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General Plan For Reproduction

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General Plan For Repatriation of I.P.W. From Overseas In British, American,

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the French Representative

No. 2707

Rome, 30 October 1945

(NAVY)
From the Captain of the Ship MOULLEC
French Representative in the Allied
Commission.

TO: The Director of IPW Division.

SUBJECT: Repatriation of IPW interned in France and
North Africa.

1. As you know; the French Government has decided to free
the Italian Prisoners of War.

2. This decision started to be executed in France. The
first convoy of prisoners will arrive in Mentone from a camp near
Bordeaux on 26 October 45. Some trucks of the Italian Red Cross
will arrive in that locality to collect the liberated prisoners
and transport them to Italy.

3. Regarding the Italian prisoners in North Africa this
liberation is subject to two conditions:

a) That Italian ships must transport from French ports
to North African ports German prisoners destined to replace the
IPW now working there.

b) The same Italian ships must transport the liberated
Italian prisoners from North African to Italian ports.

4. The Italian Government should have informed the Allied
Commission of these conditions. I shall be glad to know the
dispositions taken in order to realize this move.

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Dist: POW Division
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s/ MOULLEC

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Office of the French Representative

A.P.O. 394

No. 2707

Rome le 30 Octobre 1945

Le Capitaine de Vaisseau MOULLEC
Représentant Français à la Commission Alliés
à

M. le Directeur de la Sous-Commission
des Prisonniers de Guerre.

Objet: Rapatriement des prisonniers de guerre italiens internés en
France et en Afrique du Nord.

- 1) Comme vous le savez, le Gouvernement Français a décidé de libérer les prisonniers de guerre italiens.
- 2) Cette décision a reçu un commencement d'exécution en France. Un premier train de prisonniers provenant d'un camp de la région de Bordeaux a dû arriver le 26 Octobre à Menton. Des camions de la Croix Rouge Italienne devaient venir dans cette localité pour effectuer ensuite le transport des prisonniers libérés en Italie.
- 3) En ce qui concerne les prisonniers italiens en Afrique du Nord, leur libération a été soumise à deux conditions:
 - a) Transport par navires italiens, de port français à port nord-africain, de prisonniers allemands destinés à remplacer la main d'œuvre jusqu'ici fournie par les prisonniers italiens.
 - b) Transport par ces mêmes navires italiens, de port nord-africain à port italien, des prisonniers italiens libérés.
- 4) Le Gouvernement Italien a dû informer la Commission Alliée de ces conditions. Je serais heureux de connaître les dispositions qui ont pu être prises pour leur réalisation.

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Destinataire (Voir au verso)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APC 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

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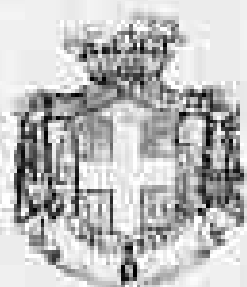
9 November 1945

Subject : Repatriation of 800 Italian PWs from Corsica.

To : Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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- 1/. Reference your memorandum 6/4518/1998 dated 5 Nov 45 subject as above.
 - 2/. The Navy S/O has been contacted by this office and the P.O.I.L. is now endeavouring to secure a ship that may be despatched to the port of Ajaccio to embark the Italian PWs in question.
 - 3/. Could your Ministry secure from the French Government the exact date that the prisoners will be ready for shipment.

J.E. REUIS
Lt. Colonel
Chief
IPW Division



Ministero degli Affari Esteri

PIW 6/43 '8/1943

1. The competent French Authorities have advised that 800 Italian ex p.o.w. are now in Corsica, ready to be repatriated.

Embarkation should take place in the port of Ajaccio.

2. The Allied Commission is kindly requested to authorize that a ship of the Italian navy be sent to Ajaccio to fetch the a/m military men. *SS.*

Rome, November 5th, 1945

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*Copied by
To Fred Thompson
From H. B. ...
7/1/19*

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 Washington, D.C. 20004-4242
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 304
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

JEB/tb

IPW/53/96

9 November 1945

Subject : Repatriation of Italian PWs interned
in France and North Africa.

To : A.P.O. - G-5 Section
APO 512

- 1/. I have been informed by Capt. MOULIER, French representative at the Allied Commission, that the French Government has decided to free some 40,000 Italian PWs now held in North Africa, under the following conditions:
 - a) The Italian Government must furnish vessels to call at a French port in order to embark French held German Prisoners of War and transport them to a North African port.
 - b) The same vessel will embark an equal number of released Italian PWs and return to an Italian port.
 - 2/. This agreement was approved by Ambassador Saragat and Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
 - 3/. I contacted Navy S/O A.C., and the P.O.I.L. informed me that he would request the needed transportation from the U.S. Red Fleet, but he believed that his request would be disapproved in view that none of the Italian ships that may be made available, are degaussed and he advised me to take the matter up through you with MEMCO.
 - 4/. Will you please inform me of any decision given on this matter
- For the Chief Commissioner:

J.P. REGIS
Lt. Colonel
Chief
IPW Division

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

JER/tb

IPW/53/95

9 November 1945

Subject : Repatriation of 40,000 Italian PW from North Africa.

To : Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
(Attn: Liaison Office)

- 1/. Reference your memorandum for Conte Fabbricotti No. 6/4161 dated 26 Oct 45 delivered at this office 6 Nov 45.
- 2/. To clear paragraph 3 of letter IPW/53/67 dated 12 Oct 45 signed by Maj. Hamilton for the Chief of Division, which reads:

" The matter of repatriation of the remaining 40,000 prisoners of war is under consideration by the Navy S/C. It is hoped that Italian ships may be available to complete this task."

The phrase "It is hoped" means exactly what it stands for (si opera).

- 3/. This office requested the Navy S/C to furnish shipping for the repatriation of the 40,000 PW in question and it is hoped (si opera) that ships of the Italian Navy may be made available for this task.
- 4/. This office has been notified by the French representative at the Allied Commission, Capt. MOULLE, French Navy, that the French Government has decided to free the Italian Prisoners of War being held in North Africa under the following conditions:
- a) That Italian ships must be furnished to transport German prisoners of war from French ports to ports in North Africa to replace an equal number of Italian PWs now working there, which will be loaded on the same Italian ship and transported to Italian ports.
- 5/. This agreement was approved by Ambassador Saragat, and as you can readily see it will mean a considerable delay in repatriation of the Italian PWs in North Africa.

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- 6/. Naval S/O, whom I contacted, discouraged my proposed plan of sending ships of the Italian Royal Navy calling my attention to the fact that these ships have not been degaussed (dimagnetizzato), and for this reason cannot be sent into ports that have been heavily mined during the late unpleasantness. I am contacting MEDBO endeavouring to secure transportation.
- 7/. I will inform you of their decision.


J.E. REGIS
Lt. Colonel
Chief
IPW Division

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

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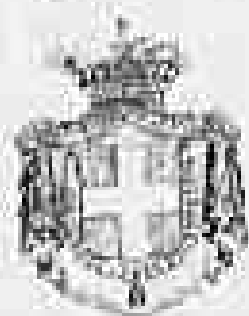
9 November 1945

Subject : 1500 Italian Prisoners of War in North Africa.

To : Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

- 1/. Reference your memorandum for the Allied Commission 6/4295/1988 dated 3 Nov 45 delivered by Conte Fabbricotti.
- 2/. Arrangements are being made for a Cruiser to proceed to North Africa on or about the 23rd of Nov, so that it will reach the harbour of Oran on Nov 26th to secure the transportation of 750 of the 1500 Italian PWs that the French Government will release.
- 3/. Due to the limited personnel carrying capacity of a Cruiser, it will be necessary to make two trips.
- 4/. The undersigned will personally proceed to Oran in order to act as liaison and in order to facilitate and expedite the loading of said prisoners.

J.E. REGIS
Lt. Colonel
Chief
IPW Division



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6/4295/1988

Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: 1500 Prisoners of war in North Africa.

1. Reference is made to the Allied Commission's note I.P.W./53/71, dated October 15th, 1945 and to this Ministry's memorandum 6/4068/1980 of October 20th, last.

2. The French Government has informed the Ministry for Foreign Affairs that the Italian cruiser "GARIBOLDI", on whom the 1500 Italian p.o.w. in North Africa are to be repatriated, should reach the harbour of Oran on November 26th next. *Aper.*

Rome, 3 November 1945



original submitted to

Min. of Foreign Affairs

for the attention of the Commission

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 83358
Date/Time of Origin: NOV 6/1530Z

Message Centre No: G/3053
Date Time Rec'd: NOV 7/0845A
Precedence: IMPORTANT

FROM: TROOPERS

TO : CME FOR A BRANCH

INFO: A COM MMIA.

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Your FX51728 3 November and my 82101 P#2 29 October.

First. Para 2. Agree with addition of my second (B) (C) and (E) and exception that your (C) should have priority over (E). MIDEAST consider these personnel should have priority over CO-OPERATORS. If you still disagree request you give reasons repeating to MIDEAST.

Second. Para 6 noted.

Third. Para 7 noted.

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ACTION: IPW DIV.

INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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Italian Prisoner of War Sub Commission
HQ AC APO 394
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FROM : A BRANCH CAMP
TO : TROOPERS
INFO : ADMIRAL A. H. A.

Col Regis This is a concrete
example of delay in cables —
Original received through A.L.
4 Nov 45. - Sec 87
This through H.M. it received 6 Nov
H.

Ref your 52101P-2 dated 29 Oct.

1. Intention noted.
2. Consider order of priority of repatriation as follows:
A. Sink who would have been passed by mixed national commission (standard whether co-operator or non-co-operator).
B. Co-operators.
C. GUNDO and REGINA dive and Italian naval personnel who assisted us in
XINOTANES and are now in MIDWEST.
D. Non-co-operators
E. Recalcitrants and criminals.
3. Repatriation by sea, read in 4 column part, present rate of acceptance
at one time, holding capacity of camps there, rate of clearance per day
Howard.

PARAFFO	7000	10000	1000
HARLES	7000	10000	1000
LEGHORN	3000	6500	1000

4. Repatriation by rail.

MIL BI	5000	2000	1000
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Acceptance rate here represents maximum possible excluding all other incoming

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Traffic. Endeavouring to raise holding capacity to 10000.

5. Agree your 5th.

6. Request present practice continued all repatriates arriving in status of PD and remaining this status until disembarkation at port of detaining at hand over point when responsibility passes to Italian Govt for determination and disposal.

7. Prepared receive repatriates on plan above forthwith. Limiting factor throughout is lack of sufficient transport facilities from ports to permit rapid clearance inland of base reception areas. Overall plan of total repatriation from America has been agreed and moves already begun. Since this uses same reception organization here now moved from elsewhere into ITALY must be phased in with that plan.

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INFO: (5) PREMIO SITE FUSON (6) NOV TARANTO (7) ALCON ROME

Handwritten: NEW KILLER

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OUR NOV 58 58333 of 29 October refers. Sailing of
KONCUISKO delayed for few days. Firm date will be now
tified soonest.

Handwritten: S/A with ...

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Italian Prisoner of War Sub. Committee

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION.

Tel. No. 439061
Ext. 484.

Ref : IPW/53/86

Subject: Return of Italian PW from British Empire

5 November, 1945.

To : Capt M.C.F. HALL, R.A.,
Milan Office,
Allied Commission,
C.M.F.

Attached herewith for information is a copy of letter 3072/A2
dated 24 Oct 45 received from GHQ CMF.

J. E. REYES, Lt. Col.,
Chief,
IPW Division.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: FZ 52755

Date/Time of Origin: NOV 03.27.55A

Message Centre No: 3/3450

Date Time Rec'd: NOV 04.08.55A

Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: A BRANCH CAMP

TO: THROOPERS INFO A. J. J. M. M. M.

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by AC.

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Ref your message dated 2. Oct.

1. Intentional notes.
2. Consider order of priority of repatriation should be
 - A. Such who could have been passed by mixed medical commis-
sion standard whether co-operator or non-co-operator.
 - B. Co-operators.
 - C. CUNEO and LAGINA Divs and Italian naval personnel who
assist us in DOBAGNINI on are now in HILBERT.
 - D. Non-co-operators.
 - E. Recalcitrants and criminals.
3. Repatriation by sea, read in 4 columns port, present rate of
acceptance at one time, holding capacity of camps there, rate of
clearance per day forward. TARIATO 7000 10000 1000 NAPLES 7000
10000 1000 LEGHORN 3000 5500 1000.
4. Repatriation by rail. MILAN 5000 3000 1000. Acceptance
rate here represents maximum possible excluding all other incoming
traffic. Endeavouring to raise holding capacity to 10000.
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Italian Prisoner of War Sub Commission
HQ AC APO 384

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SUBJECT :- General Repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN FORCES

3072/42

31 Oct 45

To:- G-4 (Mov & Tr)
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G-5
HQ., Allied Commission, IAW Division. ✓
HQ., MIA.

CONFIRMATION.

1. Reference Troopers Signal 82101 P.W.2 of 29 Oct 45 (not to HQ., Allied Commission or MIA).
2. A meeting will be held in the G-3 War Room AFM, at 1430 hours on 2 Nov 45, to discuss the proposed general repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War and arrangements for the reception of the repatriates in ITALY. A copy of the Agenda is attached.
3. The presence of your representative is requested.

T.R. O'Brien
T.R. O'BRIEN,
Major, D.A.A.G.,
for Major General,
DAG.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN FORCES
('A' Branch)

3072/A2

31 Oct 45

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A G E N D A

1. Areas of disembarkation, or of rail reception if repatriation is effected by overland route.
2. Dates from which repatriates can be received at each Reception Area.
3. Daily rate of acceptance in each Reception Area.
4. Method of notification and acceptance under paragraph 5 of TROOPERS' signal 82101 PW 2 of 29 Oct 45.

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Headquarters, Allied Commission (IPW Sub-Commission)
Headquarters, Military Mission to Italian Army.

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OFFICE OF MG GERMANY US FROM COMBINED REP EXECUTIVE SIGNED CLAY
ROME INFO AFHQ, USFET MAIN CONCVVB.

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D.R. (clay)

The following is from Combined Repatriation Executive number 67
the reference is your 7730 of 30 October 1945, not to CONCOMB.

Repatriation of Italians has to all intents and purposes been
completed. There will continue to be spasmodic movements, but it is not
expected they will amount to more than 1 or 2 per week, end of message
(signed CLAY)

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Col Rogers to Sec H

*Chief Clerk
Check report to Sec
See memo 64*

Chief Commissioner
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Ref your F30642 para 3. Numbers involved were given in our
cable CC13072 number 28 dated 25th October that is 70.

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Italian Prisoner of War Sub. Commission
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Rome 27th October 1945

Ministry of Post War Assistance
POW Bureau - Ist Division - Ist Sect. (Pol)

TO : The Allied Commission
Sub Commission for Italian POW
POW

Prot.N. 3952/C-3

SUBJECT : Repatriation of Italian POW from French
North Africa.

The French Government in informing us of the decision to free all Italian POW has also communicated, that the repatriation of those from North Africa (about 40,000) depends exclusively on the available shipping space furnished by the Italian Government.

The Allied Commission with letter IPW/53/67 dated the 12th October 1945, informed us that the subject in discussion was being examined by the naval Sub Commission in order to assign Italian ships for this duty.

As the sad situation of our prisoners in North Africa is well known, and as it is very difficult to feed them, due to the scarcity of crops, the French Government is anxious that these repatriations be effected: we will therefore greatly appreciate if the Allied Commission will interest the Naval Sub Commission regarding this matter and obtain the solution as soon as is possible.

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Dott. Fausto Nitti.

DATE: _____
FROM: NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, HQ. AC
TO : FLAG OFFICER ITALY-A LIAISON.

FORWARDED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

For Chief, Navy S/C.

C O P Y

DPR/18/9/G-II (IT)

FOR ACTION USFET MAIN INFO GEORGE FIVE ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

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27 October 1945

PRIORITY

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PARA ONE PD IN ORDER TO REGULATE RAIL MOVEMENT IN ITALY CMA WHAT IS YOUR
ESTIMATED WEEKLY RATE OF FLOW OF REFUGEES VIA BRENNER PASS INTO ITALY PD
PAREN TO FOR ACTION USEFT MAIN INFO GEORGE FIVE ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
FROM ALCOM CITE ACDPR PAREN

PARA TWO PD AT PRESENT ARRIVALS ARE VERY SPASMODIC RESULTING IN
CANCELLATION OF TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS MADE IN ADVANCE.

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Rome 27th October 1945

Ministry of Post War Assistance
POW Bureau - I^a Division - I^a Sect. (Pol)

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Dott. Fausto Nitti.

SUBJECT:- Return of Italian P.O. from British Empire.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN FORCES

3072/A2

24 Oct 45

TO :- Headquarters,
Allied Commission,
IMV Sub-Commission.

COPY TO:- File 3072/2/A2

1. Reference your IPH/53/74 of 19 Oct 45.
2. The latest information received from War Office states that the British Foreign Secretary has notified Italian Representatives of the acceptance in principle of the repatriation of Italian prisoners of war after the harvest and when transport is available.
3. Present indication shows it unlikely that any substantial repatriation can be effected until the beginning of 1946.
4. This HQ has no information as to when Italian prisoners of war are likely to return to ITALY from other parts of the British Empire.

R. V. Turrell
R. V. TURRELL,
Lieut-Colonel, A.M.C.,
for Major General,
P.A.G.

GHQ/AP

① Ge. Reg. to be sent.

② Chief Clerk - a copy of this to Policy File - 7410.

③ Capt. de lausi, Lt. To. to wait

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Italian Prisoners of War Sub-Commission
HQ AF - PO 334
Received 29 October 1945.
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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20 October 1945

SUBJECT : Repatriation of Italian PW.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. The following general comments are made on the plan of the Italian Ministry of War for the reception and disposal of repatriated Italian POW. Your letters IPW/1/POL/513 dated 19 September and IPW/53/40 of 21 September refer.

2. Transportation to Italy.

a. It will not be possible for the Allied Government to sort out PW before embarkation and ship them to 7 ports as suggested by the plan. The requirements of the Allied Forces and the economical use of transport facilities make it essential that shipping and other types of transport continue in established runs.

b. It is probable that all available means of transport will be used to return PW to Italy. For planning purposes the most likely routes that will be used are:

From U.S.	by ship to Naples (small numbers to Leghorn)
From Germany	by rail over Brenner as at present
From French North Africa	by ship to Naples (if in Allied shipping)
From U.K.	by ship to Naples or Taranto (possibly rail to North Italy)
From Middle-East, East Africa, India, etc.	by ship to Taranto

c. Advice of ETA, numbers shipped and ports of loading and arrival will be given as far in advance as possible.

d. Passenger lists of U.S. held PW are furnished the Italian Liaison Officer at 8th Port, Naples, where the greater part of repatriated Italians are disembarked. The provision of advance nominal roils of British held PW cannot always be guaranteed; every effort will however be made to furnish them.

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e. You have already been advised by this Headquarters cable FX 44795 of 21 September 45 of the planned shipment of PW from U.S. No plans are yet available for PW in British custody: steps are being taken to secure early information of proposed plans. The latest information with regard to British held PW located in U.K. is that, although repatriation in principle has been accepted, the present indication is that there is unlikely to be any substantial movement before the beginning of 1945. You are aware of the current situation with regard to the repatriation of PW from other areas in Europe and North Africa.

3. Supplies and Equipment -

a. It is believed that the Italian army will be provided with material more than sufficient to meet the requirements for reception of PW, under arrangements currently being made to equip an Italian Army of 140,000.

b. If necessary to expedite transfer, items determined by MMIA to be unavailable from existing Italian resources, can be transferred on a loan basis to apply against requirements for equipping the Italian Army. This applies equally to U.S. and U.K. items of equipment.

4. Accommodation.

Accommodation in Naples and Leghorn only have been considered in view of paragraph 2(a) above. The following is the position:

a. Naples

Pizzofalcone Barracks. Almost certain this will be required by Allied Military Authority until February 46.

b. Leghorn

Lido Calambione, Colonie Marine. After the end of this month only 2 buildings are expected to be required by 33 Station Hospital. Remainder of the buildings will be available.

5. Transportation.

a. See paragraph 3(a) for internal camp transport.

b. Road transport for distribution of PW to and from camps will not be available from U.S. Truck Companies. If transport available to the Italian Government is determined by MMIA as not being sufficient, it may be possible to loan vehicles under paragraph 3(b) less drivers who would have to be provided by the Italian Government: in an emergency it might be possible to call on transport companies available to British Districts. In this connection personnel carrying transport should only be provided when a march of more than 7 miles is involved. Baggage will of course require to be transported.

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: CC 18074

Message Centre No: 4/2151

Date/Time of Origin: OCT 27 1554Z

Date/Time Rec'd: OCT 27 0830

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: OFFICE OF MILITARY GOVT FOR GERMANY US SIGNER CLAY
 TO: AFHQ INFO ALCON US FORCES EUROPEAN THEATRE MAIN.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

CONFIDENTIAL.

From Combined Repatriation Executive Number 35. Reference is
 PX 49534 19 October. Soviet advised that the only Italians left in
 their zone are hospital cases who cannot be moved at this time.

Col Regis is Sec'y

HEADQUARTERS
 27 OCT 1945
 A. C.

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Italian Prisoner of War Sub Commission
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*Ministero degli Affari Esteri*

P. 17*

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1880Very Urgent

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: 1500 Prisoners of War in North Africa.

- 1.- Reference is made to Allied Commission's note IPW/53/71 dated Oct. 15th, 1945.
- 2.- The Italian Navy Ministry reports that the Allied Authorities have granted permission for the cruiser "Garibaldi" to take two trips Naples-Oran and return, to repatriate 1500 Italian prisoners of war.
- 3.- The a/w Navy Ministry adds that it was during negotiations with the French Admiralty that the choice of the harbour of Oran was agreed upon.

Rome, October 20th, 1945.

Copy to Navy S/C. Commission

See 70 71

Col. Legis

We know this!

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Italian Prisoner of War Sub Commission
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FX 49534
OCT 192020AO/1659
OCT 21500A
ROUTINE

AFH, SIGNED, SIGNED

USPET INFO ALCON ROME FOR CRX

CONFIDENTIAL

Can you confirm imminent movement of approx 100,000 Italians,
chiefly ex POW from Russian occupied GERMANY to ITALY via BRUNNEN?
Request you state opening date of arrival in ITALY if this
repatriation is to take place.

Dist

Col Regis for information

Info-action - Disper
Info - Chief Commissioner
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Chief Clerk

Query with message Centre why this was sent to Disper
for action - one
are chiefly concerned!

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INCOMING MESSAGE *71 POW*

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 91386

Message Centre No: G/1698

Date/Time of Origin OCT 201739Z

Date Time Rec'd: OCT 221130A

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: SIGNED LEWIS CITE MFGAP *To*TO: ~~ACTION~~ USFET MISSION TO FRANCE, ALCOM FOR INFO*From**Correction from MFC 22 Oct 45*

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED.

Italian repatriation commission requests clearance for the following movements from FRANCE for which the Italian Government has already made preparations in ITALY.

- (A) 1000 Italian prisoners of war from French camps via MENTON BORDIGHERA 27 October.
- (B) 500 Italian displaced persons via MENTON BORDIGHERA 29 October.
- (C) 900 Italians demobilized from French Army via BRIANCON TURIN about 28 October.

*Col. Regis**From Commission
informed 22 Oct 45*DIST

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INFO: Chief Commissioner
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Italian Prisoner of War Sub Commission

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18 October 1949

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PARA ONE PD URGENTLY THAT OVER ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND ITALIANS WERE TO
BE SENT TO ITALY BY AIRCRAFT FROM NORTH AFRICA TO ITALY TO
SERVE IN NON COMBAT ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS. STUSSON CASE FIVE SECTION FIVE ALONG
SIDE IRRADI PARK

PARA TWO PD WOULD YOU ASCERTAIN FROM COPY IF THIS SECTION IS RECORDED AND IF IT
CONTAINS THE RATE OF FLOW IN MILLION GALLONS PER HOUR PD
OR SIX 2400
PARA THREE PD REQUEST APPROX FLOW FIVE ~~==~~ TWO MILLION GALLONS PER HOUR PD
2400

Copy for Displaced Persons 2/3

IPW Division

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J. J. Jones
S.D. S.D.
Asst. Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE USA
AND FOR
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SECTION

19 October 1945

IPW/53/77

Subject: Return of IPW from British Empire.

To : A.F.M. - 6-1 (1).

- 1/. Numerous queries are received by this Division as to when Italian PWs from different parts of the British Empire may be evacuated back to Italy.
- 2/. I have been unable to give any information on this subject. I usually answer that the availability of sea transport will govern the release of these prisoners.
- 3/. Please advise.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Ltr 81

Jes
Lt. Colonel
Chief
IPW Division

8062

18 Oct 45

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

MGC/NPS/irf

G-5: 383.6

15 October 1945

SUBJECT: Transport for the Repatriation of IPW in French Custody.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
APO 394.

Reference your IPW/53/56 of 6 October, subject as above,
and further to our letter of 4 October, subject and file as above.

1. Shipping authorities at this Headquarters state that it is very doubtful if shipping from Allied resources can be made available for some considerable time to lift the 40,000 PW in French custody in North Africa.

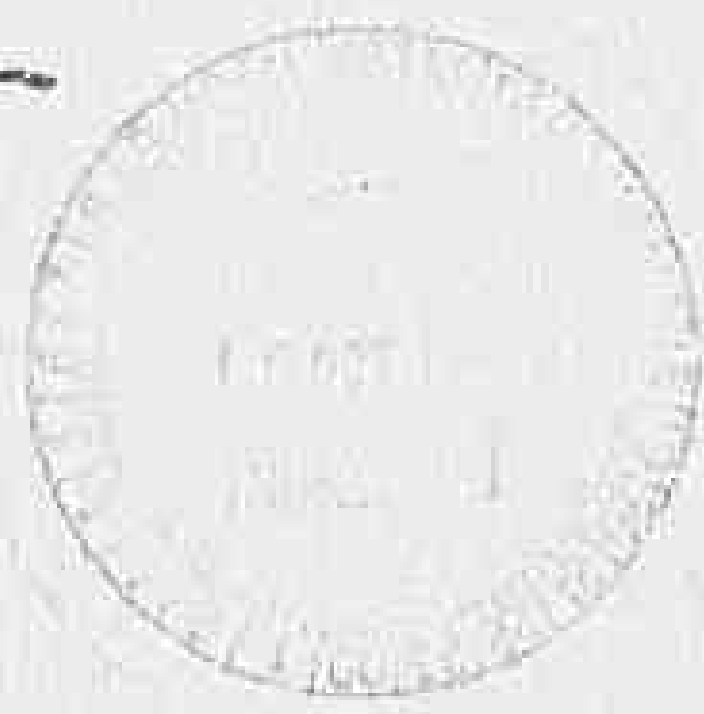
2. It is suggested that the Italian Government may wish to move these PW in Italian cruisers. This can be arranged by you direct with "Flag Officer Italy and Liaison."

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:



M. J. GLENN
Colonel

Copy to:
Rov & Tn



① Col begins to see
② Copy of this letter sent to
Navy & Air
③ See also 67, 7a

Italian Prisoners of War Sub Commission

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Received 17 OCT 1945

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18 PW 5/

CC 18453
Oct 13

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442111),
EX-100, NEW YORK, N.Y.

Reference is made to your letter of October 10, 1963, captioned as above, and to the letter of the New York Office dated October 11, 1963, captioned as above. The New York Office is requested to continue its investigation of the activities of the subject, and to report the results of its investigation to the Bureau by October 20, 1963. The Bureau is requested to advise the New York Office of the results of its investigation of the activities of the subject, and to report the results of its investigation to the New York Office by October 20, 1963.



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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 13114
 Date/Time of Origin: OCT 190334

Message Centre No: 9/938
 Date Time Rec'd: OCT 191930A
 Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: WAR CITE STICN DB 607 CONGENSLIV

TO : JUNT, BOSTON PORT OF EMBARKATION, HAMPTON ROADS POE, LACEB, ALCON, LIGNOIN,
 AND NAPLES COMBUNE

INFO ACTION

UNCLASSIFIED.

Re request included in unred C26624, dated 9 October 45, 1 copy of passenger list on all shipments of Italian P.S. from US to ITALY will be airtailed in future to ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, ROME, APC 594, in addition to distribution presently in effect.

DIST

INFO-ACTION: IFOW
 INFO: Chief Commissioner
 File 2
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Italian Embassy or War Sub Commission **140**
 HQ AC APC 324
 Received 15 OCT 45
 Log No 11

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

12 Oct. '49IPR/55/71

SUBJECT : 1500 PW in N. AFRICA
TO : Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1. Ref. our LTR 5/67 dated 12 Oct. '49
2. It is proposed to use the Italian ship 'GARIBOLDI' to repatriate the a/m PW.
3. Will you please obtain the permission of the French Authorities for the 'GARIBOLDI' to embark these PW at ORAN, in two lifts. The first lift to be on 22 Oct. '49.
4. Please treat as urgent and send copy of your reply to Navy S/C A.C.

Handwritten signature
J. E. HARRIS
Lieut. Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

Copy to: Min. of Post War Assistance
to: Autonem. Office for War Vet. & Repatr. PW
to: Office of Executive Commission
to: Navy S/C.

See folio 78

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ADQUARTERS ALLIED COMM. I
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/53/7015 Oct. '45

SUBJECT : Transport for repatriation of IPW in French Custody

TO : A.F.H.Q.
G5 Section

1. With reference to your 583.6 dated 4 Oct. '45
2. Arrangements have been made by Navy S/C A.C. to transport the 1500 PW in N.AFRICA by the Italian ship 'GARIBOLDI'.
3. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs have been requested to obtain permission of the French Authorities to embark the first load of a/m PW at ORAN on 22 Oct. '45.

*Many of the prisoners
arrived in the morning of 15 Oct.*

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To Oran

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J. E. REGIS
Lieut. Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

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REQUEST YOU WILL REPORT IF AIMED HAS ANY OBJECTION TO VISIT OF
ITALIAN CRUISER MIRAGLIA TO ALGIERS FOR PURPOSES OF FOIL'S
101225 2ND NOT TO AIMED.

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REF. 1500 COMPAR TONATE CASES AMONG ITALIAN POW.

T/P /EC TCR 1940

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AIMED 1. Arrived Mediterranean - French Com C, Algiers.

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COMBINED REPATRIATION EXECUTIVE BERLIN

BACK AFHQ ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION HUNGARY, JOINT MISSION FRANCH,
JOINT MISSION HOLLAND, BR MIL MIS DENMARK, BR MIL MIS NETHERLANDS,
JOINT MIS CZECHOSLOVAKIA, BR MIL ATTACHE BELGRADE, JOINT MISSION
BELGIUM AND LUXEMBOURG, BRITISH CONSUL BERN, BRITISH MIL MIS
MOS OF MIL PAL, HIGHEST TROOPERS AGOPOK AND ROMANIA AGOPOK
VIENNA GERMIL, BRITISH TROOPERS AGOPOK IS ALLIED REPATRIATION EXEC

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Ref is SSC 4536 dated 1 October 1945. Subject is activation of
the Combined Repatriation Executive.

1. CRK at present located in FRANKFURT will move to BERLIN
on Monday 15 October 1945.

2. Functions and authority of CRK under POLICIS and priorities
established by PC and Dp Directorate of Allied Control authority are:

- A. Receiving (receiving?) of statistics of categories to
be moved and of available reception facilities and requests for movement.
- B. Coordination thereof with the various zones affected.
- C. Consultation and coordination by regular meetings or
otherwise with movement and transportation and other authorities
interested.

D. Having obtained necessary concurrences CRK is empowered
to allocate available reception facilities and transportation and to
order movement.

3. Coordination of movement.

3. Categories of personnel included in (2) above are:

1. United Nations stateless and ex enemy displaced persons
and/or prisoners of war.

2. German and Austrian refugees and German displaced per-

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sons diplomats etc.

- C. Ex members of Wehrmacht.
- D. Minorities Volksdeutsche Sudetens etc.
- E. All other non military personnel.

4. The functions of CRX are limited to personnel moving into or out of Germany or from any one zone (or sector of BERLIN) into any other zone movements within any one zone or sector will not be a responsibility of CRX.

5. Beginning 0001 hours 15 October 1945 addressees will coordinate all repatriation movements with CRX.

6. Address through British cable system is BERGOMB for PRDP Ltd for Combined Repatriation Executive. Through American cable system is office for Military Govt for GERMANY (UNITED STATES) for Combined Repatriation Executive. (Abbreviation CRX is permissible in body of cable only). Telephone numbers of CRX are BERLIN 243562, 243563 and 243572.

7. This agreed all elements and being sent by each to all their addressees.

List

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

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IPW/53/67

12 October 1945

Subject : Repatriation of 1500 Italian prisoners of war
from North Africa.

To : - Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- Ministry of War - Autonomous Office for W.Veterans and PW.
- Ministry of Post War Assistance.

- 1/. Reference is made to your letters 6/3745/1738 of 4 Oct 45 and 6/3756/1740 of 4 Oct 45.
- 2/. Application has been made to Higher Authority requesting that the 'MIRAGLIA' be used to repatriate the 1500 prisoners of war from North Africa. Their reply is awaited and you will be informed of their decision.
- 3/. The matter of the repatriation of the remaining 40,000 prisoners of war is under consideration by Navy S/O. It is hoped that Italian ships may be available to complete this task.

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R.W. HAMILTON, Mj.
(in absence on duty of)

J.E. REGIS
Lt. Colonel
Chief
IPW Division

Copy to: - Office of the Executive Commissioner
- Navy S/O (Attn. Lt.)

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

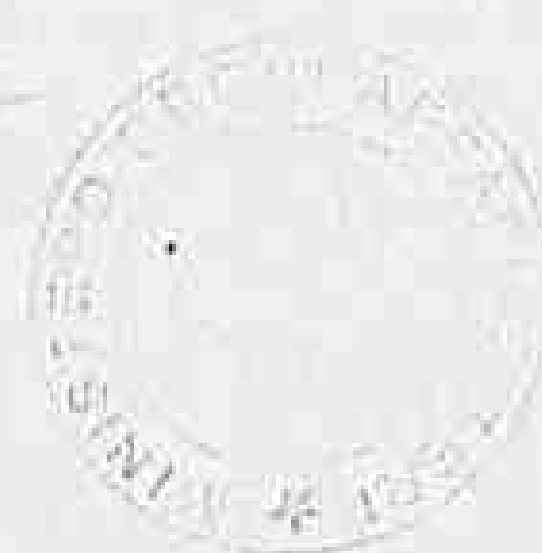
6/3756/1740

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Repatriation of about 40,000 Italian P.O.W. from North Africa.

- 1.- This is further to this Ministry's memorandum n° 6/3030/1424, of August 29th, 1945, and with reference to the Allied Commission's note IPW/53/43, dated 27 September 1945.
- 2.- The Italian Embassy in Paris has recently confirmed that the French Authorities have decided in favor of freeing the Italian P.O.W. - numbering about 40,000 - still interned in North Africa and that their repatriation only depends upon the possibility of securing means of transportation to Italy.
- 3.- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs again warmly requests the Allied Commission to kindly consider a favorable solution of the question along the lines General Mannerini will suggest.
- 4.- It may be useful to point out that the present matter is to be considered separately from the repatriation of the group of 1500 Italian P.O.W. subject of this Ministry's memorandum n° 6/3745/1732, dated October 4th, inst.

Rome, October 4th, 1945.



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Italian Prisoner of War Sub-Commission
HQ AC APO 304 10 OCT 1945
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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

6/3745/1732

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION
Italian Prisoners of War Sub-CommissionSubject: Repatriation of 1500 Italian Prisoners of War from
North Africa.

52.

- 1.- Reference: further to memorandum 6/2570/1370, dated September 26th. 1945. *no trace.*
- 2.- As stated in memorandum n° 6/3113 of August 31st, 1945, the Italian and French Government have agreed to the repatriation of 1,500 (fifteen hundred) former Italian Prisoners of War, freed by the North Africa French Authorities.
- 3.- The Italian Ministry of Marine has communicated to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs that their ship "Miraglia" could be used for said former P.O.W.'s transportation, adding, however, that the Navy Sub-Commission have informed them that the "Miraglia" voyage cannot be authorized, unless they receive a request to the purpose from the I.P.W. Sub-Commission.
- 4.- In consideration of the above, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs will greatly appreciate it if appropriate action is taken by the Allied Commission with a view of effecting the repatriation in question as early as possible.
- 5.- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs thank the Allied Commission for their interest in the matter.

Done

Rome, October 4th, 1945.

Spoke at Federal. 11 Oct.

Copy to: Navy Sub-Commission.

*Commission is to be kept informed of the progress for
transportation to the Navy Sub-Commission.*

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 2 25624
Date/Time of Origin: OCT 09 1541Z

Message Centre No: 9/493
Date Time Rec'd: OCT 09 2040Z
Precedence: SECURITY

FROM: LACUNA

TO: AGPAR INFO INFO INFO ACTION MESSAGE PENSOLETH

UNCLASSIFIED.

In addition to distribution now in effect, request in future that ALLIED COMMISSION HOME, APO 394, be sent one copy of passenger list on all shipments Italian MAF'S from US to ITALY.



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CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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See 71.

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Italian Prisoners of War Commission
APO 394 10 OCT 1945
Approved
Reg No 6675

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MINISTRY OF WAR

Autonomous Office for
War Veterans and Repatriated
P.O.W.-

8 October 1945

419097/RPGR

TO: IPW Division
Civil Affairs Section

SUBJECT : Repatriation from North Africa of 1.600 POW- sick
and old -

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Following our letter no. 418657/RPGR. dated the 2nd of Oct.

The Ministry of the Navy regarding the repatriation of the 1.500 sick and old, Prisoners of War from North Africa, had decided to send the R.Ship "Miraglia" for their transport: the Ministry however stated that authorisation would have to be given by the Naval Section of the Allied Commission to be able to send the ship in question, and that said section would not give this authorisation with-~~out~~ a regular request from your Division.

We therefore beg you to interest the Naval Section in this matter, that they may give the authorisation to the Ministry of the Navy to send the R.N. Miraglia to bring back the prisoners in question.

Signed/Col.Anfosso

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10 OCT 1945
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Allied Prisoner of War and Civilian
Commission

EB/pb

Rome 2nd October 1945

MINISTRY OF WAR
Autonomous Office for War Veterans
and Repatriated POW

TO : The Italian POW Division -
Civil Affairs Section
ROME

N° 418657/RPGR - Enclosure 1

SUBJECT ; Transport of POW in French Custody from North
Africa.

Herewith attached and forwarded to you is a
copy of our letter N. 416492/RPGR dated the 7th September
1945.

We inform you that the problem of the transpor-
tation of the group of 1.500 POW sick and aged from French
Custody in North Africa is solved: instead we beg your
section to give your benevolent attention to the transpor-
tation of the remaining 40.000 POW.

Gen. A. Mannerini.

S.S. "Miraglia", ready on the 10th of October - it will be
necessary to obtain authorization from the Naval S/C.

A.M.

See Regis to see

Seen by

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BOR/gm



Ministero della Guerra

Uff. Aut. Reduci Prigionia
di Guerra e Rimpatriati

Divisione

Aut. 1416492/RPGR/Mogoli

Roma 7 settembre 1945

11a WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN P.O.W. SUB COMMISS. A.C.R O M ARisposta al foglio del
Dir. 1416492/RPGR/MogoliOGGETTO Trasporti per rimpatrio di p.d.g. italiani in
mani francesi.-

Sono in corso intese col Governo Francese per la liberazione ed il rimpatrio di tutti i nostri prigionieri in sua mano.

In attesa che venga raggiunta una definizione della questione, è stata accolta da detto Governo la richiesta di liberazione di un gruppo di 1.500 prigionieri nel Nord Africa comprendente elementi malati, feriti, anziani, necessari alla ricostruzione ed alcuni casi pietosi.

Si sarebbe quindi vivamente grati a cotesta Sottocommissione se volesse interporre i suoi buoni uffici perchè venissero assegnati i mezzi per il trasporto dei 1.500 prigionieri anzidetti e inoltre venissero predisposti quegli altri mezzi che occorreranno per rimpatriare i restanti 40.000 prigionieri italiani in mani francesi.-

IL GENERALE
CAPO DELL'UFFICIO AUTONOMO
F.to: A.Mannerini

p. c. c.
IL TEN. COLONNELLO
Capo Divisione AA.GG.
(F. Bordini)

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EB/pb

Rome 3rd October 1945

Ministry of Post War Assistance
POW Bureau - 1st Division - Political Section.

TO : The Allied Commission
Sub Commission for Italian POW
ROME

N° 3549/C-3

SUBJECT : Repatriation of Italian POW from French Custody in North Africa.

As is known the French Authorities are liberating our POW in French North Africa.

The Italian Government must provide transport by sea from the ports of Algiers or Tunisia to the Italian ports.

The Ministry of the Navy would put the R.N. "Miraglia" at their disposal and is waiting for the authorization from the Navy Sub Commission (F.O.I.L.) to send the ship in question.

If the authorization is given we beg you to inform the F.O.I.L. that your Sub Commission has authorized the repatriation of these Italian POW from French North Africa and that if no other difficulties arise, this ship can be used for their transport.

We beg you to consider this matter as being very urgent, as there are already today in the ports of Algiers 1500 POW waiting to be repatriated and the ship could be ready to leave during the week.

Dott. Fausto Nitti.

See 34, 35, 38.

Copy passed to Navy for their comments

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H. B.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APD 394

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/53/58

6 Oct. 1945

SUBJECT : Transport for repatriation of IPW in French Custody

TO : Autonomous Office for war Veterans & Repatriated PW
Office of Gen. MANNERINI (your 416422 of 1 Sept. 1945)

TO : Ministry of Foreign Affairs. (your memo of 3050/1424
of 29 Aug. referred)

1.

With reference to the 1500 PW in NORTH AFRICA who include sick and wounded, compassionate cases and over age personnel etc., the following information has been received.

- a) If the sick and wounded require transportation by Hospital ship, this can probably be arranged by using Hospital ships proceeding out from UK, which could be diverted en route. These vessels which average about one every six weeks are frequently used for repatriating sick Italians from UK. Will you please inform this Division of the number of sick & wounded that require transportation by hospital ship.
- b) There is no shipping available at the moment to repatriate the balance of the 1500. However, there should be an improvement in the situation about the end of Oct. when it might be possible to assist subject to the priorities established at that time.

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TO : Autonomous Office for War Veterans & Repatriated PW
Office of Gen. LAURENTI (your +16499 of 1 Sept. '43)

TO : Ministry of Foreign Affairs. (your memo D/3050/1424
of 29 Aug. refers)

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H. W. HAMILTON

in the absence on duty of:

J. E. REGIS
Lieut. Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

Copies to: 1) Office of Executive Commissioner A.C.
2) GJ Section AFHQ, your 383.6 of 4 Oct. ref. It is confirmed that the remaining 40,000 Italian PW in French custody are in North Africa and NOT in FRANCE. The French government has agreed to the repatriation of these PW.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

MJG/RB/jjjr

G-5: 383.6

4 October 1945

SUBJECT: Transport for the repatriation of IPW in French Custody.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

Ref your IPW/53/33 of 13 September 1945.

1. Concerning the 1500 Prisoners of War who are in North Africa and who include sick and wounded, compassionate cases and over age personnel etc, the following comments are made:

a. If the sick and wounded require transportation by Hospital Ship - this can probably be arranged by using Hospital Ships proceeding out from U.K. which could be diverted en route. These vessels which average about one every six weeks are frequently used for repatriating sick Italians from U.K.

b. There is no shipping available at the moment to repatriate the balance of the 1500. However, there should be an improvement in the situation about the end of Oct when it might be possible to assist subject to the priorities established at that time.

c. Bids for shipping for categories in (a) and (b) above should be submitted in the normal way as soon as the Italian Government has completed its arrangements with the French Government.

2. Concerning the remaining 40,000 Italian POW in French custody, it is not clear from your letter whether these are in North Africa or in France. It also appears that no definite agreement between the French and Italian Governments has been reached in regard to their repatriation.

3. It is primarily the responsibility of the French and Italian Governments to make arrangements for the repatriation of Italian POW in French custody. The lack of shipping facilities to the Italian Government however requires that assistance when available may have to be afforded by the Allied Military Authorities. Bids for the 40,000 Italian POW should therefore be submitted in due course.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

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M. J. Glenn
M. J. GLENN
Colonel

Copy to: G-4(M & Tn)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
AFC 512

G-5: 385.6

2 October 1945

SUBJECT: Organization for the Repatriation of IP Overseas

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, AFC 394

Reference is made to your IP/1/Pol/513 of 19 September and your IP/53/40 of 21 September.

1. It is believed that Italian POW will not be repatriated at such a fast rate as envisaged in para b. of appendix 'A' to your IP/1/Pol/513 of 19 September.

2. It is also believed that the ports used for the repatriation of Italian POW will be restricted to those ports which are, and will in the future, be used for the redeployment of Allied forces from this theater.

3. You were advised of the proposed program for the repatriation of Italian POW from the United States in this HQ cable AF 44795 of 21 September. Information is now being sought as to the proposed port or ports of debarkation.

4. Information is also being sought as to the phasing of the repatriation of British held Italian POW and probable ports of debarkation.

5. On receipt of information as indicated in paragraphs 3 and 4 above you will be immediately advised in order that the Italian Government can make their plans accordingly and if necessary modify their requests for assistance from the Allied military authorities.

6. In the meantime, if items of equipment urgently required in connection with the scheduled arrival of POW from US are not available in Italian civil or military stocks, special requests coordinated with MIA, should be submitted to this HQ for consideration.

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A. L. HALBLEN
Brigadier General, GSC,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

HRT/53/88

3 October 1945

Subject : Repatriation of Italian prisoners from W. Africa.

To : French Command, Rome

- 1/. This Division is pleased to hear that the French Government plans to repatriate the Italian Prisoners of War held in North Africa.
- 2/. No objection is raised by this Division as to the release of the IPW held at EL GOULA.

[Signature]
 Lt. Colonel
 Chief
 IPW Division

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

HJC/jrc

G-5: 383.6

29 September 1945

SUBJECT: Organisation of the Repatriation of IPW Overseas

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
A.P.O. 394

Your letter IPW/1/FCI/513 of 19 September is under consideration at this Headquarters. No firm date can be given by which a final reply can be expected.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

M. J. Glenn
M. J. GLENN
Colonel

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Col Beggs to see

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*Done by Col Beggs
2 Oct 45*

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Italian Prisoner of War Sub Commission
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HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES ARMY
 CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
 ITALIAN MILITARY OF THE DIVISION

1 Oct. '45

RE: [illegible]

SUBJECT : Transport for repatriation of IP from NORTH AFRICA
 TO : Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1. Ref. is made to your 625413/1454 of 31 Aug. '45
 and your 625413/1454 of 26 Sept. '45
2. This matter has been discussed between General [illegible]
 and [illegible] of [illegible] and Col. [illegible] of this Division
 and has been forwarded to higher authority.
3. Confirmation has been received from Allied Korea
 Headquarters that this matter is under consideration.
4. You will be informed of action taken.

H-7142

J. E. [illegible]
 Lieut. Col.
 Chief
 IPW [illegible]

file this
 See 53/82.

Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Repatriation of P.O.W. from North Africa.

1. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs thank the Allied Commission for their Civil Affairs Section's Note IPW/17/1389, dated 13th September 1945, stating that "all matter of PW in French hand should be taken up with the French Government as previously agreed and not with Allied Commission."

2. However, as it appears from para 2 of this Ministry's memorandum 6/3113/1384 dated August 31st, 1945, the matter has already been taken up with the French Government and the necessary agreements have been reached between the Italian and French Authorities.

3. Purpose of the above mentioned memorandum was to enlist the kind support of the competent Allied Authorities in overcoming the well known difficulties in securing transportation.

4. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs would therefore be very grateful to the Allied Commission if they could possibly use their good offices to the above purpose and will greatly appreciate an early reply.

Rome, September 25th, 1945

A. Morolet - 52451

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Rome, September 25th, 1945

By the Civil Affairs Section

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 383.6

26 September 1945

SUBJECT: Transport for the Repatriation of IPW in French Custody.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394
(Attn: IPW Division).

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1. Your IPW/53/33 dated 18 September, subject as above, outlining the need for the provision of transport for the return of French held IPW is under consideration.

2. You will be informed of action taken.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

27 SEP 1945

Norman P. Seagrave
NORMAN P. SEAGRAVE
Lt. Colonel, G.S.C.

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MINISTRY OF WAR

Repatriated POW Office

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Rome 17 September 1945

SUBJECT : Organization of the repatriation of Prisoners of War overseas.

ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION
Civil Affairs Section

R o m e

The problem of repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War overseas at the present moment is this:

a) Total number of repatriating Prisoners of War from overseas:

In American custody	United States	51000
	France and Germany	43000 (1)

In British custody	350000
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(1) in act of repatriation overseas from Marseilles to Leghorn and Naples, overland through Brenner Pass and Switzerland to Pesceatina and Novara.

In French custody	(North Africa)	35000
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b) Probable date of arrival:

Considering the possibilities to receive and lodge the repatriating Prisoners of War this is the probable division in groups for the monthly arrival from overseas:

- 50000 first month
- 80000 second month
- 100000 for all other successive month

For the matricular and administrative operations for every group of repatriated Prisoners of War 15 days are needed from the date of arrival and it is necessary that the monthly total

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of Prisoners of War must be summed up with arrival of groups every 15 days.

The consequence of this is the necessity of creating lodging centers to receive the Prisoners of War and for their matricular and administrative operations that can when completely organized, lodge at least 50000 men.

c) Necessary ports and reasons that have determined their choice : (enclosure)

The 50000 places have been subdivided in the lodging centers that will be organized in the following disembarkation ports.

- Genoa	lodging center	10000
- Leghorn or Civitavecchia	" "	10000
- Venice or Ancona	" "	10000
- Naples	" "	10000
- Taranto	" "	10000
- Palermo	" "	3000
- Cagliari	" "	2000
		55000

The choice of these ports had been advised for the following reasons:

- the necessity of reducing to a minimum transportation by train on the continent by arrangement with Allied Authorities for the constitution of group of Prisoners of War of the same region and sending these groups to the port corresponding to the region to whom the Prisoners of War belonged.

- by the opportunity of reducing the time occurring for the repatriation of Prisoners of War - These operations would be very long if only the ports of Naples and Taranto were used as it has been up to now for receiving only the sick POW, those over 50 years of age and those requested by Italian authorities.

- by the necessity of sending the groups to the various lodging centers to reduce to a minimum the stay of the repatriated Prisoners of War in the said lodging centers for the matricular and administrative operations so to leave places for the new arrivals.

d) Organization actually being put in order and lodging still needed.

Actually the two lodging centers of Naples and Taranto

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are being amplified no ask to be able to lodge 10000 thousand men each.

To realise the complete organization on the shortest possible time this is the order in which the lodging centers ought to be made ready:

1 Lodging centres Naples and Taranto:

In Naples are actually ready- Lodging centre S. Martino places 710

Lodging centre Afragola places 5200 (when completely ready may lodge 7000)

" " Ducenta " 800 (when ready 1200)

The possibility of lodging 10000 men will be attained if the Allied Authorities give us the Pizzofalcone Barracks as was by the Territorial Command in Naples.

Up to date Camp "T" at Taranto which is organized to receive prisoners from over seas, disposes of only 3000 places ceded from Camp Taker. Said places have been increased by 600 places in huts, of which 12 are at the disposal of the Allied personnel working in the camp. It will therefore be necessary to send tents to accomodate 3400 more people. This Ministry will greatly appreciate if, on account of the approaching winter, these tents that are to be distributed, may be changed to bigger and more comfortable ones than those that up to now have been assigned

Lodging Centers at Leghorn-

The pre-announced arrival of the repatriation of co-operator Prisoners from over-seas, who are with the American troops in France and Germany, together with the repatriation of the same personnel, already begun via Switzerland and the Brenner pas, calls for the immediate organization of the lodging center for 10000 places, already in consideration at Leghorn. There are no barracks at Leghorn; the lodging center could be organized at the ex' "Colonia Marine" at Lido Calabione capacity 10000 places on the ground, which at present is occupied by Sanitary Units of the P.R.S. who are in course of repatriation the absolute necessity of a port of embarkation for the populated provinces of Tuscany, Umbria and the Lazio, and the lack of buildings at our disposal in Civitavecchia makes it necessary for us to call to your attention to what is written above, as being the only solution of this problem.

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ELENCO CENTRE ALLOGGIO ALTA ITALIA

Nome del Centro	Se militare civile o misto	Capacità
Torino	misto	2.500
Milano	militare e civile	tot. 8.500
Udine	misto	5.000
Bologna	misto	6.750
Varese	civile	2.000
Como	misto	5.000
Novara	misto	1.600
Verona	misto	3.750
Padova	civile	5.000
Cremone	civile	3.000
Reggio Emilia	civile	8.000
Leggna	misto	8.500
Genova	militare	1.200
Forlì	misto	8.000
Bordighera	civile	2.000

Direttore Generale

Miglio

Cari

Tavanti

Pavia

Piemonte

Nome del Centro	se militare civile o misto	Capacità
Torino	misto	2.500
Milano	militare e civile	tot. 8.500
Udine	misto	5.000
Bologna	misto	6.750
Varese	civile	2.000
Como	misto	5.000
Novara	misto	1.600
Verona	misto	3.750
Padova	civile	5.000
Cremona	civile	3.000
Reggio Emilia	civile	8.000
Modena	misto	8.500
Genova	militare	1.200
Forlì	misto	8.000
Bordighera	civile	2.000

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Lodging centers of Genoa, Venice or Ancona -

The inspection of these places have demonstrated the scarcity of existing accommodations, on the other hand, due to the approaching winter season, especially in the North of Italy, tents can not be used: it will therefore be necessary that the Allied Authorities take into consideration the possibility of turning over the requisitioned barracks at present occupied by their troops, hand by hand as the troops in question are repatriated. For the exigencies of the moment the following data must be kept in mind.

<u>in Genoa</u>	- Vittorio Veneto Barracks places 4000 now occupied by 80 Sub Area transit Camp
	Eden Hotel 500 places
	Miramare Hotel 500 "
<u>in Varese</u>	Milanese colony 1500 "Mantova Hospital"-
<u>in Savona</u>	Functional Barracks 1500 Mantova Group
	Damiano Chiesa 300 Mantova Group
<u>in Venice</u>	Manin and Comoldi Barracks 1900 on disposal
<u>in Mestre</u>	Matter Barracks 6000 Allied Troops
	Regina Elena 200 Allied Troops
	Vitt. Emanuele 2000 Allied Troops
<u>in Ancona</u>	Puccini 1000 " "
	Fanti 300 " "
	Villareti Barracks 2500 Allied Troops
	Sanith Ware Houses 1000 " "
<u>in Falconara</u>	Functional Barracks 2200 Allied Troops

e) Loading centers in Palermo and Cagliari

There are no difficulties in fact of prisoners on disposal only the authorization is needed and the assignation of materials for the Barracks and all necessary general services.

f) The provinces that are served by each disembarking port
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ENCLOSURE n.2

Provinces served by every disembarkation port -

1) The port of Genova:

serves following regions with their respective provinces:

<u>Piemonte</u>	<u>Liguria</u>	<u>Lombardia</u>
Alessandria	Genova	Bergamo
Aosta	Imperia	Brescia
Cuneo	La Spezia	Como
Novara	Savona	Milano
Vercelli		Pavia
Asti		Sondrio
		Varèse

2) Port of Venice or Ancona :

serves following regions with their respective provinces:

<u>Veneto</u>	<u>Venezia</u> <u>Trid.</u>	<u>Emilia</u>	<u>Marche</u>
Belluno	Bozano	Bologna	Pesaro
Padova	Trento	Ferrara	Ancona
Rovigo	VENEZIA GIULIA	Forlì	Macerata
Treviso	Gorizia	Modena	Ascoli Piceno
Venezia	Trieste	Reggio Emilia	
Verona	Piuma	Parma	
Mantova	Pola	Piacenza	
Vicenza	Zara	Ravenna	
Udine			

3) Port of Leghorn or Civitavecchia :

serves following regions with their respective provinces:

<u>Toscana</u>	<u>Toscana</u>	<u>Umbria</u>	<u>Lazio</u>
Firenze	Arezzo	Perugia	Roma
Grosseto	Livorno	Terni	Viterbo
Lucca	Massa		Rieti
Pisa	Pistoia		
Siena			

4) Port of Napoli:

serves following regions with their respective provinces:

<u>Campania</u>	<u>Abruzzi e Molise</u>	<u>Lazio</u>	<u>Calabria</u>
Napoli	Aquila	Frosinone	Cosenza
Benevento	Campobasso	Littoria	Catanzaro
Avellino	Chieti		Reggio Calabria

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Salerno

Pescara
Teramo

5) Port of Taranto

serves following regions with their respective provinces:

Puglie
Foggia
Bari
Brindisi
Lecce
TarantoBasilicata (Lucania)
Potenza
Matera

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Ufficio Autonomo Servizi Prigionieri di Guerra e Rimpatriati

n° 111391/1943

Roma, 17 settembre 1943

OGGETTO : Organizzazione del rimpatrio dei prigionieri di guerra oltremare.

ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION CIVIL
AFFAIRS SECTION

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Il problema del rimpatrio dei prigionieri di guerra italiani da oltremare alla data odierna è impostato nei seguenti termini :

A) - Numero complessivo rimpatriandi da oltremare :

In mano americana	Stati Uniti	51.000
	Francia e Germania	42.000 (1)
In mano inglese		350.000
In mano francese (nel nord Africa)		35.000
		479.000

B) - Previsto visto degli arrivi :

Considerate le possibilità di predisposizioni per l'accoglimento dei reduci, è stato previsto il seguente accoglimento mensile per gli arrivi da oltremare :

- 50.000 nel primo mese

- 50.000 nel secondo mese

- 100.000 per ogni mese successivo.

SOGGETTO : Organizzazione del rimpatrio dei prigionieri di guerra oltremare.

ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION CIVIL
AFFAIRS SECTION

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Il problema del rimpatrio dei prigionieri di guerra italiani da oltremare alla data odierna è impostato sui seguenti termini :

A) - Numero complessivo rimpatriabili da oltremare :

In mano americana	Stati Uniti	51.000
In mano inglese	Francia e Germania	43.000 (1)
In mano francese (nel nord Africa)		350.000
		35.000
		479.000

B) - Previsto ritmo degli arrivi :

Considerate le possibilità di predisposizioni per l'accoglimento dei reduci, è stato previsto il seguente scaglionamento mensile per gli arrivi da oltremare :

- 50.000 nel primo mese
- 50.000 nel secondo mese
- 100.000 per ogni mese successivo.

Per le operazioni matricolari ed amministrative di ogni scaglione

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(1) In corso di rimpatrio via mare da Marsiglia su Livorno e Napoli, via terra attraverso il Brennero e la Svizzera su Pescontina e Novara.

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reduci occorrono circa 15 giorni dal momento dell'arrivo ed è quindi necessario che le aliquote mensili di reduci siano raggiunte con invio di scagioni intervallati di 15 giorni l'uno dall'altro.

Ne consegue la necessità di costituire centri alloggio per l'accogli-mento e le operazioni matricolari ed amministrative dei reduci, della capacità complessiva, ad organizzazione completamente attuata, di almeno 50.000 posti.

c) - Porti necessari e regioni che ne hanno determinato la scelta : (all.1)

I 50.000 posti occorrenti sono stati pertanto suddivisi fra i centri all'oc- casione da costituire in corrispondenza dei seguenti porti di sbarco :

un centro per 10.000 posti

- <u>Genova</u>	"	"	10.000	"
- <u>Livorno e Civitavecchia</u>	"	"	10.000	"
- <u>Venezia e Ancona</u>	"	"	10.000	"
- <u>Napoli</u>	"	"	10.000	"
- <u>Taranto</u>	"	"	3.000	"
- <u>Palermo</u>	"	"	2.000	"
- <u>Cagliari</u>				

Totale 55.000 posti

La scelta dei seguenti porti è stata consigliata :

- dalla necessità di ridurre al minimo possibile i trasporti per ferrovia nell'interno del continente concordando con le autorità allea- te la costituzione degli scagioni con reduci appartenenti ad una de- terminata regione o a regioni vicine e facendo avviare gli scagioni sul porto corrispondente alla regione di appartenenza dei reduci;
- dalla opportunità di non prolungare eccessivamente nel tempo il

mento e le operazioni particolari ed amministrative dei reduci, della capacità complessiva, ad organizzazione completamente attuata, di almeno 55.000 posti.

c) - Porti necessari e regioni che ne hanno determinato la scelta: (all.1)

I 55.000 posti occorrenti sono stati pertanto suddivisi fra i centri allo scopo da costituire in corrispondenza dei seguenti porti di sbarco:

- <u>Genova</u>	un centro per 10.000 posti
- <u>Livorno o Civitavecchia</u>	" " " 10.000 "
- <u>Venezia o Ancona</u>	" " " 10.000 "
- <u>Napoli</u>	" " " 10.000 "
- <u>Taranto</u>	" " " 10.000 "
- <u>Palermo</u>	" " " 3.000 "
- <u>Cagliari</u>	" " " 2.000 "

Totale 55.000 posti

La scelta dei seguenti porti è stata consigliata:

- dalla necessità di ricorrere al minimo possibile i trasporti per far cova nell'interno del continente concordando con le autorità alleate la costituzione degli scaglioni con reduci appartenenti ad una determinata regione o a regioni vicine e facendo avviare gli scaglioni sul porto corrispondente alle regioni di appartenenza dei reduci;
- dalla opportunità di non prolungare eccessivamente nel tempo il rimpatrio dei prigionieri. Ciò che avverrebbe se si ci servisse soltanto dei porti di sbarco di Napoli e Taranto fino ad oggi impiegati per accogliere i prigionieri americani, o altra contingenza, o nominativamente richiesti dalle autorità italiane;

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- della conseguente necessità di avviare gli accoglimenti dei reduci su vari centri alloggio per ridurre al minimo la permanenza dei reduci nei centri alloggio stessi per le necessarie operazioni amministrative ed amministrative e scongiurare così più pronta disponibilità di posti per nuovi atterri.

D) - Organizzazione in sito e fabbisogno alloggiamenti :

Attualmente è in corso l'applanamento dei due centri alloggio già costituiti a Taranto e Napoli per portarli alla capacità di 10.000 posti ciascuno.

Per realizzare la completa organizzazione prevista è consigliabile astenersi alla seguente successione nell'applanamento dei centri alloggi :

Prima fase :

- Centri alloggio Napoli e Taranto :

A Napoli sono attualmente pronti :

- Centro alloggio S. Martino.	- posti 710
- " " S. Angelo	" 5200 (in approntamento elevabili a 7000)
- " " Ducenta	" 800 (deve arrivare a 1200)

La preventivata capacità dei 10.000 posti può essere raggiunta ove le autorità alleate collaborano alla gestione della Camera di Lina Sordani, capace di 2500 posti, proprietà del Comando Militare Terza Armata di Napoli.

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X - Taranto fino ad oggi il campo "A", predisposto per accogliere i prigionieri alleati, non dispone che di 3000 posti edibili.

tricolari ed amministrative e assicurarsi così più pronta disponibilità di posti per nuovi sbarchi.

D) - Organizzazione in atto e fabbisogno alloggiamenti:

Attualmente è in corso l'appliedimento dei due centri alloggio già costituiti a Taranto e Napoli per portarli alla capacità di 10.000 posti ciascuno.

Per realizzare la completa organizzazione prevista è consigliabile attenersi alla seguente successione nell'approntamento dei centri alloggi:

PRIMO PERIODO:

- Centri Alloggio Napoli e Taranto:

A Napoli sono attualmente pronti:

- Centro alloggio B. Martino	- posti	710
- " " Afragola	"	5200 (in approntamento elevati di a 7000)
- " " Durenta	"	800 (deve arrivare a 1200)

La preventivata capacità dei 10.000 posti può essere raggiunta ove le Autorità Alleate addiventano alla esecuzione delle Caserme di Viterbo, Capone di 2000 posti, proposta del Comune di Viterbo, Viterbo di Napoli.

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X A Taranto fino ad oggi il campo "M", predisposto per accogliere i prigionieri citrenesi, non disponeva che di 3000 posti costituiti dal campo Fucini. Tali posti saranno aumentati di 500 in baracche che valgono come le 12 baracche attualmente in uso del personale alleato in servizio al campo. Occorre perciò provvedere all'installazione di tende per 2.500 posti. Questo materiale sarà pronto se, data l'incipiente cattiva stagione, potranno essere consegnate in loco.

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go delle tende biposto ora in distribuzione, tanto più capaci e confortevoli.

Centro Alloggio di Livorno :

Il preannunciato prossimo rimpatrio via mare con arrivo a Livorno dei prigionieri cooperatori al seguito delle truppe americane in Francia e Germania, a complemento del rimpatrio dello stesso personale già indotatosi via terra attraverso la Svizzera e il Brennero, consiglia la massima urgenza nella costituzione del centro alloggio di 10.000 posti previsto per il porto di Livorno. In Livorno non sono disponibili esserre; allo scopo potrebbero riprendere le ex Oclonde barine al Lido Calabrone capaci di 10.000 posti a terra e che ora sono occupate da unità anfibie F.B.S. in corso di ripiegamento a rimpatrio. La imprescindibile necessità di un posto di sbarco che serve la popolare provincia della Toscana, Umbria e Lazio e la mancanza di qualsiasi disponibilità di locali in Civitavecchia, consiglia di considerare con benevola attenzione l'unica soluzione che si presenta come attuabile.

SECONDO TEMPO :

Centri Alloggio di Genova e di Venezia e Ancona :

Le ricognizioni compiute hanno messo in evidenza la scarsa disponibilità esistente. D'altre parte l'avvicinarsi della stagione invernale non permette, specie nei riguardi dell'Italia settentrionale, di ricorrere al rifugio dell'attestamento. Sarà quindi necessario che le Autorità adiate prendano in considerazione la opportunità della destinazione delle caserme ora occupate dalle loro truppe, meno a meno che queste saranno fatte rimpatriare.

- Centro Alloggio di Livorno :

Il preannunciato prossimo rimpatrio via mare con arrivo a Livorno dei prigionieri cooperatori al 2 egitto della truppe americane in Francia e Germania, a complemento del rimpatrio dello stesso personale già inviati via terra attraverso la Svizzera e il Brano, consiglia la massima urgenza nella costituzione del centro alloggio di 10.000 posti previsto per il porto di Livorno.

In Livorno non sono disponibili caserme; allo scopo potrebbero essere utilizzati le ex Colonie Marine al lido Calabione spazio di 10.000 posti a terra e che ora sono occupate da unità sanitarie P.M.E. in corso di ripiegamento e rimpatrio. La imprescindibile necessità di un porto di sbarco che serve le popolose provincie della Toscana, Umbria e Lazio e la mancanza di qualsiasi disponibilità di locali in Civitavecchia, consiglia di considerare con benevola attenzione l'unica soluzione che si presenta come attuabile.

SECONDO TEMPO :

- Centri Alloggio di Genova e di Venezia o Ancona :

Le ricognizioni compiute hanno messo in evidenza le scarse disponibilità esistenti. D'altra parte l'avvicinarsi della stagione invernale non permette, specie nei riguardi dell'Italia settentrionale, di ricorrere al rifugio dell'attardamento. Sarà quindi necessario che le autorità alleate prendano in considerazione la opportunità della disrequisizione delle caserme ora occupate dalle loro truppe, meno a meno che queste saranno fatte rimpatriare.

Per l'esigenza in studio possono essere tenute presenti : **10x**
- a Genova - Caserma Vittorio Veneto - posti a terra 4.000 ora co-

occupata da 80° Sub Area- Transit Campi

Stazione Marittime - posti 1.200 disponibili,

Non presentano difficoltà in fatto di locali disponibili. Per essi quindi non occorre che l'autorizzazione della costituzione e l'assegnazione dei materiali di approvvigionamento e dei servizi generali ne siano necessari.

2) - Le provincie comprese nelle regioni servite in ciascun porto di sbarco
co risultano dall'allegato n.2.

- Caserna Demiano Chiesa n. 800 - " "
- a Venezia - Caserna Lavin e Comoli } posti a fare 1.500 disponibili
- a Mestre + Caserna Iviter posti 6000 - truppe alleate
- Caserna Regina Elena posti 2000 - truppe alleate
- Caserna Vittorio Emanuele posti 2000 - truppe alleate
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| - a Ancona - Caserna Puccini | posti 1000 | } truppe alleate |
| Caserna Panti | " 800 | |
| Caserna Villareti | " 2500 | |
| Magasinari Sanità | " 1000 | |
- a Falconara - Caserna Funzionali " 2600

E) - Centri alloggiamento Palermo e Cagliari :

Non presentano difficoltà in fatto di locali disponibili. Per essi quindi non occorre che l'autorizzazione della costituzione e l'assegnazione dei materiali di caserme e dei servizi generali ne cessari.

F) - Le provincie comprese nelle regioni servite da ciascun porto di sbarco risultano dall'allegato n.2.

IL GENERALE

CAPO DELL'UFFICIO AUTONOMO

(...Mannarini)

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PROVINCIE COMPRESSE NELLE REGIONI SERVITE DA CIASCUN PORTO

DI SPANCO

1°) - Porto di Genova :

Serve le seguenti regioni con le rispettive provincie :

<u>REGIONE</u>	<u>LIGURIA</u>	<u>LOMBARDIA</u>
Alessandria	Genova	Bergamo
Aosta	Imperia	Treviso
Cuneo	La Spezia	Como
Novara	Savona	Milano
Vercelli		Pavia
Asti		Como
		Verona

2°) - Porto di Venezia e Ancona :

Serve le seguenti regioni con le rispettive provincie :

<u>REGIONE</u>	<u>VENETA TRIP.</u>	<u>EMILIA</u>	<u>MARCHE</u>
Belluno	Bolzano	Bologna	Pesaro
Padova	Trento	Ferrara	Ancona
Rovigo	<u>VENETA TRIP.</u>	Forlì	Macerata
Treviso	Cortina	Modena	Ascoli Piceno
Venezia	Trieste	Reggio E.	
Verona	Fiene	Parma	
Leontora	Isola	La Spezia	
Vicenza	Carpi	Ravenna	

1°) - Porto di Genova :

Serve le seguenti regioni con le rispettive provincie :

<u>PEMONTE</u>	<u>LIIGURIA</u>	<u>LOMBARDIA</u>
Alessandria	Genova	Bergamo
Aosta	Imperia	Brescia
Cuneo	La Spezia	Como
Novara	Savona	Milano
Vercelli		Pavia
Asti		Leondria
		Varese

2°) - Porto di Venezia o Ancona :

Serve le seguenti regioni con le rispettive provincie :

<u>VENETO</u>	<u>VENEZIA TRID.</u>	<u>EMILIA</u>	<u>MARCHE</u>
Belluno	Boisano	Bologna	Testaro
Padova	Trento	Ferrara	Ancona
Rovigo	<u>VENEZIA GIULIA</u>	Forli	Macerata
Treviso	Gorizia	Modena	Ascoli Piceno
Venezia	Trieste	Reggio E.	
Verona	Biuna	Parma	
Padova	Pola	Piacenza	
Vicenza	Verona	Ravenna	
Udine			

3°) - Porto di Livorno o Civitavecchia :

Serve le seguenti regioni con le rispettive provincie :

<u>TOSCANA</u>	<u>TOSCANA</u>	<u>UMBRIA</u>	<u>LAZIO</u>
Firenze	Arezzo	Perugia	Roma
Grosseto	Livorno	Torino	Viterbo

acqua allungata n.2

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<u>ROSOLINA</u>	<u>TRACIANA</u>	<u>TRACIANA</u>	<u>TRACIANA</u>
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40) - Porto di Napoli :

Serve le seguenti regioni con le relative provincie :

<u>CAMPANIA</u>	<u>ABRUZZO E MOLISE</u>	<u>Lazio</u>	<u>Campania</u>
Napoli	Aquila	Provincia	Caserta
Benevento	Campobasso	Latina	Catanzaro
Avellino	Chieti		Agropoli
Sulmona	Teramo		
	Taranto		

50) - Porto di Napoli :

Serve le seguenti regioni con le relative provincie :

<u>ABRUZZO</u>	<u>ABRUZZO (Teramo)</u>
Teramo	Teramo
Chieti	Chieti
Trapani	Trapani
Lecco	Lecco
Como	Como

60) - Porto di Palermo : serve le provincie :

70) - Porto di Palermo : serve le provincie :

42) - Porto di Napoli :

Serve le seguenti regioni con le rispettive provincie :

<u>CAMPANIA</u>	<u>ABRUZZO E MOLISE</u>	<u>LAZIO</u>	<u>CALABRIA</u>
Napoli	Aquila	Provincia	Cosenza
Benevento	Campobasso	Isola d'Ischia	Catanzaro
Avellino	Chieti		Reggio Calabria
Salerno	Pescara		
	Teramo		

50) - Porto di Taranto :

Serve le seguenti regioni con le rispettive provincie :

<u>MUGLIA</u>	<u>SARDEGNA (Peculiarità)</u>
Torriglia	Potenza
Rodi	Matera
Brindisi	
Lecce	
Taranto	

60) - Porto di Palermo : serve la Sicilia :70) - Porto di Cagliari : serve la Sardegna :

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Rome 20th September 1945

Ministry of War
Autonomous Office for the Veterans
and Repatriated

TO : Italian War Division
Civil Affairs Section

SUBJ

Prot. No. 458/4587

SUBJECT : Organization for the repatriation of Italian War
Veterans - 1st part - 1st part - 1st part

Following our letter N. 458/4587 dated the 17th of
September 1945, on examining the first part of the subject un-
der discussion, we inform you of the need of building auto-
mobiles and materials for General Services (enclosure 1) and for
vehicles (enclosure 2) needed for the organization of the
project for the Lodging Centers.

As a result from the enclosed the Allied author-
ities have decided as follows:

- Authorization to assign all materials in the
Italian Military Depots listed in column 1.

- Assignment of the assignment of all materials
not of the disposal of the military depots and that cannot
be bought on the open market, listed in column 4.

Regarding the material that is to be given by
the Allies, as is listed in column 4 it is declared.

- Tent Canvas 45,000 represent the total amount
of tents needed for the Lodging Centers. If the entire number
of Veterans would be lodged in tents, as however, in the
Lodging Centers of Genoa and Venice, due to the cold weather
in winter of those Cities, the need of Canvas tents can be
reduced to 15,000 (with the rest of the tents being
lodged in buildings).

In the Centers of Leghorn and Naples, where
all the veterans can be lodged in buildings, the number of

tents can be reduced, according to the number of places in the buildings.

- Note for 100 rations: If the assignment of cooking pots is not possible, petrol drums cut in half could be used. It will then be necessary to assign 250 drums and the tin necessary for the tinpering of said drums.

- Blindon, to render water proof the top of the huts, minimum quantity of tents.

B) - Motor vehicles (see enclosure no 27).

The need of motor vehicles for the interior services of the Centers is related as follows:

- motor vehicle for the Command
 - large trucks
 - small "
 - motorcycles
- For Lodging Centers of 10,000 places:
- large trucks
 - small "
 - motorcycles

For Lodging Centers of 3000 places.

The assignment of motor vehicle to transport the Veterans from the Port to the Lodging Centers and from there to the rail-way stations where they leave, will not be necessary if the Allies continue to assure their transport for them.

C) - Report of the groups of Veterans in arrival

One of the principal causes of various inconveniences that have been verified in the reception of the War Veterans, is due to the lack of a report in time of their arrival. Up to date it has been possible to remedy this state of affairs due to the small number of veterans that have arrived, but it will be very difficult in the future to do so, owing to the ever increasing numbers who will arrive in large group, one after the other, and many more that are arriving at the present moment. It would be very difficult to provide for the rationing, for the transport of the Veterans from the Port and for the organization of their transport to the interior of the country.

Enclosure No. 1LISTS OF MATERIALS NECESSARY FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF LODGING
CENTERS FOR THE RECEPTION OF WAR VETERANS FROM OVERSEAS -

Materials	(1) Necessary quantity	(2) Possible to buy on that are the open in Ital. market Mil. depots military depots.	(3) (4)
Carvass sheets for tents (with accessories)	45,000		45,000
Mess tins	3,000		3,000
Cups	4,500		4,500
Spoons	43,000	40,000	3,000
Forks	55,000	40,000	15,000
Lining for straw mattresses	55,000	35,000	20,000
Blankets (2 per head)	55,500		55,500
Towels	22,200		22,200
Cots for officers and warrant officers.	2,200		2,200
Tables	1,100	800	300
Stools	4,400		4,400
Office lockers	90	90	
Office chairs	320	220	
Clothes hangers	1,100	1,100	
Office tables	100	110	
Table lights	110	110	
Typewriters	48	48	
Small steel money boxes	24	10	14
Cooking pots for 100 rations	400		460
Various cooking pots	120		120
Camp pots	190		190
Strainers	460		460
Kitchen knives	560	560	

Canvas sheets for tents (with accessories)	45,000			45,000
Meas tins	3,000		3,000	
Cups	4,500		4,500	
Spoons	45,000	40,000	5,000	
Forks	55,000	40,000	15,000	
Lining for straw mattresses	55,000	35,000	20,000	
Blankets (2 per head)	55,300	55,300	55,300	
Towels	22,200	22,200	22,200	
Cots for officers and warrant officers.	2,200	2,200	2,200	
Tables	1,100	800	300	
Stools	4,400		4,400	
Office lockers	90	90		
Office chairs	220	220		
Clothes hangers	1,100	1,100		
Office tables	100	110		
Table lights	110	110		
Typewriters	48	48		
Small steel money boxes	24	10	14	
Cooking pots for 100 rations	450			450
Various cooking pots	120		120	
Camp pots	190		190	
Strainers	450		450	
Kitchen knives	550	550		
Mixing spoons	450	450		
Large forks	450			
Various funnels	28		28	
Coffee grinders	90		90	
Jars for 35 litres	450	60	400	
Barrels for 500 litres	46	46		
Wheat baskets	220	150	70	
Bread sacks	1,000	600	400	
Cheese graters	45		45	
Wood hatchets	90	90		
Cables	18		18	
Bascule	7	7		
Cottali & lava	90		90	
Aluminium soup plates	1,800	1,800		
" plates	1,800	1,800		
Glasses	1,800	1,800		
Forks	1,800	1,800		
Spoons	1,800	1,800		

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Efforts to cover huts

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Enclosure No. 2MOTOR VEHICLE NEEDED FOR THE RUNNING OF THE LODGING CENTERS.

Motor Vehicle	Necessary number	That can be bought	To be furnished by all. oth. Motor vehicles in it. Military depots	Motor vehicles not in it. Military depots
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Motor vehicle for the Command	5			5
Large trucks	34			34
Small "	22			22
Motorcycle	12			12

Motor vehicle for the running of the interior of the Lodging Centers.

Motor vehicle for the Command	5	5
Large trucks	34	34
Small "	22	22
Motorcycle	12	12

Motor vehicles to be used to transport the Veterans from the Port to the Lodging Centers and from there to the Rail-way stations.

Large trucks	120	120
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ALLEGATO N. IELENCO DEI MATERIALI NECESSARI PER I CENTRI ALLOGGIO DEI REDUCI DAFRIGIONIA OLTRE MARIE

DENOMINAZIONE DEI MATERIALI	Quantità necessaria	Acquistabili 11 dai com- mercio	Da fornire dalle Autorità Alleate	
			disponibili nei magazzini mili- tari italiani	non disponibili nei magazzini militari Ital.
	(2)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Teli da tenda <i>non allungati</i>	45.000			45.000
Gavette	3.000		3.000	
Tazzine	4.500		4.500	
Cucchini	43.000	40.000	3.000	
Forchette	55.000	40.000	15.000	
Fodere pagliericcio	55.000	35.000	20.000	
Coperte (2 a teste)	55.300		55.300	
Asciugatoi	22.200		22.200	
Brande per uff. e sott.	2.200		2.200	
Tavoli da caserma	1.100	300	300	
Seggelli	4.400		4.400	
Arredi da ufficio	90	90		
Sedie da ufficio	220	220		
Attaccapanni	1.100	1.100		
Lumi da tavoli	110	110		
Tavoli da ufficio	100	110		
Macchine da scrivere	48	48		
Cassette per denari	24	10	14	
Marmitte da 100 razioni	460			460
Marmitte da campo	190		190	

DENOMINAZIONE DEI MATERIALI	Alleate		
	necessaria	li dai com- mercio	disponibili nei non disponibili magazzini mili- tari italiani zini mil. Ital
	(2)	(2)	(3) (4)
Teli da tenda <i>(non accessori)</i>	45.000		45.000
Gavette	3.000		3.000
Tazzine	1.500		4.500
Cuocchini	43.000	40.000	3.000
Torchette	55.000	40.000	15.000
Fodere pagliericcio	55.000	35.000	20.000
Coperte (2 a testa)	55.300		55.300
Asciugatoi	22.200		22.200
Brande per uff. e scott.	2.200		2.200
Tavoli da casermaggio	1.100	800	300
Seggelli	4.400		4.400
Armadi da ufficio	90	90	
Sedie da ufficio	220	220	
Attaccapanni	1.100	1.100	
Lumi da tavoli	110	110	
Tavoli da ufficio	100	110	
Macchine da scrivere	48	48	
Cassette per denari	24	10	14
Marmitte da 100 razioni	460		450
Marmitte da campo	190		190
Padelle varie	120		120
Schiumatoi	460		460
Coltelli da cucina	560	560	
Nestoidi	460	460	

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Forchettoni	460			460
Imbuti vari	28			28
Macinelli caffè	90			90
Barilotti litri 35	460	60		400
Botti da litri 500	46	46		
Ceste per carne	230	160		70
Sacchi per pane e generi vari	1.000	600		400
Grattuge	46			46
Accette per legna	90	90		
Bilance e stadere	18			18
Bascole	7	7		
Coltelli a leva	90			90
Scodelle alluminio	1.800	1.800		
Piatti "	1.800	1.800		
Bicchieri	1.800	1.800		
Forchette	1.800	2.800		
Cucchiai	1.800	1.800		
Coltelli	1.800	1.800		
Bitume per copertura baracche				tonn. 4

Grattuge	46		46		tonn. 4
Accette per legna	90		90		
Bilance e stadere	18		18		
Bascole	7		7		
Coltelli a leva	90		90		
Scodelle alluminio	1.800		1.800		
Piatti "	1.800		1.800		
Bicchieri	1.800		1.800		
Forchette	1.800		2.800		
Cucchiai	1.800		1.800		
Coltelli	1.800		1.800		
Bitume per copertura baracche					

ALLEGATO N.2

AUTOMEZZI OCCORRENTI PER IL FUNZIONAMENTO DEI CENTRI ALLOGGIO

AUTOMEZZI	Quantità necessaria	Acquistabili dal commercio	Da fornire dalla Autorità Alleate	
	(1)	(2)	disponibili nei magazzini militari italiani	non disponibili nei magazzini militari italiani
(3)				
Occorrenti per il funzionamento interno dei centri alloggio				
Autovetture comandi	5			5
Autocarri pesanti	34			34
" leggeri	22			22
Motociclette	14			14
Occorrenti per il trasporto dei reduci da porti di sbarco ai centri alloggio e da questi alle stazioni di partenza.				
Autocarri pesanti	120			120

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15TH ARMY SIGNED ORDER
TO ALSO TAKE ITALY INFO CO AT HEADQUARTERS

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Reference USMA signed AGREEMENT dated 9 September 1945 in regard to Joint Committee for Inter Theater Repatriation movement.

Brig Gen CORNELIUS A RYAN 07375 and Maj 1528 US ARMY will attend subject meeting on 21 September. General RYAN scheduled to arrive with flight of 219 at CIGGIO field near ITALY approximately 1220 on 20 September. CML/G-P.

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Your S 23476 of 15 September.

1. Your para 3. Daily courier service ROME VIENNA. On arrival ROME party should report MOV ROME for details of same.
2. Your para 4. Do not consider presence of MIDEAST rep will be of assistance.

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FORWARD EUROPEAN THEATER REAR, ALGERIA ITALY

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Reference your FA-42248 cite STGSC.

1. Following is proposed agenda:

- A. Future movements of German prisoners of war.
- B. Repatriation of Italians ex FRANCE.
- C. Movement of Poles and Hungarians ex ITALY.
- D. Hospital trains.
- E. Movement of Greeks via ITALY.

2. Number by rank of officers attending conference will follow together with
Etc.

3. 3 officers of the party will be proceeding to VIENNA after ROME conference.
Can you arrange air transport?

4. Reference your FA 42961, recommend that representatives MIDDLE EAST be
invited to attend both ROME and VIENNA conferences.

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Repatriation and Disposal of Prisoners
of War, Surrendered Personnel, Displaced Persons etc.

AGENDA

Conference between AFHQ/USNET/USFA/EXTOR
Joint Committee

Friday 21 September 1945 at
1000 hrs

- A. Movement of Hungarians from AUSTRIA and ITALY to HUNGARY. ✓
- B. Movement of Roumanians from AUSTRIA and ITALY to ROUMANIA. ✓
- C. Repatriation of personnel of Polish Corps opting return to POLAND in status of soldiers. ✓
- D. Spaniards from ITALY to SPAIN. ✓
- E. Present situation regarding GREEKS awaiting repatriation from AUSTRIA, GERMANY and Soviet occupied areas.
- F. Procedure for repatriating following refugees from 7th Army Area. ✓

(i)	200,000	to Russian zone	✓
(ii)	250,000	to British zones	✓
(iii)	50,000	to French zone	✓
- G. Number of Refugees awaiting movement from Russian, French and British zones to 7th Army Zone.
- H. Imposition of Frontier Controls with particular reference to preventing movement into U.S. zones till next spring. ✓

Conference between AFHQ/USMPT/USFA/EXFOR
Joint Committee

Friday 21 September 1945 at
1000 hrs

- A. Movement of Hungarians from AUSTRIA and ITALY to HUNGARY. ✓
- B. Movement of Romanians from AUSTRIA and ITALY to ROMANIA. ✓
- C. Repatriation of personnel of Polish Corps opting return to POLAND in status of soldiers. ✓
- D. Spaniards from ITALY to SPAIN. ✓
- E. Present situation regarding GREEKS awaiting repatriation from AUSTRIA, GERMANY and Soviet occupied areas. ✓
- F. ~~Procedure~~ for repatriating following refugees from 7th Army Area. ✓
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| (i) | 200,000 | to Russian zone | ✓ |
| (ii) | 250,000 | to British zones | ✓ |
| (iii) | 50,000 | to French zone | ✓ |
- G. ~~Number~~ of Refugees awaiting movement from Russian, French and British zones to 7th Army Zone. ✓
- H. ~~Imposition~~ of Frontier Controls with particular reference to preventing movement into U.S. zones till next spring. ✓
- I. ~~Disposition~~ of 20,000 Stateless and 35,000 Poles and Balts (who will not return to their former homes) now in 7th Army zone. ✓
- J. Jews. ✓
- ✓ L. Repatriation of Turks and other small groups. ✓
- M. Repatriation of Germans from 7th Army zone to Russian zones. ✓
- N. ~~Advisability~~ of considering non dischargeable disarmed enemy forces as stateless persons.
- O. ~~Future~~ movement of German PW with special reference to movement to GERMANY of German PW from ITALY. ✓
- P. ✓ Repatriation of Italians ex FRANCE. ✓ 12,000 moving to Italy
- Q. Hospital trains. ✓
- R. Repatriation of Italians now in American zone, AUSTRIA. ✓ 1/4-

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMANDS THE
AFRICAN THEATRE
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

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100/100/45

27 September 1945

Subject: Repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War from North Africa.

To: Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

- 1/. Reference is made to your memorandum to. 6/30/45.
- 2/. This subject was discussed by the undersigned and Gen. Henderson with 1-3 AFV during a conference held on 14 Sept 45.
- 3/. You will be informed of any action taken as soon as possible.

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100/100/45
Lt.-Colonel
Chief
IPW Division

Copy: Office of Executive Assistant Gen.
(under 100/100/45 dated 13 Sept 1945)

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ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGAL DIVISION
 APR 20 1945
 CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
 EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT

27 September 1945

JEB/ea/42

Subject: Prisoners of War.

To: Ministry Post War Assistance - P. Bureau.

- 1/. Reference your letter no. 5525/POL/D-1 dated 19 Sept 45 subject as above.
- 2/. This Division has submitted to AFHQ a very comprehensive plan furnished by the Commanding General of the Antwerp Office for War Veterans and Repatriated PW for approval.
- 3/. This plan if approved will expedite and hasten the repatriation and return to their homes of Italian Prisoners of War from overseas.
- 4/. I will inform you of the decision taken as soon as possible.

JAMES A. NECIA
 Lt. Colonel
 Chief
 PW Division

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Rome 19th September 1945

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to see

Ministry of Post War Assistance
POW Bureau -

TO : Allied Commission
Sub Commission for Italian POW
ROME

N° 3328/Pol/B-1

SUBJECT : POW

The recent news of the decision of the Government of the U.S.A. to hasten up the repatriation of all Italian POW in American hands, announced by the Press, has been received in Italy with great satisfaction.

This POW Bureau, interpreting the desire of thousands of families, is hoping that now that the war is over the other Governments of the Allied Nations will give the same disposals for those POW regarding them. Particular attention is given to those POW who are in British custody, who are in great number and who are in regions over seas, far away and who have had the longest period of imprisonment.

An immediate decision regarding the repatriation of these POW would have a very favourable repercussion on the public opinion in Italy, increasing the friendship for England and eliminating the unfavorable comments on the intention relative to the liberationem of POW.

In relation as to what is written above, this POW Bureau manifests the desire to concur in providing in the organizations of their reception, in the sphere of the competence of the various administrative organizations of assistance from whom the Italian Government has requested Co/operation.

In order to arrive at this desire on our part, it will be necessary that we be informed as to the General plans of these repatriations in the new phase, brought

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about by the end of hostilities, because only by being informed of the ports of arrival and above all, exact information as the numbers of the POW, can we predispose all the necessary materials to assure a prompt sorting out.

If your Commission considers that a personal conversation on this matter would give better results, this office will designate a representative as liason in order to keep in daily contact with you.

While expressing the hope that due to the new situation, the mass of the Italian POW will be returned to their country, you have the assurance that all measures will be adopted to facilitate your work, whose realization will be another reason of gratitude of the Italian people toward the Allies.

Dott. Fausto Nitti.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
CIVIL AFFAIRS DIVISION
ITALIAN DIVISION OF THE DIVISION

12/1/42

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21 December 1942

Subject: Organization for the reconstruction of Italian POWs overseas.

To: Allied Forces Headquarters, AFHQ
Address: 9-5 Section

- 1/. Refer to the second part of the plan discussed with Mr. Ryan, Mr. Macgregor, Mr. Macmillan and Mr. McLean on Friday 12 December 1942.
- 2/. If this plan is accepted and the requested cargo, housing, material, transportation, personnel, etc. are allowed it would require an orderly, economic and speedy repatriation and dispersal to their homes of all overseas held Italian POWs.

For the Chief Commission:

Major J. Macmillan
Lt. Colonel
Chief
AFHQ Division

Incl. 3

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MINISTRY OF WAR

Repatriated POW Office

n.di prot. 417391/R.P.G.R.

Rome 17 September 1945

SUBJECT : Organization of the repatriation of Prisoners of War overseas.

ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION
Civil Affairs Section

R o m e

The problem of repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War overseas at the present moment is this:

a) Total number of repatriating Prisoners of War from overseas:

In American custody	United States	51000
	France and Germany	43000 (1)
In British custody		350000

(1) in act of repatriation overseas from Marseilles to Leghorn and Naples, overland through Brenner Pass and Switzerland to Pescantina and Novara.

In French custody	(North Africa)	35000
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b) Probable date of arrival:

Considering the possibilities to receive and lodge the repatriating Prisoners of War this is the probable division in groups for the monthly arrival from overseas:

- 50000 first month
- 80000 second month
- 100000 for all other successive month

For the matricular and administrative operations for every group of repatriated Prisoners of War 15 days are needed from the date of arrival and it is necessary that the monthly total

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of Prisoners of War must be summed up with arrival of groups every 15 days.

The consequence of this is the necessity of creating lodging centers to receive the Prisoners of War and for their matricular and administrative operations that can when completely organized, lodge at least 50000 men.

c) Necessary ports and reasons that have determined their choice : (enclosure)

The 50000 places have been subdivided in the lodging centers that will be organized in the following disembarkation ports.

- Genoa	Lodging center	10000
- Leghorn or Civitavecchia	" "	10000
- Venice or Ancona	" "	10000
- Naples	" "	10000
- Taranto	" "	10000
- Palermo	" "	3000
- Cagliari	" "	2000
		55000

The choice of these ports had been advised for the following reasons:

- the necessity of reducing to a minimum transportation by train on the continent by arrangement with Allied Authorities for the constitution of group of Prisoners of War of the same region and sending these groups to the port corresponding to the region to whom the Prisoners of War belonged.

- by the opportunity of reducing the time occurring for the repatriation of Prisoners of War - These operations would be very long if only the ports of Naples and Taranto were used as it has been up to now for receiving only the sick POW, those over 50 years of age and those requested by Italian authorities.

- by the necessity of sending the groups to the various lodging centers to reduce to a minimum the stay of the repatriated Prisoners of War in the said lodging centers for the matricular and administrative operations so to leave places for the new arrivals.

d) Organization actually being put in order and lodging still needed.

Actually the two lodging centers of Naples and Taranto

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are being amplified so as to be able to lodge 10000 thousand men each.

To realise the complete organization on the shortest possible time this is the order in which the lodging centers ought to be made ready:

1 Lodging centres Naples and Taranto:

In Naples are actually ready- Lodging centre S. Martino places 710

Lodging centre Afragola places 5200 (when completely ready may lodge 7000)

" " " Ducenta " 800 (when ready 1200)

The possibility of lodging 10000 men will be attained if the Allied Authorities give us the Pizzofalcone Barracks as was by the Territorial Command in Naples.

Up to date Camp "T" at Taranto which is organized to receive prisoners from over seas, disposes of only 3000 places ceded from Camp Toker. Said places have been increased by 600 places in huts, of which 12 are at the disposal of the Allied personnel working in the camp. It will therefore be necessary to send tents to accomodate 6400 more people. This Ministry will greatly appreciate if, on account of the approaching winter, these tents that are to be distributed, may be changed to bigger and more comfortable ones than those that up to now have been assigned

Lodging Centers at Leghorn-

The pre-announced arrival of the repatriation of co-operator Prisoners from over-seas, who are with the American troops in France and Germany, together with the repatriation of the same personnel, already begun via Switzerland and the Brenner pas, calls for the immediate organization of the lodging center for 10000 places, already in consideration at Leghorn. There are no barracks at Leghorn; the lodging center could be organized at the ex' "Colonia Marine" at Lido Calambrone capacity 10000 places on the ground, which at present is occupied by Sanitary Units of the P.I.S. who are in course of repatriation the absolute necessity of a port of embarkation for the populated provinces of Tuscany, Umbria and the Lazio, and the lack of buildings at our disposal in Civitavecchia makes it necessary for us to call to your ^{benivolent} attention to what is written above, as being the only solution of this problem.

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Lodgings centers of Genoa, Venice or Ancona -

The inspection of these places have demonstrated the scarcity of existing accommodations, on the other hand, due to the approaching winter season, especially in the North of Italy, tents can not be used: it will therefore be necessary that the Allied Authorities take into consideration the possibility of turning over the requisitioned barracks at present occupied by their troops, hand by hand as the troops in question are repatriated. For the exigencies of the moment the following data must be kept in mind.

<u>in Genoa</u>	- Vittorio Veneto Barracks places 4000 now occupied by 80 Sub Area transit Camp
	Eden Hotel 500 places
	Miramare Hotel 500 "
<u>in Varese</u>	Milanese colony 1500 "Mantova Hospital"-
<u>in Savona</u>	Functional Barracks 1500 Mantova Group
	Damiano Chiesa 500 Mantova Group
<u>in Venice</u>	Manin and Comoldi Barracks 1900 on disposal
<u>in Mestre</u>	Batter Barracks 6000 Allied Troops
	Regina Elena 200 Allied Troops
	Vitt. Emanuele 2000 Allied Troops
<u>in Ancona</u>	Puccini 1000 " "
	Fanti 800 " "
	Villarci Barracks 2500 Allied Troops
	Sanità Ware Houses 1000 " "
<u>in Falconara</u>	Functional Barracks 2300 Allied Troops

e) Lodging centers in Palermo and Cagliari

There are no difficulties in fact of prisoners on disposal only the authorization is needed and the assignation of materials for the Barracks and all necessary general services.

f) The provinces that are served by each disembarking port result in list of enclosure 2

s/ Mannerini

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Provinces served by every disembarkation port -

1) The port of Genova:

serves following regions with their respective provinces:

<u>Piemonte</u>	<u>Liguria</u>	<u>Lombardia</u>
Alessandria	Genova	Bergamo
Aosta	Imperia	Brescia
Cuneo	La Spezia	Como
Novara	Savona	Milano
Vercelli		Pavia
Asti		Sondrio
		Varese

2) Port of Venice or Ancona :

serves following regions with their respective provinces:

<u>Veneto</u>	<u>Venezia Trid.</u>	<u>Emilia</u>	<u>Marche</u>
Belluno	Bolzano	Bologna	Pesaro
Padova	Trento	Ferrara	Ancona
Rovigo	VENEZIA GIULIA	Forlì	Macerata
Treviso	Gorizia	Modena	Ascoli Piceno
Venezia	Trieste	Reggio Emilia	
Verona	Fiume	Parma	
Mantova	Tola	Piacenza	
Vicenza	Vera	Reggiana	
Udine			

3) Port of Leghorn or Civitavecchia :

serves following regions with their respective provinces:

<u>Toscana</u>	<u>Toscana</u>	<u>Umbria</u>	<u>Lazio</u>
Firenze	Arezzo	Perugia	Roma
Grosseto	Livorno	Terni	Viterbo
Lucca	Massa		Rieti
Pisa	Pistoia		
Siena			

4) Port of Naples:-

serves following regions with their respective provinces:

<u>CampANIA</u>	<u>Abruzzi e Molise</u>	<u>Lazio</u>	<u>Calabria</u> 83
Napoli	Aquila	Frosinone	Cosenza
Benevento	Campobasso	Istria	Catanzaro
Avellino	Chieti		Reggio Calabria

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Salerno

Pescara
Teramo

5) Port of Taranto
serves following regions with their respective provinces:

Puglia
Foggia
Bari
Brindisi
Lecce
Taranto

Basilicata (Lucania)
Potenza
Matera

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Repatriation of Italian p.o.w. from North Africa.

1. The French Government have decided to repatriate 40.000 Italian p.o.w. interned in the French Camps of Morocco, Algeria and Tunisia.

As the Allied Commission are aware, these p.o.w. were captured by the Anglo-American forces and handed over to France to be employed as workmen in the French North African territories.

2. Owing to undernourishment, absolute lack of clothing and harsh treatment, the Italian prisoners in North Africa are amongst those who have suffered most and who therefore deserve priority in repatriation.

3. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs therefore warmly request the Allied Commission to interest the proper Authorities in implementing as soon as possible the repatriation of Italian p.o.w. from North Africa, consequent on the agreement reached by the French and Italian Governments.

4. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs would much appreciate an early reply on the matter. /mw

Rome, August 29th, 1945

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MINISTRY OF WAR
P.O.W. and Refugees Bureau
Prot.416492/R.P.G.R.

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TO: IPOW Sub Commission
Rome

SUBJECT : Transport for the repatriation of Italian Prisoners
of War in French custody -

We have actually negotiation with the French Government
for the liberation and repatriation of our Prisoners of War
in French custody.

Until we reach a conclusion of the question said Government
has accepted the demand of liberation of a group of 1500 Priso-
ners of War in North Africa which includes sick and wounded
men and men that have reached the limits of age, men necessary
for reconstruction and some compassionate cases.

We would be very grateful to your Sub Commission to make
all that is possible to provide the means of transportation for
the above mentioned 1500 Prisoners of War and to provide means
too for the repatriation of the remaining 40.000 Italian Priso-
ners of War in French custody.

s/ A.Mannerini

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fare per il momento
depl. accettato il
gov. francese*

*This should be
taken up with the
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
and the French
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13 September 1945

Subject: Transport for the repatriation of POW to French custody.

To: Allied Forces Headquarters, 20 712
 From: 1st Division.

- 1/. Reference conversation Col. Legat/ M. L. L.
- 2/. Herewith attached translation of letter for Ministry of War, dated 7 Sept 45 addressed to this Division.
- 3/. General Lecomte, Chief of the Liaison Office for the Veterans and Repatriates, has been that this matter should be discussed with the French authorities by AFHQ.
- 4/. I will be alerted to be informed of the action taken so that I may in turn inform the War Ministry.

For the Chief Commissioner

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[Signature]
 Lt. Colonel
 Chief
 1st Division

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
WAR MATERIAL DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB COMMISSION
APO - - 394
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28th Aug. '45IPW/53/32

SUBJECT : Repatriation of PW to TUNISIA

TO : Ministry of Post war Assistance (PW/Bureau)
Corso V. Emanuele 110 ROME.

1. Your letter 2796/Pol R 38, dated 20 Aug., refers.
2. The question at issue is not the release of PW in British, American or French hands, but whether the French Authorities are prepared to permit the PW to reside in TUNISIA after their release has been authorised.
3. This must be the subject of negotiation between the Italian and French Governments through diplomatic channels.


J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD & IPW Sub Comm.

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MINISTRY OF POST WAR ASSISTANCE
POW Bureau

20 August 45

No. di Prot. 2796/Pol.F.38

TO: Allied Commission
S/C for Italian POW
Rome

SUBJECT: Repatriation from Tunisia of the Italian POW in
Anglo-American hands.

To clear up any misunderstanding regarding our letter No. 2616 Pol.C.3 dated July 31st, 1945 and reference your letter No. IPW/53/28 dated the 8th of August 45, we inform you that this question does not concern our prisoners in french custody, but concerns those Italians in Anglo-American custody, who have expressed the desire to return to Tunisia when released from imprisonment, as their families and their interests are in that country as they are, and have been, residents of Tunisia for many years.

We beg your S/C to again examine this matter, calling it to the attention of the competent authorities that they may intervene on their behalf.

s/ by the Minister
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SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italian PW from
France and North Africa to Italy.

23 August 1945

TO : Acting Executive Commissioner.

See 29.

Reference Memo 8266/EC dated 22 August 1945.

1. I have had no official information, as the question has been dealt with direct between the two governments.

2. I understand, from talks I have had in Paris and here, that arrangements are now practically concluded for the repatriation of French held Italian PW. I am afraid it may be very gradual to commence, as I believe no concrete movement scheme has yet been worked out.

3. I am awaiting information from our French Representative - as to date of commencement of repatriation, the type of PW who will first be repatriated, and what further assistance, if any, the Sub-Commission can give to hasten the total repatriation. Immediately I have further information and fuller particulars regarding the scheme, I shall let you know.

4. I shall strongly recommend that the Salda Camp be cleared at the earliest possible moment.

/s/ J. A. CAMPBELL

J.A. CAMPBELL,
Lieut.-Colonel,
Director,
WHD & IPW Sub-Com.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

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22 August 1945

Memo: 8266/EC.

To : Colonel Campbell

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In the Daily Digest of the Rome Press, 18 August, General, Para. 24, De Gaulle is alleged to have stated that Italian prisoners in France and in North Africa will shortly be returned to Italy. Can you give me any information as to when this repatriation may be expected, particularly with respect to those prisoners held at Camp 6, Sarda, Algiers. If you have no specific information, would you please take the matter up with the French Representative on the Allied Commission, Capitaine de Vaisseau Moullac.

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NORMAN L. FISKE
Colonel

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Acting Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 304
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB COMMISSION

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IPW/53/28

8 August 1945

Subject : Repatriation to Tunisia of Italian Prisoners of War.

To : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

- 1/. Reference your letter No. 2616 Pol. 9-3 dated 31 July 45 subject as above.
- 2/. A letter reference IPW/53/25 addressed to the Commanding General, Autonomous Office for War Veterans and Repatriated PW, dealing with the above subject was forwarded under the date of August 4th.
- 3/. We respectfully call your attention to the decision of General Headquarters and previously communicated to Ministry of War, Autonomous Office for War Veterans and Repatriated PW in our letter IPW 1/16/170 dated 13 July 45, which stated that all matters dealing with Prisoners of War held by the French, should be negotiated between your Government and the French Government, through diplomatic channels.
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J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel
Director
WD & IPW Sub-Com.

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WFO/POW

SUBJECT:- Repatriation of Italian PW.ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

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3 JUL 45.

Commander-in-Chief,
MILITARY POST POWERS.

1. Reference attached copy of Headquarters No. 3 District letter 406/2A of 26 Jul 45.

2. When adequate notice of ETA has been received by this Headquarters and Headquarters, Allied Commission, IPW Sub Commission, ROME, Headquarters Allied Commission contact the appropriate Italian authorities who arrange for their representative to meet the PW at the port of disembarkation in ITALY, with disposal instructions.

3. When notice of ETA has not been received in time for reception arrangements to be made, the PW should be instructed to report to the local Italian Military authorities at the port of disembarkation and request them to telephone Headquarters, Allied Commission (IPW Sub Commission) (telephone ROME 489084 extension 511) for disposal instructions.

4. PW should not be instructed to report to this Headquarters on arrival in ITALY as this merely involves onward routing to their proper destination.

5. It would be appreciated if you would inform the despatching camps in your Theatre as above.

W. A. Goss

Major, D.A.A.G.,
for Field Marshal,
Supreme Allied Commander,
MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE.

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Encl.

Copy to :- Headquarters, No. 3 District.
Headquarters, Allied Commission, IPW Sub Commission. —
MILA (your A101 of 27 July 45 refers).

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HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIE REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 394

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1 August, 1945

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
Civil Affairs Section

SUBJECT : Return of Italian P.O.W.

FILE NO : RXII/383.6(A)

Of all the questions posed to a Regional Commissioner, that which concerns the return of Italian Prisoners of War, captured by the Allies in North Africa, is the most difficult to satisfy.

Can you please give any guidance as to the possible future repatriation of these prisoners?

3 AUG 1945

[Signature]
Regional Commissioner

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31 July 45

ITALIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR POW
No. 2616.Pol.C-3

SUBJECT: Repatriation to Tunisia of Italian POW

TO: Allied Commission
S/C for Italian POW
Rome

As known by your Sub-Commission many Italian citizens, domiciled in Tunisia, were voluntarily enrolled in the Italian Army in 1942, when the Italians occupied that region.

Many of them were captured by the Allied Forces and they still are POW.

Said individuals have their families and properties in Tunisia, having been domiciled in that country for a long time, therefore they hope to get back there when they are liberated.

We will be very grateful to your Sub-Commission if you will intervene on their behalf so that the POW in question may be repatriated in Tunisia.

The General Secretary
s/ Dapino

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OFFICE OF A.C. LIAISON OFFICE
c/o N. O. B.
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RFD 2984

19 July 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Prisoners of war on Lampedusa Island.

TO : HQ;, Allied Commission, A.P.O. 394
(For: Italian P.O.W. Sub-Commission).

1. Captain Moore, Civil Affairs Officer at Lampedusa, has written me the following paragraph:

"Returning Prisoners of War. It is not unknown for ex-prisoners of war to arrive in this Island from lands as far distant as Egypt or Germany. They have their families in French North Africa and are armed with passes signed by some Allied Officer to come to Lampedusa; the reason apparently being that this island is the nearest Italian Territory to Tunisia. In point of fact they come to a full stop here, as it is quite impossible to send them on to their families. The French Immigration Authorities are not particularly co-operative, and they have to be sent back to Naples to interview the French Consul-General there. Could some steps please be taken to try and abate this nuisance?"

2. The matter is called to your attention for any action deemed appropriate.

Edward Morton
EDWARD MORTON
Lt.Col., C.E.
LIAISON OFFICER

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB COMMISSION

JER/TB

4 August 1945

IPW/53/23

Subject: Repatriation to Tunisia of Italian POW discharged
and members of the Italian Forces.

To: Commanding General - Autonomous Office for War Veterans
and Repatriated Prisoners of War.

- 1/. Reference our conversation this date in regard to the question of the repatriation to Tunisia of Italian Prisoners of War now held in British custody and members of the Italian Forces who may be now due, or will become illegible for discharge who were domiciled in Tunisia before the war and still have their families there.
- 2/. This subject was discussed with the French Authorities in Algiers by North Africa District in December 1944 and referred by them to the "Defense Nationale" in Paris, who decided that no repatriation of Italians could be agreed at that time.
- 3/. There are at present in POW Camp in Algiers 12 Tunisian Italians, recommended for repatriation on medical grounds and a further 30 or 40 in the 135 British General Hospital in Algiers. MIA states that they have 18 Tunisian domiciled Italian Army personnel due for discharge, and it is anticipated that a considerable number of Tunisian Italians now in the Italian Army will eventually request instructions as to their repatriation.
- 4/. It is suggested that this matter should be taken up by you with your Ministry of Foreign Affairs for negotiation with the French Government through diplomatic channels in an effort to secure a ruling governing the repatriation of these unfortunate individuals.

J.A. Campbell
J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Col **69**
Director
WD & IPW Sub-Com.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

26 July 1945

G-5: 014.33-156

SUBJECT: Repatriation to TUNISIA - Italian PW discharged
and members of Italian Forces.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. It is desired to raise the question of the repatriation to TUNISIA of Italian PW now held in British custody (and also those members of the Italian Army now due for discharge), who were domiciled in that country before the war and still have their families there.

2. This matter was raised with the French authorities in Algiers (as regards PW) by North Africa District in Dec 44 and referred by them to the Defense Nationale in Paris.

3. On 27 Feb 45 North Africa District were informed that the decision given by General Juin was that no repatriation of Italians to Tunisia could be agreed to (copy of General Juin's letter to AFHQ Liaison Officer attached North Africa District at that time is appended).

4. There are at present in 211 PW Camp, Algiers, 12 Tunisian Italians recommended for repatriation on medical grounds, and a further 30/40 in 135 (Br) General Hospital, Algiers, in the same category.

5. MMIA have in their A 105/1 dated 27 June 45 informed AFHQ G-1(Br) Section that they have 10 Tunisians Domiciled Italian Army personnel due for discharge and have requested instructions as to their disposal. It is anticipated that considerable numbers now in the Italian Army (mostly ex co-operators) will eventually be involved.

6. It is considered that this matter should be taken up by you with the Italian Government, for negotiation with the French Government through diplomatic channels.

7. As regards those now in PW status in North Africa and recommended for repatriation on medical grounds, these men will be brought over to Italy and turned over to the Italian authorities for entry into Italian hospitals. Otherwise they would become a British commitment indefinitely, and this is most undesirable.

Incl: as above.

Copy to: HQ BTNA (your A 390/6
of 11 July refers)G-1(B)
Medical (Br)T.R. HENN
T.R. HENN, Brigadier, G.S.
Deputy Asst Chief of Staff G-5.

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Presidency of the Provisional
Government of the French Republic
General Staff for National Defence
(Africa Section)
3rd Bureau

From: Air Commodore TESTART
Deputy Chief of General Staff of National Defence for French Africa.

To : Major BULMER,
(Liaison)
NAD

In his letter dated 4 Dec 44, the Brigadier Commanding NAD has asked to be informed definitely whether the French Authorities would be disposed to agree to the transfer to Tunisia of the following categories of persons:-

- 1) Italian military personnel either ill or wounded and chosen for repatriation by the British Authorities for health reasons.
- 2) Italian prisoners of war to be repatriated on compassionate grounds.

In my letter 2056/DN.AF/3.S dated 12 Dec 44 I informed you I had submitted this request to General JUIN for the decision of the Government.

I have now received this decision, and I beg to inform you that on account of the general behaviour of Italian prisoners held in North Africa, the danger which would be incurred by transferring to Tunisia persons who had engaged in armed hostility against our country, and the unfortunate repercussions which such an act of generosity by us would surely have on local French opinion, the French Government is unable to comply with the request of the British Authorities.

(signed) Wing Commander FRANDON
for Air Commodore TESTART
(away on mission)

JER/tb

24 July 1945

IPM/53/20

Subject : Lodging Center of Afragola.

To : The Commanding General - Autonomous Office for War Veterans and Repatriated Prisoners of War.

1/. Reference your letter dated 7/6/45 subject as above.

2/. We have been informed by Allied Force Headquarters that the following items have been released from Italian Army stocks for Afragola Camp for ex-POW.

(a)	Complete set of cooking equipment	5,000
	Towels	10,000
	Blankets	10,000
	Cups	10,000
	Spoons	10,000

(b) It is possible that mess tins may be released later; it is pointed out however that these can be purchased by the Italian Government on the civilian market.

(c) Pillow cases are not issued in the Allied Armies, so this item is not considered essential.

(d) No tentage is available but the Italian War Ministry have been authorized to loan all of their little huts for the camp.

2/. Headquarters ruled that it is not necessary for Allied items to be issued to the Italian Government for those repatriated prisoners of war and that no further supply request will be sanctioned by Allied Force Headquarters.

J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
MWD & IPW Sub-Comm.
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SUBJECT : Accommodation Stores for Repatriated Italian PWs ex U.S.A.

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission, AFO 394.
(DP & R Sub Commission).

Reference your signal 328 of 22 Jun 45.

1. G-4 advise that it has been ascertained that the following items have been released from Italian Army Stocks for AFRACOLA camp for ex PW.

(a) Complete sets of cooking equipment	
Towels	5,000
Blankets	10,000
Cups	10,000
Spoons	10,000

(b) It is possible that mess tins may be released later. It is pointed out however that these can be purchased by the Italian Government on the civilian market.

(c) Pillow cases are not considered essential. Such items are not issued in the Allied Armies.

(d) The War Ministry has been authorized to loan all available huts for this camp which if moved by POW Sub Commission should be sufficient. No tentage is available from Italian Army Stocks.

2. It is not considered that there is any necessity for any Allied items to be issued to the Italian Government for these repatriated PWs, and no further supply action therefore will be taken by this Headquarters.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

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K.B. HICKS,
Lt. Colonel.

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22 JUNE 1945

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PARA ONE PD REF MY MIGHT ONE NINE NINE DATED TWENTY SECOND MAY
PARA TO AFHQ GEORGE DASH FIVE SECTION FROM ALCON CITE AOWED PAKEN
 PARA TWO PD ITALIAN AUTONOMOUS OFFICE WAR MINISTER REPORTS
 FOLLOWING MATERIAL AND STORES NOT AVAILABLE THROUGH NINE NINE
 ITEM ABLE FOR APRAGOLA CAMP PD
 PARA THREE PD MARQUEE TENTS FOR OFFICES AND STAFF TEN GMA
 TENTAGE OR SHELTERS FOR FIVE THOUSAND GMA PAILLASSES FIVE THOUSAND
 GMA MESS TINS FIVE THOUSAND GMA FORKS FIVE THOUSAND PD
 PARA FOUR PD CAN ABOVE BE MADE AVAILABLE FROM ALLIED SOURCES PD

*c 30/6/45
 Hand this letter to
 in G-5's meeting
 in answer
 please - JH*

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 NICHOLAS PIGNINO
 CWO., USA
 Asst. Adjutant.

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Autonomous Office
for Veterans

7/6/1945

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To the General Direction
of the Commissariato

SUBJECT: Lodging - center of Afragola.

see 104 18, 19.
The Allied Authorities ceded to this Ministry one of the camps in the zone of Afragola for the constitution of a camp. This camp, on the road Napoli - Caserta - between Km. 9 - 10 - North of Naples, will be used - in the beginning - for the reception of Veterans from Germany; who cannot be put up at Naples and in the future will be used exclusively for the Veterans returning from America.

A team of officers and soldiers, forming the personnel who will run the camp and who belong to the Piceno Division have already arrived there.

They are:

24 officers

23 n. c.o.

108 privates

The Milit. Territorial Command of Naples, who are interested in the organization of the camp, pointed out to us that the camp is only provided with perimetric barbed-wire, water, a shed with a few kitchens (too few) and a few latrines. Therefore we request the assignment of:

- 10 tents for the command
- 5000 parts of tents for accessories
- 5000 straw - mattresses
- x 5000 camp - blankets
- 5000 mess - tins
- x 5000 spoons
- 5000 forks
- x 5000 cups
- / 100 wooden planks for barracks, entire
- equipment for kitchens (knives, pots, scummers) etc.

We beg the General Direction to grant our request as soon as possible, especially as the camp will have to start to function within the next few weeks.

The General
Head of the Aut. Office
A. MANNERINI

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copy in 12/5/1/16A (encl. 31 + 32)

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: Q 2775Message Centre No: 3/5025Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 14 1200Date/Time Rec'd: JUNE 14 1945Precedence: ROUTINEFROM: DISPATCHTO: Q 52 AREA, NND 3 (MAIN) AREA, AID.

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Ref your Q 100/10 of 11.

Final date departure locations and eventual disposal "W" case not decided by AFHQ but may be required German PW. AFHQ wants forecast dates and numbers for prospective site at VARENGE of non-decisional inmates and 1. Ind Div. AFHQ require camp for 5000 Italian PW e.e.f. 1 July and are now sending req to discuss with you. In view of uncertainty minimum fresh construction is agreed and details for covering approval. No wiring required. AFHQ Q 39108 of 17 and to all refers.

Received a phone call by S of 149. Major W.S. Korman stating camp was placed at our camp. and

Yfian drove,

Low. check 10 - Major Korman St.

left on 15th

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: TX 39106
 Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 071304B

Message Centre No: E/4001
 Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 071555
 Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SIGNED SIGNED SIGNED
 TO: DISTURB INFO ALCON.

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Subject is Repatriation 1st PW at present held in Allied countries.
 ALCON require camp TAATO Area to handle up to 5000 PW arriving from overseas. Rep ALCON will report 52 ALTA to discuss details. Request you give every assistance if necessary part of Div Area can be handed over.

Called G branch Disturb agreed to send
 me officer to report to Toronto,
 Com. Chiles chief Major Piusa (Jai)
 Sept 10/ for Toronto will continue
 o.c. 52 area and reports

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PAREN TO AFHQ GEORGE DASH FIVE SECTION FROM ALCOM CITE ACWMD PARENPARA TWO PD AFTER CONSULTING ITALIAN GOVERNMENT THE FOLLOWING IS
SUGGESTED PLAN PD

PARA THREE PD REF PARA THREE PD

(a) REPATRIATION TO COMMENCE AUGUST AT RATE OF

40.000 FIRST MONTH - 20.000 PER FORTNIGHT

50.000 SECOND MONTH - 25.000 PER FORTNIGHT

80.000 THIRD MONTH - 40.000 PER FORTNIGHT

UP TO 100.000 FOURTH MONTH - 50.000 PER FORTNIGHT

(100.000 BEING MAXIMUM FIGURE PER MONTH UNTIL REPATRIATION COMPLETED)

FIGURES GIVEN FOR FIRST AND SECOND MONTHS TO INCLUDE 10.000 PER MONTH

ALREADY ACCEPTED CMA MY SIGNAL EIGHT ONE NINE NINE DATED TWENTY

SECOND MAY ONE NINE FOUR FIVE REFERS PD

(b) (c) PORTS - GENOVA WITH TRANSIT CAMP FOR	10.000
LEGHORN OR CIVITAVECCHIA CAMP FOR	10.000
NAPOLI WITH TRANSIT CAMP FOR	10.000
CAGLIARI WITH TRANSIT CAMP FOR	3.000

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PALERMO WITH TRANSIT CAMP FOR	3,000
TARANTO WITH TRANSIT CAMP FOR	10,000
ANCONA OR VENEZIA WITH TRANSIT CAMP FOR	10,000

- (a) THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT REQUEST GROUPS CONSIST OF CAMP UNITS UNDER OWN LEADERS AND ARE SHIPPED TO PORTS NEAREST THEIR HOMES PD FIRST SHIPMENTS TO INCLUDE ALL COAL MINERS AND THOSE IN OLDER AGE GROUPS PD

PARA FOUR PD REF PARA FOUR PD

- (b) (c) RECOMMEND THAT ITALIAN ARMY TRANSPORT UNITS BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR ROAD HAULS AS NECESSARY PD TO EFFECTUATE PROPOSALS NEW TRANSIT CAMPS WILL REQUIRED AT GENOVA OR ANCONA OR VENEZIA OR AND LEGHORN OR CIVITAVECCHIA FOR 10,000 WITH CAMPS AT NAPLES AND TARANTO INCREASED TO TAKE FURTHER 5,000 PD EXTRA ITALIAN PERSONNEL REQUIRED TO ADMINISTER AND RUN NEW AND INCREASED CENTRES - ONE TWO EIGHT OFFICERS ONE FIVE FIVE NOCS AND EIGHT FOUR ZERO ORS PD TRANSPORT FOR CAMP ADMINISTRATION - EIGHT CARS OR UTILITIES TWO ONE THREE TON TRUCKS AND SIX M/CS PD

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PARA FIVE PD ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL NOMINAL ROLLS BE RECEIVED THIS
HQ BEFORE ARRIVAL OF ANY PERSONNEL PD

PARA SIX PD IF PERSONNEL AND TRANSPORT AS REQUESTED CAN BE PROVIDED
FROM ITALIAN ARMY CMA THIS HQ AGREES TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS
AND OF OPINION THAT MOVEMENT FROM CAMPS TO VICINITY OF HOMES AND
DEPOTS CAN BE ARRANGED PD

PARA SEVEN PD MMIA REQUEST EARLY STATEMENT OF POLICY ON USE OF
ITALIAN ARMY PERSONNEL AND TRANSPORT PD

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

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15MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

SUBJECT : Repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War.

1. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs beg to inform the Allied Commission that the Italian Government, while envisaging no change in the technical plan concerning the reception, assistance and dispersal of repatriees submitted by General MANNERINI to Colonel CAMPBELL, are willing to receive p.o.w. in Anglo-American hands in a gradually increasing measure and such as to reach, at the end of the second or third month, the figure of 100.000 units a month.
2. The Italian Government suggest that, where possible, precedence be accorded in the repatriations to those prisoners who have been at greater length in concentration camps and who, as a rule, are the same ones who reside in the more distant Countries, such as India, tropical Africa and the Dominions.
3. This Memorandum refers to a conversation between Col. Campbell and Marchese Cittadini of May, 29th.

Rome, 7 June 1945



INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

(13)_aOriginator's Reference: PA 64971Message Centre No: 7/3121Date/Time of Origin: PAE 311119ZDate Time Rec'd: PAE 31E120ZPrecedence: ROUTINEFROM: AFHQ UNITED STATES ARMY HQTO: GOON HOME INFO MIL**SECRET**

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Repatriation of Italian POW abroad in U.S.A. and U.K. custody.

1. Consideration being given here by American and British personnel sections for phased plan repatriation Italian POW. now held outside ITALY. U.S.A. policy known to be to repatriate soonest possible from abroad and also reduce considerably forthwith numbers held in ITALY and NORTH AFRICA as service units personnel. Policy not yet known on U.K. side but is being sought.

2. Proper execution any plan dependent on ability of Italian authorities receive and dispose without affecting stability of Italian economy of repatriates not required for re-enlistment Italian Army.

3. In order to assist preparation plan request you consider in conjunction with Italian authorities and submit urgently.

- (a) Phased plan, which should show progressive increases from south to north giving maximum numbers considered disposable to civilian life.
- (b) Suggestions as to ports at which repatriates should ~~dis~~ **embark**.
- (c) Plan for accommodation pending final disposal giving details of transit and staying areas envisaged.
- (d) Preferences for repatriation by age groups and types of repatriations.

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4. In consideration of the above following should be borne in mind.

- (a) I-1 responsibility will finish at Rockside.
- (b) Short interim period after arrival and pending disposition necessary in transit areas to check records and carry out declassification if returning to civil life. Responsibility this period will be that of the ALLIED COMMISSION in conjunction with JFIA.
- (c) Movement to railhead within vicinity of home will probably be carried out when Allied re-deployment traffic will be heavy and movement of repatriates will be correspondingly difficult. Hence proper interim staging areas will be necessary en route home.

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26 May 1945

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War.

Minutes of Meeting held
1030 hours 25 May in G-3
Oran(B) Conference Room AFHQ.

1. For list of those present see Appendix A.
2. The Chairman explained that the meeting had been called by G-5, at the request of G-3, in order that an informal discussion might take place on the problems which would arise with reference to future status, use and disposition of Italian Prisoners of War who might be repatriated from abroad. The Chairman emphasized that while the meeting had been called as desired, G-5 had only a limited interest in the matter, and that it was primarily a G-1 matter until returning Prisoners of War had arrived in this country and had been released from their Prisoner of War status. He also gave it as his view that G-5 should not assume responsibility for coordinating or initiating action apart from their legitimate interest in the final disposal of the personnel when released from their POW or Army status. This interest included advice on the rate of repatriation so that the incidence of large numbers of unemployed should not affect the stability of the Italian Government.

3. As a preliminary to the discussion the numbers of Italian POW held in US and British custody were given as follows:

<u>British Custody.</u>	
UK	154,000
Mideast	66,000
PAIC	2,000
E. Africa	36,000
W. Africa	1,000
India	33,000
Australia	16,000
S. Africa	39,000
	<u>347,000</u>

Note: The above numbers do NOT include cooperators in British custody working in North Africa or cooperators working in Italy.

<u>US Custody.</u>	
US	47,000
Italy	20,000
North Africa	12,000
France	41,000
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4. During the course of the discussion which took place it became apparent that the British side no plan had been formulated for

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- The return as soon as possible of 33,000 Italian POW from the U.S., the shipments to be made at the rate of 10,000 per month and to start in July 1945.
- The reduction in the personnel of U.S. Italian Service Units in Italy by a total of 40 - 50%, the reduction to be carried out forthwith at the rate of 1000 per week.
- The return to Italy of 1050 surplus officers POW held in U.S. custody in North Africa.
- The return to Italy as soon as practicable of 12,000 Italian service unit personnel held in U.S. custody in North Africa.

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5. Questions were raised on the Italian status, use and disposition of Italian POW were discussed. The positions and the opinion of the meeting are set out below.

- a. What will be the status of repatriates on arrival in Italy - PW, Italian Army or civilians.

It was considered that the men would arrive in Italy in POW status and that their future status would then depend on their final disposition. Some might be retained in the Italian Army, some might have to be kept in custody for security reasons and others would be demobilized to their homes. It was agreed that G-1 responsibility, as such, for them would cease on arrival in Italy.

- b. Will repatriates be screened by MIA for suitable material for the Italian Army.

The meeting considered that repatriates must be screened by MIA for use with the Italian Army. In this connection it was pointed out that those repatriates of military age would automatically be liable for service in the Italian Army so long as conscription continues in Italy. Those over military age might be discharged to civilian status if their military services were not required.

Arising out of the above it was suggested that repatriation from abroad should be so arranged that specific personnel of definite age groups who are known to be potentially useful for replacements in Italian Units, should be included in phased shipments.

- c. Will any formed units be used as units of the Allies on arrival.

It was felt that while small units of repatriated specialists (such as truck drivers) might be employed on a unit basis by the Allies in Italy the likelihood is that this would only take place in exceptional cases.

- d. Will the PW Sub-Commission organization already in existence require expansion as by the formation of new reception areas or camps.

It was felt that the PW Sub-Commission organization would require expansion by the formation of reception areas and camps but that this depended on:

- (1) The rate of repatriation finally decided upon.
- (2) The present and future availability of existing areas and camps, either Italian or Allied, which could be put at their disposal.
- e. Will G-4 (M & Tn) be able to handle the dispersal of repatriates to their homes in case of demobilization.

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It was pointed out that the arrival of the repatriates would take place over a period when Mov & Tn would be very heavily committed with Allied redeployment plans. While, in general, the redeployment plans would be concerned with movements from the interior of Italy to the ports, and the dispersal of the repatriates would be in the reverse direction, the difficulties of correlating these movements were apparent. The necessity for staging repatriates at various places so as to fit in with overall movement plans was therefore stressed. It was also agreed that repatriates who were to be discharged to civilian status should be transported to railheads within, say, 50 miles of their homes.

f. To what extent would the Italian Government be able or be allowed to accept responsibility for handling repatriates on arrival and will the Italian Army Territorial Organization be able to deal with Records of repatriates if they are demobilized on arrival.

Provided the arrivals were phased in such numbers as **CRF** be

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handled and provided adequate records arrived with them, no mechanical difficulty was foreseen in re-enlisting the men into the Italian Army or in demobilizing them. For the interim period between arrival and disposal to the Italian Army or to civilian status it was considered that the Italian Government through its High Commissioner for POW, and the IPW Sub-Commission should be responsible for the repatriates and that during such period they should of necessity receive Italian Army rations through MMIA, who would also have an interest in the recruitment of necessary conscription classes for the Italian Army.

g. Is it desirable to find out what the British Government's intentions are regarding repatriation of POW in British hands.

It was considered that it was most desirable to ascertain forthwith the intentions of the War Office in the matter.

6. After the general discussion summarized above the meeting proceeded to consider the steps which it felt was necessary to coordinate action and ascertain the exact scope of the problem. It was agreed

a. That G-1 (A) and G-1 (B) should produce a coordinated plan for repatriation of Italian POW held abroad. This should be cleared with HQ Allied Commission (through G-5) on the question of the capacity of the Italian authorities to cope with the numbers involved and the phasing proposed, and with MMIA (through G-3) on the question of inclusion in the plan of phased numbers of personnel required for service in the Italian Army. G-1 (B) should also obtain from the War Office the British policy for repatriation of personnel held in British custody in order that the phased repatriation plan may take into account those held in British as well as in American custody, so that an agreed repatriation figure might be arrived at depending on the acceptance capacity of Italy.

b. G-5 should obtain from the Allied Commission the proposals of the Italian authorities (including the setting up of reception, staging and transit areas or the use of existing installations) for dealing with repatriated POW and should ascertain to what extent it is anticipated that the reception of such personnel can be increased from time to time.

c. The coordinated plan for repatriation should be reported as soon as practicable to CCS.

d. The repatriation of the 10,000 a month from the U.S. referred to in 4 a. above should proceed as desired in order that the experience gained in the handling and disposition of such personnel may be applied to the larger numbers who will be involved in the future.

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T. B. JACKMAN, Lt Col
Lt. Colonel,
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Appendix A

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CAO	1	HQ Allied Commission	3
G-1	2	G-5	6
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Brig. T. R. Hart
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Col. W. Pidsley
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Lt. Col. Collins
Lt. Col. T. B. Jackman
Major D. Barnes
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Major J. S. Stoney
Major A. P. Nathan
Major J. Byles
Capt. J. N. Graham

G-5 (Chairman)
G-3 Org (B)
MIL
G-1(A)
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Rome 23rd May 1945

High Commission for Italian PW.

To the Allied Commission

No. 1681 Pol di Prot./C.15

Sub-Commission for Italian PW

Subject: Repatriation of POW Co-operators in American Custody

the 8, 9, 10.

Reference our letter No. 1642/c.15 dated the 19th of May 1945, dealing with the above mentioned subject.

Following ulterior communication from Lt. Col. Campbell, that the Allied Authorities will put at the disposal of the repatriated POW, camps in Naples and Taranto.

5000 places in Naples

5000 Places in Taranto

the repatriation could be accepted in the following measure.

Month of July 10.000

" " August 10.000

" " September 10.000

" " October the remaining POW

Signed the High Commissioner

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Roma, 11 23 maggio 1945

*L'Alto Commissario**per i prigionieri di guerra*

N° 16818 di prot. | C-15

OGGETTO: Rimpatrio di prigionieri di guerra cooperatori in mani americane.

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER I PRIGIONIERI DI GUERRAR O M A

Riferimento foglio pari oggetto N° I642/C.15 in data 19 c.m. di questo Alto Commissariato.

In seguito alle nuove comunicazioni fatte dal Ten. Colonnello CAMPBELL e precisamente che le Autorità Alleate metteranno a disposizione campi per rimpatriandi capaci di:

- 5000 posti a Napoli
- 5000 posti a Taranto

la progressione dei rimpatrii può avvenire nelle seguenti misure:

mese di luglio :	10.000
mese di agosto :	10.000
mese di settembre:	10.000
mese di ottobre:	rimanenti.

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PARA ONE PD DEUR F SEVEN NINE TWO ONE SEVEN DATED TWENTY ONE MAY PD

PAREN TO AFHQ FROM ALCON CITS ACWED PAREN

PARA TWO PD AGREE YOUR SUGGESTION ON (IN UNDERSTANDING REINA AGGREGATION)

FOR FIVE ZERO ZERO ZERO NEW HAVENS AREA NOW BEING INVESTIGATED IN CURRENT PD

VND & IFOR SUB COMMISSION

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Nicholas Plombino
CWO, U.S.A.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Message Centre No: E/1727
Date/Time Rec'd: MAY 21/1515B
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FROM: AFHQ, SIGNED SAGGED CITY FHEC

TO: ALCOM ROME

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Supplementing F 76831 cite FHEC proposed reply AFWAR that none of 33,000 can be accepted before 1 July and that 10,000 can then be accepted monthly. Do you agree. Urgent reply required

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Rome 19th May 1945

To the Allied Commission

Sub-Commission for Italian PW.

High Commission for Italian PW.

Political Section

No. 1642/Pol. di Prot C. 15

Subject: Repatriation of POW in America. Custody

See 11/10/45

1. The Allied Commission has asked if the Italian Government would accept the repatriation of 33,000 Italian PW co-operators from working units and how many we could receive per month. The same request was made for other POW.

2. I have received the following orders from the Ministry of War.

a) The Government accepts the repatriation of the personnel of the working units in the United States, and begs you to add to these blocks of repatriations all those who asked to co-operate, but could not be used. It is thought that all together they are about 2,000 total 33,000 plus 2,000 = 35,000.

b) The Italian Government desires that these prisoners be repatriated in the following measure:

Month of	July	6,000
"	August	8,000
"	September	10,000
"	October	11,000

Total	35,000
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Ports that they are to be sent to: Naples or Taranto.

The Italian Authorities count on the help of the Allied Commission, in preparing the reception camps at Naples and Taranto.

c). It is understood by the Italian Authorities, that these individuals repatriated and released, as those in working units in Italy are shortly to be, the same laws and disposals as is given for their companions here, should be given to them, relative to furlough, release etc. etc.

d). For the repatriation of the rest of the POW and that is those who are not co-operators; their repatriation should take place afterwards, at a date to be communicated by the Italian Government.

e) The Italian Authorities are trusting that these repatriation will not bring about any change in the established order of repatriations and that is, the priority of the repatriation of the invalides, the old people and those for whom repatriation has been requested for the Armed Forces, National reconstruction and compassionate cases.

/s/ The High Commissioner General P. Gazzera

WMD & IPOW SUB COMMISSION

Return of Italian PW from U.S.A.

IPW/63/7

Land Forces S/C (M.M.I.A.)

19 May

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Reference attached signal.

See 5 + 6 + 8/9

- 1/. I have asked the Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War for the Italian Government's views.
- 2/. AFHQ inform me by telephone that it is intended that the Service Units should be used as such on their return to Italy.
- 3/. This raises all kinds of questions - status, ceiling, demobilisation of older groups etc., etc.
- 4/. I shall be pleased to have your remarks.

J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel
Director
WMD & IPOW Sub-Comm.

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Ref. Folio 5

G-5 AFHQ informed me by phone that it was intended that the Service Units should be utilised in Italy as such, and after, obtaining the Italian Government views on the proposal, a clarification as to the ceiling, status etc. etc. will be requested from AFHQ.

The matter was discussed with Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War, who stated that he would consult with the Government and notify me of their views at the earliest moment - perhaps not before Monday 21 May 1945.

I also spoke with Col. PIDSLEY of MMIA, and stated that I was in touch with the High Commissioner for Prisoners of War, and would consult with him prior to replying to the signal.

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19 May 1945

II. COMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 70831
 Date/Time of Origin: MAY 17 0942

Message Centre No: 5/1137
 Date Time Rec'd: MAY 17 1635B
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FROM: AFHQ, SIGNED S. L. M. D. (S. L. M. D. H. G. W. L.)
 TO: ALCON, WOLF.

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Signal received today from AGUAR shows intention return Italian POW to ITALY by earliest practicable date they can be released from labour in US. Intention also to give Italian Service Unit personnel priority over non-cooperators. Request made for assurance that up to 33,000 Italian Service Unit personnel can be accepted as units and for advice of rate of return per month for these and other Italian Prisoners.

Your views requested by signal as matter of urgency.

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 INFO - A/1 PRESIDENT
 CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 SECTION
APO 512

CCE/cml

1 May 1945

G-5: 014.33-122

SUBJECT : Plan for the Repatriation of Italian Prisoners
of War overseas in British, American, and French
(North Africa) Custody.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.
(WMD & IPW Sub Commission).

+ IPW/1/ WBS

See 1, 2 & 3.

1. Reference is made to your IPW/53/2 dated
25 April 1945 and subsequent telephone conversation
(Lt.Col. Campbell - Major Baring).

2. We have raised this question with G-1A and
G-1B, but it is regretted that at present they have no
knowledge of any plan showing how the repatriation of
Italian Prisoners of War will be effected when such re-
patriation commences.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

C.C. Baring Major

C.C. BARING
Major.

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IP/32/324 April 1945

SUBJECT: Plan for the repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War overseas in British, American and French (North Africa) Custody.

TO : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

See 4. 2. 1

Reference your letter 1129/Pol/P.20 dated 14 April 1945.

1. The matter has been referred to higher authority for consideration.
2. On receipt of a reply, I shall again discuss the matter with you.

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J.A. CAMPBELL,
Lieut.-Colonel,
Director,
ED & POW Sub-Com.

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124/53/45 April 1945

SUBJECT: Plan for the repatriation of Italian prisoners of war
overseas in British, American and French (North Africa)
Custody.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.
(att: G-5 Section).

See 4, 3, 1.

1. Certain proposals have been put forward by the Italian Government regarding the procedure and priority of repatriation of Italian prisoners of war, as and when full repatriation is agreed.

2. Before going more fully into this question with the Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War, I shall be pleased to know if there is at present any plan showing how the repatriation of Italian prisoners of war will be effected, when such repatriation commences.

For the Chief Commissioner :

J.A. CAMPBELL,
Lieut.-Colonel,
Director,

AFHQ & AFHQ Sub-Com.

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Rome 14th April 1945 1

HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR
No. 1129/Pol/F.20 di Prot.

TO: The Allied Commission
R O M E

SUBJECT: Project for the repatriation of Italian POW.

Referring to a conversation with Lieut. Col. CAMPBELL, director of this Sub Commission we herewith forward a plan for the repatriation of Italian POW in British American and French Custody (North Africa) that the Italian Government would appreciate very much if it could be adopted, when the repatriations in mass will be effectuated.

The same plan could be used if the repatriations will take place gradually.

In any case, as in the 1st paragraph of the said memorandum, we beg the Allied Authorities to order and give the authorization in the camps for the compiling of the lists of repatriation so that at any moment they could pass into action.

We thank you for a reply.

/s/ The High Commissioner
Gen. P. GAZZERA

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Rome, 14th April 1945

A General plan for the repatriation of Italian POW over seas in British, American and French Custody (North Africa)

1. FOREWORD.

The plan represents the desires of the Italian Government relative to the order of precedence that the said Government wishes to effectuate, when the repatriations in mass will take place of the Italian PWs.

A special request is made to the Allied Authorities to begin in the camps an immediate preparation for this plan.

2. The number of prisoners to be repatriated from over seas.

a) In a round sum is as follows:

360.000 in English custody

65.000 in American custody

35.000 in French custody

total 460.000

b) We are considering here, only the repatriation of those prisoners who are in British, American and French custody (North Africa) who are over seas and will therefore have to be repatriated by sea. In other words we are not considering those prisoners who are already in Italy, or those who are in working units in France.

Also it is to be observed that about 150.000 military personnel in the United Kingdom could be transported across the channel into France. Here they are considered as being over seas.

But the measures for the repatriation of all Italian Military Personnel POW should be taken as herewith indicated.

c) We are not examining the problem of the repatriation of Italian PW in Russian custody (as all the data concerning them is too uncertain), or those who are in German custody who repatriation will take place overland.

3. Plans for repatriation according to Italian Government.

a) The repatriations must take place in order to satisfy the two major problems.

The moral and physical welfare of the PW.

The necessity for the moral and material reconstruction of Italy.

B. Relative to the 1st problem it is necessary to give priority to the invalides, men above 50 years of age and the prisoners whose families find themselves in the category of compassionate cases, according to the ruling fixed by the Allied Authorities.

C. For that which regards the second necessity, it must be kept in mind the urgency to establish the basic moral law for the reconstruction of these families as quickly as is possible. It is therefore thought that the following order of repatriation should be adopted:

- 1) Fathers of 4 or more children who are about 36,000.
- 2) Those who have had 4 or more years of imprisonment about 100,000
- 3) Fathers of three children about 22,000
- 4) Those who have had three or more years of imprisonment about 36,000
- 5) Those who are married about 73,000
- 6) Those who have had two years and more of imprisonment about 34,000
- 7) POW with one year and more of imprisonment.

In this way priority will be given to fathers of numerous children, to obtain a rapid reconstruction of the Italian families, taking due count of the length of their imprisonment which is an important factor and obtaining thusly the following advantages:

- Reconstructions of the families
- The return to Italy of various classes of workmen
- Repatriation of Prisoners from all the regions of Italy.

D. Taking to account, if repatriation is requested for certain specialists who are indispensable, they would be outside of this plan, and should be given priority.

E. In more, for that which concerns the country they came from, priority should be given to those who are in the countries furthestest away and who have therefore suffered more than the others, priority should be given as follows.

1. Australia
2. South Africa
3. India & Kenya
4. America
5. Middle East
6. England and North Africa

4. Ports of arrival

Cagliari - Palermo - Taranto - Bari - Ancona - Venice - Naples
Civitavecchia - Leghorn - Genova.

5. Possible Influx

The autonomous office for war Veterans and repatriated POW of the Ministry of War presented a project to the Allied Commission, for the formation of a camp with all the necessary accoutrements to permit the influx of 100,000 prisoners a month, or better 50,000 every 15 days. The repatriation of all these prisoners under consideration, could be effectuated in about 5 months.

6. Ships for transport

As is known Italy does not dispose of ships that could be utilized for the repatriation of these prisoners over seas. It is also known that up to six months after the victory the pool will continue of the Allied ships.

It is, however, necessary that the repatriation be effectuated by the Allied ships.

Roma, 14 14 aprile 1945

CRITICA GENERALE PER IL RIFORMISMO DEL MERCATO DEL LAVORO

AL GOVERNO, AL PARLAMENTO ITALIANO, AL SINDACATO E ALL'INDUSTRIA

1°) - PRESENTAZIONE

Il presente schema intende fissare - e servirsi che il governo italiano desidererebbe vedere seguito nello sviluppo l'ordine di precedenza nel tempo in base del principio di libertà di lavoro, al momento in cui esso verrà attuato.

Le operazioni presentate da eseguire nel corso di tempo sono essere indicate sin d'ora.

Se ne fa perciò richiesta premessa alle autorità competenti.

2°) - NUMERO DEL RIFORMISMO DEL MERCATO DEL LAVORO

a) - E' un cifra fissa il seguente :

300.000	in lire italiane
55.000	" " " " " " " "
35.000	" " " " " " " "
<u>490.000</u>	

Totale

b) - Si considera qui soltanto il numero dei posti di lavoro in un'impresa italiana in tutti i settori, industria e commercio e servizi (non agricoltura) che sono occupati e che quindi dovranno essere occupati per via libera. In altre parole non si considerano i p. di l. che già sono in Italia, né quelli che sono in Francia, in Italia in Italia.

Si può anche osservare che i 490.000 circa italiani che sono nel Regno Unito potrebbero essere trasportati in Italia via aerea - Francia. Qui sono considerati come

10) - FRANCIA

Il presente schema intende essere - ovvero che il governo italiano desidererebbe vedere - che il governo francese l'ordine di precedenza nel servizio in massa dei prigionieri di guerra italiani, al momento in cui esso verrà effettuato.

Le operazioni preparatorie da eseguire nei campi dove essere iniziata con d'ora.

Se ne fa carico espressa premessa alle autorità alle-

20) - NUMERO DEI PRIGIONIERI DA RAPPRESENTARE DA OLTREMANA.

a) - L' in cifra con la seguente :

300.000	in mano inglese
65.000	" " americana
32.000	" " francese
<u>400.000</u>	

b) - Si considera qui solamente il numero dei prigionieri di guerra italiani in mani britanniche, americane e francesi (zona Africa), che sono oltremare e che quindi avranno essere rappresentati per via aerea. In altre parole non si considerano i prigionieri di guerra che sono in Italia, né quelli che sono in Francia, in mano al governo.

Si può anche osservare che i 150.000 circa militari che sono nel Regno Unito potrebbero essere trasportati in Italia via aerea - Francia. Qui sono considerati come "internati".

Le 4 criteri di servizio per tutti i militari italiani che sono prigionieri di guerra dovessero però sempre essere quelli qui indicati.

c) - Non si prende in esame il problema del rimpatrio dei prigionieri di guerra italiani in mani russe (nei cui riguardi si sono finora potuti raccogliere dati assai troppo incerti); e di quelli già in mani tedesche verso che tutti italiani rimpatriati avverranno via terra.

3°) - CAMMINI PER IL RIMPATRIO, SECONDO IL GOVERNO ITALIANO.

a) - I rimpatriati dovranno essere fatti in modo da consentire le due esigenze:

- Tenere morale e materiali del P. di E.;
- necessità della ricostruzione morale e materiale dell'Italia.

b) - Nei riguardi della prima esigenza è necessario cominciare a dare la precedenza nel rimpatrio agli italiani, agli ultracattolici e ai prigionieri che si trovano in casi precisi di famiglia secondo le conclusioni fissate dalle Autorità Alleate.

c) - Per quanto riguarda la seconda esigenza occorre tenere ben presente anzitutto la fondamentale necessità di ordine morale di ricostruire il più presto le famiglie. Si pensa pertanto di sovvenire il seguente ordine di rimpatrio:

1°) - Padri di quattro o più figli	circa	30.000
2°) - P. di E. con più di 4 anni di prigionia	"	100.000
3°) - Padri di tre figli	"	22.000
4°) - P. di E. con più di tre anni di prigionia	"	93.000
5°) - Anzios-levi	"	73.000
6°) - P. di E. con più di due anni di prigionia	"	34.000
7°) - P. di E. con più di 1 anno di prigionia	"	59.000

3°) - ORIENTE PER I PRIGIONIERI, SOTTO AL GOVERNO ITALIANO.

a) - I prigionieri dovranno essere nutriti in modo da conoscere le due esigenze:

- benessere morale e materiale del P. di S.;
- necessità della ricostruzione morale e materiale dell'Italia.

b) - Per quanto riguarda la seconda esigenza è necessario cominciare a dare la precedenza nei rimpatri agli italiani, colla simultaneamente ad essi prigionieri che si trovano in casi pietosi di famiglia secondo le condizioni insorte delle autorità alleate.

c) - Per quanto riguarda la seconda esigenza occorre tenere ben presente anzitutto la fondamentale necessità di ordine morale di ricostituire al più presto la famiglia. Si pensa pertanto di evocare il seguente ordine di rimpatrio:

1°) - Padri di quattro o più figli	circa	36.000
2°) - P. di 1. con più di 4 anni di prigionia	"	100.000
3°) - Padri di tre figli	"	22.000
4°) - P. di 2. con più di tre anni di prigionia	"	50.000
5°) - Ammogliati	"	73.000
6°) - P. di 2. con più di due anni di prigionia	"	34.000
7°) - P. di 1. con più di 1 anno di prigionia	"	90.000
		<u>450.000</u>

In tal modo, pur dando la precedenza ai padri di numerosi figli si farà delle più rapide ricostruzioni delle famiglie in Italia, si viene, contemporaneamente, nel dovuto cono l'importante elemento delle arrate di prigionia, realizzando così i seguenti vantaggi:

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- ricostruzione delle famiglie;
- rientro in Patria di lavoratori delle più svariate attività;
- rimpatrio dei prigionieri da tutte le regioni italiane.

d) - Naturalmente ove fossero indispensabili in Italia alcuni specialisti, se ne richiederebbe il rimpatrio, al di fuori dell'ordine di precedenza generale ora indicato.

e) - Inoltre, per quanto concerne i paesi di provenienza, sarebbe desiderabile fosse data la precedenza nel rimpatrio ai prigionieri dislocati nei paesi più lontani, che più hanno sofferto. Occorrerebbe seguire il seguente ordine :

1. Australia
2. Sud Africa
3. India e Birma
4. America
5. Medio Oriente
6. Inghilterra e Nord Africa

4°) - PORTI DI SCAPO.

Cagliari
 Palermo
 Taranto
 Bari
 Ancona
 Venezia
 Napoli
 Livorno
 Genova

4) - Naturalmente ove fossero indispensabili in Italia alcuni specialisti, se ne richiederebbe il rimpatrio, ed in fuori dell'ordine di precedenza generale ed ora indicato.

5) - Inoltre, per quanto concerne i paesi di provenienza, sarebbe desiderabile fosse data la precedenza nel rimpatrio ai prigionieri allodati nel paese più lontano, che più hanno sofferto. Occorrerebbe seguire il seguente ordine :

1. Australia
2. Sud Africa
3. India e Kenya
4. America
5. Medio Oriente
6. Inghilterra e Nord Africa

4°) - DETTI DI SEARDO.

Delegati
 Palermo
 Marsino
 Bari
 Milano
 Venezia
 Napoli
 Civitavecchia
 Livorno
 Genova

5°) - ATTENDENZA POSSIBILE.

L'Ufficio Autonomo Rimpatri e Rimpatriati del Ministero della Guerra ha presentato alla Commissione Alleata il progetto per poter costituire un'entreprenatura di campi tale da consentire una affluenza di 100.000 prigionieri al mese, o meglio di 50.000 ogni 15 giorni. **34** rimpatrio

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di tutti i prigionieri di cui si tratta potrebbe pervenire
so avvenire in un periodo di cinque mesi circa.

56) - PIROSCARTE PER IL TRASPORTO.

Come noto attualmente l'Italia non ha alcuna disponibilità di naviglio da poter utilizzare per il rimpatrio di questa prigionieri. Si sa pure che sino a sei mesi dopo la vittoria continuerà il pool delle navi alleate. E' pertanto necessario che il trasporto venga fatto da naviglio alleato.



50) - PIROSCATTI PER IL TRASPORTO.

Come noto attualmente l'Italia non ha alcuna disponibilità di naviglio da poter utilizzare per il rimpatrio di questi prigionieri oltremare. Si sa pure che sino a sei mesi dopo la vittoria continuerà il pool delle navi alleate. E' pertanto necessario che il trasporto venga fatto da naviglio alleato.



