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10000/124/19 SWEEPING MINES, MINEFIELDS
JULY 44 - APR 45 IRN-17

REAR-ADMIRAL

Office of the Flag Officer,
Taranto and Adriatic,
Area Combined Headquarters,
TARANTO.

30th April, 1945.

No. T.A.836/51.

AIR FORCE SUB COMMISSION, HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION, ROME.
(Copies to: Naval Sub Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission,
Air Force Sub Commission, Bari.
Chief of Staff, Italian Air Ministry.
Naval Officer-in-Charge, Ancona.)

BALLOON MAINTENANCE PARTY.

With reference to your AFSC/R/600/EQ. of 8th February, 1945, not to all the trials of the minespotting balloon moored to G.I.S.62 have now been completed and it is intended to operate in the North Adriatic.

2. It is accordingly necessary for Lieutenant PAROLINI of Gruppo Sbarramenti Aerei and a party of one officer and thirty ratings ground staff to move to Ancona during the first week in May for maintenance duties.

[Signature]
REAR-ADMIRAL.

SECRET

AMMC/mdp

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Our ref : AC/558/I/Tn 3

9 April 1945

SUBJECT : Port of Venice - Mine sweeping and Dredging.

TO : G-4 (Mov & Tn), A.F.H.Q.

1. The port of Venice will be required for import of civil supplies as soon as possible after its liberation.
2. It is understood that present Naval estimates give 10-16 weeks as the time required for minesweeping and salvage and dredging work.
3. May application please be made for this work to be accelerated, if possible as soon as the port is liberated.

For the Chief Commissioner

M.B. Thomas
M.B. THOMAS, Colonel,
Deputy Director.

Copy to : Navy Sub-Commission.
Shipping Sub-Commission.
G-5 Section, A.F.H.Q.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

DMG/cpn
March 17, 1945
205/12

SUBJECT: Sea Mine

TO : Navy Subcommittee, Allied Commission. ✓

1. A description of the possibilities which Audero Millo claims for his invention as well as a forwarding letter from the executive officer of Lucca Province dated 13 March '45, Ref. LU/23 is forwarded for whatever action is desired.

For the Commanding General:


D.M. GAITHER,
Major, CMP,
Engineer Officer,
AMG Fifth Army.

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HEADQUARTERS
LUCCA PROVINCE
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

Ref. LU/23

SECRET

13 March 1945

SUBJECT: Invention.

TO: S.C.A.O., AMG, Fifth Army.



Forwarded herewith project of new invention sent to us by Gen.
Aldero Millo of Ponte a Moriano.

For the Provincial Commissioner:


PASQUALE D'ERASMO,
1st Lt., QMC,
Executive Officer.

Incl.: As Above.

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Io sottoscritto Geom. AUDERO MILLO residente in Ponte a Moriano prov. di Lucca, rendo noto di poter realizzare, mediante il vostro aiuto, alcune applicazioni al normale siluro in modo che questo possa avere anche le seguenti funzioni oltre le normali:

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- 2°) Esplodere, anche non urtando, sotto la chiglia della nave, che specie trattandosi di nave da guerra, verrebbe ad essere colpita nella parte più vulnerabile dove cioè non trovasi nè doppia carena nè corazzatura; inoltre l'intasamento dell'esplosione sarebbe massimo, in modo che tutta la sua potenza verrebbe a gravare contro il bersaglio il quale in seguito riceverebbe anche un secondo urto contro la massa d'acqua che ritorna dopo l'esplosione.

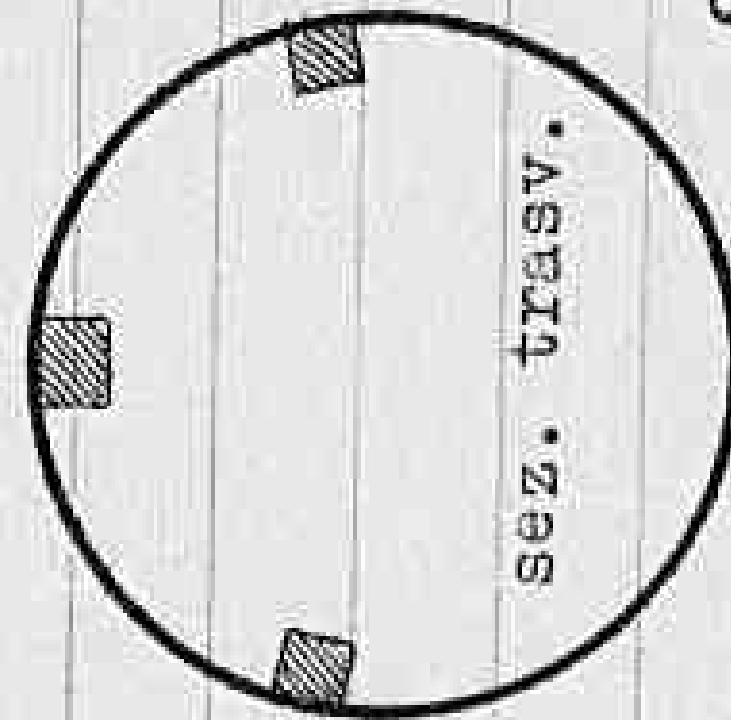
Quanto sopra si otterrebbe aggiungendo al normale siluro un piccolo generatore di elettricità al motore e tre piccoli apparecchi del volume complessivo di circa cm.³ 1.000= nella parte dell'esplosivo oltre ad una capsula da innescare ad accensione elettrica.

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2°) Viene tolto automaticamente al momento del lancio.

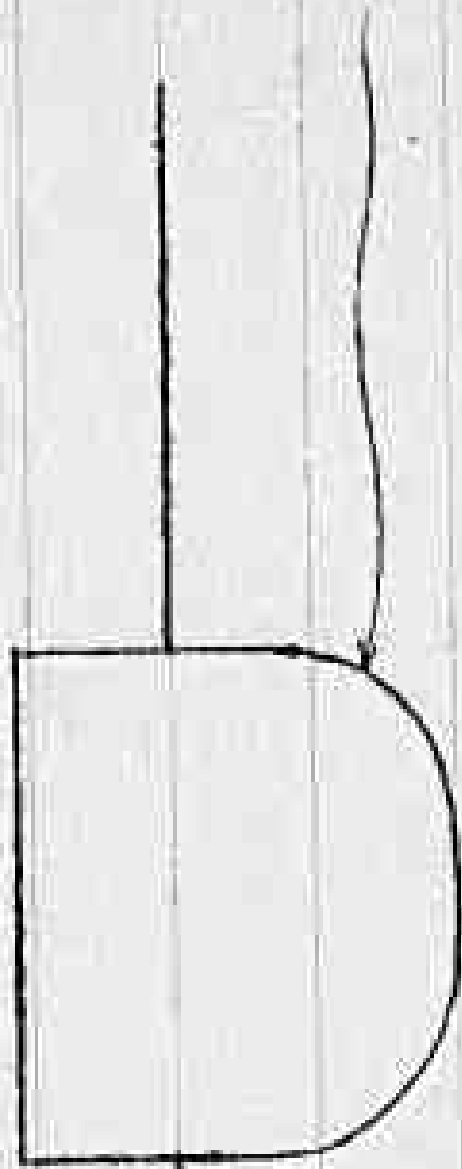
3°) Viene tolto automaticamente dopo un determinato tempo dal lancio.

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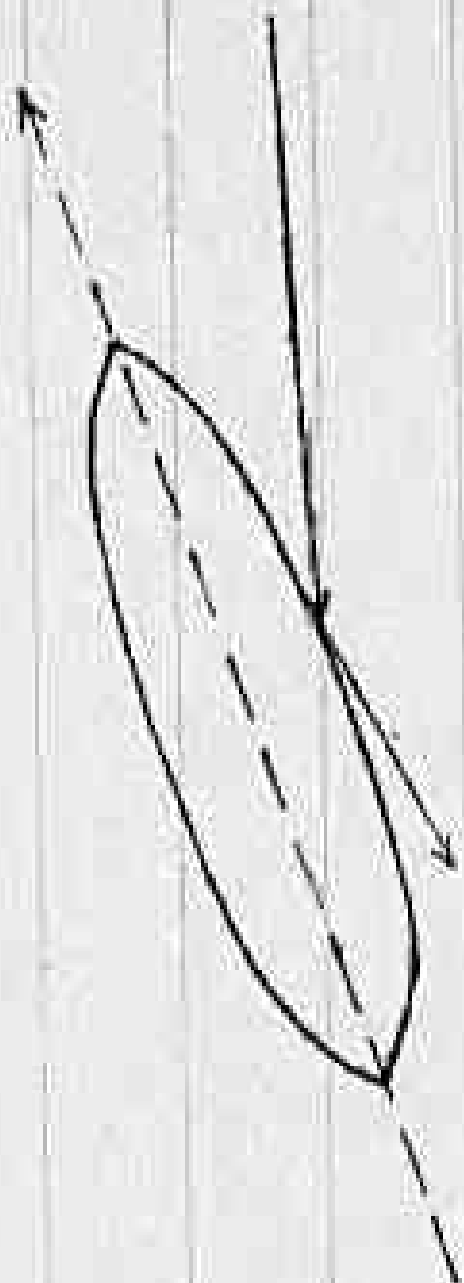
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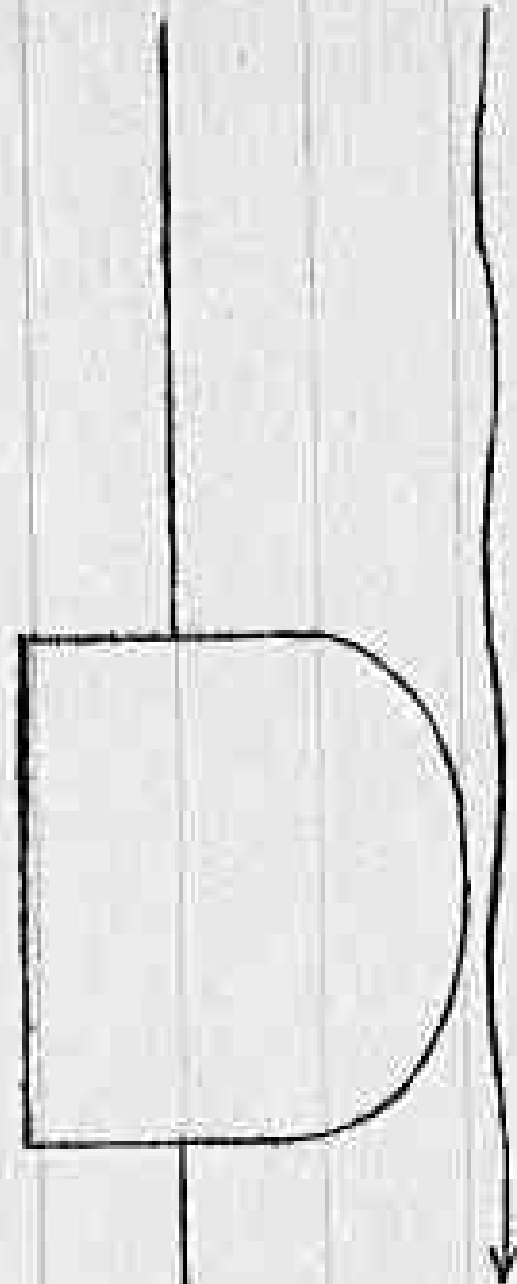
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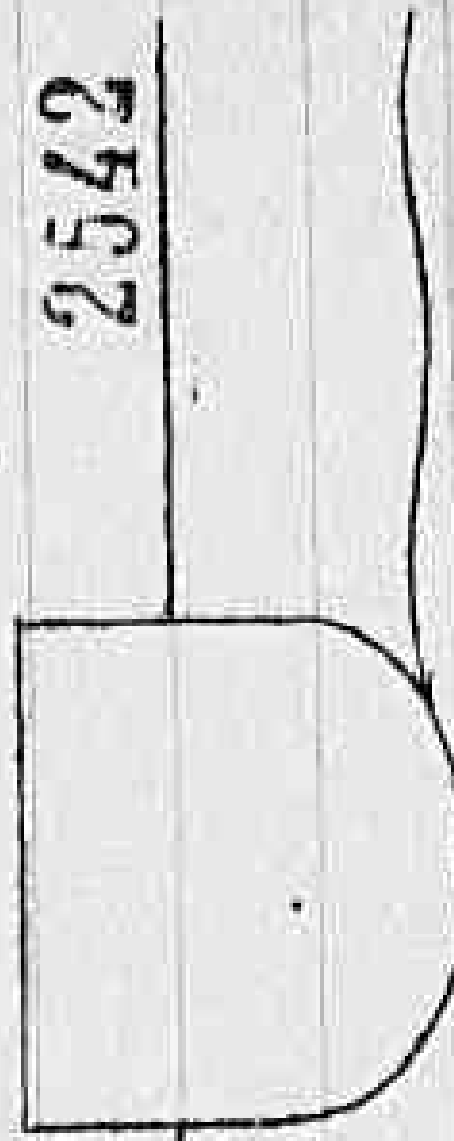
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3°) Il siluro passa al di sotto della chiglia della nave senza toccarla: l'esplosione avviene per influenza magnetica proprio al di sotto la nave stessa. E' previsto anche di rendere inattiva la neutralizzazione da parte del nemico per mezzo di campo magnetico eguale.

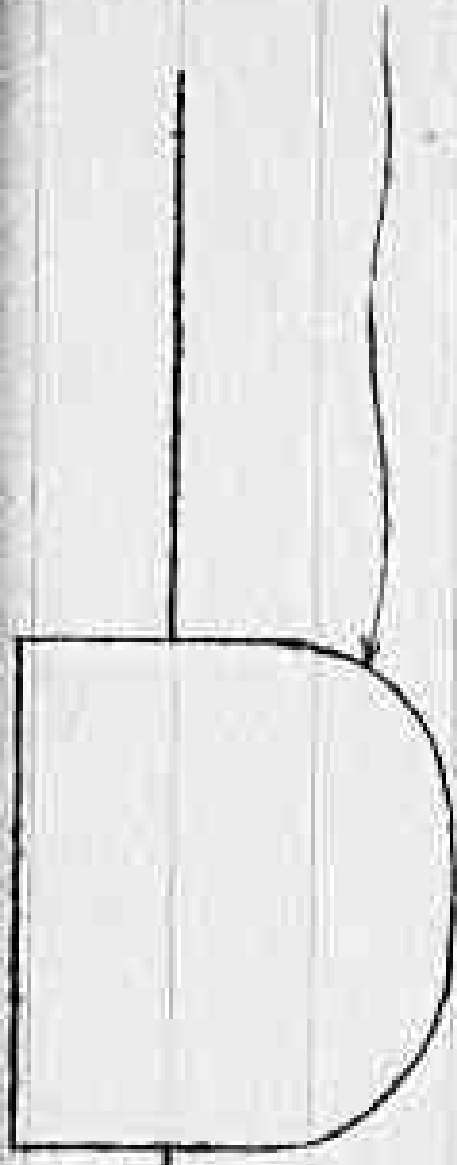


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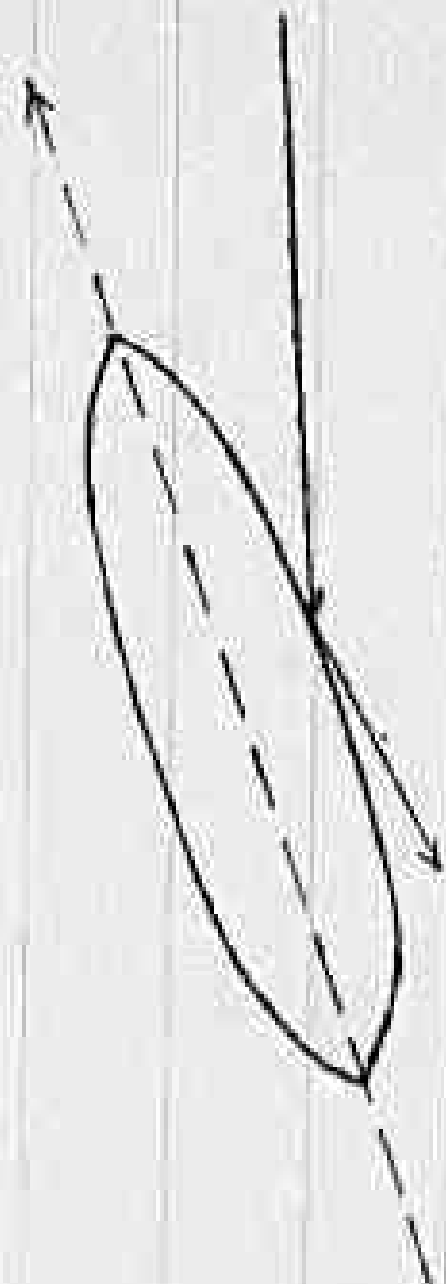


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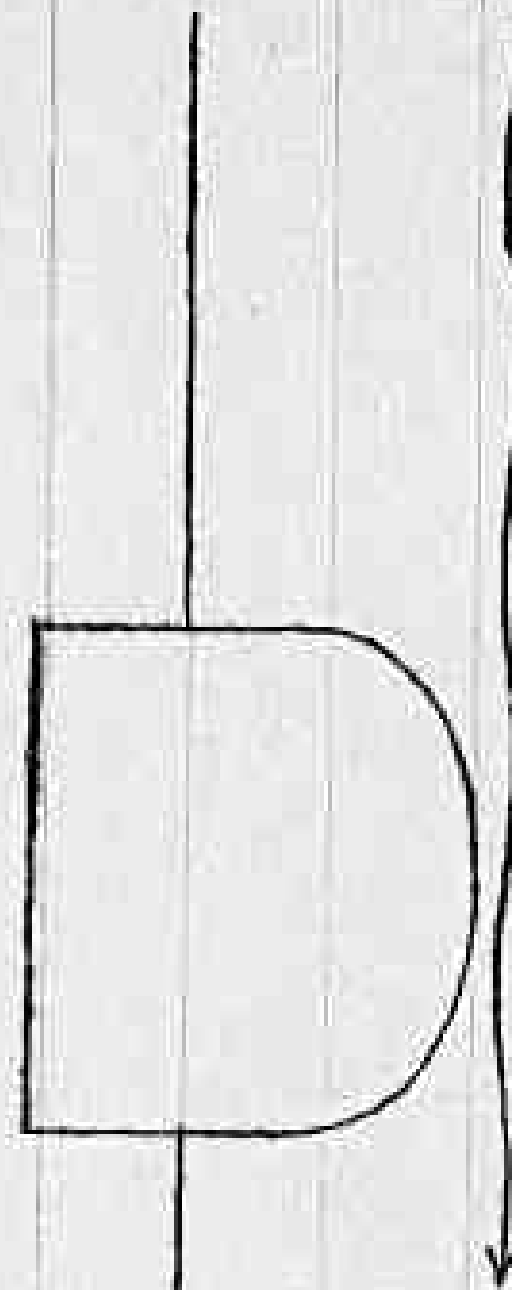
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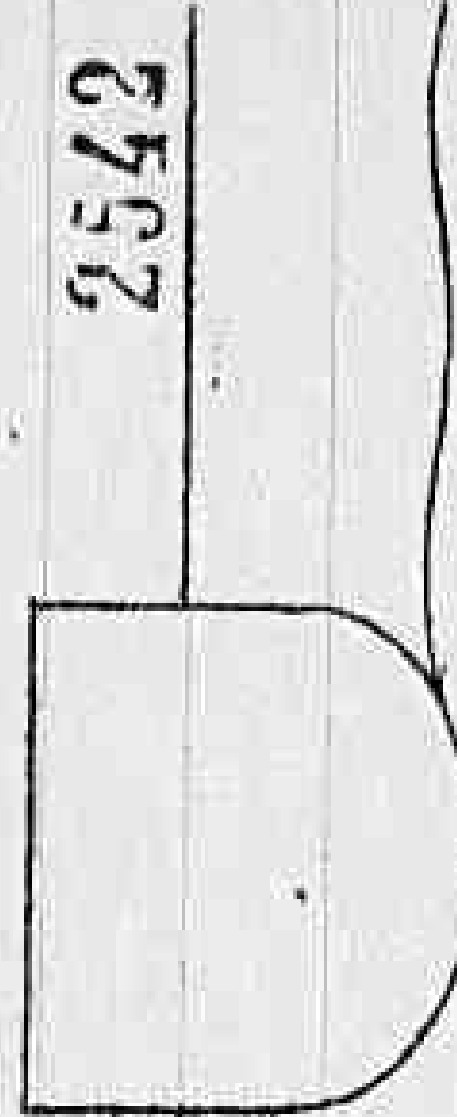
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Lucca, 12 Marzo 1945

(AUDERO MILLO)

Audero Milla

Office of Flag Officer,
Northern Area,
Mediterranean.

At NAPLES. 23rd March, 1945.

No. FONAM. 516-35.

THE NAVAL OFFICER-IN-CHARGE,
NAPLES AREA.

(Copy to: Navy Sub-Commission, Allied Commission).

EQUIPMENT FOR MINE RENDERING SAFE GROUPS.

You are requested to arrange supply of cordage, etc. to Maridipart, Naples in accordance with Navy Sub-Commission's NSC/1809 dated 13th March, 1945. If this is not practicable the position is to be reported.

(Sgd.) C. APPLETON
for REAR ADMIRAL.

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HEAD QUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub Commission APO 394

7 Feb
WAC/1809
13th March, 1945.

From: Navy Sub Commission, HQ. Allied Commission.
To: The Flag Officer, Northern Area, Mediterranean.
(Copy to :- The Naval Officer in Charge, Naples.)

Subject: Requirement for Mine Rendering Safe Service.

With reference to your letter No. 916 - 35 of the 12th February, 1945, a copy of which is enclosed for the Naval Officer in Charge, Naples Area, the supply of the cordage, etc., required for the Mine Rendering Safe Service has been discussed with the Assistant Director of Stores, Mediterranean, and the Officer in Charge of the Navy Division, Allied Commission, who recommended that the quantity requested by the Haridipart, Naples, be supplied from British sources at Naples.

2. The total requirement appears to be as shown below and detailed supply arrangements could be made by the Admiralty Rope Overseer, the Base Supply Officer and representatives of Haridipart at Naples :-

7 coils of $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Cordage - 30 fathoms per coil;
5 long stops, $1\frac{1}{2}$ " Cordage;
6 sets $1\frac{1}{2}$ " cordage, each 50 feet x 8 feet width 8 inch mesh.



HEAD ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION.

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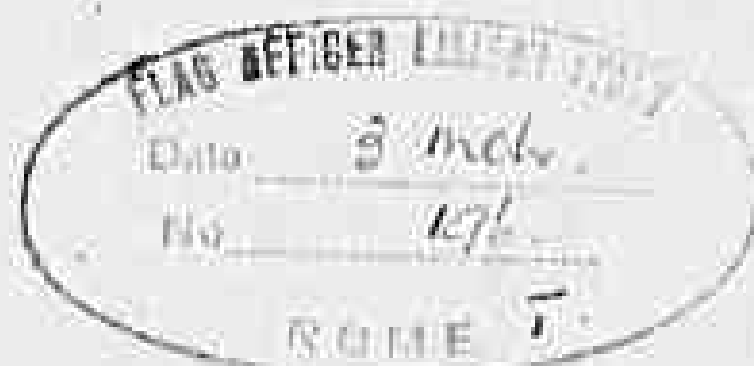
Office Of Flag Officer,
Northern Area,
Mediterranean.

At NAPLES. 12th February, 1945.

No. FONAM. 516-35.
FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY (ROME).

EQUIPMENT FOR MINE RENDERING SAFE GROUPS. (CONTINUATION).

Attached letter has been received from Maridipart
Naples. It is requested that you will make arrangements for
the bid to be made by Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Commission
to obtain the necessary supplies.



C. Appelt
for REAR ADMIRAL.

3d March, 1945

TO : ITALY, ROME
NAVY SUB-COMMISSION

FORWARDED FOR ACTION

J. H. REAR ADMIRAL

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Translation

of letter from Italian C.C.S. n° 4400 dated 2.2.1945
SUBJECT : EQUIPMENT FOR MINE RENDERING SAFE GROUPS
(Continuation)

1° - Hemp material which it is not possible to draw from C/mare's Royal Cable Factory, as all hemp material is blocked at the present time, is required to complete the equipment of the mine rendering safe group & of the four subgroups, within this Command.

2° - The following material is required :

5 Hemp cables 500 mt. in length each, of 8 centimeters
5 Hemp strops of 4 centimeters

The 500 mt. cable length is prescribed by regulations in force so as to allow the men to drag or tow a mine, while remaining at a safe distance.

3° - It is also necessary to consider the sweeping of mines near the coast, hence it is necessary that Naples Minesweeper Group, be equipped with 2 Cables, 500 mt. in length each & with at least 6 Hemp nets, of 4 centm. hemp rope, 15 mt. wide, 2,50 mt. deep; meshed width about 20 centm.

The equipment of nets should be rather ample, as nets easily wear and tear.

4° - You are requested to consider the possibility of supplying the above material to the units in question.

(Sgd.) M. IANNUCCI
C.O.S.

SUBJECT: Captive Balloons for Mine Spotting.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. E. I. A.)
R O M E
Q/15/1
23 March 1945.

TO : Air Forces Sub Commission, A.C.
Navy Sub Commission, A.C. (for info)
Flag Officer Liaison, Italy, (for info)
Area Combined Headquarters, Taranto.

1. Ref. your AFSC/600/EQ dated 26 Feb. 1945.
2. Enquiries have been made and the Ministry of War report that they have no balloons under their control.


F.A. COLE, Major
for Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission.

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FROM: AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION,
ALLIED COMMISSION, ROME.

TO: LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, MFA, H.Q. A.C. ROME.
COPY: NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, H.Q. ALLIED COMMISSION. ✓
COPY: FLAG OFFICER LIAISON, ITALY,
AFMA COMBINED HEADQUARTERS, TARANTO.

DATE: 26TH FEBRUARY, 1945.

REF: AFSC/600/BQ.

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter from Flag Officer Liaison, Italy, asking for Captive Balloons for Mine Spotting. After referring the matter to the Air Ministry they reply that the equipment relative to these units does not belong to the Italian Air Force but to the Italian Army. May this request be passed to the Stato Maggiore.

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W.A.B. BOWEN-BUSCARIET,
AIR VICE-MARSHAL,
AIR OFFICER COMMANDING.



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FILE

FROM: AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION,
ALLIED COMMISSION, ROME.

TO: CHIEF OF STAFF, ITALIAN AIR MINISTRY.

COPY: NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION, H.Q. ALLIED COMMISSION. ✓
COPY: FLAG OFFICER LIAISON, ITALY,
AREA COMBINED HEADQUARTERS, TARANTO.

DATE: 8TH FEBRUARY, 1945.

REF: AFSC/R/600/EQ.

The attached request for a balloon for mine spotting has been passed to this Sub-Commission. The use of the balloon is approved by me, providing it can be made available.

2. It is requested that the personnel and equipment required may be placed at the disposal of the Royal Navy.

W.A.B. Bowen-Buscarlet

W.A.B. BOWEN-BUSCARLET,
AIR VICE-MARSHAL,
AIR OFFICER COMMANDING.

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FLAG OFFICER LIAISON, ITALY,
AFCA COMBINED HEADQUARTERS,
TARANTO.

NO. T.A. 836/57.

30th January, 1946.

HEADQUARTERS ROYAL ITALIAN AIR FORCE.
Through Air Forces Sub-Commission, Bari.
(Copy to 1st Balloon Barrage Company, Taranto).

CAPTIVE BALLOONS FOR MINESPOTTING.

It is desired to carry out trials with a "Captive" balloon moored to a suitable craft, for minespotting.

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3. The Italian balloon site at Taranto has been inspected in conjunction with Lieutenant Parolini and was found to be eminently suitable as a base from which to carry out operations. An observation balloon has already been handed over to him for inspection and fitting.

4. It is requested, therefore, that Lieutenant Parolini, Captain Daddino and adequate personnel and equipment may be placed at the disposal of the Royal Navy for operational and maintenance duties. Both these officers are experienced balloonists and their services would be of great help to operations of this nature.

(Sgd). C.S. Morgan,
Rear Admiral.

FLAG OFFICE, LIAISON, ITALY,
AREA COMBINED HEADQUARTERS,
TARANTO.

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Rear Admiral.

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/1611
2 February 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Agriculture Sub-Commission, Hq. A.C.
Attention Lt-Cdr. Mulieri, USCG.
Subject: Italian Fishing Vessels Engaged in Mine Sweeping
Duties.
Enclosure: (A) Copy FOTALI ltr No. TA 1145/29 of 18 January
1945 (w/copy enclosures).

1. The Naval Allied Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, in December, requested the Flag Officer Taranto Adriatic and Liaison, Italy, and the Flag Officer, Northern Area, Mediterranean, to furnish the following data relative to fishing vessels engaged in mine sweeping for the Allied Commission

- (a) Name of Vessels now employed in minesweeping.
- (b) Names of vessels it is intended to requisition for this purpose.
- (c) Names of vessels recently or about to be released from minesweeping.

2. A copy of the report submitted by the Flag Officer, Northern Area, Mediterranean, of 8 January 1945, was forwarded to the Agriculture Sub-Commission, A.C. by Navy Sub-Commission, restricted letter NSC/1533 of 18 January 1945.

3. A copy of the report submitted by the Flag Officer, Taranto Adriatic and Liaison is forwarded herewith as enclosure (A).

H. W. ZIROLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AC.



7 FEB 1945

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FISHING BOATS ENGAGED IN MINESWEEPING.
(Commander-in-Chief, Ionian and Lower Adriatic's No.
37/O.A.2 dated 10th January 1945.)

II

No. T.A. 1145/29.

F.O.T.A.L.I., ROME.
(Copy to: Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station.)

Forwarded in accordance with paragraph 3 of
Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's signal times 221618
December 1944.

/s/ C.E. MORGAN
REAR-ADMIRAL

TARANTO.
18th January 1945.

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LIST OF THE FISHING BOATS ENGAGED IN MINESWEEPING IN THE BASES DEPARTING FROM THIS C IN C

SEDE DI TARANTO

R.93	-	TO.66	-	M/P TRIPOLI ✓
B.93	-	TO 40	-	M/P MARIA LUISA
B.428	-	BA 43	-	M/P NUOVO DOMENICO
B.579	-	BA 37	-	M/P SANTA MARIA GIOVANNA
R.160	-		-	M/P INTREPIDO
B.595	-	ET 24	-	M/P GONDAR
B.33	-		-	M/P SS. Corina E. DAMIANO
B.89	-	ET 63	-	M/P POLA
B.343	-	ET.67	-	M/P FOLPO
B.422	-	ET.60	-	M/P GOTTFREDO MAMELI
R.190	-	ET.51	-	M/P ANTONIA MADRE
D.20	-	TO 12	-	M/P MARIA
R.194	-	ET.77	-	M/P NUOVA SAN GIORGIO
R.120	-	ET.26	-	M/P AUDAZ OMNIA PERPETUI
R.71	-		-	M/P TRIESTE

SEDE DI BRINDISI

B.102	-	ET. 64	-	M/P MARIA ELISABETTA
B.327	-	BA. 43	-	M/P ETTORE FIERAMOSCA
B.352	-	BA. 57	-	M/P NUOVA ELEONORA
B.138	-	ET.15	-	M/P INTREPIDO 2°
B.363	-		-	M/P ISMACOLATA
B.28	-		-	M/P LA CATERINA
B.503	-	BA.45	-	M/P NUOVO FRANCESCO
B.5	-	ET.19	-	M/P MARIA SS. D'ALTORE
DM.44	-		-	M/P RECOARO
DM.4	-		-	M/P GIANCARLO
DM.42	-		-	M/P MISOCHE

SEDE DI BARI

G.40	-	ET.52	-	M/P VETTOR PISANI
G.41	-	ET.55	-	M/P LUSSINO
G.48	-	ET.53	-	M/P MONFALCONE
B.296	-	BA 47	-	M/P SAN NICOLA 1°
B.601	-	BA 64	-	M/P ITALIA
B.488	-	BA 26	-	M/P GIOVANNA D'ARCO
B.660	-		-	M/P NUOVO S. ANTONIO
B.473	-	BA.61	-	M/P SAN GIUSEPPE
B.56	-	ET.35	-	M/P TRUENTUM
B.376	-		-	M/P NUOVA ANNUNZIATA
B.451	-		-	M/P SAN PIETRO

SEDE DI BARLETTA.

R.212	-	BA 56	-	M/P MIRABELLO
R.231	-		-	M/P SAN GIUSEPPE MARETTIMO
R.232	-		-	M/P SACRO CUORE DI GESU'
R.131	-	TO 49	-	M/P LA VITTORIA

SEDE DIOTRANTO

G.85	-	TO.48	-	M/P SILURO
R.168	-	BT.23	-	M/P MINERVA
R.68	-	BA.42	-	M/P TRENTO
B.27	-	TO.32	-	M/P LITTORIA
B.40	-	BA.55	-	M/P FRANCESCO DE PINEDO
B.572	-	TO.34b	-	M/P SANT'ANTONIO
B.576	-	BT.16	-	M/P SANTA LUCIA
B.338	-	TO.31a	-	M/P IMPERO

SEDE DI GALLIPOLI

G.91	-	TO.26	-	M/P SPARVIERO
R.166	-	TO.46	-	M/P GALILEO GALILEI
B.13	-	BA.53	-	M/P GUGLIELMO PEPE
B.104	-	BT.62	-	M/P COTARDINO
B.399	-		-	M/P SS. ANNUNZIATA
B.425	-	BT.25	-	M/P DELFINO
B.477	-	TO.28	-	M/P TERESA
B.499	-	BT.39	-	M/P NEGHETTI

SEDE DI CROTONE

R.105	-		-	M/P LUIGI PADRE
R.464	-		-	M/P STELLA POLARE
B.16	-	BA.12	-	M/P DOMINION
B.684	-		-	M/P GIACOMO

SEDE DI ANCONA

R.137	-	BT.32	-	M/P INTREPIDO I°
R.17	-	BT.12	-	M/P ROMA

Taranto 9 Gennaio 1945

LIST OF THE FISHING BOATS DEREGISTERED FROM THE 1st of OCTOBER TO
DATE IN THE BASES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THIS C IN C.

SEDE DI TARANTO

R.200	-		-	M/P LILIANA	} being deregistered.
R.94	-	ET.11		M/P. ADDIS ABEBA	

SEDE DI BRINDISI

B.544 - - M/P PIETRO GRANDE deregistered on 27/11/1944.

SEDE DI BARI

NEGATIVO

SEDE DI OTRANTO

NEGATIVO

SEDE DI BARLETTA

NEGATIVO

SEDE DI CROTONE

B. 640 - - MP. ORIONE deregistered on 7/11/1944.
B.335 - ET.14 - M/P ROMA 2° deregistered on 4 Gennaio 1945.

SEDE DI GALLIPOLI

NEGATIVO

SEDE DI ANCONA

NEGATIVO

Taranto 9 January 1945.

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REF: 37586/196315 13,050m 12/13 1. L.L.L. 51-1005

REF: 37586/196315

NAVAL MESSAGE

S. 13208L

Ref: 37586/196315
13,050m 12/13 1. L.L.L. 51-1005

FROM:

TO:

TOTAL, FORM (R) TOTAL ROME

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ALLIED COMMISSION ARE DESIROUS OF OBTAINING FOLLOWING INFORMATION. FISHING
VESSELS ENGAGED IN MINESWEEPING.

- (A) NAME OF VESSELS NOW ENGAGED ON MINESWEEPING.
 - (B) NAMES OF VESSELS IT IS INTENDED TO REQUISITION FOR THIS PURPOSE.
 - (C) NAMES OF VESSELS RECENTLY OR ABOUT TO BE RELEASED FROM MINESWEEPING.
2. DIRECT ENQUIRIES FROM ITALIAN MARINE AT ROME HAVE FAILED TO PRODUCE THIS
INFORMATION.
3. REQUEST DETAILS BE OBTAINED FROM LOCAL ITALIAN NAVAL AUTHORITIES AND
FORWARDED AT AN EARLY DATE DIRECT TO P.O.T.A.I.T. ROME, COPY TO C IN C MED.

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FISHING BOATS ENGAGED IN MINES/KEEPING.
(Commander-in-Chief, Ionian and Lower Adriatic's No.
37/O.A.2 dated 10th January 1945.)

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No. T.A. 1145/29.

F.O.T.A.L.I., ROME.

(Copy to: Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station.)

Forwarded in accordance with paragraph 3 of
Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's signal timed 221618
December 1944.

TARANTO.
18th January 1945.

G. S. Morgan
REAR ADMIRAL.



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From .. Commander in Chief Maritime Department
Ionian and Lower Adriatic.

Date .. 10th January 1945. No.: 37/O.A.2.

To .. F.C.E.A.

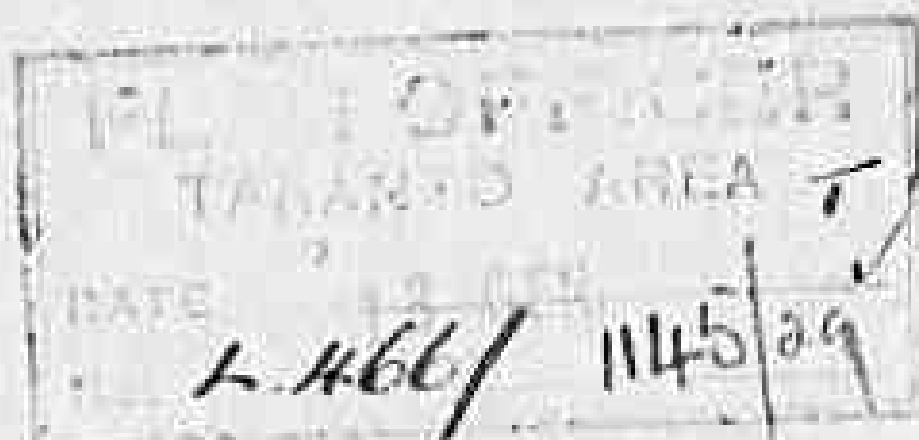
Fishing boats engaged in minesweeping.

Letter 1145/29 dated 30th December 1944, refers.

1. Attached hereto is a list of the fishing boats at present engaged in minesweeping in the bases under the jurisdiction of this C.in.C., and a list of the fishing boats derequisitioned from the 1st of October 1944, to date.

2. I regret not to be able to forward a list of the fishing boats which it is intended to requisition for minesweeping duties, or which it is intended to derequisition as this matter is handled by the Royal Italian Naval Staff Office to whom your request should be forwarded.

The Commander in Chief
Angelo, PARONA
SENIOR REAR ADMIRAL.



LIST OF THE FISHING BOATS RACED IN HINSEMPING IN THE R. B. DEPENDING FROM THE C. IN C.
= ELENCO DEI PESCHERECCI ADIBITI AL SERVIZIO DRAGAGGIO NELLE
SEDI DIPENDENTI DA QUESTO COMANDO IN CAPO =

SEDE DI TARANTO

R.93	-	TO.66	-	M/P.	TRIPOLI
B.93	-	TO.40	-	M/P.	MARIA LUISA
B.428	-	BA.43	-	M/P.	NUOVO DOMENICO
B.579	-	BA.37	-	M/P.	SANTA MARIA GIOVANNA
R.160	-	-	-	M/P.	INTREPIDO
B.595	-	BT.24	-	M/P.	GONDAR
B.33	-	-	-	M/P.	SS. COSMA E DAMIANO
B.89	-	BT.63	-	M/P.	POLA
B.348	-	BT.67	-	M/P.	FOLFO
B.422	-	BT.60	-	M/P.	GOPFREDO MAMELI
R.190	-	BT.51	-	M/P.	ANTONIA MADRE
B.20	-	TO.12	-	M/P.	MARIA
R.194	-	BT.77	-	M/P.	NUOVO SAN GIORGIO
R.120	-	BT.26	-	M/P.	AUDAX OMNIA PERPETUI
R.71	-	-	-	M/P.	TRIESTE

SEDE DI BRINDISI

B.102	-	BT.64	-	M/P.	MARIA ELISABETTA
B.327	-	BA.43	-	M/P.	ETTORE FIERAMOSCA
B.352	-	BA.57	-	M/P.	NUOVA ELEONORA
B.138	-	BT.15	-	M/P.	INTREPIDO 2°
B.363	-	-	-	M/P.	IMMACOLATA
B.28	-	-	-	M/P.	LA CATERINA
B.503	-	BA.45	-	M/P.	NUOVO FRANCESCO
B.5	-	BT.19	-	M/P.	MARIA SS.D'ALTORE
DM.44	-	-	-	M/P.	RECOARO
DM.4	-	-	-	M/P.	GIANCARLO
DM.42	-	-	-	M/P.	MISOCCHI

SEDE DI BARI

G.40	-	BT.52	-	M/P.	VETTOR PISANI
G.41	-	BT.55	-	M/P.	LUSSINO
G.48	-	BT.53	-	M/P.	MONFALCONE
B.296	-	BA.47	-	M/P.	SAN NICOLA I°
B.601	-	BA.64	-	M/P.	ITALIA
B.488	-	BA.26	-	M/P.	GIOVANNA D'ARCO
B.660	-	-	-	M/P.	NUOVO S. ANTONIO
B.473	-	BA.61	-	M/P.	SAN GIUSEPPE
B.56	-	BT.35	-	M/P.	TRUENTUM
B.376	-	-	-	M/P.	NUOVA ANNUNZIATA
				M/P.	SAN PIETRO

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B.428	-	BA.43	-	M/P.	NUOVO DOMENICO
B.379	-	BA.37	-	M/P.	SANTA MARIA GIOVANNA
B.160	-	-	-	M/P.	INTERPIDO
B.595	-	BT.24	-	M/P.	GONDAR
B.33	-	-	-	M/P.	SS. COSMA E DAMIANO
B.89	-	BT.63	-	M/P.	POLA
B.348	-	BT.67	-	M/P.	FOLEO
B.422	-	BT.60	-	M/P.	GONFREDO MANELLI
B.190	-	BT.51	-	M/P.	ANTONIA MADRE
B.20	-	TO.12	-	M/P.	MARIA
B.194	-	BT.77	-	M/P.	NUOVO SAN GIORGIO
B.120	-	BT.26	-	M/P.	AUDAX OMNIA PERPETUI
B.71	-	-	-	M/P.	TRIESTE

S E D E	D I	B R I N D I S I
B.102	-	M/P. MARIA ELISABETTA
B.327	-	M/P. ETTORE FIERANOSCA
B.352	-	M/P. NUOVA ELEONORA
B.138	-	M/P. INTREPIDO 2°
B.363	-	M/P. IMMACOLATA
B.28	-	M/P. LA CATERINA
B.503	-	M/P. NUOVO FRANCESCO
B.5	-	M/P. MARIA SS. D'ALTOMARE
DM.44	-	M/P. RECCARO
DM.4	-	M/P. GIANCARLO
DM.42	-	M/P. MISOCHE

S E D E	D I	B A R I
G.40	-	M/P. VETTOR PISANI
G.41	-	M/P. LUSSINO
G.48	-	M/P. MONTALCONE
B.296	-	M/P. SAN NICOLA I°
B.601	-	M/P. ITALIA
B.488	-	M/P. GIOVANNA D'ARCO
B.660	-	M/P. NUOVO S. ANTONIO
B.473	-	M/P. SAN GIUSEPPE
B.56	-	M/P. TRUENTUM
B.376	-	M/P. NUOVA ANNUNZIATA
B.451	-	M/P. SAN PIETRO

S E D E	D I	B A R L E T T A
R.212	-	M/P. MIRABELLO
R.231	-	M/P. SAN GIUSEPPE MARETTIMO
R.232	-	M/P. SACRO CUORE DI GESU'
R.131	-	M/P. LA VITTORIA

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SEDE DI OTRANTO

G.85	-	TO.48	-	M/P.	SILURO
R.168	-	BT.23	-	M/P.	MINERVA
R.68	-	BA.42	-	M/P.	TRENTO
B.27	-	TO.32	-	M/P.	LITTORIA
B.40	-	BA.55	-	M/P.	FRANCESCO DE PINEDO
B.572	-	TO.34b-	-	M/P.	SANT'ANTONIO
B.576	-	BD.16	-	M/P.	SANTA LUCIA
B.338	-	TO.31a-	-	M/P.	IMPERO

SEDE DI GALLIPOLI

G.91	-	TO.26	-	M/P.	SPARVIERO
R.166	-	TO.46	-	M/P.	GALILEO GALILEI
B.13	-	BA.53	-	M/P.	GUGLIELMO PERE
B.104	-	BT.62	-	M/P.	COTARDINO
B.399	-	-	-	M/P.	SS.ANNUNZIATA
B.425	-	BD.25	-	M/P.	DELFINO
B.477	-	TO.28	-	M/P.	TERESA
B.499	-	BT.39	-	M/P.	NEGHELLI

SEDE DI CROTONE

R.105	-	-	-	M/P.	LUIGI PADRE
R.464	-	-	-	M/P.	STELLA POLARE
E.16	-	BA.12	-	M/P.	DOMINION
B.684	-	-	-	M/P.	GIACOMO

SEDE DI ANCONA

R.137	-	BD.32	-	M/P.	INTREPIDO I°
R.17	-	BD.12	-	M/P.	ROMA

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B.40 - BA.55 - M/P. FRANCESCO DE PINEDO
 B.572 - TO.34b- M/P. SANT'ANTONIO
 B.576 - BD.16 - M/P. SANTA LUCIA
 B.338 - TO.31a- M/P. IMPERO

SEDE DI GALLI POLI

G.91 - TO.26 - M/P. SPARVIERO
 R.166 - TO.46 - M/P. GALILEO GALILEI
 B.13 - BA.53 - M/P. GUGLIELMO PEPE
 B.104 - BT.62 - M/P. COTARDINO
 B.399 - - M/P. SS.ANUNZIATA
 B.425 - BD.25 - M/P. DELFINO
 B.477 - TO.28 - M/P. TERESA
 B.499 - BT.39 - M/P. NEGHELLI

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R.137 - BD.32 - M/P. INTREPIDO I°
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LIST OF THE FISHING BOATS DEREGISTERED FROM THE 1st OF JANUARY TO DATE IN THE BASES
UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THIS C. IN C.

= ELENCO DEI PESCHERECCI DEREGISTRATI DAL 1° OTTOBRE 1944 A
TUTT'OGGI NELLE SEDI DIPENDENTI DA QUESTO C/ao IN CAPO =

SEDE DI TARANTO

R.200 - - M/P. LILLIANA } being deregistered
R.94 - BT.11 - M/P. ADDIS ABABA } in corso di deregistrazione.

SEDE DI BRINDISI deregistered on 27/11/1944
B.544 - - M/P. PIETRO GRANDE deregistrato il 27/11/1944.

SEDE DI BARI

NEGATIVO

SEDE DI OTRANTO

NEGATIVO

SEDE DI BARLETTA

NEGATIVO

SEDE DI CROTONE

B.640 - - M/P. ORIONE deregistrato il 7/11/1944.
B.335 - BT.14 - M/P. ROMA 2° deregistrato il 4 gennaio 1945.

SEDE DI GALLIOLI

NEGATIVO

SEDE DI ANCONA

NEGATIVO

Taranto 9 Gennaio 1945.=

Taranto 9th January 1954

R.200 - M/P. LEBIANA } in corso di derequisizione.
 R.94 - BT.11 - M/P. ADDIS ABABA }

SEDE DI BRINDISI derequisitioned on 27/11/1944.
 B.544 - M/P. PIETRO GRANDE derequisito il 27/11/1944.

SEDE DI BARI

NEGATIVO

SEDE DI OTRANTO

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SEDE DI BARLETTA

NEGATIVO

SEDE DI CROTONE

B.640 - M/P. ORIONE derequisito il 7/11/1944.
 B.335 - BT.14 - M/P. ROMA 2° derequisito il 4 gennaio 1945.

SEDE DI GALLIPOLI

NEGATIVO

SEDE DI ANCONA

NEGATIVO

Taranto 9 Gennaio 1945.=

Taranto 9th January 1954

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Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

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HSC/1509
16 January 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Agriculture Sub-Commission, Hq. A.C.
Attention: Lt-Cdr. Milieri, USCG.
Subject: Italian Mine Sweepers.

1. A list of Italian Mine Sweepers sub-divided according to their operational bases is forwarded herewith for information.

H. W. ZIERLI,
Commodore, U.S. Navy,
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AC.



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ELENCO UNITA' DRAGAMINE SUDDIVISE PER SEDI DI DRAGAGGIO

S E D E	NOME DELL'UNITA'	CARATTERI TONN.		POTENZA C.A.	APPRONT.TO
		RISTICA MILITARE	STAZZA LORDA		
Napoli	M/p. Gorgona	R.49	55	200	P.
	" S.Pietro A.	B.521	33	120	P.
	" Stella P.Salvo	B.695	29	110	P.
	" Frengo	B.656	27	75	N.P.
	" Annalongo	B.662	26	120	N.P.
	" S.Cataldo	B.697	22	75	N.P.
	" Antonio	B.694	19	100	N.P.
	" Agnese Madre	B.650	24	70	P.
	" Papà Giovanni	B.691	38	100	N.P.
	" Grazietta	B.696	22	100	P.
	" Due Fratelli	B.693	25	100	P.
	" Maria	B.698	17	75	N.P.
	P/p. S.Marco della Rosandra	B.645	195	300	P.
	M/p. S.Gabrielle	B.82	30	100	N.P.
	" S.Antonio	B.31	31	90	P.
	" S.Antonio	B.32	22	75	P.
Gaeta	" Angellina	B.492	29	120	N.P.
	" S.Antonio Padova	B.69	37	130	N.P.
	" Riccardo Cuor di Leone	B.484	27	100	N.P.
	" Giuseppe	B.680	18	100	N.P.
	" Buon Pastore	B.681	21	90	N.P.
	" Luigi Padre "	R.105	62	200	P.
	" Umberto Maddalena	B.22	31	110	P.
	" Roma 2°	B.335	24	100	N.P.
	" Dominium	B.16	25	75	P.
	" Stella Polare	B.464	23	90	P.
Crotone	R.D. 40				N.P.
	R.D. 6				N.P.
	M/p. Leonardo Tumbiolo	R.188	93	330	N.P.
	" Antonia Madre	R.190	62	220	N.P.
	" Addis Abeba	R.94	74	200	N.P.
	" Nuovo S.Giorgio	R.194	37	120	N.P.
	" Intrepido	R.160	47	200	N.P.
	" Liliana	R.200	72	187	N.P.
	" Polpo	B.348	24	70	P.
	" Goffredo Mameli	B.422	25	75	P.
Taranto	" Maria	B.20	27	100	N.P.
			28	75	P.

Napoli	M/p.	Corgona	R.49	55	200	P.
"	"	S. Pietro A.	B.521	33	120	P.
"	"	Stella P. Salvo	B.695	29	110	P.
"	"	Freco	B.656	27	75	N.P.
"	"	Annalongo	B.662	26	120	N.P.
"	"	S. Cataldo	B.697	22	75	N.P.
"	"	Antonio	B.694	19	100	N.P.
"	"	Agnese Madre	B.650	24	70	P.
"	"	Papà Giovanni	B.691	38	100	N.P.
"	"	Graziella	B.696	22	100	P.
"	"	Due Fratelli	B.693	25	100	P.
"	"	Maria	B.698	17	75	N.P.
"	P/p.	S. Marco della Rosandra	B.645	195	300	P.
Gaeta	M/p.	S. Gabrielle	B.82	30	100	N.P.
"	"	S. Antonio	B.31	31	90	P.
"	"	S. Antonio	B.32	22	75	P.
"	"	Angellina	B.492	29	120	N.P.
"	"	S. Antonio Padova	B.69	37	130	N.P.
"	"	Riccardo Cuor di Leone	B.484	27	100	N.P.
"	"	Giuseppe	B.680	18	100	N.P.
"	"	Buon Pastore	B.681	21	90	N.P.
"	"	Luigi Padre	R.105	62	200	P.
"	"	Umberto Maddalena	B.22	31	110	P.
"	"	Roma 2°	B.335	24	100	N.P.
"	"	Dominun	B.16	25	75	P.
"	"	Stella Polare	B.464	23	90	P.
Taranto	R.D.	40				P.
"	R.D.	6				N.P.
"	M/p.	Leonardo Tumbiolo	R.188	93	330	N.P.
"	"	Antonia Madre	R.190	62	220	N.P.
"	"	Addis Abeba	R.94	74	200	N.P.
"	"	Nuovo S. Giorgio	R.194	37	120	N.P.
"	"	Intrepido	R.160	47	200	N.P.
"	"	Liliana	R.200	72	187	N.P.
"	"	Polpo	B.348	24	70	P.
"	"	Goffredo Mameli	B.422	25	75	P.
"	"	Maria	B.20	27	100	N.P.
"	"	SS. Cosmo e Damiano	B.88	28	75	P.
"	"	Pola	B.89	26	75	P.
"	"	Maria Luisa	B.93	25	75	P.

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Location	M/p.	Name	B.							
Gallipoli	M/p.	Gondar	B.595	20	75	N.P.				
	"	Nuovo Domenico	B.428	26	75	P.				
	"	S. Maria Giovanna	B.579	17	75	P.				
	"	Teti	B.604	23	75	P.				
	"	Trieste	R.71	75	150	N.P.				
	"	Impero	B.424	22	100	N.P.				
	"	Ancillaria 1°	B.522	32	100	N.P.				
	"	Sparviero	G.91	90	330	N.P.				
	"	Galileo Galilei	R.166	110	200	P.				
	"	Delfino	B.425	31	70	P.				
	Teresa	B.477	21	75	N.P.					
	"	Guglielmo Pepe	B.13	24	75	P.				
	"	SS. Annunziata	B.399	29	120	N.P.				
	"	Cotardino	B.104	27	75	P.				
Otranto	"	Neghelli	B.499	21	75	P.				
	"	De Pinedo	B.40	31	100	P.				
	"	S. Antonio	B.572	26	100	P.				
	"	Littoria	B.27	31	100	P.				
	"	S. Lucia	B.576	18	75	P.				
	"	Impero	B.338	20	70	P.				
	"	Trento	R.88	69	220	N.P.				
	"	Minerva	R.168	72	220	N.P.				
	P/p.	Siluro	G.85	99	250	P.				
	R.D.	32				P.				
	M/p.	Elisabetta Maria	B.102	40	100	P.				
	"	Ettore Fieramosca	B.327	22	75	N.P.				
	"	Nuova Eleonora	B.352	24	90	P.				
	"	La Caterina	B.28	31	105	N.P.				
Bari	"	Immacolata	B.363	28	100	P.				
	"	Nuovo Francesco	B.503	27	125	P.				
	"	Maria SS. Alto Mare	D.5	23	75	P.				
	R.D.	21			N.P.					
	P/p.	Vettor Pisani	G.40	129	546	N.P.				
	"	Iussino	G.41	122	600	N.P.				
	"	Monfalcone	G.48	219	485	N.P.				
	M/p.	Giovanna d'Arco	B.488	31	100	P.				
	"	S. Nicola 1°	B.296	28	100	N.P.				
	"	Nuovo S. Antonio	B.660	25	60	P.				
	"	Italia	B.601	21	107	P.				
	"	Truentun	B.56	32	120	P.				
	"	S. Giuseppe	B.473	24	70	P.				
	"	Nuova Annunziata	B.376	21	75	P.				
Barletta	R.D.	27			P.					
	San Pietro	B.451	32	100	P.					

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Gallipoli

Trieste 13 100 N.P.
 Impero 22 100 N.P.
 Ausiliaria 1° 32 100 N.P.
 Sparviero 90 330 N.P.
 Galileo Galilei 110 200 P.
 Delfino 31 70 P.
 Teresa 21 75 N.P.
 Guglielmo Pepe 24 75 P.
 SS. Annunziata 29 120 N.P.
 Cotardino 27 75 P.
 Neghelli 21 75 P.
 De Pinedo 31 100 P.
 S. Antonio 26 100 P.
 Littoria 31 100 P.
 S. Lucia 18 75 P.
 Impero 20 70 P.
 Trento 69 220 N.P.
 Minerva 72 220 N.P.
 Siluro 99 250 P.

Otranto

P/p. 32
 R.D. 40
 M/p. 22
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Brindisi

Elisabetta Maria 40 100
 Ettore Fieramosca 22 75
 Nuova Eleonora 24 90
 La Caterina 31 105
 Immacolata 28 100
 Nuovo Francesco 27 125
 Maria SS. Alto Mare 23 75

Bari

R.D. 21 546
 P/p. Vettor Pisani 129 600
 " Lussino 122 485
 " Monfalcone 219 100
 M/p. Giovanna d'Arco 31 100
 " S. Nicola 1° 28 100
 " Nuovo S. Antonio 25 60
 " Italia 21 107
 " Truentun 32 120
 " S. Giuseppe 24 70
 " Nuova Annunziata 21 75
 " San Pietro 32 100

Barletta

R.D. 27 125
 M/p. Mirabello 30 150
 " Sacro Cuor di Gesù 53 120
 " S. Giovanni Marettimo 34 150
 " La Vittoria 41

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Ancona	M/p. Intrepido 1°	R.137	48	165	P.
	" Roma	R.17	36	180	P.
La Maddalena	R.D. 28				P.
	R.D. 41				N.P.
	M/p. Sergio	B.566	20	100	N.P.
	" Reno	B.253	19	80	N.P.
	" Cervoli	B.388	20	125	N.P.
	" Italia	R.175	34	140	P.
	" Adolinda	R.83	51	200	P.
	" Dentice	B.661	28	80	N.P.
Cagliari	R.D. 29				P.
	R.D. 34				P.
	M./p. Pietro Padre	R.149	60	200	N.P.
	" Santa Teresa	R.223	35	120	P.
	" Franco	B.53	32	120	N.P.
	" Nettuno	B.2-8-4	47	120	P.
	" Provvidenza	B.156	22	145	N.P.
	" S. Antonio	B.155	26	100	P.
Trapani	R. Pim. Pirano	G.50	109	468	P.
	M/p. Scipione	R.126	44	150	P.
	" Stella Rinascente	R.108	45	150	N.P.
	P/p. Maria Madre	R.118	92	216	P.
	M/p. S. Giovanni Batt.	R.132	72	250	P.
Augusta	P/fo S. Vito	G.49	172	410	P.
	M/p. Vittoria	B.70	23	100	P.
	M/p. Procida	B.291	41	120	P. (1)
	" Saint Bon	E.38	30	100	P. (1)
	" Sant'Umberto	B.455	31	120	N.P. (1)
	" Sullivan	B.239	23	70	N.P. (1)
	" Ezio	B.653	30	110	P. (1)

- (1) Unità in corso di trasferimento a Napoli.
- E.D. Dragamine militari attrezzati con apparecchiature a divergenti mo- dello grande ;
- E. Unità mercantili requisite attrezzate con apparecchiatura a divergen- ti modello grande ;
- R. Unità mercantili requisite attrezzate con apparecchiatura divergenti modello medio ;
- B. Unità mercantili requisite attrezzate con apparecchiatura a sciabica ;
- M/p. Motopescherecci ;
- P/p. Piropescherecci ;

Cagliari

"	Reno	B.253	19	80	N.P.
"	Cervoli	B.388	20	125	P.
"	Italia	R.175	34	140	P.
"	Adolinda	R.83	51	200	N.P.
"	Dentice	B.661	28	80	P.

R.D. 29

R.D. 34

M./P. Pietro Padre

" Santa Teresa

" Franco

" Nettuno

" Provvidenza

" S. Antonio

R. Rim. Pirano

M/p. Scipione

" Stella Pinascente

P/p. Maria Madre

M/p. S. Giovanni Batt.

P/fo S. Vito

M/p. Vittoria

M/p. Procida

" Saint Bon

" Sant'Umberto

" Sullivan

" Ezio

R.149	60	200	P.
R.223	35	120	P.
B.53	32	120	N.P.
B.2-8-4	47	120	P.
B.156	22	145	N.P.
B.155	26	100	P.
G.50	109	468	P.
R.126	44	150	P.
R.108	45	150	N.P.
R.118	92	216	P.
R.182	72	250	P.
G.49	172	410	P.
B.70	23	100	P. (1)
B.291	41	120	P. (1)
B.38	30	100	P. (1)
B.455	31	120	N.P. (1)
B.239	23	70	N.P. (1)
B.653	30	110	P. (1)

Trapani

Augusta

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M/p. Motopescherecci ;

P/p. Piropescherecci ;

P/fo. Piroscavo ;

P. Unità pronta al servizio

N.P. Unità non pronta al servizio

Roma, li 27 Novembre 1944.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

R-E-S-T-R-I-C-T-E-D:

NSC/1533
18 January 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Agriculture Sub-Commission, Hq. A. C.
Attention: Lt-Cdr. B.C. Mulieri, USCG.
Subject: Italian Fishing Vessels Engaged in Minesweeping Duties.

1. A copy of Flag Officer, Northern Area, Mediterranean restricted letter No. FOMAN 464-10-2 of 8 January 1945, in connection with the subject vessels, is forwarded herewith for information.

H. W. ZIROLI,
Commodore, U.S. Navy,
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, A.C.

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Northern Area
Mediterranean.

RESTRICTED.

At NAPLES 8th January 1945.

No. PONAM. 464-10-2

THE FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY, ROME.

Copy to: The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.
The Flag Officer, Taranto, Adriatic and Liaison, Italy (Taranto).
The Naval Officer-in-Charge, Naples Area).

ITALIAN FISHING VESSELS ENGAGED IN MINESWEEPING DUTIES.

Details of the Italian Fishing Vessels obtained from the local Italian Naval Authority relative to the names of such vessels employed in the Naples Area for Minesweeping Duties are forwarded (Enclosure) in accordance with the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's signal timed 221613A Dec ember.

2. The Vessels PROCUA, SULLIVAN, EZIO, SAINT DON and SAINT UBERTO have been operating in an area in the vicinity of Sicily until recently. When these Vessels are fully operational it is intended that they should proceed to Civita Vecchia for the maintenance of channels in that area.

3. Requisitioning of further Vessels is not envisaged in the near future, but in order that full minesweeping commitments may be met it will be necessary to replace at least eight of the Vessels at present operating as Minesweepers in view of their poor state of repair. No definite plan can be attempted, however, until suitable Vessels as replacements have been found.

4. It is considered essential that the Italian Marine should, as time goes, on increase their scope of minesweeping activity in order to release much needed Allied Minesweeping Craft for duty elsewhere. It will, therefore, be necessary to increase the Italian Minesweeping Force by requisitioning further Craft at a later date.

/s/ D. HARMERLEY JOHNSTON

for REAR ADMIRAL.

Enclosure:

List of names of Italian M.F.V.s as required.

LIST OF ITALIAN FIGHTING VESSELS EMPLOYED ON MINESWEEPING DUTIES
ON THE WEST COAST OF ITALY.

(A) GORGONA
 S. PIETRO APOSTOLO
 STELLA DI PORTO SALVO
 FRANCO
 ANNO LONGO
 S. CATALDO
 ANTONIO
 AGNESK MADRE
 PAPA GIOVANNI
 GRAZETTA
 DUE FRATELLI
 MARIA
 S. GABRIELE
 S. ANTONIO
 S. ANTONIO
 PROCI DA
 EZIO
 SULLIVAN
 SAINT BOM
 LUCIANA
 LUIGI II
 SANT UMBERTO

R.49
 B521
 B.695
 B.656
 B.662
 B.697
 B.694
 B.650
 F.B.691
 B.696
 B.693
 B.698
 B. 82
 B. 31
 B. 32
 B.591
 B.653
 B.239
 B. 36
 R.170
 R. 54

Expected from Messina shortly

(C) S. ANCELLO

B.610 expected to be requisitioned shortly.

Office of Flag Officer
Northern Area
Mediterranean.

RESTRICTED.

AT NAPLES 8th January 1945.

No. ZONAM. 162-1-2

THE FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY, ROM.

Copy to: The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.
The Flag Officer, Taranto, Adriatic and Liaison, Italy (Taranto).
The Naval Officer-in-Charge, Naples Area).

ITALIAN FISHING VESSELS ENGAGED IN MINESWEEPING DUTIES.

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/s/ V. HARRISLEY JONESTON

for REAR ADMIRAL

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Enclosure:

List of names of Italian M.F.V.s as required.

LIST OF ITALIAN FISHING VESSELS EMPLOYED ON MINESWEEPING DUTIES
ON THE WEST COAST OF ITALY.

(A) CORCONA	R.49
S. PIETRO APOSTOLO	B.521
STELLA DI PIETRO SALVO	B.695
FRANCO	B.656
ANNO LONCO	B.662
S. CATALDO	B.697
ANTONIO	B.694
AGNESE MARTE	B.650
PAPA GIOVANNI	F.B.691
GRAZIETTA	B.696
DUE FRATELLI	B.693
MARIA	B.698
S. GABRIELE	B. 82
S. ANTONIO	B. 31
S. ANTONIO	B. 32
PROCIPIA	B.591
DELO	B.653
SULLIVAN	B.239
SAINT BON	B. 36
LUCEANA	R.170
LUIGI IX	R. 54
SANT'UMBERTO	Expected from Messina shortly
 (C) S. ANGELO	 B.610 Expected to be requisitioned shortly.

LIST OF ITALIAN FISHING VESSELS EMPLOYED ON MINESWEEPING DUTIES
ON THE WEST COAST OF ITALY.

(A) GORGONA	B.49
S. PIETRO APOSTOLO	B.521
STELLA DI PORTO SALVO	B.695
FRANCO	B.656
ANNO LONCO	B.662
S. CATALDO	B.697
ANTONIO	B.694
AGNES B. VENE	B.650
PAPA GIOVANNI	F.B.691
GRAZETTA	B.696
TRE FRATELLI	B.693
MARIA	B.698
S. GABRIELE	B. 82
S. ANTONIO	B. 31
S. ANTONIO	B. 32
PIOGGIA	B.591
NEZO	B.653
SULLIVAN	B.239
SAINT RON	B. 36
LUCIANA	R.170
LURE II	R. 54
SANT UBERTO	Expected from Messina shortly

(C) S. ANGELO	B.610 Expected to de-requisition shortly.
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Office of Flag Officer,
Northern Area,
Mediterranean.

AT NAPLES. 24 January, 1945.

RESTRICTED.

NO. 420-10-2.

THE FLAG OFFICER, ITALIAN ITALY, ROME.

(Copy to: The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.

The Flag Officer, Veneto, Adriatic and Ionian, Italy (Taranto).
The Naval Officer-in-Chief, Naples Area).

ITALIAN MINING VESSELS EMPLOYED IN MINESWEEPING DUTIES.

Details of the Italian Mining Vessels obtained from the local Italian Naval Authority relative to the names of such vessels employed in the Naples Area for Minesweeping Duties are forwarded (Enclosure) in accordance with the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's signal dated 22/6/43A December.

2. The Vessels EMOCIA, SUMMITA, EMIO, SAINT ROSE and SAINT DOMENICO have been operating in an area in the vicinity of Sicily until recently. When these vessels are fully operational it is intended that they should proceed to Civita Vecchia for the maintenance of signals in that area.

3. Requisitioning of further vessels is not envisaged in the near future, but in order that full minesweeping commitments may be met it will be necessary to replace at least eight of the vessels at present operating as minesweepers in view of their poor state of repair. No definite plan can be attempted, however, until suitable vessels as replacements have been found.

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S. Hammerley, Captain

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FOR REAR ADMIRAL.

Enclosure

No. 100-10-10-2

THE WING OFFICER, WASHINGTON, D.C.

(Copy to: The Commander-in-Chief, West Coast Area)

The Wing Officer, Pacific, Atlantic and Indian, Italy (Toronto).

The Naval Officer-in-Charge, Naples Area).

ITALIAN MINESWEEPING VESSELS ENGAGED IN MINESWEEPING DUTIES.

Details of the Italian Mining Vessels obtained from the local Italian Naval Authority relative to the names of such vessels employed in the Naples Area for minesweeping duties are forwarded (Enclosure) in accordance with the Commander-in-Chief, West Coast Area's signal dated 224643A December.

2. The Vessels VIROUM, SULLIVAN, IZIO, SAMP and SAINT MARINO have been operating in an area in the vicinity of Sicily until recently. When these vessels are fully operational it is intended that they should proceed to Civita Vecchia for the maintenance of circuits in that area.

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Enclosure

List of names of Italian M/V's as required.



S. Hammerby, J. G. B. M.

FOR REAS. AIRTEL.

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R. 69
 R. 529
 R. 595
 R. 655
 R. 662
 R. 697
 R. 694
 R. 650
 R. 691
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 R. 698
 R. 62
 R. 31
 R. 32
 R. 591
 R. 659
 R. 659
 R. 56
 R. 470
 R. 56
 R. 695

(c) S. PACIFIC R. 649, Expected to be a first-class steamer.

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/1535
19 January 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.
Subject: German Magnetic Mines, Recovery of.

1. The following translation of Ministry of Marine letter SM/0342 of 6 January 1945, is quoted for information and appropriate action:

"On the 17th of December, specialized personnel in Merchant Fishing vessel "San. Antonio" rendered safe and recovered a German magnetic mine on the Punta Salina beach (N.W. coast of S. Antioco Island, Sardinia).

An examination of the weapon shows the following:

Spherical shape; casing of duraluminum, hornless.
Lettering stamped on upper portion:
e/5856 - C.150 Rg. - fod. M.42-Mr. 1195 (a k).
Much dented and externally in very bad condition.
Full of water; charge in fragments and sodden;
firing mechanism rusted and conductors disconnected;
in poor condition generally.
No trace of any mooring arrangement.

Another mine of the same type (except that it was soldered or welded on 3/4 of the upper part) was recovered on 28th Aug. last on the beach at Cape Pula, and sent to Naples c/o Allied Command. It is presumed that both mines were laid at the same time".

Copy to:
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H. F. ZIROLI,
Commodore, U.S. Navy,
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, A.C.

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JAN 17

From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Maristat)
 To : F.O.L.I. - Rome
 Date: 6/1/45
 Ref.: SM/0342

Subject: German Magnetic Mine - Recovery of.

Vessel "On ^{the} 17th ^{of} December, specialized personnel in ^{anchant} M. Fishing ^{magnetic} "San. Antonio" rendered safe and recovered a German mine on the Punta Salina beach (N.W. coast of S. Antioco Island, Sardinia).

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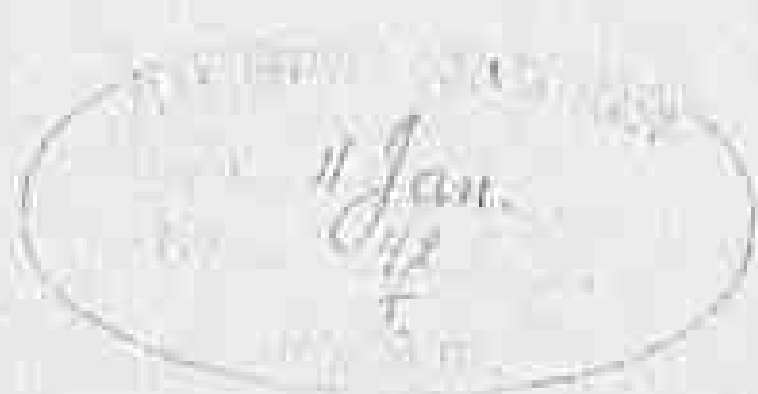
- Spherical shape; casing of duraluminium, hornless.
- Lettering stamped on upper portion:
 c/5865 - C.150 Kg. - fod.M.42-Nr. 1195 (a k).
- Much dented and externally in very bad condition.
- Full of water; charge in fragments and sodden;
 firing mechanism rusted and conductors disconnected;
 in poor condition generally.
- No trace of any mooring arrangement.

Another mine of the same type (except that it was soldered or welded ^{on 3/4 of the upper part} ~~in one part~~) was recovered on 28th Aug. last on the beach at Cape Pula, and sent to Naples c/o Allied Command. It is presumed that both mines were laid at the same time."

for CHIEF OF STAFF

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Stato Maggiore della R. Marina

Roma, 6 GEN 1946
gennaio 1946 A

Pop. M.D.S. Off. B.D.3^a Sez.

M. F. U. L. I.

- R U M A -

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Dist. N. 2 per 03142 Allegato

ARGOMENTO: Mina magnetica tedesca recuperata.-

S E G R E T O

Il 17 dicembre s.a. del personale specializzato, a bordo del M/P. "San. Antonio", ha disattivato e recuperato sulla scogliera di Punta Salina (costa NW dell'isola S. Antioco in Sardegna) una mina magnetica tedesca.-

Dall'esame è risultato che l'arma:

- ha forma sferica con cassa in duraluminio senza urtanti;
- ha i seguenti dati stampigliati sul bordo della calotta superiore:
e/5865 - C.150 Kg. - red.M.42 - Nr.1195 (a.k);
- ha numerose ammaccature sulla calotta superiore e inferiore ed è in pessime condizioni esterne;
- è piena d'acqua, ha la carica ridotta in frammenti e in poltiglia dall'acqua e dagli urti contro gli scogli, la piastra parzialmente ossidata con qualche conduttore scemnesso e le scatole assicchanti staccate dal dispositivo di attacco;
- non ha alcuna traccia del dispositivo di ormeggio.

Altra mina del tipo (con la sola differenza di una saldatura a 3/4 della calotta superiore) venne recuperata il 28 agosto s.a. in spiaggia presso Capo Pula ed inviata a Napoli a cura del Comando Alleato. Il prelievo è pertanto che le due armi siano state posate alla stessa epoca.-

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

[Handwritten signature]

Pop. M.D.S. *W.B.D.3* sez.

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARISTAT - ROMA

Dist. N. 3m 0342 Allegati

ARGOMENTO

Mina magnetica tedesca recuperata.--

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- non ha alcuna traccia dei dispositivi di ormeggio.

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IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

U. M. B.

From: I.R.N. Staff Office
To : F.O.L.I. - Rome
Date: 16.11.44
Ref.: SM. 52307/S.

Subject: Drifting Mine.

Marina Brindisi has informed that a mine was sighted drifting 1 mile to S.E. of Port Monopoli.

Marina Taranto has been asked to render safe and recover the mine or else destroy it. Allied Authorities concerned have been informed.



For CHIEF OF STAFF

DG/P.

2 letters.

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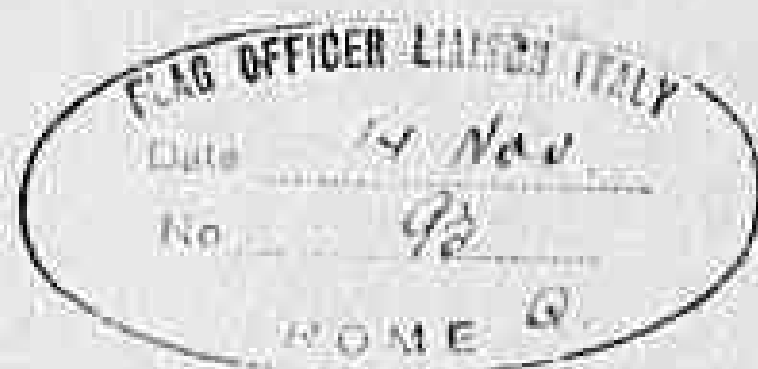
From: I.R.N. Staff Office
To : F.O.L.I. - Rome
Date: 16.11.44
Ref.: SM. 82309/S.

Subject: Drifting Mine.

Maridipart Taranto has informed that a drifting mine was sighted at 14 miles on true Brg. 247° off Cape S. Vito (Taranto) at 1730 on 10th instant.

The above Command has arranged for the rendering safe and recovery of the mine or for its destruction.

Allied Authorities concerned have been informed.



for CHIEF OF STAFF

DG/P.

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Mod 40



Roma 16 Novembre 1944.

Stato Maggiore della R. Marina N F. O. L. I.

Rep. M.D.S. 11/1 3^a Sez.B.D. ROMA

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARISTAT-ROMA

Ref. 1. DM 52307/8 Allegato

ARGOMENTO: Mina alla deriva.SEGRETO - URGENTE

Marina Brindisi ha comunicato l'avvistamento di una mina alla deriva a miglia 1 a Sud-Est da Porto Monopoli.

Maridipart Taranto è stato interessato per la disattivazione e ricupero o distruzione dell'arma. Sono state informate le Autorità Alleate interessate.

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

L. Acciari

Mod. 40



Piemonte Novembre 1914

Stato Maggiore della R. Marina

F. O. L. I.

Reg. M.D.S.

Reg. B.D. 4^a SezROMA

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Reg. A. 52302/Reg. Maggiori

ARGOMENTO: Avvistamento mina alla deriva -S E G R E T O

Maridipart Taranto ha comunicato l'avvistamento di una mina alla deriva a 14 miglia sul rilevamento vero 247° da Capo S.Vito (Taranto) alle ore 17,30 del 10 corrente.-

Detto Maridipart ha disposto per la disattivazione e recupero o distruzione della arma.-

Sono state informate le Autorità Alleate interessate.-

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

NAVAL MESSAGE

S. 13204.

IN C. Med. (R) ^{FOWIT} FOWA FOTALI Com 8th Fleet ^{ROM} FOTALI Rome.
(9)

Restricted.

Italian Ministry of Marine reports sighting one Drifting Mine in Gulf of SANTA EUFEMIA five miles from VISO VALENTIA Mole Head on 16th and one at Lat. 40-25N Long. 08-21E on 17th.

Ministry of Marine has given instructions to recover or destroy.

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Dist. 7,9.

P.L T.P.

T.O.D. 1822

Date 26-10-44.

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From: I.R.M. Staff Office
To: P.C.I.I. - Rome
Date: 23.10.44
Ref: SM/47549/S.

Subject: Drifting Mines.

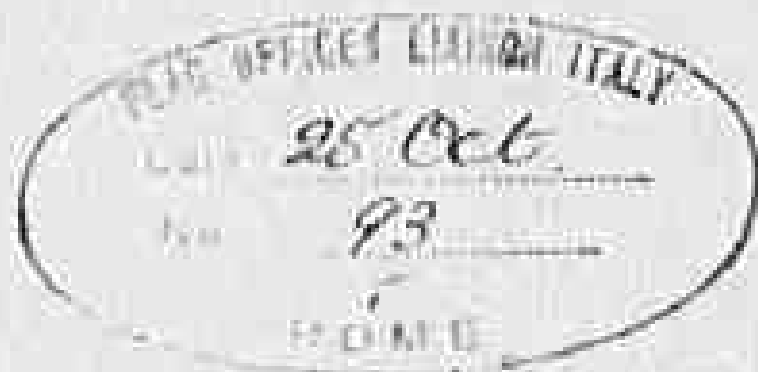
You are informed that the following drifting mines have been sighted:-

- One in the Gulf of Santa Eufemia, 5 miles from the Vibo Valentia mole head, on 16th inst.
- One in Lat. $40^{\circ} 25' N.$ - Long. $8^{\circ} 21' E.$, on 17th inst.

Instructions have been issued to recover or destroy these mines.

FOR CHIEF OF STAFF

DS/P



26/10
Info Signal sent to
CinC MED (R) FOWIT
FOTALI
Com 8th Flt.
W.W.W.

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Mod. 40



Roma, 23 Ottobre 1944

Stato Maggiore della P. Marina M. E. O. I. I.

Dir. M.D.S. Uff. 3^a Sez. B.D. ROMA

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Tel. N. 5148549/Allegato

ARGOMENTO: Mine alla deriva.=

SEGRETO

Si comunica che sono state avvistate le seguenti mine alla deriva:

- una nel Golfo di Santa Eufemia, a miglia 5 dalla testata del molo di Vibo Valentia, il giorno 16 corrente;
- una in latitudine 40° 25' N., longitudine 8° 21' E., il giorno 17 corrente.

E' stato disposto per il recupero o la distruzione delle armi.=

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/11088

3 November 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AG.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.
Subject: Drifting Mines.

1. Your letters Nos. SM/50081/3 and SM/50083/3 of 30 October 1944 reported drifting mines in the following localities:

- (A) 11 miles off Cape San Vito (Taranto)
- (B) Lat. 39° 52' 3" - Long. 17° 08' 6"

2. It was further stated that arrangements have been made with Maridipart, Taranto for the recovery or destruction of these mines. While it is assumed that FOTALI-Taranto has been notified, it would be appreciated if a Statement to that effect were made when mines are reported to FOTALI-Rome in order to prevent a duplication in informing Allied Authorities.

H. W. ZINOLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy.
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AGS.

Copy to:
FOTALI-Taranto.

2505

From: I.R.N. Staff Office
To : F.C.I.I. - Rome
Date: 23.10.44
REF.: SM/49265/S. - 1 Encl.

Subject: Mined Area off PORTOFERRATO.

We send you copy of a report of Port Coxswain
(3rd Cl.) Domenico BIANCHI's mission to locate mines in
waters off Portoferrato.



FOR OFFICE OF STATE

DC/P

This Note: Attention: is drawn to date of attached copy of
report, L. G., 257.4411

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APC 394
Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/11088

3 November 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AG.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.
Subject: Drifting Mines.

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H. W. ZIROLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AGC.

Copy to:
FOTALI-Taranto.



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7 NOV 1944

From: I.R.N. Staff Office
To: P.O.I.I. - Rome
Date: 30.10.44
Ref.: SM/56023/S.

Subject: Drifting Mine.

Martindart Taranto reports the sighting of a mine drifting 11 miles off Cape San Vito (Taranto). Said Command has arranged for the mine to be rendered safe and recovered or else destroyed.

For CHIEF OF STAFF

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Roma 30 Ottobre 1944

Stato Maggiore della R. Marina N. F. O. L. I.

Reg. M.D.S. 3^a Sez. B.D.ROMA

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Prot. N. 2450083/Allegato

ARGOMENTO: Mina alla deriva.=

SEGRETO

Maridipart Taranto ha comunicato l'avvistamento di una mina alla deriva ad 11 miglia da Capo San Vito (Taranto). = Detto Maridipart ha disposto per la disattivazione e recupero o distruzione dell'arma. =

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

From: I.R.M. Staff Office.
To : F.O.L.I. - Rome.
Date: 30.10.44.
Ref.: SM. 50031/5.

Subject: Drifting Mine.

Navalport Toronto has informed of the
sighting, at 1045 on 25th Inst., of a mine drifting
in lat. 39° 52' 3" - Long. 17° 08' 6".

The above Command has arranged for the
mine to be rendered safe and recovered or else
destroyed.

For CHIEF OF STAFF

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Roma 30 Ottobre 1944

Stato Maggiore della R. Marina N. F. O. D. I.

Rep. M.D.S. 11/3^a Sez. B.D.ROMA

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Tel. N. 50081/5 Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Mina alla deriva. =

SEGRETO

Maridipart Taranto ha comunicato l'avvistamento, alle ore 10,45 del 25 c.m., di una mina alla deriva in latitudine 39° 52' 3" e longitudine 17° 08' 6". =

Detto Maridipart ha disposto per la disattivazione e recupero e distruzione dell'arma. =

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

NAVAL MESSAGE

To: C. in C. Med. (R) FOTALI, COM 8th Fleet

From:

FOTALI Rome.

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Ministry of Marine has notified that Mardipart, Taranto reported sighting of two drifting Mines.

One at Lat. 42-30N Long. 14-32-30E. and

One at Lat. 39-07N Long. 17-15E.

Mardipart Taranto has arranged for disposal or recovery.

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Date 24-10-44.

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From: I.R.N. Staff Office
To : F.O.L.I. - Rome.
Date: 17.10.44
Ref.: SM/48223/8

Subject: Drifting Mines.

Maridipart Taranto informs having sighted the following mines drifting :-

- one in Lat. 42° 30' N, Long. 14° 32' 30" E.
- one in Lat. 39° 07' N, Long. 17° 15' E.

Above Command has arranged for rendering safe and recovery or else the destruction of the Mines.

for CHIEF OF STAFF.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/1012W

18 October 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AGC.
To : Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.
Subject: Drifting Mines.

1. The Italian Ministry of Marine in a letter dated 14 October reports that the LOGAMARE Department at TERRACINA sighted the following four mines close to shore:

- 1 AT FOCE CANNETO (the largest)
- 1 Between FOCE CANNETO and TORRE ANASTASIA.
- 1 Between FOCE CANNETO and GREGORIANA.
- 1 Between TERRACINA and TORRE MADINO off the Istituto Pro-Infanzia (Infants' Home)

2. In the same letter the Ministry of Marine stated that MARIDIPART, NAPLES had been ordered to verify and recover or destroy the above mines.

H. W. ZIROLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AGC.

Copy to:
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FOTALI, Taranto.
ComEIGHTH Fleet.



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From: I.R.N. Staff Office.
To.: F.O.L.I. - Rome.
Date: 14.10.44
Ref.: SM 47827/8

Subject: Drifting Mines.

The Locamare Dept. at Terracina Inform having sighted 4 in N^o mines drifting close-in to shore as follows:

- 1- in N^o (the largest) in Foce Canneto;
- 1- in N^o Between Foce Canneto and Torre Anastasia;
- 1- in N^o " " " Gregoriana;
- 1- in N^o " Terracina and Torre Badino off the "Istituto pro-infanzia (Infants' Home).

Orders have been given to Mardipart Naples to verify and recover or destroy the above mines.

for CHIEF OF STAFF.

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Mission Carried out by Port Coxswain (3rd GL.) Domenico PUGHINO
at 1000 on 26.7.44 and at 1200 on 27.7.44

Sailed from Portoferraio at 1000 in Motor-Trawler (ELBA)
 "SUCCESOR" to search for mined areas; we put in at Marciano,
 Salsolai and Ponente, spending the night at Marciano.

From information received, source one Pacci Guerrino
 (1900 GL.) an inhabitant of Chiassi, the following mined areas
 were located:-

- 1) Off Punta Polverina, about 300 mts. from shore.
- 2) Between the Mortigliano shoals and Polverina Lighthouse.

One mine was rendered safe on the beach by British
 Lt. Monvald (?); another was found along the Siccione beach.

During the voyage, to be precise when off Marciano
 and Chiassi coastal areas, we were attacked with H/C fire by
 unidentified Allied Patrols.

(sgd) D. PUGHINO

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Roma, 29 ottobre 1944

Stato Maggiore della R. Marina M. F. O. I. I.

Reg. M. D. S. Uff. 3^a Gen. R. D.

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Prot. N. 31449268/3 Allegato 1

ARGOMENTO: Zona minata nelle acque di Portoferraio.

SEGRETO

Si rinviene copia del rapporto di missione eseguita dal Motosiluro di Porto di 3^a classe Domenico RUSSINO allo scopo di individuare la presenza di mine nelle acque di Portoferraio. =

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

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ESITO DELLA PERSECUZIONE INIZIATA AL SOTTOSCRITTO LORO CHE HO
DEL 26.7.1901 E SOTTO SCRITTO CHE IL DEL SOTTO SCRITTO

Partito da Portofino alle ore 19 con la moto di lanciare
 "SUCCESSIONE" per la ricerca di zone minate, abbiamo fatto scalo a
 Manciano. Colossi e Forante con pernacchione e Mucchio.

Da informazioni assunte da certo Ricci Guerino fu il loro
 na classe 1900 abitanti a Chiessi, sono state individuate la se-
 guenti zone di mare minate:

1°) - All'altezza di Punta Polveraria e circa 300 metri dalla costa.
 2°) - Tra le scogliere di Mortigliano e Faro Polveraria.

Una mina è stata distrutta lungo la spiaggia del tenente
 inglese Monaldi; un'altra trovata lungo la spiaggia di Siccione.

Durante la navigazione, e precisamente al largo di Manciano
 e Chiessi sono stati attaccati da raffiche di mitraglie da parte
 alleate che non ci risultavano ancora segnalate.

IL NOCCIERE DI PORTO DI 3° CLASSE
 P.to Domenico BUGHINO

P. C. C.
 IL CAPITANO DI FREGATA
 Capo 3° Sezione E.D.
 (Giorgio BERNABO')

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NAVAL MESSAGE

CONFIDENTIAL ROUTINE

TO: CINC MED (R) COM 8TH FLEET, FOWIT, FOTALI FROM: FOTALI-Rome.

REFER NY 231203 A, SUBJECT MINE FIELDS X ITALIAN MINISTRY
MARINE REPORTS THAT MARDIPART NAPLES HAS SWEEPED CAPE CIRCEO
ANZIO ROUTE WITHOUT RESULT.

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From: I.R. N. Staff Office.
To : F.O.L.I. - Rome
Date: 5.10.44
Ref.: SM/46195/S

Subject: Minefields.

Further to letter SM/44091/S of 20th ulto.

You are informed that Marióipart Naples has reported having swept the Cape Circeo - Anzio route without result.

for CHIEF OF STAFF

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From: I.R.N. Staff Office.
To : F O L I - Rome.
Date: 20.9.44
Ref : SM/44791/3

Subject: MINEFIELDS

The Captain of M/V "GIOVANNA MADRE", on arrival at Catania, has informed that on the Anzio-Cape Circeo route, to be exact in Latitude $41^{\circ} 22'$ N. - Long $12^{\circ} 47' 30''$ E., he found a minefield anchored at a depth of 2 metres.

Orders have been issued to Maridpart Naples to confirm and carry out sweeping.

for CHIEF OF STAFF.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

TO: C. IN C. MED (R) COM 8TH FLEET
FOWIT FOTALI

FROM:
FOTALI ROME.

CONFIDENTIAL IMPORTANT

MINISTRY OF MARINE INFORMS THAT M/V GIOVANNA MADRE ON ANZIO CAPE
CIRCEOROUTE 41° 22' N 12° 47' 30' E LOCATED MINEFIELD ANCHORED AT
DEPTH OF TWO (2) METRES. ORDERS HAVE BEEN ISSUED BY MINISTRY OF
MARINE FOR MARIDIPART NAPLES TO CONFIRM AND TO CARRY OUT SWEEPING.

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P/L T/P T.O.D. 1239

DATE 23/9/44.

CASERTA PASS TO ALL ADDRESSEES.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OUT GOING MESSAGE

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NAVY SUBCOM HQ AGC (PALMER)

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ROUTINE

NAVY SUBCOM HQ AGC

REQUEST INFORMATION FOR PUBLIC WORKS S/G AGC SEA AREA OFF PLUMICINO
PARISH TO FORIT FROM NAVAL SUBCOM HQ AGC PARISH WHICH HAS BEEN CLEARED
OF MINES AND IS SAFE FOR USE BY SMALL COASTAL CRAFT

*Have hung up telexes
and told them to hasten
reply & then we will inform
Col Birchett 15484 Ex. 3424*

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OUT GOING MESSAGE

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NAVY SUBCOM HQ AGC (PALMER)

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NAVY SUBCOM HQ AGC

REQUEST INFORMATION FOR PUBLIC WORKS S/G AGC SEA AREA OFF PUERTO
PAER TO PORT FROM NAVAL SUBCOM HQ AGC PAER WHICH HAS BEEN CLEARED
OF MINES AND IS SAFE FOR USE BY SMALL COASTAL CRAFT

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Naval S.C.

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
INTER OFFICE MEMO

*Message
from
Port Army
150019*

From: Public Works & Utilities S.C.

SUBJECT: Fiumicino Port.
TO: Naval S.C. ✓

*B. Carter
J. de*
FILE No. 4 Aug 1944

Please see attached (in original)
& let us have any relevant
information.

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G. E. Rhodes
Lt. Col. R. E.
Deputy Director
P. W. & U. S. C.
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 HEADQUARTERS
 ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
 ROME REGION
 A.P.O. 394
 TCU DIV.

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CRB/mp

1 August 1944

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SUBJECT: Port of Fiumicino

TO : Public Wks Sub Commission, ACC

1. This office has been working on the port of Fiumicino. At present there are 3 metres of water over the bar. Information has been received that boats of 50 - 75 tons burthen have been using the port and also this office has been told that mine sweepers had been operating at sea off the mouth of the river.

2. It is requested that information be received as to whether the area off the port of Fiumicino is free of mines and safe for use by small coastal craft.

C.R. Birchett

C.R. BIRCHETT
 Lt. Col. C.E.
 Dir. TCU Div.

Copy to Regional Commissioner, Reg. IV

Lt Col Rhode.

*Pls take up with Navy
 Sub-Com. and answer
 Col. Birchett.*

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Tel: 363

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC 566

19 July 1944.

TO : Italian Navy Commissioner, Rome.
SUBJECT : British Minefields off SPEZIA.

1. Detailed information is urgently required by the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, regarding the state of British minefields off SPEZIA especially with regard to any sweeping operations since the minefields were laid. It is reported that this information may be available at the Ministry of Marine.

2. You are authorized and requested to furnish Lt. Cmdr. Plowman R.N., who will contact the Ministry at an early date, with all information which you may have in this connection.

Commodore,
S.B.N.O., ROME.

Copy to :
Cmdr. O'Callaghan.

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A.F.H.Q. Advanced Intelligence
R.N. Section,
59, Via Sicilia,
Rome.
18th July, 1944.

To:
Commodore Palmer,
Senior British Naval Officer,
Rome.

The Commander-in-Chief's Staff requires urgently detailed information regarding the state of British minefields off SPEZIA especially with regard to any sweeping since they were laid. It is reported that above information may be available at the Ministry of Marine. It is requested therefore that the Ministry Of Marine may be authorised to supply this information. Lieut Commander Plowman will make the necessary contacts and obtain and evaluate this information.

C. B. Alley
Commander, R.N.

Admiral. Fusari.

Approved.

Admiral.

Commander.

19/7/44.

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