration Sub-Commission

1. Further to our 220.12/EC(L) of 7 August 1945.
2. Verbal request has been made periodically to send reasonable sums of money to Mr. Horia Roman, Romanian interned at Salsomaggiore.
3. Money will be furnished, as preferred, by Mr. Scortzenon, Romanian Minister to the Holy See, Rome, or by Wife of Mr. Roman, Via Aurelia 1, Rome.
4. May this request, if considered appropriate, please be taken under consideration.

Officer-in-Charge
Liaison Division

220.12

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Translation

Roumanian Legation

n. 160 R/29

Memorandum

At the time of the arrival of the Allied Military Forces in Rome, Mr. Florin ROMAN was attache to the Roumanian Legation to the Holy See. The Secretariat of State of the Vatican having told the above mentioned Rumanian Legation that it could house three of its members only, Mr. Roman was interned, because of the regulations of the competent Allied Authorities, in Taormina, where he is still.

The diplomatic function of Mr Roman having come to an end a few months ago, the Royal Legation of Rumania to the Quirinal, begs the Allied Commission to give the necessary authorization to allow Mr. Roman to return to Rome, to join his wife and child. Mrs Roman, born Foschiatti, is Italian, her family is in Italy and she has been a functionary of this Legation for several years.

The Royal Legation thanks the Allied Commission for all it will deem advisable to do, and sends the expression of its high consideration.

Rome, 18 May 1945

To the Allied Commission
R o m e

e.c.

19 May ✓
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LEGATIUNEA REGALĂ A ROMÂNIEI
LA ROMA

N° 160 R/29

AIDE - MEMOIRE

A l'époque de l'arrivée des Forces Militaires Alliées à Rome, Monsieur Horia ROMAN se trouvait en qualité d'Attaché de la Légation de Roumanie près le Saint-Siège. La Secrétaire d'Etat du Vatican ayant communiqué à la Légation de Roumanie susmentionnée qu'elle pouvait hospitaliser seulement trois de ses membres, Monsieur Roman a été interné, à la suite des dispositions des Autorités compétentes Alliées, à Taormina, où il se trouve encore actuellement.

La fonction diplomatique de Monsieur Roman ayant cessé depuis quelques mois, la Légation Royale de Roumanie près le Quirinal prie la Commission Alliée de bien vouloir donner l'autorisation nécessaire afin que Monsieur Roman retourne à Rome reprendre sa vie de famille auprès de sa femme et de son enfant. Madame Roman, née Foschiatti, est italienne, a sa famille en Italie et est fonctionnaire de cette Légation depuis des années.

La Légation Royale remercie d'avance la Commission Alliée de tout se qu'elle voudra bien faire en faveur de Monsieur Roman et saisit cette occasion pour renouveler les assurances de sa haute considération.

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Rome le 18 Mai 1945



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A LA COMMISSION ALLIEE

R O M E

19 May 1945
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
POLITICAL SECTION

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Ref 220.1

23 November 1944

SUBJECT: Diplomat Mr. Horia ROMAN.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Sicilia Region, APO 394.

1. Reference is made to Allied Commission, Eastern Sicily letter CAT/222 of 11 November, forwarded to the Political Section by your 1st endorsement 091.112 on 13 November.

2. The Political Section has been informed by Allied Force Headquarters that it is impossible to alter the previous decision in regard to Mr. Horia ROMAN and that it is necessary that he remain in Taormina. Allied Force Headquarters have stated, however, that there is no objection to Mrs Roman joining her husband at Taormina.

3. It is requested that the above information be conveyed to Mr. Roman together with the advice that further correspondence in this regard can serve no useful purpose in view of the thorough consideration that already has been given to his status.

By command of Commodore STONE:

WILLIAM W. SCHOTT
Vice-President, Political Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

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Ref: 220.1

12 November 1944

MEMORANDUM TO : G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters
Copies to: U. S. Political Adviser
British Resident Minister

SUBJECT : Enemy Diplomats at Taormina.

1. Reference G-5: 091.112-18 dated September 30, 1944.

2. There has been received from the Romanian Diplomat interned in Taormina, Boris Roman, a letter dated October 26, 1944 requesting permission to visit Rome for a few days, to see his family. A copy of this communication is attached. Parenthetically, Mr. Roman has a wife and a very young child in Rome who were unable to accompany him, and whose financial circumstances are rather limited.

3. In connection with this request, reference should be made to a communication from the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, A.F.H.Q. to the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, R.A.S.C., B.389.455/7 dated 19 October 1944, which states that a communication has been sent to the Political Adviser's Office intimating that there is no security objection to the return to their residences in Rome of the Romanian and Finnish Ministers to the Holy See and their families.

4. Political Section has been advised informally by G-2, RAAC, that it does not support the view of the Foreign Office (mentioned in paragraph 3 of G-5 Section's communication under reference), that Mr. Roman should not, on account of his record, be allowed to return to Rome.

5. It would be appreciated were this matter to be reviewed and an early indication given of the decision taken.

For the Chief Commissioner:-

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WILLIAM W. SCHOTT
Vice President, Political Section

1 Encl: Ltr fr Taormina sigd by
Boris Roman dtd 26 Oct 44.

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TRANS. No

ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND
Office of the AC of S, G-2
APO 794, US ARMY
Translation Department

4 NOVEMBER 1944

Translation of attached is as follows:

TO : A.C.C. Rome.

Taormina 26 October 1944

Since Rumania has declared war on Hungary early in September, I have requested A.C.C., by means of a telegram, to authorize my return to Rumania, in order to be able to report to my regiment. At the same time I dispatched a letter to the Rumanian Minister to the Holy See. But I did not get any answer.

Today I presented my request to A.C.C.-Rome asking to be allowed to visit Rome for a few days to see my family, before I return to my country.

It is also necessary for me to stop at my home, as I have made no provisions to bring along winter-clothing, considering that I have been promised that the stay in Taormina would be a short one.

I hope that my request will be considered. With kind regards and thanks.

/s/ Horia Roman

Rumanian Legation
to the Holy See.

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GRANDIE ALBERGO MIRAMARE

PRIMO ORDINE
APERTO TUTTO L'ANNO

TELEGR: MIRAMARE
TELEFONO: 34

TAORMINA
(SICILIA)

Taormina 26 Ott. 1944

A. C. C.

ROMA

Dopo che la Romania ha dichiarato guerra all 'Ungheria - nei primi giorni di Settembre - ho chiesto con un telegramma diretto all 'A.C.C. il permesso di poter tornare in Romania, onde avere la possibilità di presentarmi al mio reggimento. Nello stesso tempo ho scritto una lettera al ministro di Romania presso la Santa Sede. Ma non ne ho avuto risposta alcuna.

Ora rinnovo la mia domanda chiedendo all 'A.C.C. di Roma il permesso di fare una sosta di qualche giorno a Roma per avere la possibilità di rivedere la mia famiglia, prima di far ritorno al mio Paese.

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GRANDE ALBERGO MIRAMARE

PRIMO ORDINE
APERTO TUTTO L'ANNO

TELEGR: MIRAMARE
TELEFONO: 34

TAORMINA
(SICILIA)

Taormina 26 Oct. 1944

A. C. C.

R O M A

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Mi è anche necessario ripassar da casa, perchè, stante le promesse per un breve soggiorno in Taormina, non ho pensato di portare con me l'equipaggiamento invernale.

Nella speranza che venga esaudito il mio esposto, ossequio e ringraziamento,

H o r i a R o m a n

Horia Roman

Lezione di Romania presso
la Santa Sede

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VATICAN CITY.

48/260/44

September 26th 1944

Dear Macmillan,

With reference to F.O. telegram to you No. 856 of September 15th, of which Charles sent me a copy, I now enclose copy of a Note dated September 23rd which I have received from the Secreteriat of State concerning Roman's desire to return first to Rome and then to Roumania where he wishes to join the Army.

I do not know whether there is anything in this Note which might dispose the Foreign Office to change their mind in regard to the desirability of Roman's re- turning to Rome. In any case I shall be grateful for your comments and to do not propose to consult the F.O. until I receive them.

Yours ever,

(Sgd) D.G. Osborne.

The Right Hon. Harold Macmillan, MP.,
Resident Minister,
C A S E R T A.

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C O P Y.

SEGRETERIA DI STATO
DI SUA SANTITA.

DAL VATICANO

23 Septembre 1944

No. 84226.

La Secrétairerie d'Etat de Sa Sainteté a déjà eu l'occasion d'attirer la bienveillante attention des Autorités Alliées sur la situation du diplomate roumain retenu à Taormina, M. Horia Roman.

La Légation de Roumanie fait savoir qu'elle a reçu avec plaisir des nouvelles de ce monsieur et remercie les Autorités Alliées d'avoir bien voulu les transmettre. Par ailleurs elle continue à insister pour que M. Roman soit autorisé maintenant à faire retour à Rome pour y voir sa femme et son enfant, après quoi son intention serait de partir pour Bukarest afin de s'engager dans l'armée roumaine.

La Légation de Roumanie s'exprime à ce sujet dans les termes suivants:

"De l'examen de la correspondance concernant ce cas il paraît résulter que la demande de M. Roman se heurte à une difficulté double, à savoir:

1. celle de principe, dérivant de la situation de cette Légation en général,
2. celle personnelle, concernant spécialement M. Roman, contre lequel paraissent exister quelques appréhensions.

En ce qui concerne la difficulté de principe il va de soi que le cas de M. Roman dépend de la solution qui sera donnée à la question en général.

Quant à la question purement personnelle, la Légation de Roumanie n'ignore pas qu'il s'agit d'informations complètement fausses et dépourvues de tout sérieux, qui sont parvenues aux Autorités Alliées sur M. Roman. Elles méritent si peu d'attention que la Légation de Roumanie, et spécialement son Chef, n'hésitent pas un instant à prendre toute la garantie pour l'attitude de M. Roman.

Pour le cas que le retour de M. Roman serait en principe...

principe admissible, la Légation de Roumanie appuie chaleureusement sa demande qu'elle considère autre justifiée par des considérations humanitaires élémentaires."

La Secrétairerie d'Etat appuie volontiers cette demande et sera reconnaissante à la Légation de Grande Bretagne si elle veut bien en transmettre la teneur aux Autorités Alliées compétentes.

La Secrétairerie d'Etat saisit l'occasion pour exprimer à la Légation de Grande Bretagne l'assurance de sa haute considération.

Seal.

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Office of the Resident Minister,
Central Mediterranean.

19th September, 1944.

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h.p. ~~h.s.~~

T. Jean Mawer,

With reference to Roger Makins' letter of September 5th about the enemy diplomats in Sicily, the Foreign Office have telegraphed and said that they agree that there is no reason why Roman should be sent to Rome and that they will consider arranging his return to Roumania when communications are resumed.

Tom
15th

A. Rumbold.

H.A. Caccia, Esq.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

Ref #1935-20

25 August 1944

As you know one of the party of Axis diplomats accredited to the Holy See who are awaiting at Taormina for repatriation is a Romanian called Boris Roman. He has sent the following telegram for transmission to the Romanian Ambassador to the Holy See:-

"Dato la nuova situazione in cui si trova la Romania al fianco degli Alleati la mia presenza a Taormina e priva di senso. STOP. Pregho di intervenire presso la Commissione di Controllo Alleata per ottenere il mio ritorno a casa. Ringraziamenti. Boris Roman"

All evidence here, supported by G.C.I., is that this particular Romanian diplomat was a convinced collaborator and is not entitled to any special consideration from the Allies. We shall of course tell the Romanian Ambassador in reply to any enquiry that he may make through Vatican channels that Roman must remain at Taormina until Allied authorities decide otherwise. But we should be grateful for any indication that you can give us of what is likely to be the decision about this individual.

I am sending a copy of this to Colonel Fisher, G-2, H.A.A.C., and Major Hector.

Roger Makins, Esq., C.M.G.,
Office of the British Resident Minister,
Allied Force Headquarters,
APO 312.

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ALLIED COMMISSION LIAISON OFFICER
CATANIA

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To:- Headquarters, Allied Commission,
C.M.F.
(for Liaison Division).

Subject:- Removal of Axis Diplomats.

1. For your information it is notified that, in accordance with instructions received from H.Q., Allied Commission, the whole party of 14 Enemy Diplomats and staff previously in internment at Taormina, have now been removed as from this date.

H. Bentley
H. BENTLEY
Major
Liaison Officer

Catania
14 July 45.

Copy to:- H.Q., A.C., (for Political Section).

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XXXXX ALCOM SICILIA REGION ~~FOR REFERENCE ONLY~~

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14 FEB 45

PRIORITY

RESTRICTED PD

MRS PESSA ROMAN WIFE OF INTERRED DIPLOMAT AT TACHINA AND MINOR DAUGHTER
WILL ARRIVE CATANIA AIRPORT LATE SATURDAY MORNING CMA FEBRUARY ONE SEVEN PD
PARSH TO ALCOM SICILIA REGION FROM ALCOM HYDRA ALCOL PARSH

IT IS REQUESTED YOU INSTRUCT PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER CMA CATANIA PROVINCE
TO ARRANGE TRANSPORT FOR ABOVE PERSONS FROM CATANIA AIRPORT TO TACHINA

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*Mrs. Roman left by 1³⁰ pm plane
to Naples today.*

15 Feb 45

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Political Section

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W.W. SCHOTT
Vice President

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Ref: P/220.12

10 February 1945

The Political Section of the Allied Commission presents its compliments to the Roumanian Legation to the Quirinale and has to refer to the latter's Note Verbale No. 46 R.29 regarding a visit to Tacchini of Mrs. Roman, the Wife of Mr. Horia Roman, former Attache of the Roumanian Legation to the Holy See, who is now interned in that place. Authorization for Mrs. Roman to proceed to Tacchini on a temporary visit and then return to Rome has been authorized by the appropriate Allied military authorities who assert, however, that such a visit cannot be repeated. Should she desire, Mrs. Roman may proceed to Tacchini and reside there permanently until her Husband is released from internment.

Travel by aircraft is authorized and the cost of this transportation must be borne by Mrs. Roman.

It is suggested that Mrs. Roman call at the Political Section, Allied Commission at her convenience shortly before she proposes to make this journey.

Legation of Roumania
Via Alessandro Farnese 1.
Rome, Italy

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Mrs. Roman called today and said she would like to go for one week leaving Rome on Thursday, February 15, 1945. Request for orders made accordingly.
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LEGAȚIUNEA REGALĂ A ROMÂNIEI
LA ROMA

Nº 46 R.29

NOTA VERBALE

La Reale Legazione di Romania ha l'onore di rivolgersi alla cortesia della Commissione Alleata - Sezione Politica - pregandola di voler rilasciare un'autorizzazione scritta di andata e ritorno con diritto di soggiorno di una settimana a Taormina, Albergo Miramare, per la Signora TESSA ROMAN FOSCHIATTI.

La Signora Roman è moglie del Signor Horia Roman, già Addetto alla Legazione di Romania presso la Santa Sede il quale attualmente si trova a Taormina - Albergo Miramare.

La Signora Roman essendo impiegata alla Legazione di Romania presso il Quirinale, partendo, deve avere l'assicurazione di poter rientrare a Roma per riprendere le proprie funzioni.

La Reale Legazione di Romania ringrazia fin d'ora la Commissione Alleata e porge i sensi della sua distinta considerazione.



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ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sezione Politica

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO 794, US Army

Ref: G/44

TKB/jar
28 June 1945

SUBJECT: Axis Diplomats.

JUL 1 - 1945

TO : Executive Commissioner
Headquarters, Allied Commission
APO 394.

Reference is made to your 6529/106/EC dated
25 June 45 subject as above, addressed to G-2 Section,
this command.

1. It is understood that both the British and American
representatives to the Holy See are insisting that the
German ex-diplomats in question as well as the seven German
POW's be removed from the Vatican and turned over to Allied
custody. No results have been attained at this writing.

2. The actual transportation of the ex-diplomats to
a designated concentration area will be performed by this
headquarters only if instructed to do so by AFHQ. The POW's,
if received, will be processed by us through normal POW
channels.

Thorburn K. Brown
THORBURN K. BROWN
Brigadier General, US Army
Commanding

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(1 Spare copy)

Interests Division, presented the Com-
ments to the Office of the Executive Com-
missioner of the Allied Commission and with
reference to its note 40/Thun, has the honor
to send herewith the inventory of the furni-
ture belonging to Count Thun, an interned
enemy diplomat.

The Legation takes the opportunity
to renew to the Executive Commissioner the
expressions of its highest consideration.

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Foreign Interests Division

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annex: 1 inventory.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Executive Commissioner
Liaison Division

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2 July ✓

LEGAZIONE DI SVIZZERA
IN ITALIA

INTERESSI STRANIERI

Rif. No 40/Thun - ky.

ROMA. 1. June 1945

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23, via Piave

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The Swiss Legation, Foreign
Interests Division presents its compliments
to the Office of the Executive Commissioner
of the Allied Commission and with reference
to the Liaison Division's note 220.12/EC(L)
of March 29, has the honor to furnish the
following information:

The Legation has now been in-
formed that in consideration of the fact
that the Swiss Government has not been in-
charge with the protection of German inte-
rests in France, it would not be possible
to undertake the necessary inquiries reques-
ted by Count THUN, German interned diplomat.

The inventory of the furniture
will forward subsequently.

SWISS LEGATION
Foreign Interests Division

Thun

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The inventory of the furniture will forward subsequently.

SWISS LEGATION
Foreign Interests Division

[Signature]

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Executive Commissioner
Liaison Division

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2 June 1944

3 JUNE - Arrived arrival of inventory - NBN
When it comes, attach G-5 - ask whether they will release staff.

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LEGAZIONE DI SVIZZERA

IN ITALIA

INTERESSI STRANIERI

Rif. N.º 40/- Sp/ky

Estension dir.

ROMA,

23, via Piave

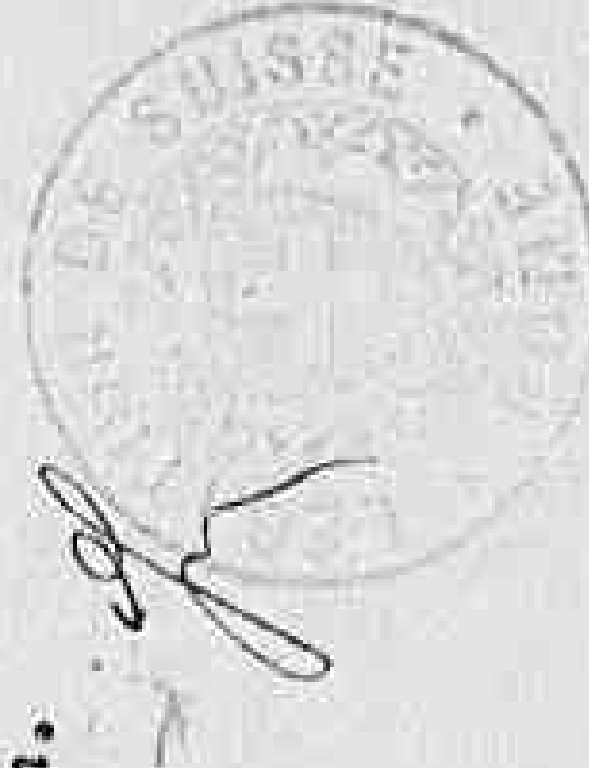
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23, via Piave

The Swiss Legation, Foreign Interests Division, presents its compliments to the Executive Commissioner and with reference to the Liaison Division's note No. 220.12/EC(L) of March 29, 1945, has the honour to furnish the following information:

On April 9, 1945, a communication was sent to the Federal Political Department, Bern, together with the inventory which was forwarded to the Legation as enclosure to the above mentioned note, and as soon as a reply is received, the Liaison Division will be immediately notified.

The Legation takes the opportunity to renew to the Executive Commissioner the expressions of its highest consideration.



Rome, May 8th, 1945

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Rome, May 8th, 1945

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

A.P.O. 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner
Liaison Division

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19 May 1945

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Ref: 220.12/20(L)

8 June 1945

SUBJECT: Axis Diplomats

TO : G-2 Section,
Rome Area Allied Command

1. Reference is made to your G/4 of this date with regard to Axis Diplomats, who are, or were, interned at Taormina Sicily.
2. In accordance with request made in letter under reference, the following is a list of said Diplomats:-

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
Minister Ludwig WIGDER -	Repatriated (destination unknown)
Mrs. Julie WIGDER ✓	repatriated (destination unknown)
Chancellor Karl Gustav WOLFFENBERGER ✓	
Mr. Friedrich FENKOWITZ ✓	repatriated (destination unknown)
Mr. Georg ELLING ✓	
Mr. Horst ROMAN ✓	
Consul Johannes HAHN ✓	deceased
Mrs HAHN ✓	
Consul General Baron von SPIEGEL	
Consul Count HEINRICH THUN	
Courtesan THUN	
Mr. Walter EHLDING	
Mr. Johannes Vonder GATHEN	
Mr. Philippe MEISNER	
Mr. Reinhold ANDERS	
Miss Henriette VOIGTJOHANNES	
Miss Marianne GRAFF	
Mr. Karl BRENN ✓	

Officer in Charge
Liaison Division

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
Office of the AC of S, G-2
APO 794, US Army

Ref : G/44

JWF/peb
8 June 1945

SUBJECT : Axis Diplomats

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission
Office of the Executive Commissioner
Liaison Division
(attention Capt. Neuberg)
APO 394, US Army

1. Reference AFHQ Cable FX88749 of 6 June 45 and further reference telephone conversation CAPT. NEUBERG -CAPT. CORSO on 8 June 45.

2. Request list of Axis Diplomats and present locations be furnished this office.

JW Fischer
J. W. FISCHER
Colonel GSC
AC of S G-2

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ALLIED COMMISSION
SICILIA REGION HEADQUARTERS
APO 394

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FILE: RC/C91.142

5 March 1945

SUBJECT: Enemy Diplomats interned at TAORMINA, Sicily.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission - APO 394.
(Attn: Political Section)

1. Reference your letter P/220.12 of 22.2.45 a complete list of enemy diplomats interned at TAORMINA is enclosed.

2. Reference Para 2 of your letter Fraulein Maria Sylvia Kloss has never been interned at TAORMINA. Enquiries were made at TAORMINA concerning this woman in July 1944 and it appears that she should have joined the internees prior to their leaving Rome for TAORMINA but failed to do so. It is understood that she remained in Rome with her Italian mother and that her name and address are on the Vatican list. No further particulars concerning her are available here.

3. I should be obliged if you would let me know which section at ACHQ is responsible for matters affecting the above internees as at present I am receiving letters from you and also from the Liaison Division, which may possibly lead to confusion in the future.

Major Stewart says to hold reply in file

James Major
Major
for Regional Commissioner,
absent on Duty.

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Encl: List.

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List of diplomatic internees at TAORMINA.

Minister WENNER Ludvig.
Mrs. WENNER Julie.
Chancellor WOLLENWEBER Karl Gustav.
Mr. PERKUNDER Friedrich.
Mr. BRINK Karl.
Mr. ELLING Georg.
Mr. ROMAN Horia.
Mrs. HANN (Widow of the late Consul Johannes HANN)

Consul Gen. Baron VON SPIEGEL.
Consul Count Heinrich THUN.
Countess THUN.
Mr. ENLING Walter.
Mr. Vonder GATHEN Johannes.
Mr. WEISSNER Philippe.
Mr. ANDERS Reinhold.
Miss. VOIGTJANNES Henriette.
Miss. GRAFF Marianne.

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Ref: P/230.12

22 February 1945

SUBJECT: Enemy Diplomats Interned at Taormina, Sicily.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Sicilia Region.

1. It is requested that a complete list of the enemy diplomats at present interned at Taormina be forwarded to this office.
2. It is further requested that you send full personal particulars of Fraulein Maria Sylvia Kloss, alleged to be among those interned at Taormina.

By Command of Admiral Stone:

Vice-President,
Political Section

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Ref: 220/12/EC(L)

19 June 1945

SUBJECT: Loss of Luggage - Horia Roman, Interned Ex-Diplomat at Taormina.

TO : Royal Romanian Legation
Via Alessandro Farnese 1
Rome

1. Reference is made to your Note Verbale No. 1122.29 of 4 April regarding the loss of a valise containing personal effects, property of Mr. Horia Roman.

2. A full inquiry was made into the loss of the luggage in question and the investigating authority has communicated to the Office-in-Charge at Taormina the following report:

" I consider that the owner should be informed that, as under existing circumstances the suitcase could only be sent at the owner's risk, he has no claim for indemnity."

3. This information was passed to Mr. Roman by the Officer-in-Charge.

Officer in Charge
Liaison Division

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785016

SUBJECT: Loss of Luggage

HQ Allied Commission,
Liaison Division

3 District
Tel Ext 46
435A
15 Jun 45

Reference your 220.12/EC(L) dated 26 May 45.

In compliance with instructions received from Brigadier M. CARR, the Regional Commissioner, Sicilia Region, A.C., a full enquiry was held into the loss of the luggage in question and a full report submitted to the Regional Commissioner.

The Regional Commissioner's observations on this report and his instructions were forwarded to A.C.L.O., CATANIA, and an extract from this is as follows:-

"I consider that the owner should be informed that as under existing circumstances the suitcase could only be sent at owner's risk he has no claim to indemnity. If he presses the matter, however, you should take the matter up direct with the Liaison Section, H.Q., A.C., in view of the closing down of this Headquarters."

This information was passed to Mr. ROMAN.

RD A Davis Capt.

RD/ED

Maj Gen
Comd

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Ref: 220.12/EC(L)

10 April 1945

SUBJECT: Loss of Luggage - H. Rosen, Interned Diplomat at Taormina

TO : Headquarters
3 District, Naples

1. Enclosed is a note verbale from the Rumanian Royal Legation and a translation of this note regarding the loss of some luggage by Mr. Horia Rosen, once Rumanian Attache to the Holy See and now residing at Taormina, Sicily.

2. It would be appreciated if you would contact Major J. B. Wilson of A. C. at Taormina with a view to having him investigate this matter and advise us what reply may be made to the Royal Rumanian Legation.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Officer-in-Charge
Liaison Division

2 Encls:

- 1 - Note Verbale No. 112 R. 29 dtd 4 Apr 45.
- 2 - Translation of above.

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TRANSLATION

MEMORANDUM

The Royal Rumanian Legation has the honor to inform the Allied Commission of the following:

On the 5th of January 1945 Mr. Horia Roman, once Rumanian attache to the Holy See and now residing at Taormina, Sicily, Albargo Miramare, sent to his wife in Rome a valise containing personal effects with the authorization of Maj. J.B. Wilson of the A.C. in Catania.

Mr. Roman has been informed that the valise was stolen during the journey and was advised to address himself to the Allied Commission for eventual claim for damages.

Said valise contained:

- 4 English woollen suits
- 6 silk shirts
- 2 shorts
- 2 silk pajamas
- 4 pair of stockings
- 5 linen handkerchiefs
- 1 silk night-gown
- 2 leather-belts
- 1 pair of gloves
- 1 beach-bag
- and small articles

Due of the fact that the above listed articles were new and that two suits had never been worn, it would be difficult, under the present circumstances, to make a fair estimation of the damages claim in Italian lire.

This Legation would be grateful to the Allied Commission if it examined the possibility of authorizing the Allied Commission in Catania to buy some clothes which could substitute those stolen from Mr. Horia Roman.

While awaiting a benevolent answer the Royal Rumanian Legation extends to the Allied Commission the expressions of its highest consideration.

Rome 4 April 1945

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LEGAȚIUNEA REGALĂ A ROMÂNIEI
LA ROMA

Nº 112 R.29

N o t a V e r b a l e

La Reale Legazione di Romania ha l'onore di portare a conoscenza della Commissione Alleata quanto segue:

Il giorno 5 Gennaio c.a., il Signor HORIA ROMAN, già Addetto alla Legazione di Romania presso la Santa Sede ed ora residente a Taormina (Sicilia), Albergo Miramare, ha spedito alla moglie, a Roma, una valigia contenente effetti personali. Tale spedizione era stata in precedenza autorizzata, tramite il Maggiore J.B. Wilson, dall'A.C. di Catania.

E' stato ora comunicato al Signor Roman che durante il viaggio la valigia è stata rubata ed è stato indirizzato a rivolgersi all'A.C. per un eventuale risarcimento dei danni.

Detta valigia conteneva :

4 vestiti di lana inglese
6 camicie di seta
2 pantaloni corti
2 pigiami di lana
14 paia di calze
5 fazzoletti di lino
1 vestaglia di seta

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1 vestaglia di seta
2 cinture di cuoio
1 paio di guanti
1 borsa da spiaggia

ed altri piccoli oggetti.

Siccome gli indumenti più sopra elencati erano quasi nuovi e due dei vestiti non erano mai stati portati, un risarcimento giusto in

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ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

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lire italiane, nelle attuali contingenze, sarebbe di difficile valutazione.

Questa Legazione sarebbe grata alla Commissione Alleata se volesse esaminare la possibilità di dare come soluzione al risarcimento richiesto l'autorizzazione di acquisto da parte dell'A.C. di Catania di indumenti che potrebbero sostituire quelli rubati al Signor Horia Roman.

Nell'attesa di una benevola risposta la Reale Legazione di Romania porge alla Commissione Alleata i sensi della sua distinta considerazione.

Rome 4 Aprile 1945



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ACTION ALCOM ROME, BRITISH TROOPS IN SICILY FOR INFO AFHQ, SHATT
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SECRET

Exchange of German diplomats in TOAPMINA is subject.

1. Diplomats claim return of impounded monies as follows:
Minister WEMMER, 92166 lire; Mr PERKUNDER, 47606 lire.
2. Request arrangement be made to transfer credits soonest
to German legation BERNE.
3. Confirm urgently that credits as shown para 1 are
correct. That arrangement will be made to effect transfer.
Diplomats at present without money. In reply address HY LYON
DISTRICT DELTA BASE Section.

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Action - Finance SC
Info - A/President
Chief Commissioner
Exec Comm
Econ Sec
Liaison Div
File

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RECEIVED
9 MAY 1945
A. C.

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Ref: 220.12/EC(L)

30 April 1945

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I refer to your letter of 12 April regarding German diplomats who are interned at Taormina.

For your information, I would state that a certain group are due for repatriation and, in all probability, Mr. Wemmer will be included in this group. I think, therefore, that the problem of incompatibility will be solved.

Sincerely yours,

A. J. STEWART
Major

The Honorable Myron C. Taylor
The Personal Representative of the President of the
United States of America to His Holiness the Pope
2 Via Boncompagni
Rome

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Allied Commission.

Diplomats Int. Camp. Taormine.

Lt. Col. i/c. Liaison Division.

* H. Q. Allied Commission.

C.M.F.

24th. April. 1945.

Receipt is acknowledged of your 220.12/EC.(L) dated 15th. April 45.

The incident referred to between Minister Wemmer and Mr. Wollenweber happened as follows.

On the evening of the 14th. March at approx 2200 hours, Mr. Wollenweber who had been playing Bridge, left the table and went to the radio to turn on the news in English. Minister Wemmer, who was playing Chess at the time with Baron von Spiegel, ordered Mr. Wollenweber in a loud voice to shut the radio. Mr. Wollenweber did not pay the slightest attention. The Minister repeated the order once more, and again Mr. Wollenweber paid no heed. The Minister then approached the radio and turned it off.

Mr. Wollenweber turned it on again. The Minister then apparently lost control of himself, and struck Mr. Wollenweber over the eye, drawing blood. Mr. Wollenweber made no effort to retaliate.

In view of the fact that there are,

- (1) Two distinct groups in the Camp, Nazi and anti-Nazi.
- (2) One group desiring repatriation, the other not.
- (3) The incompatibility of character (Wemmer-Wollenweber)
- (4) To obviate any further recurrence of incidents such as already mentioned, the repatriation of the small group headed by Minister Wemmer (which comprises of members of the Minister, s and Baron von Spiegel, s staffs) totalling seven, would to my mind provide the separation desired, and at the same time be acceptable by all parties concerned.

The group referred to for repatriation would represent the Nazi element in the Camp Major.

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Ref: 220.12/BC(L)

15 April 1945

SUBJECT: Axis Diplomats

TO : Major J. B. Wilson
o/c Diplomats at Tronina
(through A. C. Liaison Officer, Catania, 204 Sub-Area)

1. Reference is made to the attached copy of a letter from Mr. Myron Taylor and a note from the Secretariat of State of the Vatican.

2. Your comments and recommendations are requested in order that a suitable reply may be given to Mr. Taylor.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE:

Officer-in-Charge
Liaison Division

2 Encls:

- 1 - Copy of ltr fr Mr. Taylor dtd 12 Apr 45.
- 2 - Copy of Vatican Note No. 93113 dtd 11 Apr 45.

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Ref: 220.12/HC(L)

15 April 1945

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I refer to your two letters of 12 April 1945 and the Vatican Notes Nos 93113 and 89471, both of 11 April.

These matters have been referred to the appropriate Allied Authorities and I will inform you as soon as a reply is received.

Sincerely yours,

Lord Renfurly,
Major.

The Honorable Myron C. Taylor
Personal Representative of the President of the
United States of America to His Holiness the Pope
2 Via Boncompagni
Rome

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785014

THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
TO HIS HOLINESS THE POPE
2, via Boncompagni, Rome.

April 12, 1945.

Dear Captain Ranfurly:

I enclose herewith a copy of Note No. 93113 dated April 11, 1945 which I have received from the Holy See, referring to the matter of the repatriation or transport to neutral territory by the competent Allied authorities of the German diplomats accredited to the Holy See and now interned at Taormina. It is stated that the Holy See continues to receive complaints from these diplomats lamenting the prolonged internment and a reference is made to a recent regrettable incident between Mr. Wollenweber and Mr. Wemmer in which Mr. Wollenweber as a result of disagreement with his colleague suffered physical injury. While insisting on the desirability of repatriation or transfer to neutral territory as the proper solution of the existing situation, it is suggested in the Note that in view of the incompatibility of the two diplomats in question and the unavoidable constant contacts necessitated by their confinement, that some means be found for their separation, provided, however, that this separation be effected without prejudice to their present circumstances and with due consideration to their diplomatic status.

Your courtesy in taking this matter up with the appropriate Allied authorities and letting me know the nature of the reply which may be made to the Holy See will be much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,


Myron C. Taylor

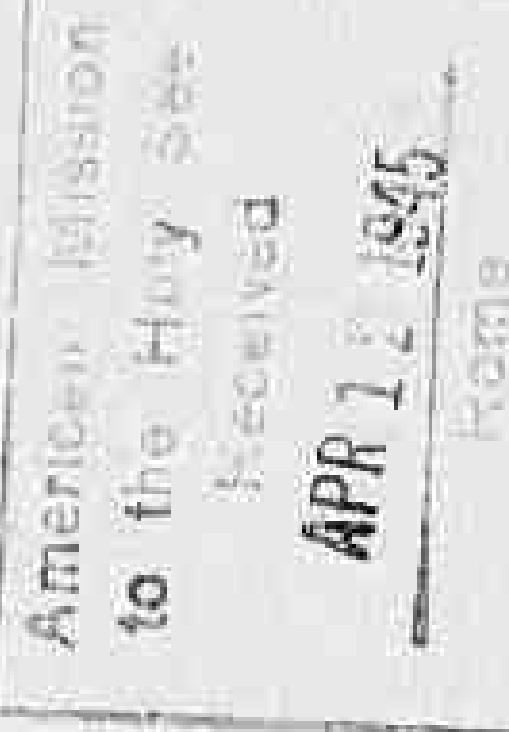
Enclosure:
Copy of Note.

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April 11, 1945.



93113.

The Secretariat of State of His Holiness presents its compliments to the Personal Representative of the President of the United States to His Holiness and has the honor to refer to the matter of the repatriation or transport to neutral territory by the competent Allied Authorities of the German diplomats accredited to the Vatican and now interned at Taormina.

The Holy See continues to receive complaints from these diplomats lamenting the prolonged internment and a further communication in recent days relates a regrettable incident involving a physical injury suffered by the writer, M. Wollenweber, as a result of a disagreement with his colleague M. Hemmer. While insisting on the desirability of repatriation or transferral to neutral territory as the proper solution of the existing situation, it is suggested, in view of the incompatibility of the two diplomats in question and the unavoidable constant contacts necessitated by their confinement, that some means might be found for their separation

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The Holy See continues to receive complaints from these diplomats lamenting the prolonged internment and a further communication in recent days relates a regrettable incident involving a physical injury suffered by the writer, M. Wollenweber, as a result of a disagreement with his colleague M. Kemmer. While insisting on the desirability of repatriation or transferral to neutral territory as the proper solution of the existing situation, it is suggested, in view of the incompatibility of the two diplomats in question and the unavoidable constant contacts necessitated by their confinement, that some means might be found for their separation provided, however, that this separation be effected without prejudice to their present circumstances and with due consideration to their diplomatic status.

The Secretariat of State of His Holiness in recommending this matter to the good offices of the Personal Representative of the President of the United States to His Holiness, takes the occasion to convey its sentiments of most distinguished consideration.

His Excellency
Mr. Myron C. Taylor
Personal Representative of the President
of the United States of America
to His Holiness

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Ref: 220.12/ME(L)

20 April 1945

SUBJECT: Axis Diplomats at Thomina

TO : G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters

1. Further reference is made to our letter P/220.12 of 8 March 1945, and our signal 4531 of 31 March 1945.

2. A copy of a letter received from the Personal Representative of the President of the United States of America to His Holiness the Pope is enclosed herewith together with a copy of an enclosure thereto.

3. It would be appreciated if this office could be directed as to what reply can be made to Mr. Taylor.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Officer-in-Charge
Liaison Division

2 Encls: As above

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THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
TO HIS HOLINESS THE POPE
2, via Boncompagni, Rome.

April 19, 1945.

Dear Major Ranfurly:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of Note No. 93783 dated April 17, 1945 which I have received from the Holy See; concerning a memorandum which the Vatican has received from the German Embassy to the Holy See relative to the repatriation of the seven diplomats of that nation at present interned at Taormina. It is stated that the memorandum sets forth that in December 1944 the German Government proposed to the British Government an exchange of the diplomats at Taormina for British officials held by the German authorities, the exchange to take place following the completion of the exchange of Turkish and German diplomats which was being effected at that time, but that the British Government has not replied to the proposal. The Secretariat of State of His Holiness, while remaining extraneous to the merits of the proposal, takes the opportunity of renewing its request that the German diplomats at Taormina be transferred by the competent Allied authorities without delay to neutral territory.

Your courtesy in taking this matter up with the appropriate Allied authorities and letting me know the nature of the reply which may be made to the Holy See will be much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,



Myron C. Taylor

Enclosure:
Copy of Note

20 April
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SECRETARIA DI STATO
DI SUA SANTITÀ

No. 93783

Dal Vaticano, April 17, 1945

C O P Y

The Secretary of State of His Holiness presents its compliments to the Personal Representative of the President of the United States and desires to communicate the import of a recent memorandum received from the German Embassy to the Holy See relative to the repatriation of the seven diplomats of that nation accredited to the Holy See and presently interned at Taormina. In this memorandum it is stated that the German Government proposed in December 1944 to the British Government an exchange of the diplomats at Taormina for British officials actually held by the German authorities - this exchange to take place following the completion of the exchange of Turkish and German diplomats which was being effected at that time. To this proposal, it is asserted, the British Government has not made reply.

The Secretariat of State of His Holiness while remaining extraneous to the merits of the proposal in question avails itself of the present opportunity to renew its request

of a recent memorandum received from the German Embassy to the Holy See relative to the repatriation of the seven diplomats of that nation accredited to the Holy See and presently interned at Taormina. In this memorandum it is stated that the German Government proposed in December 1944 to the British Government an exchange of the diplomats at Taormina for British officials actually held by the German authorities - this exchange to take place following the completion of the exchange of Turkish and German diplomats which was being effected at that time. To this proposal, it is asserted, the British Government has not made reply.

The Secretariat of State of His Holiness while remaining extraneous to the merits of the proposal in question avails itself of the present opportunity to renew its request that the German diplomats at Taormina be transferred by the competent Allied Authorities without delay to neutral territory. A similar communication has been made to His Britannic Majesty's Minister to the Holy See.

(Seal of the Secretariat of State of
His Holiness)

His Excellency
Mr. Myron C. Taylor
Personal Representative of the President
of the United States

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: LO/CAT/14

Date/Time of Origin: Apr 26

Message Centre No: D/8826

Date Time Rec'd: Apr 27 0950

Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: ALCOM LO CATANIA

TO : HQ ALCOM FOR POLITICAL SECTION

SECRET ACTION

SECRET.

Subject is repatriation of axis diplomats. Ref your message 6103 of 25th April. Suggest following three names for repatriation through SWITZERLAND. WEMMER LUDVIG. WEMMER JULIE. Per KUNDER.



DISTRIBUTION:

Action: Liaison Div 2

Info: A/President

Chief Commissioner

File 2

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Informed Major Reginald Byles 9.5. AFHQ
by phone 26/4/45.

27 April
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ALCOM LO CATANIA

6403

25 APRIL 1945

PRIORITY

SECRET PD

SUBJECT IS REPATRIATION AXIS DIPLOMATS AT TAORMINA PD

PARM TO ALCOM LO CATANIA FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ALCOM PARM

PARA ONE PD REFERENCE YOUR SIGNAL THREE ZERO MARCH PD

PARA TWO PD SUBMIT IMMEDIATELY THREE NAMES FOR REPATRIATION THROUGH
SWITZERLAND PD

PARA THREE PD SUGGEST THREE PERSONS SELECTED FROM PARA ONE OF YOUR
SIGNAL

ALCOM Liaison Div.

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NICHOLAS POMBINO
CWO USA
Asst Adjutant

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A.F.H.Q. FOR GEORGE FIVE

4531

31 MARCH 1945

ROUTINE

SECRET PD

SUBJECT IS REPATRIATION AXIS DIPLOMATS AT TAORMINA PD

PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE FROM HQ ALCON CITE AGEKO PAREN

PARA ONE PD REFER TO LIST ATTACHED TO OUR PETER SLANT TWO TWO
ZERO STOP ONE TWO OF EIGHT MARCH PD

PARA TWO PD FOLLOWING DIPLOMATS DESIRE REPATRIATION MINISTER
WEMMER CMA MRS WEMMER CMA MR BRINK AND MR PERKUNDER IF REPATRIATION
IS DONE THROUGH A NEUTRAL COUNTRY PD

PARA THREE PD EHLLING CMA GATHEN AND ANDERS DESIRE REPATRIATION IF
IT WILL BE TO UNOCCUPIED GERMANY PD

PARA FOUR PD MEISENERT HAS LIVED ONE FOUR YEARS IN FRANCE AND
HOPES TO RETURN THERE CMA DOES NOT WANT REPATRIATION TO GERMANY PD
MRS HANN AND MR ROMAN HAVE HOMES IN ROME AND DO NOT WISH REPATRIATION
TO GERMANY PD

PARA FIVE PD WOLLENMEIER CMA COUNT AND COUNTESS THUN AND MRS GRAFF
DO NOT WISH TO BE REPATRIATED PD

PARA SIX PD VONSPiegel AND MISS VOIGTJOHANNES WISH TO AID ALLIED
RECONSTRUCTION IN GERMANY

AGEKO LIAISON Div.
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NICHOLAS PLOMBINO
CWO USA
Asst Adjutant

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference:
Date/Time of Origin: MAR 30/1100

Message Centre No: D/5464
Date Time Rec'd: MAR 30/1830
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: LIAISON OFFR ALCOM CATANIA
TO: POLITICAL SECTION HQ ALCOM.

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Reference 4171 AC?TX.

Information as follows:- Diplomats desiring repatriation. Minister LUDWIG WEMMER Mrs WILLIE WEMMER Mr KURT BRINCK CHANCELLER FREDERICK PERKUNDER. Above are VATICAN party repatriation desired if done through neutral country.

2. Mr WALTER EHLING Mr V.D. GATHEN Mr R. ANDERS CONSUL party from FRANCE repatriation desired if only to unoccupied GERMANY Mr P MEISSNERT 14 years in FRANCE hopes to become FRENCH Mrs HAHN across relative in GERMANY has a living in ROME for 17 years. Has her home there. Could she go back. Mr HORIA ROMAN ROUMANIAN PRESS ATTACHEE VATICAN has wife and child in ROME and does not desire repatriation.

3. Diplomats not wishing repatriation Doctor K G WOLLENWEBER VATICAN COUNT HEINRICH THUN FRANCE Countess ERNA THUN FRANCE Miss MARIANNE GRATT FRANCE. These 4 people have always been firm in not desiring repatriation.

4. Add to above BARON VONSPIEGEL Miss VOGTJOHANISS these 2 desire to aid Allied in reconstruction GERMANY is a well known figure in that country.

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INFO - A/PRESIDENT
CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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ALCOM SICILIA REGION FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER

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ROUTINE

CONFIDENTIAL PD

SUBJECT IS AXIS DIPLOMATS AT TAORMINA PD

PAREN TO ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ ALCOM SICILIA REGION FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER FROM HQ

ALCOM CITE AGEXC PAREN

PARA ONE PD AFHQ STATE THAT THE REPATRIATION OF AXIS DIPLOMATS IMMINENT PD
INFORMATION IS REQUESTED SOONEST POSSIBLE AS TO WHICH DIPLOMATS CMA WITH THE
EXCEPTION OF ELLING CMA DO NOT WISH TO BE REPATRIATED

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Liaison Division

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Officer-in-Charge

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Ref: 220.12/EC(L)

15 April 1945

SUBJECT: Axis Diplomats

TO : G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters
attn: Major Julius Nyles

1. Reference is made to the attached copy of a letter from The Honorable Myron C. Taylor and the Vatican Note No. 89471 of 11 April.

2. This office has no previous information that an interview with Mr. Elling was contemplated. It would be appreciated, therefore, if G-2 could be asked if they desire to interview him.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Officer-in-Charge
Liaison Division

2 Encls:

- 1 - Copy of ltr fr Mr. Taylor dtd 12 Apr 45
- 2 - Copy of Vatican Note No. 89471 dtd 11 Apr 45.

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THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
TO HIS HOLINESS THE POPE
2, via Boncompagni, Rome.

April 12, 1945.

Dear Captain Ranfurly:

I enclose herewith a copy of Note No. 89471 dated April 11, 1945 which I have received from the Holy See, referring to the case of Mr. Elling of the staff of the German Embassy to the Holy See at present interned at Taormina. It is stated that no exception would be taken to an interviewing of Mr. Elling by a representative of the Allied authorities, provided the following conditions be complied with:

1. that no compulsion be exerted on Mr. Elling to submit to a personal interview such as the one in question;
2. that the interview be simply such, carried out with discretion and in no sense become an interrogation of Mr. Elling.

In order to facilitate this interview it is suggested in the Note that the Arciprete of Taormina, Monsignor Cacopardo, should privately inform Mr. Elling that the German Ambassador has personally no objections to such a meeting and that, for the sake of prudence and to ensure privacy, the interview take place at the residence of Monsignor Cacopardo. It is stated that if carried out in the manner indicated the German Ambassador is of the opinion that the interview should serve to remove certain misunderstandings in regard to Mr. Elling which unfortunately exist.

Your courtesy in taking this matter up with the appropriate Allied authorities and letting me know the nature of the reply which may be made to the Holy See will be much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,


Myron C. Taylor

Enclosure:
Copy of Note

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April 11, 1945.

American Mission
to the Holy See
Received

APR 12 1945

89471.

The Secretariat of State of His Holiness presents its compliments to the Personal Representative of the President of the United States to His Holiness and in reference to the case of M. Elling of the staff of the German Embassy accredited to the Holy See, presently interned at Taormina, is in a position to state that exception would not be taken to an interviewing of M. Elling by a representative of the Allied Authorities, providing the following conditions are complied with:

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The Secretariat of State avails itself of the occasion to renew to the Personal Representative of the President of the United States the

~~expression of its distinguished consideration.~~

His Excellency

Mr. Myron C. Taylor

Personal Representative of the President
of the United States of America
to His Holiness

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ALLIED COMMISSION LIAISON OFFICER
CATANIA

LO/CAT/32

To:- H.Q. Allied Commission
APO 394
(for Political Section).

Subject:- Diplomats - Correspondence.

1. During the recent visit by Mr E.J. Ganz, International Red Cross Delegate, to the Enemy Diplomats interned at Taormina, the Diplomats were provided with the special Red Cross Message Forms and on completion these forms were forwarded to Mr Ganz, at his request, for disposal.

2. The reply address used on the Forms was c/o Political Section, H.Q. Allied Commission, and it is requested that any replies received may be forwarded to this office for onward transmission to the Diplomats.

3. A nominal roll of the Diplomats is attached for reference.

Catania
4 May 45.

H. Bentley
H. BENTLEY
Major
Liaison Officer

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8 May
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NOMINAL ROLL OF DIPLOMATS AT TAORMINA.

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WEMMER	Ludvig
WEMMER	Julie
WOLLENWEBER	Karl Gustav
PERKUNDER	Friedrich
BRINK	Carl
ELLING	Georg.
ROMAN	Horia
HANN	Mrs
VON SPIEGEL	Baron
THUN	Heinrich Count
THUN	Countess
EHLLING	Walter
GATHEN	Vonder Johannes
MEISSNER	Philippe
ANDERS	Reinhold
VOIGTJOHANNES	Henriette Miss
GRAFF	Marianne Miss

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HQ AICOM FOR FINANCE SUB COMMISSION

RECEIVED
11 MAY 1945
A. C.

SECRET.

Subject is Diplomates.

Further to our signal 10/CAT/32 * of 10 May. Following are balances of funds at date of departure WEMMER LUDVIG 92136 lire and PERKUNDER FRIEDRICH 47576 lire

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* Note by Cipher Office:

This was deciphered as 41 owing to a corruption

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ACTION : FINANCE SC

INFO : A/PRESIDENT
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ALLIED COMMISSION LIAISON OFFICER
CATANIA

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LO/CAT/32

To:- H.Q. Allied Commission,
C.M.F.
(for Liaison Division).

Subject:- Enemy Diplomats.

1. For your information it is notified that the following named persons, previously in internment at Taormina, left this district on 5 May 45 in course of repatriation.

WEMMER	Ludvig
WEMMER	Julie
PERKUNDER	Friedrich

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2. May the nominal roll please be adjusted accordingly.

H Bentley
H. BENTLEY
Major
Liaison Officer

Catania
7 May 45

Copy to:- Political Section.

11 May
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION

U R G E N T 20

13081/F

29 March 1945

SUBJECT: Funds for German Diplomats.

TO : Liaison Section
(Attn: Capt. Ranfurly).

1. We have been advised by the Regional Finance Officer, Sicily Region, that the German diplomats at Taormina do not have any direct access to funds and that no funds are paid to them.

2. Major J.B. Wilson approves all payments to the Suppliers of personal necessities to the diplomats.

3. We have also been informed that one of the diplomats, Dr. Wollenweber, has been under treatment in a clinic and now owes 23,202 lire in medical bills. Dr. Wollenweber wishes to draw the Swiss franc equivalent of this from his account with the Istituto Opere Pia di Redigione, Vatican City, and have the lire amount remitted to Taormina for payment to the Italian doctor who treated him.

4. We have no objection to this transfer and I wonder if you can make this known to the appropriate Vatican authorities?

for *BEK Timmons*
Joint Director, *major*
Finance Sub-Commission.

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ALLIED COMMISSION

SICILIA REGION HEADQUARTERS
FINANCE DIVISION

VIA BARI 8, PALERMO

TEL. N° 15689

EXT. 2/31/49

DATE: 22 March 1945

FILE: RFD 202

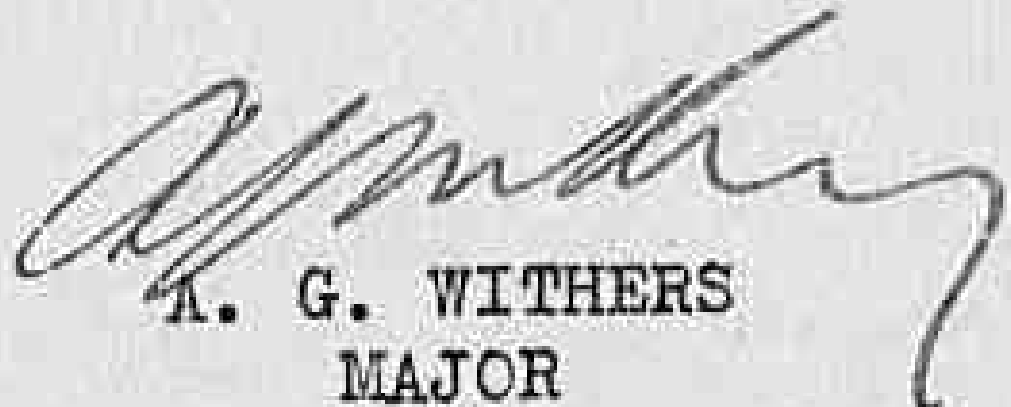
SUBJECT: Funds for Enemy Diplomats at Taormina

TO: H.Q., Allied Commission, A.P.O. 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner
Officer-in-Charge - Liaison Division.

I am in receipt of your letter of the 18th March (ref. 220.12 EC-L), and have written to the Officer in charge of the enemy diplomats at Taormina (Major J.B. Wilson) requesting him to furnish me with full particulars in regard to the points dealt with in your letter. The information will be sent to you as soon as received. I would mention that there are two groups of enemy diplomats at Taormina, i.e.

- (a) The Axis diplomats who arrived from the Vatican,
and
- (b) The German Consular personnel from France.

FOR THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER


A. G. WITHERS
MAJOR
REGIONAL FINANCE OFFICER

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Copy to: RFD 108

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Liaison Division

Ref: 220.12/20(L)

18 March 1945

SUBJECT: Funds for Enemy Diplomats at Taormina

TO : Regional Commissioner
Sicilia Region

1. G-2 Section at AFHQ have made the following enquiries in regard to funds supplied to enemy diplomats at Taormina:

a. For what purposes the expenditure of those funds is authorized;

b. The manner in which such expenditure is supervised and controlled.

2. It is requested that you contact the officer-in-charge of the enemy diplomats, and obtain the necessary information, which should be forwarded to this office.

By command of Rear Admiral STONE:

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Officer-in-Charge
Liaison Division

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION
TEL: 478604

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13081/P

11 February 1945

SUBJECT: Transfer of funds to interned German diplomats

TO : Chief of Staff's Office-Liaison Division
att: Capt. Arnoldy.

1. Reference your 103/370/COS (L) of 9 February, 1945.
2. We have no objection to the forwarding of the sums mentioned to the German diplomats at Taormina. I would suggest that the office in the Vatican handling this matter remit the funds through the Banca d'Italia, to Lt. Col. H.J. Walker, Provincial Commissioner, Eastern Sicily, Allied Commission, Catania, who will supervise the expenditure of the funds by the internees for authorized purchases (clothing, etc.).

(Signed) D. E. L. THOMPSON
Major for
Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

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Ref: 220.12/EC(L)

30 March 1945

SUBJECT: Axis Diplomats at Taormina

TO : The Honorable Myron C. Taylor
2, Via Boncompagni
Rome

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

Dr. Wollenweber, who is one of the Axis Diplomats interned at Taormina, has been under treatment in a clinic and now owes 23,202 lire in medical bills. He now wishes to draw the Swiss franc equivalent of this from his account with the Istituto Opere Pie di Religione, Vatican City, and have the lire amount remitted to Taormina for payment to the Italian Doctor who treated him.

The Allied Commission have no objection to this transfer and it would be much appreciated if you could approach the Vatican authorities and ask if they will take the necessary action to transfer this amount to Major J.B. Wilson, Officer in Charge of the Axis Diplomats at Taormina.

Sincerely yours,

LORD RANFURLY
Captain

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Liaison Division

Ref: 220.12/80(L)

16 March 1945

SUBJECT: Letter to Foreign Office from Count Heinrich Thun - Interned
Diplomat at Taormina, Sicily.

TO : A.G. of S.
G-2 Section
Allied Force Headquarters

1. Reference the attached letter.
2. The letter has been compared by G-2 Section, Rome Area Allied Command, and it is stated that it is almost identical with one received on 29 January 1945, addressed to the "Allied Authorities", which was forwarded to you.
3. In view of this similarity, this office does not forward it to addressee.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Officer-in-Charge
Liaison Division

1 Encl: Ltr as above.

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FILE: RAG/091.112 1st Ind
ALLIED COMMISSION, SICILIA REGION HEADQUARTERS
TO: Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394
Attention: Political Section.

GJL/gds
7 March 1945

1. Forwarded.

For the Regional Commissioner:

G. J. Leone
G.J. LEONE
CWO USA
Adjutant

Incls - 1 Letter to For. Office, London
from Count Heinrich Thun

Ref: P/220.12 2nd Ind
HQ. ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U.S. ARMY
12 March 1945

TO : G-2 Section, R.A.A.C.

Forwarded for Censorship.

For the Chief Commissioner:

HEADQUARTERS
10 MAR 1945
A. G.

for DM Beecher
for Captain,
for Brigadier
Executive Commissioner.

n/c

3rd Ind.

JWF/pab

HQ Rome Area Allied Command, AC of S, G-2, APO 794, US Army, 14 Mar 45.
To : Hq, Allied Commission, Political Section, APO 394, US Army.

1. Communication has been censored. It may be forwarded if you wish.

2. The letter is almost identical with one received on 29 Jan 45, addressed to the "Allied Authorities", which was forwarded to AC of S, G-2, AFHQ. Therefore, this letter may simply be held by your office.

J. W. Fischer
J. W. FISCHER,
Colonel, GSC,
AC of S, G-2.

Incls.
n/c

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFO 394
Liaison Division
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Tel: No. 478001

Ref: 105/610/22(L)

10 March 1945

SUBJECT: Transfer of Funds to interned
German Diplomats

TO : The Honorable Myron C. Taylor
2, Via Boncompagni
Rome

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I would refer to your letter of 8 February 1945 regarding the above subject and my reply of 12 February 1945 ref: 105/430/008(L).

It seems that the sum of Lire 250000 requested by the German Diplomats was never received at Taormina and it now appears that a sum of Lit. 500000 is required to meet all of their personal expenses.

The Finance Sub-Commission, has authorized the transfer of the sums indicated in your letter of 6 February and I informed you of this in my letter of the 12th February.

It would be appreciated if you would inquire of the Vatican Authorities whether they had in fact, communicated with Lt. Col. H.J. Walker, Provincial Commissioner, eastern Sicily, Allied Commission, Catania regarding these funds, and advise me.

Sincerely yours,

ABA/mmf

A.B. ARNOLDY
Capt. Sp. Res. AUS

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Copy to:

Finance Sub-Commission
(Attn: Maj. Timmons
Maj. Stewart)

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ALLIED COMMISSION
SICILIA REGION HEADQUARTERS
FINANCE DIVISION

Nº 1618
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FILE: Rfd. 202

23 February 1945

SUBJECT : German Consular Personnel at Taormina - From France.

TO : H.Q. Allied Commission, A.P.O. 394
Attention: Finance Sub-Commission
(JOINT DIRECTOR).

With reference to previous correspondence, and particularly to my letters of 3rd and 19th inst., I am informed by Major J.B. Wilson (Taormina) that he was advised at the end of January that the German Embassy at the Vatican had sent the sum of Lit. 250,000 to be handed to Baron Von Spiegel for use of the German Consular personnel at Taormina. As the funds have so far not arrived here can anything be done, please, to expedite matters. I may add that Major J.B. Wilson states that a total amount of Lit. 500,000 is actually required to meet all the personal expenses of the German Consular personnel.

FOR THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER

A.G. WITHERS
MAJOR
REGIONAL FINANCE OFFICER

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Major Steward

What is present position, please?

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R.R. Williams
major
Finance SPC*

Ref: P/220.12

19 February 1945

SUBJECT: Message from Enemy Diplomat Interned
at Taormina to Swiss Legation.

TO : C-2 Section, R.A.A.C.

1. There is attached hereto a message which has been received from the Console Graf-Thun, interned enemy diplomat at Taormina, through the Regional Commissioner of Sicilia Region, for transmittal to the Swiss Legation, Rome.

2. Finance Sub-Commission, this Headquarters, states that, although the matter involves a question of diplomatic privilege, it is pointed out that the newly arrived group of German diplomats at Taormina were allowed to change a certain amount of dollars, sterling and francs, and that Ambassador Taylor has received from A.C. permission to allow the German Minister to the Vatican to send to Taormina a large sum of money, totalling, it is believed, 1 million lire. It is, therefore, felt that some central control should be exercised as to the total amounts the German diplomats are allowed to receive and spend.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Vice President, Political Section

1 Encl: Message as above, with translation.

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APO 394
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION
TEL: 478604

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17 February 1945

SUBJECT: Expenses of German Diplomats.

TO : Political Section.

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1. Reference attached telegram.

2. Although the matter involves a question of diplomatic privilege, I would point out that the newly arrived group of German diplomats at Taormina were allowed to change a certain amount of dollars, sterling and francs, and that Ambassador Taylor has received from AC permission to allow the German Minister to the Vatican to send to Taormina a large sum of money, totalling, I believe, 1 million lire. I therefore feel that some central control should be exercised by you as to the total amounts the German diplomats are allowed to receive and spend.

It is, however, felt

J. J. Lawler
Cmdr. U.S.C.G.R.

Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

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Translation -Telegram -

Minister de Stoutz, Chief of the Section
Foreign Affairs - Swiss Legation. - Rome

Kindly accept the following application:

As I no longer dispose of lire for my wife and myself, I need 100,000 lire per person for urgent expenditures, as soon as possible. I suggest putting this sum at my disposal and applying to the German Ministry of Foreign Affairs in order that the equivalent may be transferred to the Swiss Agency. I am thus authorizing the Creditanstalt-Wiener Bankverein, Wien IV, Anton Lehnerplatz to repay an equivalent amount of Marks to the above mentioned German Ministry, drawing it from my L P/GH deposit. Kindly speed up the matter and send answer by cable - Console Graf -Thun

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 374
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION

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I February 1945

SUBJECT : Interned Axis Diplomats

TO : Political Section,
Allied Commission. ✓

1. As you are aware, a number of Axis diplomatic personnel, originally fifteen, and now believed to be nine, are interned under guard at the Miramare Hotel, Taormina, Sicily, where they have been since July last year.

2. As far as their out-of-pocket expenses are concerned, it is understood that these are being met from their own cash resources, consisting principally of French francs. We wish to advise you, however, that up to 31 December 1944, a total of Lire 266,599 had been expended from AMG/AC funds, for the wages of the staff, etc. at the hotel.

3. Although, in principle, this is hardly an Allied Commission expense, the net effect of these payments will merely be to increase the Occupational charge against the Italian Government, who in turn may claim against the Axis country involved. This Sub-Commission is therefore prepared to envisage the continuance of these payments. You may, however, consider as a matter for action, the fact that in December, the number of hotel employees was 21, which, according to our Accountants, works out at 2.333 persons per (fortunate) diplomat.

4. We shall be glad to have any comments you may wish to make.

A.P. Graber Smith
Col

Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission

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There were originally ten Germans and one Roumanian interned in Taormina. One German died. On Dec. 31, 1944, nine additional Germans, the staff of the German Consulate General at Marseilles, arrived in Taormina for internment. In consequence, the interned colony then now totals nineteen.

Political Section is not conversant with the facts in full. It appears that the hotel probably would not be kept open save that it was selected to house this diplomatic party, pending their exchange. It is not known whether there are other guests accommodated in the

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION

Ref No : 13081/F

29 January 1945

SUBJECT: German Consular Personnel at Taormina -
from France.

TO : Joint Vice President,
Political Section. ✓

1. Attached for your information is copy of letter from RPO,
Sicilia Region, indicating the amounts of money exchanged for the
recent additions to the German colony at Taormina.

A. P. Gravoeys

Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

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SICILIA REGION HEADQUARTERS
APO 394

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FRD 202

25 January 1945

SUBJECT: German Consular Personnel at
Taormina From France.

TO : H.Q., A.C., A.P.O. 394
Att: - Finance Sub-Commission
(Joint Director)

With reference to my letters of 5th, 9th and 11th inst.,
I am now advised by Catania Finance Office that the following
foreign currency has been exchanged by the Banca d'Italia, in
accordance with instructions of the Provincial Commissioner, Lt.
Col. H.J. Walker: -

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2) £ Sterling	10 shillings	400 " each £	200.-
3) French francs	231,900	2 " " franc	<u>463,800.-</u>
		Lire Total	<u>500,000.-</u>

The above mentioned foreign currency has been delivered to
the Banca d'Italia, and the equivalent in Lire (Lit. 500,000) handed
to Major J.B. Wilson.

I would also mention that I have received reimbursement of
the advance of Lit. 10,000 which I made on the 5th inst. to Major J.B.
Wilson.

FOR THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER

Signed: A.G. WITHERS
MAJOR
R. F. O.

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recent additions to the German colony at Taormina.

(Signed) A.P. GRAFFTEY-SMITH

Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

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MAJOR
R. E. O.

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FILE:RC/091.112

20 Jan 1945

SUBJECT: Axis Diplomats - Taormina

TO : Allied Forces Headquarters
APO 512

1. With reference to your confidential cable
FC 86985 of 13 JAN 45, I forward herewith the following
report.

2. The party of 9 German Consular Officials who
arrived at Taormina on 31 DEC 44 are accommodated under
exactly the same conditions as in the case of the 9
Axis Diplomats who have been living at Taormina since
12 JUL 44.

All these Axis officials are housed at the
Hotel Miramare which is a large and comfortable hotel.
They are treated with the usual international courtesy
extended to the diplomatic corps in time of war.
Instructions have been issued that they are on no ac-
count to be regarded as prisoners of war though full
security measures are taken in consultation with local
Sub-Area Headquarters.

The garden of the hotel has been enclosed with
a barbed wire fence to prevent the ingress of unauthoris-
ed persons. A guard of Italian (VP) Police and Carabin-
ieri is provided.

There is an Allied officer, at present a British
officer, resident in the hotel who is responsible for the
conduct of and for looking after the interests of these
officials.

These Axis officials are not allowed any out-
side contacts with the exception of the Archbishop of 569
Messina and the Parrocco of Taormina who have been given
permission to visit them in the interests only of their
spiritual and moral welfare.

Army rations are provided on repayment and limit-
ed quantities of supplementary food such as fruits, vege-
tables and eggs are supplied. Table wine is also given.
All these items are paid for through Allied Commission
sources.

Personal expenses such as laundry, drinks between meals etc., are paid for by the officials out of money which they have at their disposal.

They are permitted to take unlimited exercise in the grounds of the hotel and are permitted to take exercise outside the hotel grounds provided they are escorted. For instance, during the summer months regular expeditions were allowed to the bathing beach. For this purpose a WD car allotted to the Allied officer in charge of the hotel was used and although I questioned the use of WD petrol for this purpose this practice was eventually approved by higher authority.

Although no coal is available to the civil population in this island for domestic purposes, these Axis officials have recently complained about the cold in the hotel and special arrangements were made for the central heating to be operated. This arrangement will be terminated as early as possible.

3. With particular respect to the 9 German Consular officials who arrived on the 31 DEC 44, both male and female members of this party were dressed in American uniform. Instructions have been issued that on no account are any members of this party to be allowed to take exercise outside the precincts of the hotel dressed in Allied uniform. The urgent necessity of withdrawing this uniform from these officials has been taken up with higher authority and arrangements are in hand for the purchase of civilian clothing from local sources for such members as require it. Payment will be made out of currency for which exchange arrangements are in hand in possession of the officials. It will be appreciated that very high prices will have to be paid for local civilian clothing especially if of a winter type. So far as is known the members of the party are not alarmed at this as the requirements submitted by them are very comprehensive, but permission is being given only for the purchase of necessities. An interesting sidelight on their point of view is given by the fact that in their requirements are included bathing costumes and beach gowns.

4. I trust that the above report contains all the information you require.

M Carr
M. CARR

Brigadier
Regional Commissioner

COPY TO:

Headquarters Allied Commission —
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION
A.P.O. 394.

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12 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Axis Diplomats - Taormina.

TO : Political Section, HQ., AC. ✓

Reference the attached correspondence.

Yesterday, 11th January, I telephoned the following instructions to the Regional Finance Officer, Sicily :-

The sterling, U.S. Dollar and French francs may be exchanged for lire by the Banca d'Italia, Catania, at the rates of -

1 dollar - 100 lire

1 pound - 400 lire

1 French franc - 2 lire

The remaining foreign ^{currency} ~~assets~~ should continue to be held in safe custody by the Banca d'Italia, Catania.

The amounts which may be exchanged must be established by the authorities in Sicily ~~and~~ to be based on the living requirements of the diplomats and on the cost of the clothes which they must buy.

The Regional Finance Officer informed me that he had examined all the currency and that the French francs were ordinary Bank of France issue in series of 1940, 1942 and 1943.

He also inquired what action he should take on the jewels. I replied that this was not the concern of the Finance Sub-Commission but I approved of Colonel Walker's suggestion that inquiries regarding their origin should be made to the French Government.

A.P. Grassie
Col.

Colonel,
Joint Director,
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION.

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SICILIA REGION HEADQUARTERS
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OFFICE: REGIONAL COMMISSIONER
PHONE: 15555 EXT 1

FILE: RC/091.112

8 Jan 1945

SUBJECT: Axis Diplomats- TAORMINA

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission
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In continuation of this Headquarters cable REQ-372 of 2 JAN 45, I am forwarding herewith detailed report on the arrival of the German diplomatic personnel from France at TAORMINA.

It seems to me that the most urgent question is for arrangements to be made for these recent arrivals to have some money placed at their disposal in order that urgent arrangements can be made for the men to be clothed in other than Allied uniforms. It seems to me to be highly undesirable for this personnel to be wearing Allied uniform and I am at a loss to understand under what circumstances it was ever issued to them.

I have instructed the Regional Finance Officer to get into touch with the Finance Subcommittee regarding the financial and exchange side. Can it be confirmed, please, that these recently arrived internees have the same status as the others at Taormina and that their correspondence will be handled in the same way?

If any action is required as regards the jewelry presumably this Headquarters will be informed.

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10 JAN 45
A. C.
M. Carr
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Brigadier
Regional Commissioner

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1 Encl- copy of letter, Col Walker to Reg. Commissioner Sicilia Region CAT/222 3 JAN 45 re German Diplomats at TAORMINA.

COPY TO: Liaison Division
Headquarters Allied Commission
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: T90533

Date/Time of Origin: JAN 071210A

Message Centre No: C/6920

Date/Time Rec'd: JAN 072000A

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ACTION

Rear 9340 of 5 January 45.

At the direction of the proper authorities at this Headquarters advised 204 Area as to Wta. All indications were that HQ number 3 District would be responsible for these diplomats.

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Chief Commissioner
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AFHQ FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE

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5 JANUARY 1945

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PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE FROM HQ ALCOM SIGNED STONE PAREN
SICILIA REGIONAL COMMISSIONER REPORTS ARRIVAL FROM MARSEILLE TO
CATANIA BY PLANE AND SUBSEQUENTLY TO TAORMINA OF GERMAN CONSUL GENERAL
AND HIS STAFF CONSISTING OF NINE INDIVIDUALS ONE THREE OR FOUR OF
WHOM ARE WOMEN PD PARTY HAS CONSIDERABLE SUM OF MONEY IN VARIOUS
CURRENCIES AND ARRIVED IN CHARGE OF AN ALLIED OFFICER ONE BUT NO
INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING THEM HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY REGIONAL COMMISSIONER
WHO REQUESTS CONFIRMATION THAT THEIR STATUS IS THE SAME AS THE OTHER
GERMAN DIPLOMATS NOW AT TAORMINA

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(as copy of Taormina)

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W.W.SCHOTT
Vice President.

INCOMING MESSAGE
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: CITE REP 372

Date/Time of Origin: JAN 031500A

Message Centre No: 6398

Date Time Rec'd: JAN 031900A

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: HQ ALCOM SICILY REGION (CARR)

TO: ALCOM ROME

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1. German consul general and his staff from MARSEILLES arrived by plane at CATANIA in 31 December 44 and are now moving (moving?) with diplomats at TAORMINIA.
2. Party consists of 9 individuals including 3 or 4 women.
3. Party has considerable sum of money in various non ref. No. currencies.
4. Party arrived in charge of Bn American officer.
5. No official instructions whatever received about this party.
6. Request confirmation that their status is Same as your diplomats now at TAORMINA.
7. Full report follows.

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Action - Pol Sec (2)
Info - Chief Commissioner
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