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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - Rome
Ref.: 10/CO.
Date: 30th Apr.'45

Subject: Infringements of Security Rules in Army Area.

1. Your NSC/1753 of 6th March last refers.

2. Torpedo Craft Command, approached re. punishment of a "LEGIONARIO" Officer who issued Leave Chits to 3 Ratings to Army Area, has informed that this Ministry's Circular of 19 Dec. last re. travel regulations was sent to all Ships under the Command, but that "LEGIONARIO", on account of her activities at this period, had not yet received circular at 23rd Dec., date of issue of leave passes.

CHIEF OF CABINET

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Ministero della Marina
GABINETTO
Ufficio Colleg.
INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Roma, 30 Aprile 1945

Al NAVY SUB-COMMISSION
HEADQUARTERS, A.C.

Prot. N° 10/CO Allegati

ARGOMENTO Violazione norme di sicurezza zona dell'Esercito.

1. Riferimento vostro foglio NSC/1753 del 6 Marzo u.s.

2. Il Comando Superiore delle Siluranti, interessato in merito alla punizione a carico dell'ufficiale del "LEGIONARIO" che rilasciò i biglietti di licenza a 3 militari per la zona dell'Esercito, ha comunicato di aver regolarmente trasmesso a tutte le unità dipendenti, in data 19 Dicembre 44, la circolare di questo Ministero contenente le norme sui viaggi, ma che il "LEGIONARIO", a causa dell'attività svolta in tale periodo non ne era ancora venuto in possesso al 23 Dicembre, data in cui le licenze furono rilasciate.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. F. BASILI

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/2266
27 April 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine - ROME.

Subject: DONNELLI Rafaele - Report of Delinquency.

1. Copy of subject report, received from Allied Military Police is forwarded regarding the above named and it is requested that appropriate disciplinary action be taken.

H. ST. J. BUTLER,
Captain, U. S. Navy,
for REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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HEADQUARTERS 1051st MILITARY POLICE CO (AVN)
APO 520 U. S. ARMY

Date . .14 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Report of Delinquency.

TO : Commanding General, Fifteenth Air Force, APO 520, U. S. Army.

1. The following named member (s) of the .Compaisjone.Speciale Di.Controllo . .Regie.Arreuole,. Royal Navy. . . . . .

NAME: . .Donrelli,.Raffaele . . . . . ASN . . . . . Rank. . .Civilian

NAME: . . . . . ASN . . . . . Rank. . . . . .

NAME: . . . . . ASN . . . . . Rank. . . . . .

NAME: . . . . . ASN . . . . . Rank. . . . . .

WAS / [redacted] / APPREHENDED BY: / [redacted] / U. S. Military Police

at . . . . . 1550 . . . . . 14 April 1945 . . . . . Foggia Road
(Time) (Date) (Place)

for driving against traffic on a posted One Way street, Foggia Road, with Fiat #R.M. 3-0075

Witnesses: Cpl. Elmer Rooney, 1051 M.P. Co. (Avn)

Disposition: Informed of violation and released.

Remarks: Statement on reverse.

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WILLIAM H. [illegible]
Captain, CMP
Commanding

Incl :

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STATEMENT

On 14 April 1945 at about 1550 hours, I was on motorcycle patrol on the Foggia Road when I noticed the vehicle, described on the reverse of this report, traveling against traffic in a posted One Way section of the Foggia Road. I stopped the vehicle, took the driver's particulars, which I found to be: Raffaele Donrelli, and then allowed him to proceed on his way.

This section of the Foggia Road in posted One Way in Italian, and English.

Cpl Elmer Rooney.

Cpl. Elmer Rooney
1051 M.P. Co. (Avn)

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SUBJECT:- Discipline ORs.

TO:- ..... HQ. Naval. Sub. Commission. AC. CMF. ...
HQ. 1051. Mil. Police Coy. USA

1. Reports Herewith offence reports submitted by. 1051. Mil. Police Coy. USA

2. Framing of charges Responsability for framing charges is laid down in ACI 1911/41 (GRO 403/43).

3. Evidence Attention is also directed to ACI 1311/41 as to the circumstances requiring the attendance of O.P witnesses should the evidence be in dispute (GRO 19/43).

4. Disposal (a) All charges preferred by the Provost Service must be brought before Officers Commanding Unit and cannot be dealt with by subordinate commanders. (GRO 72/44).
(c) When the charge has been dealt with, AF B252 should be disposed of to Brigade or equivalent HQ for information together with this memorandum (GRO 72/44).

5. Reason for action taken Reason for lenient treatment should also be attached (KRs 1940, para 562.).

6. The AF B252 of explanation under para. (5) above should NOT be returned to the Provost Officer of OIP originating charge(s) (KRs 1940, para 562).

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W Thurman
Captain.
D.A.P.M.,
H.Q., 54 AREA

IN THE FIELD.
1/4/45.

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON UNIT
Date 20 Apl
No 451.
ROME

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/2258 FILE

26 April 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Sailor PHELPS, Mario.

Enclosed copy of report received from Allied Military Police regarding the above named is forwarded in order that appropriate disciplinary action may be taken.

H. ST. J. BUTLER,
Captain, U. S. Navy,
for REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

1-Incl.
Copy of report.

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SUBJECT:- Discipline ORs.

TO:- ..... HQ. Naval Sub Commission. AC. ..... 1051. Mil. Police. Coy. USA

1. Reports. Herewith offence reports submitted by.

2. Framing of Charges. Responsibility of framing charges is laid down in AGI 1911/41 (GRO 485/43).

3. Evidence. Attention is also directed to AGI 1911/41 as to the circumstances requiring the attendance of OR witnesses should the evidence be in dispute (GRO 9/43).

4. Disposal (a) All charges preferred by the Provost Service must be brought before Officers Commanding Unit and cannot be dealt with by subordinate commanders. (GRO 72/44).

(b) When the charge has been dealt with, AF B252 should be disposed of to Brigade or equivalent HQ for information together with this memorandum (GRO 72/44).

5. Reason for action taken. Reason for lenient treatment should also be attached (KRs 1940, para 562).

6. The AF B252 of explanation under para (5) above should not be returned to the Provost Officer of OIC originating charge(s) (KRs 1940, para 562).

W. Whitemarsh
Major Captain,
A.P. D.A.P.M.,
H.Q., 54 AREA

IN THE FIELD

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HEADQUARTERS 105lst MILITARY POLICE CO (AVN)
APO 520 U. S. ARMY

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Date 16 April 1945

SUBJECT: Report of Delinquency.

TO : Commanding General, Fifteenth Air Force, APO 520, U. S. Army.

1. The following named member (s) of the Autoreparto Regia Marino, Taranto

NAME: Pagella Mario ASN [illegible] Rank Sailor

NAME: ASN Rank

NAME: ASN Rank

NAME: ASN Rank

WAS / [illegible] REPORTED BY: [illegible] U. S. Military Police

at 1100 (Time) 16 April 1945 (Date) Taranto-Bari Road (Place)

for speeding 40 to 45 miles per hour in a posted 25 mile per hour zone in 3 1/2 ton truck No. RM 37125 Clocked for 1/2 mile

Witnesses: Cpl E G Rooney 105lst M P Co (Avn)

Disposition: Informed of violation and released.

Remarks: (See reverse side)

WILLIAM H VANPOYCK
Captain, CMP
Commanding

Incl :

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SWORN STATEMENT

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, authorized for administering oaths in cases of this character, Cpl. Elmer Rooney, 32416137, 105lst Military Police Company Aviation, who, upon being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says:

On 16 April 1945 at about 1100 hours, I was on duty on the Taranto-Bari Road, accompanied by _____ when:

1. By means of the speedometer on my vehicle, I checked the speed of vehicle _____ for a distance of _____. It's speed thru this distance was _____ M.P.H. The speed of vehicles of this type is restricted to _____ M.P.H. The vehicle was stopped and the driver found to be _____. I informed him of his violation and told him that he would be reported. I obtained his particulars, verified them from his _____, and allowed him to proceed.

2. By means of a speedometer on my vehicle, I checked the speed of vehicle 3 1/2 ton no. RM 37125 for the distance of 1/2 mile in a 25 MPH Zone. It's speed thru this distance was 40-45 M.P.H. The speed of all vehicles is restricted to 25 MPH in this zone which is adequately posted with signs to warn drivers of the speed limit. The vehicle was stopped and the driver found to be Sailor Pagella Mario _____. I informed him of his violation and told him that he would be reported. I obtained his particulars, verified them from his passport, and allowed him to proceed.

Further the deponent sayeth not.

Signature Cpl Elmer Rooney
Cpl. Elmer Rooney, 32416137
105lst Military Police Company (Avn)

I have read over and corroborate the above statement.

Signature _____

_____

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 17th day of April 1945, at Bari, Italy.

Francis X. Victor
FRANCIS X. VICTOR, 1st Lt., C.M.P.
105lst Military Police Co. (Avn)
Adjutant.

* Not applicable

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/1880

20 March 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Rear Army Zone - Violation of Security.

Enclosure: Leave Pass issued to S.C. SDT. DAL POZZO, Giuseppe, R. N."DUILIO".

1. The enclosure was confiscated from the holder when he was found on leave in the Rear Army Zone and from which he was expelled.

2. It is appreciated that the Leave Pass is quite in order and it is requested that disciplinary action be taken and a serious effort made to avoid repetition of this type of violation of restrictions and travel into the Rear Army Zone.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUBCOMMISSION, AC.

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HEADQUARTERS 15TH ARMY GROUP
G-5 SECTION
APO 777

Ref: G-5/10/1.1

RAP/mlh
16 March 1945

SUBJECT: Control of Movement.

TO: HQ Allied Commission
(Attn: Navy Sub-Commission).

1. Your attention is invited to the attached correspondence from Asst. C. of S., G-2, Headquarters 15th Army Group.

2. It is requested that this case be presented to the proper Italian Naval authority for disciplinary action, and advise that serious effort be made to avoid repetition of this type of violation of restrictions and travel into the Army area.

A. C.

ROBERT A. PERSELL
Lt. Col., G.S.C.
for DCCAO

Copy to:
Asst. C. of S., G-2.

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SUBJECT:- Controlled Movement

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HQ 15th ARMY GROUP

1/12/1/GSI(b)

14 Mar 45

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1. The attached BIGLIETTO DI LICENZA issued to an Italian sailor, MAL POZZO Giuseppe, serving aboard the R.N. (RM) "DILLIO" was confiscated from the holder when he was found on leave in Eighth Army territory.

2. It is appreciated that the pass is marked quite clearly by the R.N. authorities "Not available for entry into the Fifth and Eighth Army Zones". Further it would have been quite in order for MAL POZZO to have visited PESARO (PESARO Province) without crossing the Security Control Line.

3. In view of this infringement by the sailor of both Allied and Italian regulations, the document is forwarded in order that the R.N. may be informed of the circumstances under which MAL POZZO was expelled from the Army Area.

Brigadier,
AC of S, G-2.

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15 MAR 1945
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CSO
ECON
Civil Affairs
Transportation
Food
Chief Clerk
for INFO
ACTION

HEADQUARTERS
15 MAR 1945
REF 16/1.1
A.A.I. - D.C.C.A.O.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/1753
6 March 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine - ROME.

Subject: Rear Army Zone - Violation of Security of.

Enclosure: (A) Biglietto di Licenza issued to Fuoch GALASSI, Mario.
(B) Biglietto di Licenza issued to C.C. Cann O. CICOGNANI, Ivo.
(C) Biglietto di Licenza issued to Cann. O. SARACCHI, Attilio.

1. Enclosures (A) (B) and (C) authorize three Italian naval ratings attached to the C.T. LEGIONARIO to perform travel in the Rear Army Zone for compassionate reasons. The ratings were apprehended and have been evacuated from the Army zone.

2. Italian Navy personnel are not authorized to perform travel in the Rear Army zone except when under orders countersigned by Allied authorities. Travel in the Rear Army zone for compassionate reasons is not authorized.

3. It is requested that appropriate disciplinary action be taken against the officer responsible for the issue of the Biglietti di Licenza, forwarded herewith and this office informed when such action has been taken.

NAVY SUB-COMMISSION - ALLIED COMMISSION
12 MAR 1945.

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

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SUBJECT:- Control of Movement

HQ 15 ARMY GROUP

1412/1/GSI(b)

23 Feb 45

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SARAGONI Attilio
CICOGNANI Ivo
GALASSI Mario

1. Reference the attached Regia Marina passes for the above Italian seamen.

2. Subjects have been expelled from the Army area.

3. Would you please raise the matter with the Italian Naval authorities. Leave passes for the Italian Forces to North of the Security Control Line are at present only given to members of the Combat Groups, and then on a limited scale under arrangements with AMG.

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Brigadier,
AC of S, G-2.

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HEADQUARTERS 15TH ARMY GROUP
G-5 SECTION
APO 777

Ref: 1/5.1

25 February 1945

SUBJECT: Control of Movement.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
(Attn: Navy Sub-Commission)

1. Attached correspondence pertains.

2. Your attention is invited to General Order #44, dated 1 Oct 44, Hq, Allied Commission as amended by Executive Orders #11, dated 4 Feb 45. It is requested that you advise the Italian naval authorities to cease issuing passes without proper authority, and also advise them that the type of pass they are issuing as indicated in the passes herewith is not valid in Army areas.

Robert R. Persell
ROBERT A. PERSELL
Lt Colonel, G.S.C.
for DCCAO

Incl: 1412/1/GS1(b) dated 23 Feb 45
3 passes

Copy to: G-2 Section, HQ 15th Army Group
(Attn: GS1(b)

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HEAD-QUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission

N3C/1658

16 February 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Violation of Curfew Regulations by Deserter from Italian Navy.

1. Information has been received that on 1 February, 1945 at 2300 hours Allied Military Police at ANCONA Traffic check point checked MOSCA, Evandro di Rocnlo said to be a deserter from C.R.E.M., TARANTO who was out without a curfew pass after hours of curfew.

2. MOSCA was turned over to Carabinieri after questioning.

H. W. KINKLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
For Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AC.

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16 FEB 1945

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Report.

200/D /PenM/175.

To:- The Officer i/c Dets.,
200 & 509 Provost Coys.,
C.M.Police.

Sir,

I have to report that at noon on the 1st February 1945 at about 23-00 hours I was on duty at Traffic Check Point when I checked an Italian whom I now know to be Mosca Evandro di Romolo., for being out during the hours of Curfew.

He was not in possession of any permit allowing him to be out after curfew. I conducted him to the Military Police H.Qrs., and handed him over to the P.J.C. who, upon questioning the Italian discovered that he was an absentee.

He was handed over to the Carabiniere. Body receipt attached. 4157

Field. 2nd Feb 45.

D Davies L/Cpl.
200 Provost Coy. C.M.Police.

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Subject:- Deserters - Italian Navy.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AG/11/3

10 Feb 45.

Navy Sub Commission
H.Q. A.C.

The attached C.M.P. report is forwarded to you for necessary action.

E.F. BYATT, Major
For Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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12 Feb. 36 C.

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Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

File

NSC 1503
16 January 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine.

1. Attached copy of report by Allied Military Police of violation of speed limits by GUELFO, Mario, driver of Italian Marine Hospital, Taranto, Lorry RM 37303 on 31 December 1944 is forwarded for information and necessary action by the Ministry of Marine.

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

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SUBJECT :- Traffic Discipline

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2 Jan 45

H.Q.
Naval Sub Commission, AC.

Attached Military Police Report
b 231/ATO/MP/1 dated 31 Dec 44 is forwarded
for information and necessary action.

E.O.Powell. Capt.
DAPM.
for Major.
Assistant Provost Marshal,
Field. H.Q. 52 Area.

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SUBJECT :- Local Prevailing Speed Limits. 231/RHC/CSM/1

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231 Bro Coy GAF

Sir,

I have to report that at BARANTO on the 31st Dec 44, I was on mobile patrol, accompanied by L/Cpl SPICER, C.M.Police, on the BARANTO - ATHENEI Road when I observed a 3 ton lorry travelling at an excessive speed.

I followed this vehicle at even distance for two miles and found his his speed varied between 40 and 45 miles per hour. I stopped this vehicle and found the driver to be :-

GUERFO ELMO, ITALIAN MARINE REGIMENT, TARANTO. The particulars of the vehicle were 3 Ton FIAT No R.M. 37503.

The driver informed me that he was taking his 14 passengers to a football match at GROTTAGLIE. I obtained his particulars from his War Pocket and informed him of the offence he had committed and told him he would be reported and then allowed him to proceed.

No 14251495 R.C. COFFIN L/Cpl.
C.M.Police.

Field.
31 Dec 44.

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FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
ALLIED COMMISSION
C/O ALLIED FORCES
ITALY

No. L 36/2

2 January 1945.

MINISTRY OF MARINE
ROME.

ABSENTEES FROM CIVILIAN LABOR CORPS - IDENTIFICATION AND REGULARIZATION OF.

The Ministry of Marine was requested in paragraph 5 of my letter L 3/2 of 2 October 1944 to issue instructions to regularize the position of persons who are absentees from Civilian Labor Corps. Further arrests were reported in Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/3993 of 13 October 1944. In paragraph 2, thereof, it was clearly pointed out that it was not known by whom the arrests were ordered. Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/4179 of 19 November 1944, requested information as to the action taken by the Ministry of Marine in this connection.

2. The Ministry of Marine letter 1086/50 of 7 December 1944, stated that the cases had been immediately attentively examined and instructions issued to avoid carrying out arrests of deserters from the Italian Navy employed by the Allied Armed Forces. From paragraphs 2, 3, and 4 thereof, it was apparent that the Ministry of Marine referred to deserters from the Italian Navy instead of absentees or deserters from Civilian Labor Corps. Flag Officer Liaison Italy letter No. L 36/2 of 22 December 1944, pointed out this difference and requested the Ministry to issue instructions to clarify the status of the latter persons as originally requested on 2 October 1944.

3. Ministry of Marine letter No. 1169/50 of 20 December 1944, states that the Italian Navy has never had a Civilian Labor Corps attached to it and that the Attorney General of the Realm has been requested to review the order for the arrests of ZERBO, CAPITTI and CITELLA so as to know the initial circumstances regarding these persons. In view of paragraph 1 of Ministry of Marine letter 1086/50 of 7 December 1944, which states that the cases were immediately and attentively examined on receipt of my letter of 2 October 1944, it would appear that the Ministry of Marine is already cognizant of the facts involved.

4. In view of the above, the Ministry of Marine is requested to obtain and submit full particulars regarding the control of Civilian Labor Corps in order that appropriate action may be taken with the Italian authorities concerned to regularize the position of these persons.

for REAR ADMIRAL

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/1228

29 November 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Seaman Gunner, P.M. PASSARELLA, Antonio
Seerv. No. 66687.

With reference to your letter No. E/3573 of 19 November 1944, since this man has not been sighted since 14th January 1944, it is not considered that any useful purpose will be served by initiating enquiries amongst Allied Authorities.

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

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/1228

29 November 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Seamen Gunner, P.N. PASQUELLA, Antonio
Oserv. No. 68987.

With reference to your letter No. E/3578 of 19 November 1944, since this man has not been sighted since 14th January 1944, it is not considered that any useful purpose will be served by initiating enquiries amongst Allied Authorities.

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

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From: I.S.K. Main Office
To : ...S. - A.O.K.
Date: 13.11.44 (Received for translation 24.11.44)
Ref.: No/3573.

Subject: Agent (...) Eduardo Antonio ...erv. No 4151/44.

Ref. letter No 1130/10433. of 3rd inst.

Since 14th January 1944, when the above ...ting departed the C.S.I. ...Depot. at Trento, no contact whatever has been made with him nor has anything occurred to alter his irregular position.

For CHIEF OF STAFF

...2/3.

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RISERVATO

Mod. 39

Stato Maggiore della R. Marina

Uff. Informazioni - Sezione E

Rep. *Uff.*

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Prot. N. 5/3578 *Allegati*

Roma, 19 Novembre *19* 44

Al NAVY SUB COMMISSION, HQ.
ALLIED COMMISSION
R O M A

ARGOMENTO: Cannoniere P.M. PASSARELLA Antonio, matricola 66887/vol.

Riferimento foglio NSC/1082 B del 3 corrente.

Dopo il 14 gennaio 1944, data in cui il militare in argomento si allontanò arbitrariamente dal Deposito del C.R.E.M. in Taranto, non si sono più avuti contatti con lui nè sono intervenuti provvedimenti che abbiano modificato l'attuale sua irregolare posizione militare.

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/1189

21 November 1944.

FIRST ENDORSEMENT On
Ministry of Marine ltr
Ref: 14454 of 12 Nov '44.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.
To : Civil Affairs Section, Public Safety
Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.

1. Forwarded for comment on action taken by M.P.

2. Return of papers is requested.

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

2-Incls:
Ltr Min.of Marine
Report of Arrest.

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From : MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : F.C.L.I. - Rome
Date : 12.11.44
Ref. : 14454

Subject : Arrest of Chief Mech. 1st Cl. Domenico DE FRANCESCO.

1. The above Chief Petty Officer was arrested by A.M.P. at Capua on 29th September last - see attached report - as he was found to be in possession of 33 in No. tins of powdered milk and 4 in No. tins of sausages.

2. He was eventually set free and the Royal Carabiniers in that area have sent in their report.

3. From the Chief's statement it appears that these foodstuffs were purchased in the ordinary manner from grocers at Taranto.

4. The Commander in Chief Ionian and L. Adriatic, who was requested by this Ministry to inform on the matter, has confirmed that in various Food Stores at Taranto Allied tinned goods are on sale without any restriction.

5. As food bought on the open market should not be seized nor is it necessary that the corresponding bill be shewn, we request you kindly notify Allied Authorities concerned of the error committed in this particular instance so as to avoid a repetition of the incident.

CHIEF OF CABINET.

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON STAFF
Date 14 Nov
No 478
ROME

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Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N.° 1/2145 Allegati

Roma, 12 NOV. 1944

Al F.O.L.I. - ROMA

ARGOMENTO: Arresto del Capo M.N. di I^ cl. Domenico DE FRANCESCO.

1. Il sottufficiale in argomento é stato arrestato dalla Polizia Militare Alleata presso Capua il 29 Settembre 1944, come risulta dal rapporto che si allega, perché trovato in possesso di 33 scatole di latte evaporato e 4 scatole di salciccie.

2. Egli é stato successivamente lasciato libero ed i CC.RR. di quella zona hanno inviato il rapporto relativo.

3. Dalla dichiarazione del sottufficiale in argomento risulta che tali viveri sono stati da lui regolarmente comperati in negozi a Taranto.

4. Il Comando in Capo del Dipartimento dell'Jonio e del Basso Adriatico, al quale questo Ministero ha chiesto informazioni in merito, ha confermato ciò comunicando che in alcuni negozi di generi alimentari a Taranto é in vendita scatolame vario di provenienza Alleata senza restrizioni di sorta.

5. Poiché i generi alimentari acquistati sul libero mercato non devono essere sequestrati, né essere accompagnati da documenti di sorta, si prega voler dare comunicazione alle competenti Autorità Alleate del l'errore commesso in questo specifico caso onde evitare il ripetersi di simili incidenti.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. F. BASLINI

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Prot. N.° 1/2158 Allegati

ARGOMENTO. Arresto del Capo M.N. di I^ cl. Domenico DE FRANCESCO.

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IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. F. BASLINI

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION CSDP/mo
APO 394, U.S. Army
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND ITALIAN PW SUB COMMISSION

IPW/11/10v

18 November 1944

To : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

Subject: [illegible] PW/T 36381 Sold. BARLOCCIA.

1/. The above PW was released from 212 PW Camp during June 1944 for special work in Taranto Dockyard.

2/. Soon after his arrival he absented himself to visit relatives in Sicily and only surrendered himself to the Italian Military Police on September 9th 1944.

3/. It was stated very clearly that when IPW were repatriated to fill special appointments that steps should be taken to see that these PW did actually comply with the terms of repatriation.

4/. You will understand that if PW who are repatriated to fill certain appointments believe in this manner it will be extremely difficult to make other repatriations under similar conditions.

5/. It is therefore suggested that very strong action be taken in regard to the disobedience of this particular PW.

C Partridge Lt Col

for J.A.C.[illegible]
Lt.Colonel
Director MSD & IPW Sub-Comm.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission

N3C/11618

15 November 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.
To : War Materials Disposal & Italian PW Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.

Subject: Ex POW MA/T 36381 Solc. SARACENA.

1. A copy of DAA & QMG HQ 70 SubArea letter 705A/116/53/A of 27 September 1944 and Commodore Superintendent, Taranto 2nd Endorsement No. 3/3/932 of 7 October 1944 in connection with the subject Ex POW MA/T 36381 Solc. SARACENA is forwarded herewith for appropriate action in the event it is determined to take disciplinary action on account of his unauthorized absence from the Naval Dockyard, Taranto.

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

Copy to:
Commodore Supt., Taranto
DAA & QMG HQ 70 SubArea
C/C, Transient Camp, Catania.

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION - NAVY SUB-COMMISSION
15 NOV 1944

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Secret

Subject: Ex POW NA/X 36381 Sold SARACENA.

703A/118/56/A.

OC Transient Camp, CATANIA

1. Reference conversations Captain Holland - Captain Macgregor and attache correspondence relating to the above-named Italian ex POW, which is returned herewith.

2. As a result of further enquiries it appears that he was one of a party of POW sent from 212 POW Camp to TARANTO as a volunteer for work in the Naval Dockyard; for which purpose he was released from POW status.

Soon after his arrival at TARANTO he absented himself (approx 25 June 44) to visit relatives in Sicily, and having done so surrendered himself to the Italian Military Police on 2 Sept 44.

3. He should now be released from close arrest and arrangements made in conjunction with M. Movements Sicily for his return as early as possible to TARANTO where he should be instructed to report to the Officer in charge of the Naval Dockyard.

Sgd. .....

Major,
DAA & QMG
HQ 70 Sub Area.

In the Field.
27.9.44

Copies to:- M. Movements SICILY.
NOIC Naval Dockyard TARANTO.

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EX POW NA/X 36381 Sold. SARACENA.

(DAA & QMG 70 Sub Area's letter No. 703A/118/56/A
of 27th September, 1944).

II

No. 3/B/932

THE FLAG OFFICER TARANTO & ADRIATIC, LIAISON ITALY (ROME).

(Copy to:-MARINARSEN, TARANTO).

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Submitted for such action as you may consider necessary.

F.K. Woolcover

for COMMODORE SUPERINTENDENT.

TARA TO
7th October, 1944.

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EX POW NA/T 36381 Sold. SARACENA.

(DAA & QMG 70 Sub Area's letter No. 70SA/118/58/A
of 27th September, 1944).

II.

No. 3/B/932.

THE FLAG OFFICER TARANTO & ADRIATIC, LIAISON ITALY (ROME).

(Copy to:- MARINARSEN, TARANTO).

Submitted for such action as you may consider necessary.

J.F. Woolcott

for COMMODORE SUPERINTENDENT.

TARANTO.
7th October, 1944.

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
Date 4 Nov
No 18
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ROME

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/1082B
3 November 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine - Rome.

Subject: Seaman Gunner P.M. PASSARELLA, Antonio, S.N. 66887.

1. Your letter No. E/2569 of 20 October 1944, requests that the subject man who deserted from the C.R.E.M. depot at Taranto on 14 January 1944, and is reported to have jointed the First Canadian Special Overseas Division, be released and returned to Italian authorities.

2. In view of the time which has elapsed, information is requested whether PASSARELLA has been contacted since 14 January 1944, before a request is sent to an operating unit of the Allied Forces for his release.

H. ST.J. BUTLER,
Captain, U.S.Navy,
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AC.

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From: I.R.U. Staff Office
To : F.O.L.I. - Rome
Date: 20.10. (Received 26.10.44)
Ref.: 4/2469.

Subject: Request for Release of I.R.U. Personnel.

1) Sergeant-Major P.M. PASSARELLA Antonio (called Wald S. RECORD -Volunteer, whose home is at Campobasso, was S. Maverund Nr 7, on 14 January last departed from the I.R.U. Depot at Taranto, where he was attached, and there disappeared.

2) The R. Carabineers at Campobasso, who were asked for and accept PASSARELLA, have informed that in February last he joined a Canadian Div. operating on the Adriatic front, as follows: 1st Canadian Special Overseas Diversion.

3) As PASSARELLA's continued occupation of this responsible position may adversely affect discipline in the Unit, from which he deserted, you are earnestly requested to approach Allied Military Command concerned so that further PASSARELLA be made to present himself at the above Depot to re-instate his position.

(Sgd) CHIEF OF STAFF

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
Date 28 Oct.
No 36
ROME

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Stato Maggiore della R. Marina

Ufficio INFORMAZIONI SEZ.E

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Prot. N.° 3/2569 *Allegati*

Roma, 20 ottobre *19* 44A

Al FLAG.OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
A . C. C . HEADQUARTERS
R O M A

ARGOMENTO: Richiesta di rilascio di militari della R.Marina.=

I - Il sottocapo cann.P.M. PASSARELLA Antonio (detto Toni) matr.66887/Vol.domiciliato a Campobasso,via S.Giovanni n.7,il 14 gennaio c.a.,disertò dal Deposito del C.R.E.M. di Taranto dove prestava servizio,rendendosi irreperibile.

2 - I CC.RR.di Campobasso,interessati per le ricerche ed arresto del militare predetto,hanno riferito che il PASSARELLA si trova incorporato,dal febbraio scorso,in un Reparto Canadese,che opererebbe ora sul fronte Adriatico, come dalla seguente indicazione:
Sec.I^Divisione Canadese Speciale Overseas.

3 - Poichè l'ulteriore permanenza del militare predetto,nella attuale irregolare posizione,può costituire grave pregiudizio per la compagine disciplinare del reparto dal quale egli si assentò arbitrariamente,si prega vivamente codesto F.O.L.I. di compiacersi interessare il competente Comando Militare Alleato perchè il sottocapo PASSARELLA sia fatto presentare al suddetto Deposito per regola

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A . C. C . HEADQUARTERS
ROMA

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARISTAT - ROMA

Bol. N.° E/2569 Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Richiesta di rilascio di militari della R.Marina.=

I - Il sottocapo cann.P.M. PASSARELLA Antonio (detto Toni) matr.56887/Vol.domiciliato a Campobasso,via S.Giovanni n.7,il I4 gennaio c.a.,disertò dal Deposito del C.R.E.M. di Taranto dove prestava servizio,rendendosi irreperibile.

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IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INTER OFFICE MEMO

From: WMD & IPW S/C

FILE No. IPW/18/125.

SUBJECT: 2nd Chief PIERPAOLI, Stefano.

6 November 1944

TO: Navy Sub-Commission. ✓

Reference your letter NSC/1079C dated 4 November 1944.

The question is being referred to A.F.H.Q. and you will be notified in due course if the transfer can be made.

J.A. CAMPBELL
Lt.-Colonel
Director WMD & IPW Sub. Comm.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/10790
4 November 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : War Materials Disposal and Italian Prisoners of War Sub-Commission, AC.

Subject: 2nd. Chief PIERPAOLI, Stefano.

1. The Ministry of Marine requests that subject rating be released from the Afragola Concentration Camp and sent under arrest to their Chief of Staff Office in Rome to be tried on charges of having informed against one of the persons later executed at the Adreatine Caves.

2. Please advise if this is customary procedure in cases of this kind and, if so, how the man's transfer may be effectuated.

H. ST.J. BUTLER,
Captain, U.S.Navy,
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, A.C.

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Follow up.

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From: T.A.W Staff Office
To : S.O.E.I. - Rome
Date: 28.10.44
Ref.: A./2862.

Subject: 2nd Chief PIMPAOLI, Evelino.

1) From information obtained by this Staff Office's Naval Police Organization, it would seem that 2nd Chief PIMPAOLI, Evelino, at present interned in the Ex-Polish Concentration Camp, in March 1943 was guilty of informing against 2nd Chief ZAMBELLI, Alberto who, arrested in Rome by the Fascist Police, was immediately handed over to the Germans and killed together with the 320 massacred in the Ardeatine Caves.

2) The particular seriousness of this crime, for which PIMPAOLI should answer, concerns his interrogation essential so as to complete the Police records which are to be sent to the Judging Authorities concerned.

3) Request, therefore, that you kindly approach Allied Military Police for PIMPAOLI's transfer to Rome and handing over to this Staff Office - under arrest - for the prosecution of the investigation and eventual placing on charge before the Military Court.

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
Date 28 Oct.
No. 25
ROME T.

(Sgd) CHIEF OF STAFF

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Stato Maggiore della R. Marina

UFFICIO INFORMAZIONI SEZ.E

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Roma, 2I ottobre 19 44A

Prot. N. 23/2862 *Allegati*

Al FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
A.C.C. HEADQUARTERS
R O M E

ARGOMENTO: 2° Capo PIERPAOLI Stefano.=

I - Alla stregua delle risultanze acquisite dagli organi della Polizia Militare di questo Maristat, il 2°Capo PIERPAOLI Stefano, attualmente internato nel campo di concentramento di Afragola, nel mese di marzo 1943, si sarebbe reso responsabile di delazione ai danni del 2°Capo ZAMBELLI Ilario, che, arrestato in Roma dalla polizia fascista, venne in seguito consegnato ai tedeschi ed ucciso insieme ai 320 martiri delle Fosse Ardeatine.

2 - La particolare gravità del delitto, di cui il PIERPAOLI dovrebbe rispondere, rende indispensabile l'interrogatorio dell'interessato ai fini del completamento degli atti di polizia che dovranno essere trasmessi alla competente Autorità Giudiziaria.

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3 - Si prega, pertanto, di compiacersi interessare gli organi militari Alleati perchè il PIERPAOLI sia ricondotto a Roma e passato a disposizione di questo Maristat-in istato di arre

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INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Prot. N. 2/2062 *Allegati*

Roma, 2I ottobre *19* 44*A*

Al FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
A.C.C. HEADQUARTERS
R O M E

ARGOMENTO: 2° Capo PIERPAOLI Stefano.=

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UFFICIO INFORMAZIONI SEZ. E — A.C.C. HEADQUARTERS
ROME

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Prot. N. 3/2862 Allegati

ARGOMENTO: 2° Capo PIERPAOLI Stefano.=

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3 - Si prega, pertanto, di compiacersi interessare gli organi militari Alleati perchè il PIERPAOLI sia ricondotto a Roma e passato a disposizione di questo Maristat-in istato di arresto-per il proseguimento delle indagini e l'eventuale sua denuncia al Tribunale di Guerra.

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/1067M

26 October 1944.

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From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To : Allied Force Headquarters.

Subject: Allied Police Powers - SARDINIA.

Enclosure: (A) Translation of Ministry of Marine ltr 815/FO dated 21 October 1944, and attached directive of Allied Garrison of SARDINIA dated April 20, 1944. (less copy of kit-master).

1. On 12 September 1944, the Director, Criminal Investigation Division, Provost Marshal General's Office forwarded a copy of AAF/MTO Case Report #559 to the Navy Sub-Commission with a request that assistance be given in securing closer cooperation between that organization and Italian units. The request was made due to the fact that during the investigation connected with Case Report #559, CID agents were refused permission to search the belongings of an Italian seaman by the Commanding Officer of the Italian Naval Command, CAGLIALI, SARDINIA, where they were located. The Commanding Officer stated that he could not allow the search to be made as a request had not been made through proper channels.

2. The Navy Sub-Commission on 23 September notified the Italian Ministry of Marine of the facts and requested that appropriate action be taken to ensure close cooperation between all Italian Naval units and investigative agencies. Enclosure (A) is a translation of the Ministry of Marine's reply. Attached to it is a RESTRICTED copy of a directive issued by the Commanding Officer, Allied Garrison of SARDINIA, dated 20 April 1944.

3. It is not considered that a useful purpose would be served by further correspondence between the Navy Sub-Commission and the Italian Ministry of Marine regarding the facts of the specific case mentioned above.

4. Enclosure (A) and the attached Allied directive are forwarded, however, as it appears undesirable that an Italian agency should have been allowed to receive possession of a classified Allied document. The Navy Sub-Commission is not able to judge the correctness of the facts in the Allied directive as it has not fully investigated the character of the relationship between the Allied and Italian Governments in SARDINIA,

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/1067M
26 October 1944.

Subject: - Allied Police Powers - SARDINIA.

which is known to be different from that in other Italian territory, and it is not aware of local arrangements which may have been made by the Commanding Officer of the Allied Garrison and Italian authorities. In any case it appears that such a directive, if communicated to the Italian Government would not result in the cooperation which the Director, Criminal Investigation Division is attempting to secure.

5. No further action is contemplated by the Navy Sub-Commission, It is suggested that the Director, Criminal Investigation Division be informed of the above as appropriate.

H. M. ZIROLI,
Commodore, U.S. Navy,
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, ACC.

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TRANSLATION

From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : A.C.C. - N.S.C.
Date: 21/10/44
Ref.: 815/FO

Subject: Seaman Giuseppe VERONESE.

Ref. your letter No. NSC/877 of 23.9.44

1). The Sardinian Allied Garrison Command in circular No. 534 of 20th April last, copy attached, gave exact instructions to all Allied Forces under it in regard to Italian property and rights.

2). The above circular was issued as a result of numerous violations of I.R.N. sovereign rights in regard to ships and precincts made by the American Military Police or by Allied servicemen.

3). The Italian Naval Command at Cagliari has never refused any request for investigations, searches, etc. However, it has always rightly claimed that such requests should be put forward by the competent Allied Authorities and that the investigations should be carried out by the appropriate subordinate Sections, thus guaranteeing the maximum rectitude.

4). In the specific case you mention in your abovecited, Lt. MARIANI did not allow the search to take place because the competent Allied Authority had not asked for it. However, at the same time, he gave the assurance that the search (or muster) would be carried out by him and a report made. Moreover, he advised that the result of the search would be communicated to the Authority who had made the request.

5). One cannot see, therefore, how Lt. MARIANI's action can have originated difficulties to the prejudice of the investigation.

6) A copy of the above report on the kit-muster is attached hereto.

CHIEF OF CABINET.

Translator's Note: Kit muster carried out on 8th Aug. '44 does not appear to show VARONESE as being in possession of 4133 other than normal kit (except an Italian R.A.F. jacket). Report is signed by Lt. MARIANI, Carabinner Brigadier ARAMU and P.O. LEDDA.

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Enclosure (A).
(Kit Report not enclosed).

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COPY:

April 20th 1944.

RESTRICTED:

ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 534 - G 3

SUBJECT: Unauthorized Acquisition of Italian Property.

TO: Commanding Officer, Allied Units in Sardinia.

1. The jurisdiction of the Italian Government over the Island of Sardinia has, in general, not been affected by the Armistice. Italian laws are in effect and Italian property rights have not been changed by the fact that the Allied Forces are using the Island as an operating base.

2. Reports continually reach my Headquarters of Allied personnel who endeavor to obtain Italian property through other than prescribed channels. In some cases this property has been taken over the protest of the Italian custodian thereof, in some by false representation and in other cases by outright theft.

3. Italian laws enforcement agencies are authorized to arrest any Allied personnel violating normal property rights and will use whatever force may be required to effect such arrest in exactly the same manner as would the civilian police of the offender's home country. Violators arrested in this manner will be brought to trial before Allied military courts in the usual manner.

4. The theft or unauthorized taking of property by American personnel and the making of false statements are not minor offenses and therefore do not in most cases come within the provisions of the 104th Article of War. Commanding officers are further advised that the fact that punishment under Article of War 104 has been improperly imposed for a serious offense will not bar trial by Courts-Martial for the same offense (Sec. 462(2) Dig.Op.JAG, 1912 - 1940).

5. Any violation of Italian property rights not resulting in the immediate arrest of the offender but which can be traced to any member of the Allied forces will be reported to this Headquarters for disciplinary action.

6. The contents hereof will be brought to the attention of all members of your command.

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ROBERT T. FRENCH
Brigadier General USA
Commanding

NAVY SUB-COMMISSION · ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA – ROMA

Prot. N.° 805/Fo Allegati

Roma, 21 OTT 1944

Al ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission

ARGOMENTO: Maresciallo Giuseppe VERCELESE.

Riferimento vostro foglio NSC/877 del 23/9/1944.

1. Il Comando della Guarnigione Alleata della Sardegna con circolare No.534 del 20 Aprile 1944, di cui si allega copia, ha dato precise disposizioni a tutte le Forze Alleate dipendenti riguardanti la proprietà ed i diritti Italiani.

2. La predetta circolare è stata emanata in seguito a numerose violazione dei diritti di sovranità della R.Marina sulle proprie unità e nei propri recinti effettuate da agenti della Polizia Militare Americana o comunque da militari Alleati.

3. Non risulta che il Comando Marina Cagliari si sia mai rifiutato di aderire a richieste di indagini, perquisizioni, ecc. Ha però sempre giustamente preteso che tali richieste fossero avanzate dalle competenti Autorità Alleate e che le indagini stesse fossero condotte dai propri competenti Organi dipendenti, garantendone la massima scrupolosità.

4. Nel caso specifico da Voi segnalato con il foglio in riferimento, il Ten.Vasc. MARIANI non ha permesso che la perquisizione fosse effettuata perchè non richiesta dalle competenti Autorità Alleate. Egli ha però dato garanzia contemporaneamente che la perquisizione sarebbe stata fatta da lui stesso e messa a verbale. Ha inoltre comunicato che l'esito della perquisizione sarebbe stato comunicato alla Autorità che ne avesse fatto regolare richiesta.

5. Non si vede pertanto come l'azione del Ten.Vasc. MARIANI abbia potuto intralciare o comunque pregiudicare il buon proseguimento delle indagini in corso.

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INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARINA - ROMA

Rif. N.° 805/Fo Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Maresciallo Giuseppe VERONESE.

Riferimento vostro foglio 850/877 del 21/8/1944.

1. Il Comando delle Guarnigione Alleata della Sardegna con circolare No.734 del 20 Aprile 1944, di cui si allega copia, ha dato precise disposizioni a tutte le Forze Alleate dipendenti riguardanti la proprietà ed i diritti Italiani.

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6. Si allega una copia del sopraccennato verbale di perquisizione.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
G. di V. BASILI

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C O P I A

PROCESSO VERBALE di perquisizione dello zaino e cassetta appartenente al Marinaio VERONESE Giuseppe matr.144415 cl.1923 di Pompeo e fu Bortrelli Angela, nato a Brenzone (Verona) l'11 Gennaio 1923, appartenente al Distaccamento R.Marina di Cagliari.

L'anno millenovecentoquarantaquattro addì otto agosto in Cagliari - nella Base Navale alle ore 19.45.
Noi sottoscritti MARIANI Ilio, Tenente di Vascello, Comandante in 2° del Distaccamento R.Marina assistito dal Brigadiere dei CC.RR. ARAMU Giovanni addetto al distaccamento di polizia militare Marina Cagliari, e dal Secondo Capo Cannoniere A. NEDDA Lorenzo, facente funzioni di Aiutante di Piazza al suddetto Comando, dichiariamo che oggi alle ore 19.15 in seguito ad ordine verbale del Comando di Marina Cagliari - Capitano di Fregata Luigi BORGHI - abbiamo perquisito il bagaglio del nominato VERONESE Giuseppe, matr.144415, classe 1923, riscontrando quanto segue :

1°. Sacco vestiario contenente :
No. 1 Pantalone di panno
" 2 Corpetti bianchi
" 2 Farsetti di maglia
" 2 Camisacci bianchi
" 2 Asciugamani
" 1 Camiaccio di panno turchino
" 1 Paretto azzurro
" 1 Mutandina
" 1 Pantalone di panno turchino
" 2 Fodrine bianche
" 1 Paio di calze
" 1 Solino
" 2 Cancttiere
" 1 Caloscia di gomma
" 2 Lacci americani per scarpe
" 1 Giacca della R.Aeronautica
" 1 Cappotto di tela cerata
" 1 Maschera antigas
" 1 Camicia borghese
" 1 Borsa
" 1 Bottiglia vuota

2°. Cassetta di legno contenente :
No.150 grammi di tabacco italiano
" 2 Pacchetti di lame per barba
" 2 Saponette usate
" 1 Pezzo di sapone usato
" 1 Cestino di vimini.

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1°. Sacco vestiario contenente :
No. 1 Pantalone di panno
" 2 Colletti bianchi
" 2 Maglietti di maglia
" 2 Camiciacci bianchi
" 2 Asciugamani
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Perchè consti abbiamo compilato il presente verbale in triplice copia per gli atti di ufficio e per la conoscenza alle Autorità interessate.....
Fatto, letto, chiuso e sottoscritto in data e ora di cui sopra.

Il Brigadiere dei CC.RR. F°) Giovanni Aranu
Il 2°Capo Aiutante F°) Lorenzo Iedda
Il Tenente di Vascello-C.te 2^-F°)Ilio Mariani.

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C o p y

R E S T R I C T E D

ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 534 - G 3

April 20th, 1944

SUBJECT : Unauthorized Acquisition of Italian Property.

TO : Commanding Officers, Allied Units in Sardinia.

1. The jurisdiction of the Italian government over the Island of Sardinia has, in general, not been affected by the Armistice. Italian laws are in effect and Italian property rights have not been changed by the fact that the Allied Forces are using the Island as an operating base.

2. Reports continually reach my Headquarters of Allied personnel who endeavor to obtain Italian property through other than prescribed channels. In some cases this property has been taken over the protest of the Italian custodian thereof, in some by false representation and in other cases by outright theft.

3. Italian laws enforcement agencies are authorized to arrest any Allied personnel violating normal property rights and will use whatever force may be required to effect such arrest in exactly the same manner as would the civilian police of the offender's home country. Violators arrested in this manner will be brought to trial before Allied military courts in the usual manner.

4. The theft or unauthorized taking of property by American personnel and the making of false statements are not minor offenses and therefore do not in most cases come within the provisions of the 104th Article of War. Commanding officers are further advised that the fact that punishment under Article of War 104 has been improperly imposed for a serious offense will not bar trial by Courts-Martial for the same offense (Sec.462(2) Dig.Op.JAG, 1912 - 1940).

5. Any violation of Italian property rights not resulting in the immediate arrest of the offender but which can be [illegible] to any member of the Allied forces will be reported to this Headquarters for disciplinary action. 4129

6. Te contents hereof will be brought to the attention of all members of your command.

ROBERT M.WEBSTER
[illegible] General USA.

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TO : Commanding Officers, Allied [illegible]

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ROBERT M. WEBSTER
Brigadier General USA.
Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/10265

20 October 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, ACC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Security Arrests.

1. A report has been received from the Regional Public Safety Office, LAZIO & UMBRIA REGION, that 353 persons have been arrested on security grounds by the Ufficio Militare at the Questura, an organization dependent upon the Italian Ministries of War, Marine and Air. The persons detained are held in the Regina Coeli Prison and are entirely at the disposition of the Italian Authorities and although assistance has been granted by Allied Military Government Authorities, the arrests have been effected by Italian personnel on the instructions of the Ministries concerned.

2. It is desired to expedite the disposition of the persons held in every manner possible. It is therefore requested that information be furnished indicating whether any persons are known to be detained upon orders emanating from the Ministry of Marine, the names of persons held, the grounds of the arrests and the anticipated date of trial. If any persons are held against whom no charges are forth coming, it is recommended that steps be taken to effect their release.

R. W. ZIROLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, ACC.

Copy to:
Chief, Civil Affairs Sec, Hq, ACC.
Air Force, Sub-Comm, Hq, ACC.
Army Sub-Commission, Hq, ACC.

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FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
HEADQUARTERS, ROME

28 September 1944.

No. L 36/2

MINISTRY OF MARINE, ROME.

DESERTERS

A copy of Navy Sub-Commission, ACC, letter serial 223 of 19 May 1944 to Commanding General, Headquarters, No. II District, C.M.F. which requested that an inquiry be made to determine the whereabouts of the Italian Naval personnel referred to in your letter No. 668/20 of 27 September 1944 is forwarded herewith for information.

2. A reply was received from Headquarters, No. II District on 8 June 1944, stating that the deserters could not be located. As stated in FOLI letter No. T.A. 940/5 of 24 June 1944, no action can be taken on requests for the release of deserters unless they are known to be directly under Anglo-American control.

REAR ADMIRAL

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Serial (223)

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy.

19 May 1944.

Commanding General
Headquarters No. 2 District, GAF.
Bari, Italy.

Subject: Italian Naval Deserters.

1. The Italian Commander in Chief, Military Maritime Department, Ionian and Lower Adriatic, advises that early in April, 1944, the following named Italian Servicemen deserted from the Base Command of Gallipoli and sought refuge in the Slav Refugee Camp at Lecce, the men were transferred to Monopoli for passage to another destination.

COGLIANI, Guido, Electrician, Official Number 4669, 1920, 1920 Class, of Trieste.
MINUSSI, Filadolfio, Motor Mechanic, Official Number 4754, 1920 Class, of Trieste.
MARAS Angelo, Quarter Master 2nd Class, Official Number 41083 of Pola.

2. Previously, on 15 February 1944, the Italian Minister of Marine reported that the IIIM Ratings listed below deserted from the "N. Bafile" Battalion of the IIIN when that Battalion was transferred from Gallipoli to Nordo and took refuge at the Slav Refugee Camp at Lecce:

BUTKOVICH, Luigi
CERNICH, Limeran
DEVATAK, Luigi
KUTAR, Marcello.

3. It is requested that inquiry be made to determine the present whereabouts and status of the men listed above. If they are under Allied control, the men should be held for delivery to Italian Naval authorities.

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H. N. ZIROLI,
Commodore, U.S. Navy,
for Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, ACC.

Copy to:
R.C. District No. II ACC
Displaced Persons, Sub-Com ACC.
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From : MINISTRY of MARINE (Cabinet)
To : P.O.L.I. - Rome
Date : 27.9.44
Ref. : 668/FO

Subject: Deserters.-

1) In letter Nº 135/FO of 15th February last, copy attached hereto, F.O.L.I. Taranto was requested to hand over to the Italian Authorities the four deser= ters who had taken refuge in a Yugoslav encampment.

2) A reply to the above was later asked for in letters Nos 253/FO and 434/FO of 16th April and 31st July, respectively.

3) We shall be glad to have a reply on this matter.

CHIEF OF CABINET

DG/P

F.O. OFFICE [illegible]
Date 30 Sept.
No. 31

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Roma 27 SET. 1944

Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

Al F.O.L.I. - ROMA

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N. 668/Fo Allegati 1

ARGOMENTO: Disertori.

1. Con foglio 135/FO in data 15 Febbraio 1944, di cui si allega copia, é stata chiesta al F.O.L.I. Taranto la consegna alle Autorità Italiane di quattro disertori rifugiatisi in un accampamento jugoslavo.

2. E' stato chiesto riscontro a tale lettera con il foglio 258/FO in data 16 Aprile e con il foglio 484/FO in data 31 Luglio.

3. Sarebbe gradita, adesso, una risposta in merito.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. E.BASILINI

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C O P I A

MINISTERO MARINA
- Gabinetto -

XXX, 15 Febbraio 1944
Prot.135/FC

AL F.O.L.I. - TARANTO

Argomento : D i s e r t o r i

1. I seguenti militari della R.Marina :

1) - BUTKOWICH Luigi
2) - CERNICH Limeran
3) - DEVETAK Luigi
4) - RUTAR Marcello

appartenenti al Battaglione R.Marina "A.Bafile" hanno disertato quanto il detto battaglione si é spostato da Gallipoli a Nardò.

2. Essi si trovano attualmente presso l'accampamento dei rifugiati slavi in S.Maria del Bagno - Nardò, provincia di Lecce.

3. Pregasi interessare le Autorità competenti affinché i militari in argomento vengano restituiti alle Autorità italiane per l'espletamento dell'azione penale a loro carico.

F°) IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/877

23 September 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To : Ministry of Marine - Rome.

Subject: Cooperation in Prevention of Illegal Acts.

1. On August 8, Allied military investigating personnel were refused permission to search the possessions of an Italian sailor, VERONESE, Guiseppe, which were on the property of the Italian Naval Comman, Cagliari. The Commanding Officer of the Italian Navy Headquarters, Lieutenant ILIO MAFIANI, refused to allow the search to be made though he stated that he would do so if requested through proper channels. VERONESE was under arrest at the time his commanding officer's cooperation was solicited as he was known to have had illegal possession of U.S. Government property. There was a strong possibility that VERONESE had additional U.S. Government property in his belongings.

2. The action of the commanding officer of the Italian Naval Command at Cagliari greatly impeded the progress of the investigation that was then in progress. In such an instance, the routing of a request for search through channels would thereby defeat the purpose of the request. This incident is brought to the attention of the Ministry of Marine so that appropriate action may be taken to ensure close cooperation between all Italian Naval units and investigating agencies.

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H. V. [illegible]
Commodore, U.S. Navy
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, ACC.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

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22 September 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To : Director, Criminal Investigation Division,
Headquarters, SCS.

Subject: Cooperation between Italian Naval Units and CID.

Reference: (a) AAF/MTO illegal possession, serial 3410
incl. AAF/MTO Case report #559.

1. In regard to reference (a) a brief synopsis of the facts in AAF/MTO Case Report #559 have been communicated to the Italian Minister of Marine with a request that action be taken to encourage closer cooperation between your organization and Italian Naval units in this theatre.

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

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File : AAF/M Illegal Possession

Papers attached: (AAF/MTO #559)

(Number each memo consecutively and draw a line across page below it)

NO.	FROM	TO	REMARKS	SURNAME & DATE
1	FMGO (CID)	NAVY Sub-Commission, A.C.C. PBS	1. your attention is directed to that part of the inclosed report of investigation which pertains to the refusal of the C.O. of the Italian Organization mentioned to allow a CID Agent to search the belongings of an Italian sailor under his command, suspected of having illegal possession of American cigarettes. 2. Such refusal on the part of the Italian C.O. greatly impeded the CID investigation, and recurrences of comparable situations will be deterring factors that will seriously interfere with the proper execution of the work of the CID. 3. As you can readily understand, the routing of a request for a search thru channels in such instances would thereby defeat the purpose of such a request. 4. Any action you may take in alleviating the situation and in encouraging a closer cooperation between this organization and Italian units in this theater will be greatly appreciated and will facilitate the conduct of our investigations considerably. For the Provost Marshal General: Incl: AAF/MTO Case Report #559	Kempster KEMPSTER Lt. Col. CMP Dir. CID 12 Sept 44
2	Navy Sub Com	LEGAL ✓ Sub Com	1. Request that the Navy Sub-Commission be supplied data for use as a basis of representation to the Italian Minister of Marine regarding authority of Allied Military personnel to visit and search Italian Military property. Reply furnished by Legal Sub-Commission verbally.	H.W. Enoch H.W. ENOCH, Commodore, U.S. Navy. For Chief of Naval Operations 4121 H. St. John Butler H. ST. JOHN BUTLER U.S. Navy, Navy Subcomm.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

6709th CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION PLATOON (PROV)

This case originated at: Cagliari, Sardinia		File No. CID, AAF/MTO #559
Report made at: Cagliari	Date when made: 11-8-44	Period for which made: 8 to 11 Aug 1944
Title: U.S. Merchant Marine, Jr. 3rd Engineer, ALEX BOGDAN, Italians: BIGLIOLI CARLO, RIVANO MARIA & VERONESE GIUSEPPE.		Character of case: ILLEGAL POSSESSION & ATTEMPTED SALE OF U.S. GOV'T P.X. RATIONS.

Synopsis of facts:
On 8 August 1944, this office was informed by a confidential source that at a certain house 38 Porcile street, Italians were buying and selling American goods. Result of raid conducted, was the arrest of the Italian soldier, BIGLIOLI CARLO 6th Co., 21st Infantry Regiment, APO 64, Mrs. RIVANO MARIA, 38 Porcile street, and the Italian sailor VERONESE GIUSEPPE, of Hqs. Italian Royal Navy. On 9 August 1944, from voluntary information furnished by seaman 1st Class BIANCHINI ALDO, of Hqs. Italian Royal Navy, ALEX BOGDAN, Jr. 3rd Engineer of the U.S. Merchant Marine, was arrested by the MP's as per arrangements made by the undersigned, at 38 Porcile St. while in the act of selling 20 packages of American cigarettes at 70 lire per package. The Italians have been denounced and are awaiting trial by the Italian tribunals. All facts & evidence against BOGDAN were turned over to his CO for action.

Report made by: S. DEMOS	Do not write here: File Grade
Approved and forwarded: L.S. Auby Chief Agent CID, AGS	Distribution of report: 1- U.S. Navy, Cagliari 2- C.G. AGS 1 - PMGO NATOUSA 1 - CID, AAF/MTO 1 - file
A true copy of this report: Eugene Smith EUGENE SMITH CAPTAIN, CMP	

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CID, AAF/MTO
CASE #559 (Cont'd)

AT CAGLIARI

INVESTIGATION

1. On 8 August 1944, it was reported to the undersigned by a confidential source that at a certain house on 38 Via Forcile, a sale of American cigarettes was to take place. Said house was searched at 1730 hours and fifteen (15) cartons of various brands of American Cigarettes were confiscated. The Italians mentioned in the title and Synopsis of this report were arrested.

2. On 9 August 1944, the Italian soldier BIGLIOLI was interrogated and stated that:

a. With VERONESE bought 70 packages of cigarettes from an American sailor at 60 lire per package.

b. VERONESE was to sell his to a civilian who came to the house and asked RIVANO if she had any cigarettes to sell.

c. The American police searched the house and confiscated said cigarettes. (See Incl #1).

3. On 9 August 1944, RIVANO was interrogated by the undersigned and stated that:

a. She bought American cigarettes from an American Officer, at 65 lire, also 70 lire per package.

b. On 8 August 1944, she made arrangements to sell the cigarettes at 77 lire per package, and accepted 1000 lire from the civilians, as down payment.

c. BIGLIOLI & VERONESE, had made arrangements to sell their part of cigarettes to the civilians also. (see Incl #2)

4. On 8 August 1944, the undersigned with the Vice-Brigadier La Brocca, and S/Sgt. Paul F. Kefter, ASN 32372982, of 981st MP Co., accompanied VERONESE to his Hqs. of R. Marina. There the CO ILIO MARIANI was requested to assist in the search of VERONESE's belongings, as there was a strong possibility VERONESE was in possession of more U.S. Govt property. MARIANI stated he could not allow any Americans be present, but he would ask his CO BORGHI LUIGI. After 45 minutes, he returned and stated that his CO BORGHI LUIGI, refused to grant permission, and that the proper investigating authorities should submit a report of the case, plus a formal request for search of VERONESE's belongings, and even then; the American authorities would not be allowed to be present, but the search and investigation would be conducted by the Italian authorities alone. The undersigned protested and requested a written statement from the CO of the R. Marina, to that effect. (See Incl #4) further stating that due to the nature of the case, immediate search could

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have produced the expected results, while delay would have given ample time to any of VERONESE's friends and possibly accomplices to hide additional incriminating evidence. VERONESE was then held by BORCHI LUIGI, Capitano Di Vascello, who stated that necessary steps would be taken against him, provided a request was made through channels by the American authorities.

5. On 10 August 1944, the Vic-Brigadier La Brocca per instructions of this office, again requested a statement from VERONESE be taken, and this time he was told to return at about 1630 hours to see the Commander on the subject; who was out at that time. At 1630 hours La Brocca, was again told to return on the morning, 11 August 1944. The undersigned realizing the unwillingness from the part of the Italian authorities to cooperate on the matter, and due to the delay, a statement from VERONESE would not be of any value. The fact that VERONESE is guilty of possession and attempted sale of U.S. Gov't property is established beyond doubt, and will be denounced accordingly.

6. On 9 August 1944, the 1st class R.M. BIANCHINI ALDO, of the Italian Naval Hqs., volunteered the information that he had bought American cigarettes from a Merchant Marine American Officer, whom he could identify. Then BIANCHINI was instructed by the undersigned, and agreed to look for the said American Officer from whom he had bought the cigarettes, and report to this office or the MP. station, which is nearer to his home. At approximately 1300 hours, BIANCHINI reported to the MP Station that the American Officer in question was in his room with 20 packages of cigarettes to sell. Cpls. Emilio Simoni ASN 13057784, and Don R. Sellers ASN 35409771, of 981st MP Co. were sent to witness the sale, and arrested Alex BOGDAN, Jr. 3rd Engineer of S/S Felipe de Neve, who admitted that he sold the 20 packages of cigarettes to BIANCHINI at 70 lire per package. Lt. Tippit of 981st MP Co., then called the undersigned and all necessary papers and evidence against BOGDAN were turned over to the CO of S/S Felipe de Neve, for the necessary action. (See Incl #3).

s/ Simon D. Demos
SIMON D. DEMOS
Agent CID

Incl.
#1 Statement of BIGLICLI CARLO
#2 " RIVANO MARIA
#3 " BIANCHINI ALDO
#4 " ILIC MARIANI

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CONFIDENTIAL

CID, AAF/MTO
CASE 559 (con'td)

C O N C L U S I O N S

1. Investigation revealed the following facts:

a. That the Italian soldier BIGLIOLI CARLO of 6th Company 21st Infantry Regiment, APO 64, living in Cagliari 38 Via Porcile, was in possession of U.S. Govt property illegally, and attempted to sell said property.

b. That RIVANO MARIA of 38 Porcile Street, Cagliari, was in possession of U.S. Govt property illegally and attempted to sell same.

c. That VERONESE GIUSEPPE of the Italian Hq.s R. Marina was in possession of U.S. Govt property illegally and attempted to sell same.

d. That LAEX BOGDAN, Jr. 3rd Engineer of the U.S. Merchant Marine, S/S Felipe de Neve, did sell to BIANCHINI on 9 August 1944, Cigarettes at 70 lire per package, which is a violation of the Articles of War.

s/ Simon D. Demos
SIMON D. DEMOS
AGENT CID

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#1

STATEMENT

Cagliari, 9 August 1944

I the undersigned Biglioli Carlo son of the late Giovanni and of the late Ferrari Angela, born at Borghetto Varo, on the 9/9/1912 living in Cagliari at 38 Via Porcile, and belonging to the 6th Company of the 21st Infantry Regiment, APO 64, declare the following:

Yesterday afternoon around 1500 hours, together with a sailor named Veronese, we bought from an American sailor 70 packs of cigarettes of which 30 myself and 40 the sailor, paying them at 60 lires a pack. We took the cigarettes to the hou e of the lady where we live. I bought the cigarettes to smoke them but the sailor was supposed to sell his to a civilian who had come a while before to the lady of the house asking her if she had any cigarettes to sell.

In the meantime while I was eating home with the sailor the American Police came and searched the house. They found the cigarettes and confiscated them. I do not know who sold the cigarettes to the lady of the house or if she was previously had any cigarettes traffic.

I have nothing else to add and in faith of the above I undersign:

Signed: BIGLIOLI CARLO

Translated from Italian into English by the undersigned:

s/ Alexander Kabbaz

ALEXANDER KABBAZ, 12126072
T/4 Interpreter, AGS.

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#2

STATEMENT

Cagliari, 9 August 1944

I the undersigned RIVANC Maria daughter of the late Salvatore and of the late Bocconi Rosa, born at Carloforte on the 11/3/1897, housewife, living in Cagliari at 38 Porcile St., declare the following:

About 4 days ago my son met an American Naval Officer who offered to sell him cigarettes, and not having any money he took home the officer from whom I bought 30 packs of cigarettes at 65 lires a pack for the total sum of 1950 lires. In the afternoon of the same day the same officer came back and brought 35 packs of cigarettes that I bought at 70 lires a pack because he did not want to give them at less. He came back a third time with a bag full of cigarettes which he totaled to 55, which I also bought at 70 lires. After that time he did not come to my house any more to sell me cigarettes.

Yesterday afternoon I saw two persons come down from the floor above and asked if I had any cigarettes to sell. I said that I did but that they were at 77 lires a pack. They discussed a while and said that they would buy them at 75 lires a pack and they left me 1000.00 lires in account saying that would come back later to get them and pay the rest.

I did not see the young man any more nor do I know his name.

Yesterday around 1730 hours the American police came to my house and confiscated the cigarettes and some cans of salmon which belonged to an Italian Officer who kept them from his rations. After having confiscated everything they took me to the American Police Headquarters where I was interrogated.

In my house were found also a sailor and a soldier on furlough who also had cigarettes to sell to the person who gave me the 1000 lires.

This is the first time that I sell cigarettes and buy them. The cigarettes belonged to Navy petty officer who lives in my house and that I wanted to save saying that they were mine. The cigarettes were bought by me but for the count of the same petty officer. His name is Bianchini Aldo.

I have nothing to add and in faith of the above I undersign:

signed: RIVANC MARIA

Translated by the undersigned from Italian into English:

s/ Alexan er Kabbaz
ALEXANDER KABBAZ, 12126072
T/4 Interpreter, AGS

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#3

STATEMENT

Cagliari, 10 August 44

I the undersigned seaman 1st class R.M. Bianchini Aldo son of the late Angelo and of Prudrenzi Eulalia, born at Civitavecchia on the 26/2/1910, belonging to the Navy headquarters of Cagliari, declare the following:

Yesterday around 1230 to 1300 hours came to my house while I was eating the same navy officer that had come before came to sell cigarettes, but this time he was dressed in civilian clothes. He offered me 20 packs of cigarettes of various brands for the price of 70 lires a pack, the whole amounting to 1400 lires. I tried to get him to stay a while and I gave for an excuse that I did not have any occupation money since he preferred it, and that I would go out to get some. Also since I could not understand his tongue I made him write down the price of the cigarettes on a piece of paper.

I went out and called up from the Royal Capitaneria the CID office since we remained agreed the same morning that I would do so. An agent answered me in English and I did not understand, so in order not to loose the opportunity I went to the Military Police in Via Roma and told them the fact.

T"o agents were sent then with me to proceed to the arrest of the navy officer.

The agents gave me 2000.00 lires in occupation money that the had marked beforehand so that they would be able to recognize them.

Then we went back to my house and I left the door opened so that they could hear what was going on.

In the room I paid the officer for the cigarettes by giving him 2000.00 lires and he gave me back 580 lires in change, the cost being 70 lires a pack. The remaining 20 lires he would have given to me later in the afternoon when he would come back with more cigarettes.

All that happened between me and the officer from the time I entered the room to the time he was apprehended was seen and heard by the Agents who made the arrest.

After the officer was arrested I was taken to the Police Headquarters where I waited for a while and then was told I could leave and to come back the next morning at 900 hours.

I have nothing else to add and in faith of the above I undersign:

signed: BIANCHINI ALDO

Translated from Italian into English by the undersigned:

s/ Alexander Kabbaz
ALEXANDER KABBAZ, 12126072
T/4 Interpreter, AGS

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At the request of the Agents of the Criminal Investigation Division, AFO 650, who wanted to search the bags of a serviceman within the military area, I did not allow the search to be made because not requested through the proper channels, as directed.

However at the same time I have given the Agent the assurance that a search would be made by this headquarters and a report made. This report will be forwarded to the Headquarters that will make the proper request for it.

Cagliari, 8 August 1944.

The Lieutenant Commanding
ILIO MARIANI
s/ Mariani

Translated from Italian into English by the undersigned:

s/ Alexander Kabbaz, T/4
Interpreter, AGS

IRN Hq. Cagliari

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/862

22 September 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To : Army Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.

Subject: Francesco GANGANO, born 5/5/97 in S. Flaira, PALERMO, son of Paolo and Gandolfo Caterina. Rome address: Via dei Calori 1, Rome.

Reference: (a) Your 1/103 of 31 May 1944 to Hq. AAI.
(b) Copy Supreme Command, Palermo, file No. 862 of May 12, 1944.

1. Further to our letter of 28 August 1944, NSC/758, we attach translation of letter dated 16 September 1944 from Ministry of Marine.

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

Copy to:
Hq. AAI.
Security Br. Hq.ACC.

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COPY OF TRANSLATION

From: Ministry of Marine (Cabinet)
To : Navy Sub Commission
Date: 16.9.44
Ref : 571/FO

Subject: Major (Army Eng.) Francesco GARGANO demobilesed.

In answer to your No. SC. 768 of 28th ulto and further to our letters Nos. 519/FO and 494/FO of 21st and 7th August, respectively:
From an examination of the above ex-Majors' dossier, the following fundamental points appear:

1. (a) Active (Permanent) Service Colonel of M.V.S.N., Milmart Section, he virtually ceased to belong to this Corps of 8.12.43 date it was disbanded in accordance with Law No. 16/B of 6.12.43, published on the Official Gazette on 8.12.43:

From 17th. November GARGANO had been appointed to Marinarmi for the recovery of I.R.N. materials, and when Milmart was disbanded he was charged too with supervising the ex Milmart Offices and Cooperating with the new Royal Corps of Maritime Defense Gunners, which was to absorb ex-Milmart Personnel, as provided for by Law.

(b) On 28th June last, this Ministry (Personnel Dept.) in its gradual application of the above Law 16/B, arranged for GARGANO, to return to the R. Ital. Army as from 1st July with the rank of Major, the actual return dating from 15th July as GARGANO was in Rome on duty and later convalescing.

(c) On 3rd August, in letter No. 1923 the War Ministry demobilised GARGANO as he had engaged in active politics during the Fascist Regime.

In view of the above, The Ministry, as already pointed out, does not wish to interest itself in the Officer in Question save of course in regard to his activities while attached to I.R.N.

In this respect, it must be said that GARGANO, very satisfactorily carried out his duties with Marinarmi in that he allowed I.R.N. to salvage much material from the disbanded Milmart organization.

In regard, however, to his Fascist past, it is mentioned that the Vice Chief of Allied Police in Rome has informed that GARGANO, knowing himself guilty of many acts against non-sympathisers with the ex-Fascist Party, will probably be in possession of false papers to escape and elude capture.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/819

10 September 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, ACC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject : Sergeant Radio-Telegraphist Vincenzo PISTORIO.

Reference: Navy Commissioner Rome Prot. No. B/1355 of 24 July 1944.

1. Reply has been received that it has not been possible for Army authorities to locate subject on the basis of information given in reference.

2. Additional data is requested to assist Army units in this search. Information such as family names, possible aliases, complete physical description, personal characteristics and more recent whereabouts, if known would be helpful.

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

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AG 220.45 (BPNLO)(25 July 1944)2nd Ind. JWL/awf
HEADQUARTERS, PENINSULAR BASE SECTION, APO 782, U.S. Army,
1 September 1944.

TO: Hq Allied Armies in Italy (U.S. Contingent)(Ovhd),
APO 777, U.S. Army.

1. All units in this area have been checked for the presence of the Italian sailor referred to in basic communication, but without success.

2. In view of the possibility that this man is present under an alias, it is suggested that a complete description of the man be furnished and the search will be continued.

For the Commanding Officer:

E. B. Murphy

E. B. MURPHY,
C.W.S., U.S.A.,
Asst Adj Gen.

SEP - 5 1944

AG 220.45 3d Ind. WLS/rch
HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY (U. S. Contingent)(Ovhd), APO 777,
U. S. Army. SEP - 5 1944

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, ACC, APO 394,
U. S. Army.

W. L. S.

220.45
(25 Jul 44) 4th Ind. NWD/jtg
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, (OVERHEAD), APO 394, U.S. Army, 7 September 1944.

TO : Commodore, Hq Allied Control Commission, Navy Sub-Commission, APO 394, U.S. Army.

For the Commanding Officer:

N. W. DRAGNEFF
Major, AGD
Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

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25 July 1944.

TO : Headquarters, A.A.I. Military Police.

SUBJECT : Sergeant Radio-Telegraphist Vincenzo PISTORIO.

1. I am informed that Sergeant Radio-Telegraphist Vincenzo PISTORIO, submitted to a conditional liberty on account of his belonging to the Fascist Republican Navy, has left Rome without permission and he seems to be now in service with the American Army, under American Army uniform, in the town of Grosseto.

2. It is requested that appropriate action be taken without delay to apprehend PISTORIO and determine the nature of his activities.

COMMODORE

Rec'd
AUG - 3 1944
0900 hrs.

Copy to:
Cmndr O'Callaghan.

AG 220.45 1st Ind. FWR/wk
HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY (U.S. Contingent)(Ovhd), APO 777, U. S. Army,
13 August 1944.

TO: Commanding General, Peninsular Base Section, APO 782, U. S. Army.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/813

8 September 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To. : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Capo Nocchiere COCCHINI - Tullio, Attendance of as Witness.

Information is requested as to the action taken in connection with the subject petty officer referred to in Navy Sub-Commission, ACC letter NSC/783 of 30 August 1944.

H. W. ZIROLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
forChief, Navy Sub-Commission, ACC.

Copy to:
Legal Subcomm, ACC.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/783

30 August 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Capo Nocchiere COCCHINI - Tullio. Attendance of as witness.

1. The presence of the subject petty officer as a witness in the MARTINI case, to be tried in Sardinia, is urgently required. This petty officer has repeatedly been informed officially to report to the Headquarters, Region VI. The trial has already been delayed nearly nine months, pending the assembly of evidence and availability of witnesses.

2. It is understood that Capo COCCHINI was at Taranto on or about 1 August 1944. It is requested that Capo COCCHINI be directed by despatch to proceed immediately to Sardinia and report to the Regional Commissioner, Region VI, through Italian Naval authorities for attendance as a witness in the trial of the MARTINI case. An endeavor will be made to obtain authorization for air travel, if necessary, in order to expedite the attendance of Capo COCCHINI.

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

Copy to:
Legal SC.

(Capt Joseph W. Levy,
U.S. Army)

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/768

28 August 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, hq, ACC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Francesco GARGANO, Major (Naval Construction).

Reference: Your No. 494. F.O. to FOLI of 7 August.

1. In order to complete report on subject, kindly send us two copies of investigation referred to in paragraph (h) of reference as soon as possible.

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

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/758

28 August 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, ACC.
To : Army Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.

Subject: Francesco GARGANO, born 5/5/97 in S. Flavia, Palermo, son of Paolo and Gandolfo Caterina. Rome Address: Via dei Calori, I. Rome.

Reference: (a) Your 1/103 of 31 May 1944 to Hq AAI.
(b) Copy Supreme Command, Palermo File No. 862 of 12 May 1944.

1. Following receipt of references and data from other sources considerable correspondence has been entered into with the Ministry of Marine on subject.

2. To date little information beyond that given in reference (b) has been received about subject's past activities. The Ministry of Marine informed us on 6 July 1944, that defascistisation proceedings were initiated against Gargano and that he was sent to the Army Reorganization Centre at Lecce on 1 July. However he was seen in Rome later in July. Further check with Ministry of Marine brought reply on 7 August that due to a postal misdirection, Gargano delayed presenting himself to the Ministry of War until 15 July when he was discharged and presumably reverted to his earlier status of retired Major in the Army.

3. We are awaiting further report from Ministry of Marine on Gargano's activities but are writing your Sub-Commission since Gargano has apparently been able to continue his activities and movements with facility until 15 July and is now under your jurisdiction. We will apprise you of any new data we receive and will be glad to place our files on subject at your disposal.

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

Copy to:
Hq, AAI
Security Br. Hq. A.C.C.

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From: Ministry of Marine.
Date: 7th August, 1944.
To: F.O.L.I.
No.: 494/F.O.

Subject: FRANCESCO GARGANO, Major (Naval Construction).

In reply to your 1027/161 of the 28th July, you are informed that:-

a). Major (N.C.) Francesco GARGANO (Reservist) who was in the past transferred to the "Naval Artillery Militia" with the rank of Consul, was later appointed to arrange for the constitution of the new "Royal Corps of Naval Artillery".

Subsequently, through a postal misdirection he was still at Rome as Consul and with the honorary appointment of the Royal Corps of Naval Artillery on the 1st July when he was due to return to the Army. Major GARGANO delayed his presentation to the Ministry of War until 15th July on which date he was discharged by a communication made directly to him.

b). The Staff Office of the Italian Royal Navy (Intelligence Division) has been entrusted with the task of investigating, also for its own account, all the details concerning the past activities of this Officer so as to be able to supply the required information to the Ministry of War (Cabinet) which deals with the practice of defascistisation.

Signed F. BASLINI,

Chief of Cabinet.

B.A.H./-

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/697

7 August 1944.

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission, HQ, ACC.

SUBJECT : Franz CECCACCI, Arrest of.

1. A copy of Hq, 2 District, CMF "Secret" letter 2146 GSI of 4 August 1944 is forwarded herewith for necessary action.

2. It is requested, an endeavor be made to apprehend the subject Italian officer without delay and that the Naval Sub-Commission, A.C.C. be kept advised.

3. The Flag Officer, Taranto, Adriatic and Liaison Italy has been informed.

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SUBJECT: Franz CECCACCI

HQ 2 District CMF
2146 GSI

4 Aug 44

Navy Sub Commission ACC

Copy to: CC 4.1c FSS
FSSO TARANTO

HEAD QUARTERS
A. C. C.

1 It is requested that a/m Italian officer be arrested and handed over to CC 4.1c FSS.

2 His brother is a known enemy agent who made a journey to TARANTO and returned to ECT. Franz has already been interrogated on the subject but proved uncommunicative.

3 Later information reaching this office makes his arrest necessary.

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L. Kunard Capt
for Major General
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Naval Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/649

1 August 1944

MEMORANDUM:

SECOND ENDORSEMENT on
FOTALI ltr No. T.A. 1105/8
of 10 July 1944.

TO: R. C. and M. G. Section, ACC.

SUBJECT: Italian Naval Deserters.

1. Forwarded for comments and return of papers.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/656

1 August 1944.

MEMORANDUM :

TO : Lieutenant R.S. CRAIG.

SUBJECT : Captain GIULIO SALOM, I.R.N.

1. A signed copy of Legal Sub-Commission "CONFIDENTIAL" letter ACC/4083/1/L of 31 July 1944 is forwarded herewith together with two (2) copies AMG Form #4 which require the subject officer to answer charges at the AMG court ORVIETO at 10 AM on 3 August 1944 together with a signed statement by Captain GIULIO SALOM.

2. Please proceed to ORVIETO with Captain GIULIO SALOM in time to be present by 1000 AM 3 August 1944 and present the signed copy of letter 31 July 1944 to the court. This letter is not to be shown to any Italian official. Please explain to the court that you were directed to accompany Captain GIULIO SALOM and present a copy of the letter in order to obviate the possibility that the original is not received and acted upon by the Regional Legal Officer, Region IV prior to the commencement of the trial.

C O M M O D O R E

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2 Augusta - Co, 7 Reg IV Legal Officer and trial judge, 7 A M G Regional Court had already conferred with Col Campbell, Legal S/C Allied Force Hdqrs and 4 Col Campbell's letter - gave the to him after court opened to re Col Capt Salom if the case would be postponed for further investigation 1099 incl.

Cable also pertained

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Advocat - Luigi de Pompeis
Lungotevere Mellini 24
tel 30359

Maresciallo Capo Comandante
(Det Dist Pol) Dott. Nat. Mario
Folle Raffaele

Carabinieri Lauriati (retired) + 3 sailors

Mr. Nicola - fruit and vegetables
Tedesco - vegetables

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Legal Sub-Commission
APO 394

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ACC/4083/1/L

31 July 44

Subject: Case of FAILLI Raffaele-Marescial.o. and GIULIO Salom.

To : Regional Legal Officer Region IV.

1. Capt GIULIO SALOM accompanied by Maresciallo dei Carabinieri Reali FAILLI left Rome for ORVIETO on 27th July, with the duty of looking into the question of recovering Italian military vehicles.

In doing so he was acting on orders of his Admiral, in concert with Naval Sub-Commission, HQ ACC.

2. In the course of his journey theyhad a "discussion" w th an American Lieutenant PAOLINO Virgile and a subsequent interview tih Major BAKER of ORVIETO.

3. As a result, they were served with a charge sheet and ordered to appear before an Allied Military Court at ORVIETO on 3rd August.

4. The charge sheets are obviously bad for want of particulars in that the charge reads as follows:-

"First charge: Proc I; Art IV, Sec 11; Art V, Sec 31, 39,42, 45."

There are no particulars: the accused do not know what property of the Allied Forces they are supposed to have destroyed, damaged...stolen...or been wrongfully in possession of: what words hostile or disrespectful to whom they are alleged to have uttered: what false statement they are alleged to have made to whom: what order they are alleged to have disobeyed: what act tothe prejudice of good order....or of the safety or security of the Allied Forces they are supposed to have committed. It is obvious that the proceedings cannot be permitted to go to trial in this condition.

5. Further, attention is directed to the Consolidated Instructions for Allied Military Courts Art 4: which lays it down that "in the absence of some very special reason to the contrary, this jurisdiction (to try members of the Italian armed forces) will NOT be exercised.....In case of doubt....the case should be referred to the CLO, H.Q. ACC for his instructions."

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6. From a report in possession of the writer of this letter, this certainly is a case of doubt. It is therefore directed that the proceedings on 3rd August be adjourned and that the case be submitted to the Chief Legal Officer for his instructions, with a full report of the facts alleged against both accused and with proper particulars of the charges made against both accused.

7. The accused will attend the Court on 3rd August, they will be accompanied by a member of the Staff of Commodore PALMER, Director of the Navy Sub-Commission who will be furnished with a copy of this letter.

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RICHARD H. WILMER
Colonel, CAC
Acting Chief Legal Officer.

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MINISTERO DELLA MARINA

Ufficio Stralcio Marinarmi

Roma 27 luglio 1944

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In seguito ad ordine dell'Ammiraglio FERRERI comunicatomi dal Generale PIZZUTI,il mattino del 27 corrente sono partito da Roma con una vettura della ditta Tassi e Rivola per recarmi ad Orvieto per procedere al ricupero di autocarri militari,che risultavano trovarsi abbandonati in quella zona.-

Recavo con me la somma di un milione e quattrocentomila lire per eventuali premi di ricupero,ed ero accompagnato dal maresciallo dei carabinieri reali FAILLI e dal carabiniere LAUDATI del Ministero Marina,da quattro marò autisti,dal sig.Rivola e dal sig.Ceriani della ditta Tassi e Rivola,incaricata dell'esecuzione materiale del ricupero.-

Alle ore 10 circa ad una diecina di chilometri prima di Orvieto,mi fermavo con la vettura in località "Canale" per osservare con il sig.Rivola una ventina di autocarri militari italiani e molti rottami di essi e di altre vetture,che si trovavano abbandonate al margine di una boscaglia nei pressi della strada che proseguiva per Orvieto.Mentre osservavo alcuni di questi autocarri un colono mi avvisò che in un vicino cascinale si trovava in moto un autocarro Fiat guidato da due borghesi italiani,che giorni prima era stato asportato dal gruppo dei precedenti autocarri.Incaricato allora il maresciallo FAILLI di recarsi subito al cascinale per accertarsi del fatto;egli mi rimandava subito l'autista richiedendo il mio intervento poichè dal cascinale era uscito allora un americano che gli aveva chiesto i documenti.

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Con ogni gentilezza gli mostrai allora la circolare del Gabinetto Ministero Marina con la copia dell'ordinanza dell'A.C.C.firmata dal Commodoro Palmer, circa la restituzione di automezzi già appartenenti alle forze armate italiane.Egli,con voce sempre più autoritaria,mi disse che l'autocarro precedente (era un Fiat 621 color kaki e recante a tergo una semplice targa posteriore con la scrittura:"Città di Orvieto N...)" era stato da lui requisito per il Comune di Orvieto,e se io potevo comprovare che esso era di provenienza militare italiana.Gli risposi sempre in modi gentili che avrei dovuto prima controllare a Roma il numero del telaio del motore,e che se risultava di provenienza militare italiana ritenevo che esso avrebbe dovuto rientrare nelle disposizioni contemplate dall'ordinanza dell'A.C.C.- In verità il camion era di indubbia provenienza militare italiana,ed il suo conducente mi disse poi di averlo sottratto ai tedeschi e di aver speso una certa somma per rimetterlo in efficienza.-

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col Governatore di detta città.Al che egli mi rispose che egli era il Vice
Governatore,e che era come se parlassi con lui.-

Per troncare ogni discussione dissi che io andavo ad Orvieto,ed egli al=
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* Arrivato ad Orvieto verso le ore 11,30,mi recai subito al Municipio,sede
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mio scudo. Gli mostrai i miei documenti,la somma che avevo con me,gli lo scopo del mio viaggio facendogli presente che da informazioni avut sultava che molto materiale era già stato asportato dai borghesi ital Egli mi chiese se io potevo provare che il camion Fiat 621 visto nel c le era di provenienza militare italiana;al che risposi che non potevo marlo senza prima confrontare a Roma il numero del telaio e del motore se perchè non mi ero presentato subito da lui,gli risposi che ero diret Orvieto per venire da lui e mostrargli i miei documenti,nei quali anzi s. deva la sua assistenza per la mia missione,ma che siccome la località "Ca dove mi ero fermato era dieci chilometri prima di Orvieto avevo creduto opp tuno esaminare i camion ivi abbandonati per riferire poi a lui.Gli chiesi co me dovevo regolarmi per la mia missione ed egli mi disse di prendere accordi al riguardo col capitano dei Carabinieri del luogo,ed attendere un momento nel suo ufficio dal quale egli uscì.

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Nel pomeriggio alle 14,30 mi recai dal Governatore.Fui fatto attendere nel= la sua anticamera,e dopo mezz'ora venne ivi il tenente americano (il cui nome è: PACLINO Virgile) che con segno di disprezzo porgendomi un foglio giallo in presenza di un piantone e di una segretaria mi disse: Voi siete in arresto, e dovrete comparire giovedì prossimo qui ad Orvieto,e se non verrete sarete arrestato.Gli chiesi allora con ogni gentilezza gli estremi dell'imputazione in base agli articoli citati sul foglio,edm egli mi mostrò sfogliandolo un opuscolo che aveva in mano im edendomi però di prendere nota degli articoli, e dicendomi che potevo rivolgermi ad un avvocato,e che Orvieto non era terri= torio dell'A.C.C.-

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Arrivavo a Roma alle ore 23 del 27 luglio 1944.-

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Ora se si può riconoscere il diritto degli americani di requisire autocarri anche di provenienza militare italiana per uso proprio o per servizi pubblici, mi sembra che non possa essere tollerata l'appropriazione di autocarri e di materiali automobilistici di tale provenienza, da parte di borghesi italiani allo scopo di farne commercio e di rivenderli alle forze armate italiane.-

Roma, lì 27 luglio 1944

IL CAPITANO A.N. c.
(Giulio Salom)

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By order of Admiral Ferreri ~~~~ given to me from my General Piazuti, on the morning of July the 27th I left Rome with a car to go to ORVIETO in order to find up some military truks yet belonging to the Italian Forces, which were abandoned in that area after the German defeat.

I was accompanied by the sub=officer of the Italian Military Police of the Navy Dpt. FAILLI, from the Carabiniere LAURATI, from 4 sailors and from Mr. Rivola and Mr. Seriani of the firm TASSI & RIVOLA of Rome, charged of this work by the Navy Dpt.

At IO o`clock ten kilometres before arriving to Orvieto I stopped with the car in order to observe some italian military truks which were abandoned near the way going to Orvieto. In the meantime a farmer told me that an italian truks (which some days ago has been taken away among those truks in this same place) and that was driven by two italian civilians was in that moment in a farmer house 500 meter distant.

I charged my sub=officer of the Italian Military Police to go to this house to see this car, and he suddenly sent me back a person to tell me to go personally to this farmer house because there was an american who had asked to him his papers.

I rushed there, and I found in the yard of that house an american sub=lieutenant to whom I introduced myself as first with all kindness. The lieutenant answered to me very rudely: Show me your papers. I did it at once, and he told me: you are not in order because you have not the permit of the ACC. With all kindness I showed ~~them~~ to him the issue signed by Commodor Palmer about the permit for the Italian forces to take back their own truks, and I said him that if the truks that was there belonged to the Italian forces I thought ~~tell~~ That, according to the issue, it should have to be given back to the Italian Army.

Very rudely he answered me that this truks had been requisitionned by him for the town of Orvieto, and if I could proof that he belonged to the Italian Army before. I said that before to proof it I had to compare in Rom the numbers of his motor and chassis. For the truth the car belonged previously to the Italian Army, and the italian driver told me after, that he has taken it away to the Germans from the place were we stopped to observe the others truks.

As in the meantime the lieutenant (as also from the beginning of his spoke) held against me a very rude attitude and a voice very few dignified, I observed to him always in the kindest way that I was a Captain of the Italian Royal Navy and he a Leutenant of the USA Army and therefore he had to use a certain regard against me and speak with me in a friendly manner. He answered that he was not my friend.

To stop every discussion I said that I was going to Orvieto in order to speak with the Governor, and at this he told me: I am the Vice=Governor and is the same as you speak with him.

Then we decided to go to Orvieto, where he arrivied with his car before me a quarter of an hour.

I arrived to Orvieto with my car at II,30 am and I went at once to see the Governor, Major Baker. When I entered in his office the first thing he said to me was: Why did you insult my lieutenant ? I answered to him that I did not insult at all the lieut. and in any case if involontarily my words has been badly understood , I was ready to make all my excuses for it.

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I showed to him my paper. I explained to him the purpose of my trip a
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was coming to Orvieto in order to see him and to show him my paper (in
which the Navy Dpt. asked his assistance for my work) but as the place
called CANALE in which were abandoned the italian truks was at 10 kilo=
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observe them and then to go to Orvieto to speak with him of. I asked
to him now I had to behave myself, and he said that I had to speak with
the Captain of the Italian Military Police of Orvieto and agree with him,
and to wait him a moment in his office from wich he went out.

After ten minutes he came back and he said to me: Your Maresciallo
is in arrest because he offended the leutenant. I observed that this was
not possible because the maresciallo told me before that he said nothing
at all to the leutenant . In that moment the leutenant entered the room
and the major said to him: The Captain says that the Maresciallo did not
say anything to you. Well=answered the leut.= he did'nt say anything
but his attitude was such to offend an american officer. At this point
the major said to me that I could go away, and to come to see him at 2,30
p.m.

I went then to the barracks of the Italian Military Police of Orvieto
where I gave account of all happened to the Captain Mr. Lepore, also refer-
ring to witness who were in the morning at the farm.

On the afternoon at 2,30 p;m. I went back to the Governor. I was
waiting ~~for half an hour~~ in the attendant=room, where came the leutenant
(whose name is PAOLINO Virgile) who with an air of contempt ~~said to me~~
gave to me a yellow sheet and said rudely : You are in arrest, and if
you don't come next thursday to Orvieto you will be arrested. I asked
to him to show me a leaflet he holded, in order to copy the articles of
the charges against me, and he answered to me very rudely: You can go
to an advokat, and remember that Orvieto is not ACC zone.

I went then back to the Captain of The Italian Military Police
of Orvieto, and we decided I had to go back at once to Rome in order
to give account to my chief in the Navy Dpt. of all was happened.

I arrived in Rome at 23 p.m.

During I was in Orvieto, I and the Maresciallo Failli we saw
many italian military truks circulating with a sign on the back written
" CITTA DI ORVIETO ". Besides we saw in many private garages of Orvieto
some italian truks and vehicle materials which all has been taken away
from that stock of italian military truks I saw on the morning, and from
another one which is ~~few~~ miles north of Orvieto.. I have also been
informed that many of this italian military truks has been hidden by
italian civilians of Orvieto, and some of these truks has been also of=
fered to us for sale.

Now if the American Army has the right to requisition truks also yet
belonging to the Italian Army for operating purposes ~~or for public~~
~~utility~~, it seems to me that it must not be allowed to italian civilians
to take away and to appropriate themselves truks and car materials which
belonged to the Italian Army, in order to make business ~~with them~~ and to
sell them again to the Italian Army.

Signed
Giulio SALOM
A.N. Captain Italian Royal Navy

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By order received from the Captain of the Italian Military Police of the Navy Dpt. on the morning of 27th July I accompanied with the italian military police men LAUDATI the Captain Salom of the Italian Navy Dpt. from Rome to Orvieto by car.

We stopped 10 kilometers before Orvieto in a place called CANALE to observe a stock of italian army truks abandoned near the way. In this meantime Capt. Salom told me to go with carabiniere Laudati to a farm; half kilometer apart, to see if there was an italian Army truks type Fiat 621 which a civilian has told us it was taken away many days before from that stock.

I found this truk on the ~~se~~ yard of the porch and I asked to an italian civilian, who was sitting on it, to whom it belonged. He showed to me another italian civilian standing near the truk.

In that moment a person, wearing a kaki dress, came out from the farm and told to me in a very authoritative way : Give me your paper.

I gave him at once my personal paper and also the ~~paper~~ official paper about my trip, and I asked to him to show me his paper.

At this he said to me: You are not in order with your paper, and I ~~will show to you how~~ am an american officer, and I will show to you how an american will send to galley an italian maresciallo.

As soon as I understood that I was in front of an american officer I saluted him in the military way, and I apologized myself that I had not reconized him before, and I said that I should have called for my Captain Salom to come there and to show all our paper he had for our official charge.

After this he ordered to me to stand 8 meter apart from him.

I must add thaht when I gave my personal paper to the American he threw it in a very rude way on a table near to him.

Then Captain Salom arrived on the scene.

signed :

Maresciallo Reali Carabinieri FAILLI Raffaele

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QUESTIONS

The Italian Army has ~~or less~~ the right to take back ~~his~~ their own trucks vehicles and car materials which lie abandoned in the Italian territory controlled by the War Material Disposal Sub Commission?

Particularly has the Italian Army the right or less to avoid that such materials are taken away, destroyed or hidden bay italian civilians in order to make business with them?

Italian Army Officers in duty have the right or not to go from Rome to Orvieto for official charge without asking any permission to the ACC when tehy have their own official papers given by the Italian Army in order?

Is the Orvieto Area under the control for war materials of the War Material Disposal Sub Commission ?

Capt. Salom and Maresciallo Failli had or less their paper in proper order to go from Rome to Orvieto?

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
ARO 394

NSC/660

1 August 1944.

TO: Italian Navy Commissioner, Rome.

SUBJECT: Arrest of Captain MASTROLILLI Alberto.

1. With reference to your Prot. No. 216 dated 31 July 1944, you are informed that arrangements have been made for the release of this officer.

2. It must be made clear, however, to all officers and men of the Italian Royal Navy in Rome, that in the future, they must act in strict accordance with the Allied Command orders regarding curfew regulations.

C O M M O D O R E

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COMMISSARIATO DELLA MARINA
PER LA CITTÀ DI ROMA

SEGRETERIA GENERALE

Roma 30 luglio 1944

Al Capitano GILREATH
Palazzo Giustizia

ROMA

Prot. N. 216 Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Arresto Capitano Commissario MASTROLILLI Alberto.-

Alle ore 23,30 circa del 30 corrente il Capitano Commissario R.Marina Alberto MASTROLILLI di Luigi,mentre rincasava,montato su bicicletta,veniva fermato,nei pressi di Piazza Fiume,da una pattuglia di polizia alleata,la quale, avendo rilevato che era trascorso l'orario del coprifuoco, arrestava l'ufficiale,traducendolo alle locali carceri di Regina Coeli.

Trattandosi di ufficiale di marina in servizio presso questo Ministero,di inecceppibile condotta morale e politica,si pregherebbe la cortesia di V.S. di compiacersi esaminare la possibilità,conciliando la questione in via amministrativa,di disporre la liberazione del Capitano MASTROLILLI,dal carcere sunnominato,dove trovasi tuttora detenuto.-

IL COMMISSARIO DELLA MARINA
PER LA CITTA' APERTA DI ROMA
Ammiraglio di Divisione
(Emilio Ferreri)

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PROT. N. [illegible]

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IL COMMISSARIO DELLA MARINA
PER LA CITTA' APERTA DI ROMA
Ammiraglio di Divisione
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/632

27 July 1944.

TO: Public Safety Sub-Commission, ACC.

SUBJECT: French and Italian Sailors.

1. Your 1st Ind. ACC/14030/3/PS of 26 July 1944 forwarded a report by the R. Questura di Napoli of an altercation between French and Italian sailors on 14 July 1944.

2. As the report merely makes general allegations and contains no particulars such as names, etc., no action can be taken by the Naval Sub-Commission, especially in view of the lapse of time since the incident occurred.

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R. QUESTURA DI NAPOLI

Letter File n.0297491 - 2nd Div. Naples, 16 July 1944.

SUBJECT : French sailors insulting Italian sailors.

TO : Regional Public Safety Officer, Naples.

On the 14th July 1944 at about 1830 hours a group of French sailors stopped in Via Sergente Maggiore insulted some Italian sailors who were passing by. They said insulting things about the Italian Navy.

One Italian sailor resented this and started a fight, but was stopped by the French Military Police and taken in a truck towards Via S. Lucia.

This was unfavourably commented upon by the crowd which had collected.

IL QUESTORE
M. Broccoli.

1st IND.

Tel: 489081
Ext: 502

ACC/14030/3/PS

26 July 1944.

From : A.C.C. Public Safety Sub-Commission.

To : Navy Sub-Commission.

Passed to you for any action deemed desirable.

Paul G. Kirk

PAUL C. KIRK
Colonel Inf.
Chief Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/807

25 July 1944.

TO : Headquarters, A.M.G. Military Police.

SUBJECT : Sergeant Radio-Telegraphist Vincenzo PISTONIC.

1. I am informed that Sergeant Radio-Telegraphist Vincenzo PISTONIC, submitted to a conditional liberty on account of his belonging to the Fascist Republican Navy, has left Rome without permission and he seems to be now in service with the American Army, under American Army uniform, in the town of Grosseto.

2. It is requested that appropriate action be taken without delay to apprehend PISTONIC and determine the nature of his activities.

COMMODORE R.N.

Copy to:
Lieut. O'Callaghan.

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STATI UNITI

Traduzione della lettera della S.G. del Commissariato della Marina No.B/1355 del 24 Luglio 1944

SUBJECT : Sergeant Radio-Telegraphist Vincenzo PISTORIO

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F°) E.Ferreri.

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COMMISSARIATO DELLA MARINA
PER LA CITTA' DI ROMA
Segreteria Generale

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24.7.1944

Roma, 24 luglio 1944

Prot. n° B/ 1355

Al Commodore I.N. PALMER D.S.C. R.N.
Naval Allied Control Commission
tramite: Cap. Freg. de Sangro

Sergente radiotelegrafista Vincenzo PISTORIO

Si informa che il sergente radiotelegrafista Vincenzo PISTORIO sottoposto alla libertà vigilata perchè apparte_ nente alla Marina da guerra repubblicana fascista si è al_ lontanato illegalmente da Roma e risulta, da informazioni avute, che presterebbe attualmente servizio presso l'eserci_ to americano, di cui vestirebbe la divisa, sembra, nella città di Grosseto.

IL COMMISSARIO DELLA MARINA
PER LA CITTA' DI ROMA
Ammiraglio di Divisione
(Emilio Ferreri)

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UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTO
CON LE MARINE DELLA GRAN BRETAGNA E DEGLI
STATI UNITI

n° 171 di prot. Roma, 24 Luglio 1944

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

File No.
P13/NSC

Serial 42.

17 July 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Legal Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.

Subject: Allied authority over Italians who commit crimes against Allied military personnel.

1. It is requested that this sub-commission be furnished complete information regarding Allied authority over Italians, both civilians and members of the Italian Armed Forces, who commit crimes against Allied military personnel. In addition, information is desired regarding the proper procedure for an Allied commander to follow in regard to an Italian who has committed a crime against one of the Allied commander's subordinates. Information is particularly desired in regard to an Allied commander's powers of arrest and detention over such Italians.

H. W. ZIROLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
Senior U. S. Naval Liaison Officer in Italy,
for Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, ACC.

Copy to:
NAVREP NSC Rome.

above requested information received by CONSON on 22 July 44
Lt. Legal Sub Commission
Lt. Col. AFHQ
Ref. July 22, 1944

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

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Serial 56

13 July 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Headquarters, Allied Armies in Italy.

Subject: MARGANO, Francesco, Ex-fascist officer.

Reference: (a) AAI/1402/Gen(b) of 4 June 1944.

Enclosure: (A) Italian Minister of Marine letter No. 451/SS of 6 July 1944, copy.

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith. Information contained therein indicates the present location and status of subject individual who has had defascistization proceedings initiated against him.

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

Copy to:
RC FMO Seat. ACC.
Public Safety SC, ACC.
Sicily Region HQ.
(Ref Sicily Region HQ. ltr RC/000.1 of 22 May 44).
NAV RSP MSC, Rome.

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S E C R E T C-O-P-Y

From: Ministry of Marine. Cabinet
Date: 6th July 1944. No. 451/F.S.
To : F.O.I.I.

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GARGANO Francesco.

F.O.L.I's letters T. A. 1027/161 dated 3/6/44 and 1/7/44, refer.

The officer in question held the rank of colonel until January 1st, 1944, at the ex-MILMART.

Following the dissolution of the MILMART, he served as a Major in the 1st R.A.M. from the above mentioned date. Simultaneously the process of "Defascistisation" was initiated against him, as he had been awarded the honours of "Marcia su Roma" "Squadrista" & "Sciarpa Littorio", by the ex-Fascist Regime.

On the 1st of July, Major GARGANO was sent to the Army Reorganisation Centre at LECCE and his dossier has been forwarded to this Organisation for the subsequent action.

For the MINISTER
ACCORNETTI.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

SP-NSC

Serial 56

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

Copy to:
FC AMG Sect. ACC.
Public Safety SC, ACC.
Sicily Region Hq.
(Ref Sicily Region Hq. ltr RC/000.1 of 22 May 44).
NAV REP NSC, Rome.

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SECRET CONFIDENTIAL

From: Ministry of Marine. Cabinet
Date: 5th July 1946. No. 651/Pol.
To : F.C.C.C.

CAIRO to Francesco.

F.C.C.C.'s letters T. A. 1027/161 dated 3/6/46 and 1/7/46, refer.

The officer in question held the rank of Colonel until January 1st, 1944, at the ex-MILMART.

Following the dissolution of the MILMART, he served as a Major in the 1st R.C.C. from the above mentioned date. Simultaneously the process of "Defascistization" was initiated against him, as he had been awarded the honours of "Camicia su Rosa" "Squadrista" & "Sciarpa Littorio", by the ex-Fascist Regime.

On the 1st of July, Major CARUSO was sent to the Army Reorganization Centre at NAPLES and his dossier has been forwarded to this Organization for the subsequent action.

for the MINISTER
ACCOMMETTI.

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(Enclosure (A)).

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

8th June, 1944.

No. T.A. 1027/161

MINISTER OF MARINE,
MARISTAT, PALAZZO RESTA,
TARANTO.

GARGANO FRANCESCO.

I have been informed that an Army officer, GARGANO Francesco, who is understood to be the ex Consul of Fascist Militia, accompanied Admiral Bobbiese on his recent mission to Sicily.

2. While I have no desire to interfere in any way with your internal organisation, I feel I must ask you to confirm that this officer's credentials and integrity are above suspicion, observing that he is believed to have been an ardent Fascist and an intimate collaborator of Mussolini.

(Signed) C. E. MORGAN

REAR-ADMIRAL.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SECURITY BRANCH
APO 394

Ref: SB/140.G

13th July 1944

SUBJECT: GARGANO Francesco

TO : Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.

With reference to your file No. SP/NSC serial 020 dated 8th June 1944, I enclose a further letter respecting this man, and will be pleased to learn when the investigation is completed.

FOR THE DIRECTOR :

/s/t/ S. J. HARVEY
Major
Security Branch.

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Ref SB/140 G 1st Ind
TO: Naval Sub-Commission, Taranto, 14 July 1944.
FROM: Naval Sub Commission, ADv Hq, ACC.

1. Forwarded for necessary action.

Commodore,
S.B.N.O., ROME 4089

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TRANSLATION

COMANDO SUPREMO

INFORMATION OFFICE

11/7/44

N. 4 ACC PM di Prot.

SUBJECT : GARGANO Francesco son of Paolo and Gandolfo Caterina born on the 5/5/97 in S. Flavia Palermo, liming in Rome via Amba Aradam, I.

Francesco Gargano, wearing the uniform of Captain of Cruiser, was seen in Rome in a car numbered R.M. 10015 and drived by a military of the Royal Navy.

Francesco Gargano is a "squadrista", he was consul of M.V.S.N., under Chief of S.M. Milizia C.A. chief of S.M. MILMARI, director of the "Revolution Show", one of the owners of the Newspaper "Tevere" and it seems that he belonged also to the "OVRA".

He started with nothing a few years ago, now he possesses a conspicuous fortune and it is not know in which way he earned it. After the 25th July 1943 he was denounced to the Commission for illicit enrichments.

In the same period he went away from Rome to South Italy, and came back only on the 1 July 1944 having the charge to buy for two Millions Lire of motor car material for the Ministry of the Navy.

He is also chief of the "Committee for theRecovery of Sicilia Calabria, Puglia, Campania", and now he does everything in order to have also the "lazio" put under his jurisdiction.

It results, at last, that the above mentioned is not Captain of Cruiser but only a retired Major of the Army.

In Rome, where his political precedings are well known, his return as an officer of the Navy has provoked a great surprise, the fact that he can circulate freely and with the permission of the Allies, who perhaps are not informed of his previous activity, gave ground to not very favourable comments.

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HEAD QUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/804

24 July 1944.

TO : Security Branch, ACC.

SUBJECT : GARGANO, Francesco.

1. A copy of the Minister of Marine letter No. 451/P.S. of 8 July 1944 is forwarded herewith for information with reference to your letter SB/140.0 of 13 July 1944 which was referred to the Naval Sub-Commission, ACC, Taranto for an investigation of the subject man.

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Copy to:
Naval Subcomm, Taranto.

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PEAC OFFICER LIAISON, ITALY.
ALLIED CONTROL HEADQUARTERS.
TARANTO.

23th July, 1944.

No. T.A.1027/161.

LIEUTENANT GENERAL,
MARESCIALLO, PALAZZO REALE,
TARANTO.

DANIANO FRANCESCO.

With reference to your letter No.451/T.S. of 6th July, 1944, the above named officer was recently seen in Rome in car number R.M.40016, driven by an Italian sailor.

2. It is requested you will forward an early report stating:

(a) the reason for this officer's presence in Rome, and what post he is occupying, and
(b) to what extent defascistination proceedings have been carried out in respect of this officer.

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(Signed) C. E. MORGAN

REAR-ADMIRAL.

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Naval Sub-Commission, Rome.
Naval Sub-Commission, Taranto)

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W.N.N.

FLAG OFFICER ITALIAN, TRIP.
AREA COMBINED HEADQUARTERS.
TARANTO.

20th July, 1944.

No. C.A.1027/161.

COMMANDER OF NAVAL,
MONTENEGRO, PALAZZO ZENGA,
TARANTO.

CAPTAIN TRIESTINO.

With reference to your letter No.451/C.S. of 6th July, 1944, the above named officer was recently seen in Rome in car number R.M.10046, driven by an Italian sailor.

2. It is requested you will forward an early report stating

(a) the reason for this officer's presence in Rome, and what post he is occupying, and
(b) to what extent defascistication proceedings have been carried out in respect of this officer.

Routed by Forte

(Signed) C. E. MORGAN

NAVAL ATTACHE.

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Naval Sub-Commission, Rome.
Naval Sub-Commission, Taranto)

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

7th July, 1944.

No. T.A. 1105/2.

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,
MARITIME DEPARTMENT OF
IONIAN AND LOWER ADRIATIC.

APPREHENSION OF ITALIAN DESERTERS.

In reply to your letter No. 28205/C.C. of 30th May 1944, the policy of the Allied Control Commission is to assist the Italian authorities in every manner practicable in the apprehension of deserters and absentees from Italian Armed Forces. Early in May, however, the Chief Commissioner, Allied Control Commission, determined that owing to the vital necessity of harvesting the crops in the Foggia area, that special instructions were necessary. The Regional Commissioner, Region V, was instructed to take the following action in the Foggia Province.

"(a) Ensure that all deserters and absentees who are required for agriculture work be registered forthwith but not removed. An exemption certificate for one or two months must be given them.

(b) The Carabinieri must be given full authority to make investigations and remove any person without a certificate as in (a) above."

Copy to:-
M.C. & H.C. Section A.C.C.
Regional Commissioner, Region V.
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION of the ALLIED
Control Commission.
Commodore Palmer, RN

REAR-ADMIRAL.

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STAFF MINUTE SHEET.

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Subject

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Referred to

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Don't you think that Commodore Palmer should get copies of these two things ?

W.W.W

Yes I do. I will 11/7 arrange.

A/Cdre
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 534

NSC/604

24 July 1944.

TO : Security Branch, ACC.

SUBJECT : GARGANO, Francesco.

1. A copy of the Minister of Marine letter No. 461/T.O. of 8 July 1944 is forwarded herewith for information with reference to your letter SB/140.6 of 13 July 1944 which was referred to the Naval Sub-Commission, ACC, Taranto for an investigation of the subject man.

COMMODORE

Copy to:
Naval Subcom, Taranto.

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From: Ministry of Marine. Cabinet
Date: 6th July 1944. No. 451/F.S.
To : F.O.L.I.

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GARGANO Francesco

F.O.L.I's letters T. A. 1027/161 dated 8/6/44 and 1/7/44, refer.

The officer in question held the rank of colonel until January 1st, 1944, at the ex-MILMART.

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On the 1st of July, Major GARGANO was sent to the Army Reorganization Centre at LECCE and his dossier has been forwarded to this Organization for the subsequent action.

For the MINISTER
ACCORRETTI.

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

10th June, 1944.

No.T.A.940/50.

MINISTER OF MARINE,
MARISTAT, PALAZZO RUSSIA,
TARANTO.

SECRET RECRUITING OF MILITARY PERSONNEL OF JUGO-SLAV ORIGIN.

In reply to your secret letter No.334/F.S. of 18th May, 1944, the matter of Italian naval deserters to Jugo-Slav Forces has again been referred to the Allied Control Commission. In the meanwhile an effort will be made to determine the present whereabouts and status of the officers and men listed therein.

2. The fact that Italian naval personnel are susceptible to propaganda and that many officers and men have deserted is regrettable and causes deep concern.

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(Signed) C. E. MORGAN

REAR-ADMIRAL.

Copy to: Naval Sub Commission.

STAFF MINUTE SHEET.

Track No. 2394

Subject Secret recruiting of Military Personnel of Jugo-Slav
Origin Origin. NSC

Referred to
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CSOLI
Secty
Chief NSC

Propose to Minister of Marine:

1. In reply to your secret letter No. 334/FS of 18 May 1944, the matter of Italian Naval deserters to Jugo-Slavian forces has again been referred to the Allied Control Commission. In the meanwhile an effort will be made to determine the present whereabouts and status of the officers and men listed therein.

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REAR-ADMIRAL.

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STAFF MINUTE SHEET.

Track No.

Subject: ITALIAN SERVICE PERSONNEL WHO HAVE GONE OVER TO THE JUGO-SLAV~~E~~ FORCES.

Origin NSC.

Referred to

NSC.

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SECTY

CHIEF NSC

Propose to Commander-in-Chief, Maritime Department, Ionian and Lower Adriatic.

1. In reply to your letter No. 2070/C.C of 13 May 1944, the matter of Italian Naval deserters to Jugo-Slav Forces has been referred to Allied Control Commission.

2. The fact that Italian Naval personnel are susceptable to propaganda and that many officers and men have deserted is regrettable and causes deep concern.

REAR-ADMIRAL.

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Origin JUGO-SLAV FORCES. NSC.

Referred to

NSC.

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SECTY

CHIEF NSC

Propose to Commander-in-Chief, Maritime Department, Ionian and Lower Adriatic.

1. In reply to your letter No. 2070/C.C of 13 May 1944, the matter of Italian Naval deserters to Jugo-Slav Forces has been referred to Allied Control Commission.

2. The fact that Italian Naval personnel are susceptable to propaganda and that many officers and men have deserted is regrettable and causes deep concern.

REAR-ADMIRAL.

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SUBJECT: Italian Naval Deserters.

HQ No 2 District CMF.
30 A.
3 May 44.

ACC (Naval Sub Comm)

Ref your F13-8/ACC Serial 223 of 19 May 44.

1. Enquiries are being made with I & DPSC as to the whereabouts of these Naval deserters who state that it is extremely doubtful if any record of them exists, as they are Italians and as such are not the responsibility of this Sub Commission.

2. You will be advised of the results of the 'search'.

Colonel,
Col i/c Adm.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

File No.
SP-NSC

Serial 0012

7 June 1944.

SECRET
S-E-C-R-E-T:

From: Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Chief Commissioner, A. C. C.

Subject: Italian Naval Deserters to Jugo-Slav Forces.

1. I am enclosing herewith for your information a copy of the Minister of Marine's letter #334/RS and a copy of the Italian Commander-in-Chief, Maritime Department of Ionian and Lower Adriatic letter 2070/S.C of 13 May 1944, both of which relate to deserters from the Italian Navy to Jugo-Slav Forces.

2. With reference to your letter of 22 April 1944 to Commodore I. G. Palmer, will you please advise me whether a policy has been established by the Allied Governments for handling this situation. In the meanwhile, an effort will be made to determine the present whereabouts and status of Italian deserters named in the Minister's letter referred to above. If found to be under Allied control they will be returned to Italian Naval authorities, otherwise no action will be taken.

3. With reference to paragraph 3-b of your letter of 22 April 1944, will you please advise me to whom the instructions were issued that the Jugo-Slavs shall not enter any Italian service personnel in their Armed Forces.

REAR-ADMIRAL.

Copy to:
NAVREP MSC-Salerno.

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C-O-P-Y

From: Ministry of Marine. Cabinet.
Date: 18th May, 1944.
To : F.O.L.I. TARANTO.
No: 334/ F. S. Enclosures I.

Subject: SECRET RECRUITING OF MILITARY PERSONNEL OF SLAV ORIGIN.

S-E C R E T:

Reference your T. A. 940/5 of the 12th April, 1944.

1). I take note of your assurances given on the subject in question, and of the difficulties which hinder a rapid and complete solution of the inconveniences complained of.

2). However, since we are dealing with a subject, the gravity of which profoundly affects the question of morale in the Italian Royal Navy; I deem it advisable to draw attention to the existence of MONOPOLI of another Jugoslav Centre for the clandestine gathering of Italian Service Personnel who are recruited as a result of active propaganda, chiefly in the towns of BRINDISI and TARANTO.

3). At the above-mentioned centre at MONOPOLI, amongst the ranks of the Partisans, there are at present about 200 men of the Italian Royal Navy, including 3 Officers.

4). I attach a list giving the names of Service Personnel whose presence in the Partisan Recruiting Camp has been ascertained.

5). As already previously advised, I ask your intervention for the return to the Italian Authorities of the above-mentioned Service-men, who have absented themselves without leave and who are thus regarded as deserters.

Signed - The Minister.

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(ENCLOSURE).

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

Serial: (223)

19 May 1944.

Commanding General
Headquarters No. 2 District, CMF.
Bari, Italy.

Subject: Italian Naval Deserters.

1. The Italian Commander in Chief, Military Maritime Department, Ionian and Lower Adriatic, advises that early in April, 1944, the following named Italian Servicemen deserted from the Base Command of Gallipoli and sought refuge in the Slav Refugee Camp at Lecce, the men were transferred to Monopoli for passage to another destination.

COGLIANI Guido, Electrician, Official Number 4669, 1920 Class, of Trieste.
MINIUSSI, Filadolfio, Motor Mechanic, Official Number 4754, 1920 Class, of Trieste.
MARAS Angelo, Quarter Master 2nd Class, Official Number 41083 of Pola.

2. Previously, on 15 February 1944, the Italian Minister of Marine reported that the IRN Ratings listed below deserted from the "A. Baffile" Battalion of the IRN when that Battalion was transferred from Gallipoli to Nordo and took refuge at the Slav Refugee Camp at Lecce:

BUTKOWICH, Luigi
CERNICH, Limeran
DEVATAK, Luigi
RUTAR, Marcello

3. It is requested that inquiry be made to determine the present whereabouts and status of the men listed above. If they are under Allied control, the men should be held for delivery to Italian Naval authorities.

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

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Copy to:
R.C. District No. II ACC
Displaced Persons, Sub-Com ACC.
FOTALI

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SICILY REGION HEADQUARTERS
APO 394

NAVY SC 5436
(Reg HQ)

FILE:RC/000.1

22 May 1944

SUBJECT: Ex-Fascist officer

TO : Executive Commissioner
R.C. & M.G. Section
H.Q. A.C.C. Naples
for Navy Sub-Commission

1. The presence in Palermo a few days ago of the ex-Consule of Fascist Militia, CARGANO Francesco, was observed. He was wearing the uniform of an Italian Naval Officer. He is said to have arrived on the Italian Naval vessel „Abbazia" commanded by Admiral BOBBIESE.

2. It is reported that Cargano was in possession of a permit and other documents issued by Allied Authorities and that the object of his visit to Sicily was in connection with the salvage of material which previously belonged to the Fascist Coastal Battery formation „Milmart".

3. Cargano is described as a rabid Fascist and is alleged to have held important posts in the Fascist hierarchy which enabled him to accumulate a considerable fortune. He is declared to be an intimate collaborator of Mussolini.

4. It is said that Cargano was the organiser of the Fascist „Mostra della Rivoluzione" of which he became President. For two years he was a judge of the special Tribunal and it is suspected that he was a member of the O.V.R.A.

5. The foregoing is communicated for any further investigation which may be considered advisable as, locally, Cargano's connection with the Italian Navy is thought to be suspicious and undesirable.

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A.N. Hancock Col.

A.N. HANCOCK
Colonel
Regional Commissioner

Received MAY 31 1944

Copy TO: Public Safety

Copy to Sicily BN.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

File No.
SP/NSC

8 June 1944.

Serial No.

C-O-N-F-I-D-E-N-T-I-A-L

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Regional Commissioner, Sicily Region Headquarters.

Subject: Ex-Fascist Officer.

1. An investigation is being made of activities of GARGANO Francesco, ex-fascist officer, referred to in your letter, file:RC/000.1 of 22 May 1944. You will be advised further when the investigation is completed.

H. St. JOHN BUTLER,
Commander U.S. Navy,
for Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, ACC.

Copy to:
Public Safety SC.

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COPY

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

8th June, 1944.

No. T.A. 1027/161

MINISTER OF MARINE,
MARISTAT, PALAZZO RESTA,
TARANTO.

GARGANO FRANCESCO.

I have been informed that an Army officer, GARGANO Francesco, who is understood to be the ex Consul of Fascist Militia, accompanied Admiral Bobbiese on his recent mission to Sicily.

2. While I have no desire to interfere in any way with your internal organisation, I feel I must ask you to confirm that this officer's credentials and integrity are above suspicion, observing that he is believed to have been an ardent Fascist and an intimate collaborator of Mussolini.

(Signed) C. E. MORGAN
REAR-ADMIRAL.

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C O P Y

Subject:-GARGANO Francesco.

H.Q. ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

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AAI/1402/5/GSI(b).

4 June 44.

Navy Sub-Commission,
A.C.C.

1. The letter from Main HQ ArmySub-Commission A.C.C., No.1/103 dated 31 May on the above man, was addressed to this HQ., copy to you. It is felt that it should rather have been addressed to you, copy to this HQ.

2. It is requested that you take such action on it as you think fit, and we should be interested to hear in due course the result of your enquiries and any action you may take.

3. It would appear from the S.I.M. report dated 12 May that GARGANO's record is such as to make it undesirable from the security point of view, (let alone the political aspect), that he should retain any official and responsible position. Further, it is suggested that consideration be given to his internment.

/s/ W.D. Gibson, Lt Col.,
for Brigadier,
B.G.S.(I).

JH.

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In receipt of Army Subcommission's letter No. 1/103 dated 31 May and has been noted

REAR HEAD QUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION

V/144/44

20 April 1944.

To.- Chief Commissioner, Allied Control Commission.

Subject: Italian Deserters.

This matter has been held in abeyance for one month, and is again referred in order that a decision may be communicated to F.O.T.A.L.I.

COMMODORE.

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NAVAL MESSAGE.

To: PATTEMA REAR

From: FOTALI
24.11350 Apr.

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Following for Commodore PALMER from Chief Navy Supt.

Request reply to FOTALI Secret letter Number 1027/58 of 17th March subject "Italian Naval Deserters" be expedited in order that Italian Ministry of Marine may be advised.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Naval Sub-Commission.

Ref. X.159/44. 25th April 1944.

To: F.O.T.A.L.I.

Subject: Italian Naval Deserters.

Reference your T.A.1027/58 dated 17th March 1944, attached is &copy of the reply of the Chief Commissioner.

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COMMODORE.

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Ref. CC/G/223

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Office of the Chief Commissioner

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FNMM/rj

22nd. April, 1944.

TO: Commodore I.M. Palmer,
Director, Navy Sub-Commission.

1. I return attached papers.

2. Reference Admiral Morgan's memorandum of 17th. March, No. TA 1027/58. I am not in a position to give a clear-cut decision as the whole question has had to be referred to the Allied Governments for a ruling and I have not yet received an answer.

3. As regards the three alternatives in Para One of Admiral Morgan's letter. -
(a) This is impossible in the meantime.
(b) I have issued strict instructions that the Yugo-Slavs shall not enter any Italian service personnel in their armed forces.
(c) I am not very taken with this alternative.

4. In the meantime everything possible has been done to stop the Yugo-Slavs from enticing Italian service personnel away from their job and until the Allied Governments let us know their decision in the matter there is little more that we can do. In principle we entirely support the Italian point of view that no Italian soldier, sailor or airman may be enticed away however Slav his origin may be.

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE,
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION

HQ A.C.C. APO 394
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Rec'd 22 Apr 1944
By DFE

20 April 1944.

To.- Chief Commissioner, Allied Control Commission.

Subject: Italian Deserters.

This matter has been held in abeyance for one month, and is again referred.in order that a decision may be communicated to F.O.T.A.L.I.

COMMODORE.

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ITALIAN DESERTERS

W O R K I N G F I L E

[redacted]

1. Ltr 1027/58 27 Jan 44 fr FOTA to ACC; enclosing correspondence between GOC #2 District & Adm. McGrigor re: desertion to Jugoslavs of electrician METLIKA.
2. Ltr 2 Feb 44 fr Col. Upjohn to VP, Adm. Sec.
3. Ltr 4 Feb 44 fr Comdre Palmer to Adm.Sec.; & remarks 5 Feb 44 fr Adm. Sec. to Navy S-C.
4. Ltr 7 Feb 44 ACC/014-12/AS fr Col Cripps, Adm.Sec., to Legal S-C.
5. Ltr 8 Feb 44 M/040/44 fr Navy S-C ACC to FOTALI.
6. Ltr 13 Feb 44 1027/58 fr Adm. McGrigor to Navy S-C, ACC.
7. Ltr 21 Feb 44 1027/58 fr Adm. McGrigor to Navy S-C, ACC, forwarding compleint of Italian desertions from the Neffile battalion.
8. Memo 2 Mar fr Col. Cripps to Lord Stansgate, & reply.
9. Ltr 5 Mar 44 D/78/44 fr Commdre Palmer to FOTALI.
10. Ltr 17 Mar 44 1027/58 fr Admiral Morgan to Navy S-C.
11. Memo 7 April fr Commodore Palmer to DCC thru Legal S-C & Political Sec.

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To Deputy Commissioner V. 120/44
Through Legal and Political Sections.

Date 7.4.44.

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1. Attached letter from F.O. T.H.L.I. For information.
F.O. T.H.L.I informed matter is still under consideration.

2. Chief Commissioner wishes matter held in abeyance.

In Salaam.
7.4.44

8 Sept. 1944.
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SECRET

ITALIAN NAVAL DESERTERS.
(Head of Naval Sub-Commission's letter No.D/78/44 of 5th March, 1944.)

II.

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Re.T.A.1027/58.

HEAD OF THE NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
SALERNO.

Since this is a question which is constantly recurring it is essential to have a clear cut directive as to what line to adopt. The alternative appears to be:-

either (a) To persuade the Italians to allow recruiting of their sailors for service in Yugo Slav ships in furtherance of the war effort,

or (b) To agree to the Italians treating such men as deserters and persuade the Yugo Slavs to cease entering Italian sailors in their ships,

or (c) To adopt a completely negative attitude and let the Italians and Yugo Slavs fight it out.

2. It has always been understood that the Allied Control Commission was responsible for giving decisions on political issues of this nature, but if the Allied Control Commission still feels unable to do so it is requested the matter may be referred to the appropriate higher authority.

3. The file of papers attached to your letter, which was apparently forwarded in error, is returned herewith.

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C. V. Morgan

REAR-ADMIRAL.

TARANTO.
17th March, 1944.

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From : Head of the Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission, Salerno.

To / F. O. T. A. L. I.

Date : 5th March 1944; No. D/78/44

Italian Naval Deserters.

With reference to your T.A.1027/58 of 27th January, this subject has been reviewed by the pertinent legal and political Officers of the A.C.C. and considered by the Chief Commissioner, and their considered opinion is that this is a question in which the A.C.C. should not get involved. In principle the Allied Control Commission cannot admit the right of any member of the Italian armed forces to desert, and must request Allied Liason Officers with Yugo Slav forces to do what they can to discourage such desertion, and make this point clear with the Yugo Slav authorities But as said above, it is not a question in which we should intervene beyond expressing this point of view clearly to Allied Liason Officers with the Yugo Slav forces.

COMMODORE.

FLAG OFFICER
TARANTO AREA
DATE 10 MAR.
No: 5087/1027/57

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APPLICATION BY ITALIAN GOVERNMENT FOR SURRENDER OF A NAVAL DESERTER

1 This is an application by the Italian Government for the surrender of an Italian national of whom it is alleged that he is

a a deserter from the Italian Navy
b serving in the Jugoslav forces (on a vessel supplied by us to the Jugoslav government in a uniform supplied to the Jugoslav government by us)
c visiting Italian Naval Barracks and attempting subversively to incite (50) Italian sailors to desert from the Italian Navy to serve on Jugoslav ships

2 The short answer is that the man in question is not at our disposal/or under our control; but though the matter is primarily one between the Italian and Jugoslav governments, our good offices will probably be required to obtain settlement.

3 The Italian Government cannot be expected to acquiesce in the position as at 1 (c)

4 The Jugoslav forces cannot be expected to welcome the arrest of their men to the detriment of their war effort which is a very probable cause of serious trouble since the Jugoslav ships are based on or must of necessity use Italian Ports.

5 It is undesirable that a man should be punished for taking a more active part in the war.

6 A question or policy is involved and a decision as to the course most effective to assist the war effort is required.

7 If any positive decision is reached an agreement between the Italian+Jugoslav authorities will have to be negotiated.

8 The question is ~~vested~~ raised on one man. It is understood that there is quite a number of men in this position to whom any decision made may be made to apply

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J.F. White

C of Cyprus

This seems to be a matter which only the Political Dept can decide & they should be asked to do so.

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We have discussed this question with the Chief Commissioner, who wishes it to be clearly understood that this is not one question in which we should get involved. In principle the Allied Control Commission cannot admit the right of any member of the Italian Armed Forces to desert and must request Allied Liaison Officers with Yugoslav forces to do what they can to discourage such desertion and make this position clear to the Yugoslav authorities. But, as said above, it is not a question in which we should intervene, & beyond expressing this point of view clearly to Allied Liaison Officers with the Yugoslav forces.

Political Section,
A.C.C.
4.3.44.

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ITALIAN NAVAL DESERTERS.
(Minister of Marin's letter No.131/FO dated 15th February, 1944.)

II.

No.T.A.1027/38.
HEAD OF NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SALERNO.

Forwarded in continuation of my letter No.T.A.1027/58 of 13th February, 1944.

TARANTO.
21st February, 1944.

REAR-ADMIRAL.

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21 Feb

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785030

From: Ministry of Marine (Cabinet)
To. F O L I
Date: 15th February '44
Letter No. 131/FO

Subject: DESERTERS.

1) The following I.R.N. Ratings:-

1.-	BUTKOWICH	Luigi
2.-	CERNICH	Limeran
3.-	DEVETAK	Luigi
4.-	RUTAR	Marcello

belonging to the "A.Bafile" Battalion of the I.R.N. deserted when the battalion was sent from Gallipoli to Nardò.

2) The above are at present at the Slav Refugee Camp at S.'Maria del Bagno - Nardò, Province of Lecce.

3) You are requested to kindly interest Authorities concerned so that the Ratings in question may be handed over to the Italian Authorities to answer the charges against them.

THE CHIEF OF CABINET.

DG.-)

FLAG OFFICER
TARANTO AREA
DATE 17 FEB
No: 2015/1057

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ITALIAN NAVAL DESERTER.

(Head of Naval Sub-Commission, Salerno's No.D/040/44 dated 8th February, 1944.)

II.

No.T.A.1027/58.

HEAD OF NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION,
SALERNO.

This is by no means an isolated case and it was with the intention of ascertaining the correct procedure in this matter that it was referred to the Allied Control Commission. As political questions are involved it is presumably a matter for the Commission to decide whether a prosecution is desirable.

TARANTO.
13th February, 1944.

REAR-ADMIRAL.

Colonel Upjohn.
Refused as requested -
It looks Political as well.
Malcolm.

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From : Head of Naval Sub-Commission, SALERNO.

To : F.C.T.A.L.I. TARANTO.

Date : 8th February 1944. No: H/0140/44

ITALIAN NAVAL DESERTER.

With reference to your T.A. 1027/58 of 27th January on the above subject, this question has been taken up with the legal section of the Allied Control Commission, and they request me to ascertain from you if this is considered an isolated case, and whether a prosecution is considered desireable; having in view that it would form a precedent and have repercussions on the manning of Yugoslav ships.

C O M M O D O R E.

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8 Feb

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Rec/ORW. 12/AS

7 Feb 44

SUBJECT: Attached Correspondence

TO : Legal Sub-Commission.

I. Attached is a copy of a draft Brief which we have under consideration. Will you please say if para. 6 is a correct summary of the law on the points therein referred to.

2. If you have any comments on the substance or form of the rest of the draft we should be glad to have them before we throw the draft into its final form.

/s/ White

for R.R. CRIPPS,
Lt. Colonel,
for the V. P. Administrative Section.
Allied Control Commission.

Legal Sub Cttee think they are not in a position to give an opinion unless they have been shown the brief

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(4)
7 Feb

Draft Brief for Lord S[redacted]gate

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FOR
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2. The short answer is that the man in question is not at our disposal/or under our control; but though the matter is primarily one between the Italian and Jugoslav governments, our good offices will probably be required to obtain settlement.

3. A question of policy is involved and a decision as to the ~~best~~ course ~~to be followed~~ most effectively to assist the war effort is required.

4. It is undesirable that a man should be punished for taking a more active part in the war.

5. The rights and interests of the Italian government must be taken into consideration, e.g. the necessity to maintain discipline. They cannot be expected to accept a continuation of the position outlined in para 1 (c) above.

6. The legal position as between the Italian and Jugoslav governments and the individual is :
(a) there is no provision in international law which prevents a belligerent (Jugoslavia) from enlisting nationals of other countries (Italy) in its armed forces or under which it can be required to surrender such men even if they are deserters from the armed forces of such other country.
(b) the Italian Government can on its own territory (andthe Jugoslav ships are based on or must of necessity use Italian ports) arrest deserters from its armed forces even though such deserters are members of the armed forces of another country.
(c) after the conclusion of their service with Jugoslavia, deserters can on their return to Italy, unless their position is regularised, be punished for desertion.

7. The situations outlined at 1(c) and 6(b) above are a potent source of friction between the Italian and Jugoslav Governments.

8. A decision is required as to whether the recruitment of Italian nationals to serve on Jugoslave ships is necessary or desirable if the most effective use is to be made of these ships, or alternatively if such service will be of greater use to the war effort than if the men remain in the Italian Navy. See the opinion of FOTALI [illegible] 046

9. If yes, the Italian Government will have to be asked to allow such recruiting in furtherance of the joint war effort (it may be necesaary to agree to a ceiling for the number to be allowed to volunteer from the navy). Volunteers might be

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(a) discharged for enlistment in Jugoslav forces for the duration

(b) detached for service with Jugoslav forces for return to Italian forces when their services are no longer required

The Jugoslav Government would have to undertake

(a) to enlist ~~men~~ for the duration men discharged as at (a)

(b) to return to duty with Italian forces men detached for service as at (b) whose services are no longer required.

(c) to supply a list of men already enlisted with their choice for (a) or (b) so that their positions may be regularised.

(d) to discourage direct recruiting as at 1 (c)

Provision may have to be made to make good wastages and for alteration of the number with change of circumstances.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SALERNO SECTION.
NAVAL SUB*COMMISSION.

4th February 1944.

Subject : Italian Naval Deserters.

It is considered that F.O.T.A.L.I. should be asked to investigate whether this is an isolated case, or whether there are any other Italian sailors serving illegally in the Yugoslav command, before taking the matter up politically.

2. The man concerned is apparently an Italian naval rating, with an Official Number, and alleged to have deserted to the Yugoslav ship, probably during the time of the return of the Yugoslav ships by the Italians.

COMMODORE.
Head of Naval
Sub-commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
(SALERNO DETACHMENT)
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

2 February 1944

SUBJECT : Italian Naval Deserters.

TO : Vice President, Admin. Section.

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1. Reference your No. T.A. 1027/58.

2. The attached case seems fairly clear on the surface: the deserter should be dealt with (when found) by the Italian authorities.

3. It would seem desireble to know bwever, under what circumstances he joined the "Yugoslav Command" whatever that means and whether such Command desires to claim any jurisdiction over him and as I have no information as to the existence of this Commend, I recommend that the file be passed to the Political Directors.

GERALD H. UEJOHN,
Colonel,
Chief Legal Officer.

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ITALIAN NAVAL DESERTERS.

FROM .... FLAG OFFICER TARANTO AND ADRIATIC.

DATE .... 27th January, 1944. NO.T.A.1027/58.

TO .... ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.

The attached correspondence between the Minister of Marine, myself, and General Officer Commanding, No. 2 District, is referred for your advice.

REAR-ADMIRAL.

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SUBJECT: Deserters.

HQ No 2 District C.M.P.
55 A
16 Jan. 1944.

Flag Officer,
Taranto and Adriatic.
TARANTO.

Reference T.A.1027/58 dated 10 Jan 44.

1. Legally it would seem that deserters from the Italian Navy should be handed back to the Italian authorities for such action as the latter wish to take.

2. Politically, such action will cause the Yugo-Slav authorities to complain; but if no such action is taken the Italian authorities will complain.

3. I feel that if the Italians can prove satisfactorily that the man in question was properly enlisted into the Italian Navy, he should be handed back to them, but owing to the political questions involved, I myself, would prefer to refer the matter to higher authority.

T.O.O.
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(Signed) A.M.JOHNSTON,
Colonel,

for Major General,
Comd. No 2 District.

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ELECTRICIAN METLIKA ANDREA, OFFICIAL NO. 29711.
(Minister of Marine's letter No.445/3 of 3rd Jan.44.)

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II.

No.T.A.1027/58.

GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING,
NO.2 DISTRICT.
BARI.

I should be grateful for your remarks.

2. It would seem that the Italian authorities would be within their rights to arrest a deserter, even if wearing a Yugoslav uniform.

(Signed) R. McGRIGOR.

TARANTO.
10th January, 1944.

REAR-ADMIRAL.

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SECRET 101 30 JAN 1944 3047

From .. Ministry of Marine . Secret Intelligence Section.

Date .. 3rd January 1944. No. 445/S .

To .. F.O.I.T.

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ELECTRICIAN BETLIKA Andron - Off.No.: 29711.

During November this rating deserted the Corvette "ORU" in which he was serving.

He was encountered in the streets of BARI on 2nd December, wearing a British Army uniform with a red star on his chest and cap, together with other ex - servicemen of the ISTRIA Province, similarly dressed.

BETLIKA stated that he left his ship at the invitation of other deserter ratings who had assured him that it was an easy thing to do and that no risk was attached, because favoured by the British. He added that he was serving under the Yugoslav Command, sponsored by the British, and that he was at present working aboard the Yugoslav Ships recently ceded to that Navy by our Government, and was living in Barracks at BARI.

Furthermore he went recently to the Taranto Depot where he endeavoured to incite another 50 or so ratings to follow him.

As the person concerned is a sailor guilty of the crime of desertion besides which, he is he is carrying on work of a corruptional character among the Royal Italian Naval Personnel, it would be appreciated if BETLIKA could be traced and handed back to the Italian Military Maritime Authorities.

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FLAG OFFICER TARANTO AREA

7 Jan 1944

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THE MINISTER.

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ITALIAN NAVAL DESERTERS.

FROM .... FLAG OFFICER TARANTO AND ADRIATIC.

DATE .... 14th April, 1944. No.T.A.1027/58.

TO .... HEAD OF NAVAL-SUB-COMMISSION,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, SALERNO.

An early reply to my letter No.T.A.1027/58 of 17th March, would be appreciated.

E. V. Morgan.

REAR-ADMIRAL.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

BoC/355/7/GA. 11 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Italian Navy in the Black Market.

TO : Flag Officer, TARANTO and ADRIATIC.

1. I have received reports from the Regional Commissioner Region V outlining the difficulties he is having in controlling black market operations in FOGGIA which involve Italian personnel of Taranto and Adriatic. Naval trucks driven by Navy personnel are often apprehended in black market operations in FOGGIA.

2. I understand that the Italian Minister of Marine has been informed that anyone desiring to purchase food stuffs in FOGGIA must first obtain a pass endorsed by a competent Allied authority. I must point out most emphatically that the only authority competent to issue such a pass is HQ. Allied Control Commission (Food Sub-Commission) in NAPLES. In any case the Italian Naval personnel being rationed from Allied sources should not require any additional supplies.

3. Your co-operation will be very much appreciated.

BZ/ZMC.

Lt. Gen. I.M.
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: R.C. Region V.
" " II.
Naval Sub-Com.
Room Section for Food Sub-Com. (2)

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HEADQUARTERS
ISLAND BASE SECTION AND 10TH PORT
APO 550

AG 250.462 (IBSPM) 3 March, 1944

SUBJECT: Availability of Italian Naval Personnel.

TO: Commanding Officer, Allied Control Commission, APO 394.

FOR: Italian Ministry of Marines.

1. The following named former prisoners of war, who were released for duty with the Italian Cruiser "Montecuccoli", are needed by this headquarters as material witnesses in the forthcoming trial by courts-martial of Col. Salvador F. Squatrito:

MM Ascione, Simone 218226
MM Trapani, Giuseppe 218654

2. Request that these men be made available to this headquarters to testify in the above-mentioned trial.

3. Request that this headquarters be notified if and when these men will be available.

For the Commanding Officer:

T. P. FLYNN
Capt., AGD
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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(Sgd.) I. M. PALMER.
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SUBJECT: Italian Naval Deserters.

HQ No 2 District CMF.
30A.
30 May 44.

ACC (Naval Sub Comm)

Ref your P13-8/ACC Serial 223 of May 44.

1. Enquiries are being made with I & DPSC as to the whereabouts of these Naval deserters who state that it is extremely doubtful if any record of them exists, as they are Italians and as such are not the responsibility of this Sub Commission.

2. You will be advised of the results of the 'search'.

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for Colonel,
Col i/c Adm.

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RECEIPT

No. 77710 Rank A.R.F.

Name MOSCA Evandro di Romolo.

Unit R. Albarina. C.R.E.M. TARANTO.

Was handed over to me by the Military Police

on 1. 2. 44

at 2400 hrs. hrs

He was ~~drunk~~/sober. I detained him.

Sgd .....

Unit .....

Date .....

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SUBJECT: Italian Naval Deserters.

H.Q. No 2 District CMF.
3CA.

12 Jul 44.

ACC, Naval Sub Commission.

Ref Your P13-8/NSC of 6 Jun 44.

H.Q. NLAJ states that none of the men referred to in your letter are at present serving with them .

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Colonel,

Col i/c Adm.

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230. 1st Ind. CM/MC/hgb
HQ FIFTEENTH AIR FORCE, APO 520, U S ARMY, 17 June 1944.

TO: Commanding Officer, 47th Wing, APO 520, U S ARMY.

For appropriate action.

By command of Major General TWINING:

MARTIN COLDMAN,
Captain, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

1 Incl: n/c

G/ELW/so

230. 2d Ind.
HEADQUARTERS, 47th WING, APO 520, US ARMY, 19 June 1944.

TO: CG, Fifteenth Air Force, APO 520.

Subject Italian is employed in the mess of Hq & Hq Sq 47th Wing.

For the Commanding Officer:

ERNEST L. WALTERS,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

1 Incl; n/c

230 3rd Ind. CM/MC/hgb
HQ FIFTEENTH AIR FORCE, APO 520, U S ARMY, 24 June 1944.

TO: Allied Control Commission.

Attention invited to preceding indorsement.

For the Commanding General:

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MARTIN COLDMAN,
Captain, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

1 Incl: n/c

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HEADQUARTERS
122ND BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
A.P.O. 520

MM/NVK/set

230.

13 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal.

TO : Commanding General, Fifteenth Air Force,A.P.O. 520, U.S.Army.

1. The enclosed letter from the Italian Navy concerns an Italian sailor who was employed by the Headquarters, 68th Tactical Reconnaissance Group while it was located in Italy.

2. At the time of the movement of the 122nd Bombardment Squadron, the subject sailor was still employed by the Headquarters of the 68th Tactial Reconnaissance Group. However, by interrogation of some of the personnel who later joined this organization from the Group Headquarters, it is believed he was discharged on or about 1 May 1944.

3. Further information might possibly be obtained from Major C.E. Harness, who was Commanding Officer of the 68th Tactical Reconnaissance Group at the time of its dissolution in Italy. Major Harness was last known to be assigned to the 47th Wing.

For the Commanding Officer:

/s/ NORMAN V. KINSEY, JR.,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

1 Incl:
Incl #1- Ltr fr Ital.Navy dtd
1 June 1944.

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1 June 1944

Regia Marina
Distaccamento C.R.E.M.
Buffoluto(Taranto)

Ufficio Comando

Prot. 4415

To: Headquarters 58th
Tactical Reconnaissance
Group, APO 520 U.S.Army.

Subject: Fuoch. O. Guida Cosimo matr. 38656 cl. 1917.

Riferimento al foglio di codesto Comando in data 17/5 c.a.,

Si prega comunicare se codesto Comando, che ha perduto di forza il militare in argomento il 30 Aprile, lo ha inviato; presso qualche altro Comando alleato per prestare servizio o e stato licenziato e avviato al proprio domicilio.-

IL CAPITANO DI CORVETTA
Comandante
(Gino FRIZZIERO)
/s/

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FLAG OFFICER LIAISON, ITALY,
AREA COMBINED HEADQUARTERS,
TARANTO.
24th June, 1944.

No. T.A. 940/5.

MINISTER OF MARINE,
MARISTAT, PALAZZO RESTA,
TARANTO.

ITALIAN DESERTERS TO THE PARTISANS.

During the past six months, requests have frequently been received that Italian naval personnel deserting to the Jugo-Slav Partisans be traced and returned to their units. Conscientious efforts have always been made to trace these men as the Allied authorities support the principle that no Italian soldier, sailor or airman, whatever his origin or political colour, has the right to desert to the forces of another nation.

2. These enquiries have never yet been successful and it is becoming increasingly obvious that they will always be in vain. The main reasons for this are that -

(a) Enquiries must necessarily be conducted through the Partisans who, while closely co-operating with the United Nations, are in no sense subordinate to them and are under no obligation to carry out administrative instructions issued by the Anglo-American authorities.

(b) The Partisans are not able to employ Secretarial staffs on a large scale and it is doubtful if they keep any record of men joining their ranks.

(c) It is most probable that Italian deserters take care to change their names on joining the partisans.

(d) Any Italians who have deserted are probably now fighting in the Jugo-Slav hinterland where they would be quite impossible to trace.

3. The Chief Commissioner of the Allied Control Commission has issued instructions that the Jugo-Slavs shall not enter any Italian service personnel in their armed forces, but Jugo-Slav recruiting is frequently done by patriotic individuals whose activities the higher authorities are unable to check.

4. I am sure you will appreciate these difficulties and will realise that the real solution lies not with the United Nations or the Partisans, but with the Italian authorities who should impress upon their men that desertion to the forces of another nation is a serious breach of military discipline.

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5. It is not, therefore, intended to take further action on

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5. It is not, therefore, intended to take further action on these requests unless deserters are known to be directly under Anglo-American control.

(Signed) C.E. MORGAN
REAR-ADMIRAL

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Subject:- Italian Naval Deserters.

Hq No 2 District CMF,
30 A
8 Jun 44.

Naval Sub commission,
Allied Control Commission.

Ref your F13-8/ACC Ser.223 dated 19 May 44.

1. No trace can be found of the three Naval deserters referred to in your letter.

The following comments made by I & D P Sub Commission are forwarded for your infm:-

"No trace of the men can be found in camps under control of this Sub-Commission, but the following comments are made for your information:

(a) From their places of birth and/or surnames, it would seem that all of the above are members of Slav minorities from Venezia Cuiliana or Istria, and as such very anti-Italian in their sentiments.
(b) Many such Slavs, though technically Italian citizens, are fighting in the ranks of the N.O.V.J. having previously deserted from the Italian armed services after contact with Partisan elements in Italy. They frequently change their names on joining the Partisan forces.
(c) The fact that GOGLIANI, MINIUBSI And MARAS were allegedly transferred to MONOPOLI seems to point to the fact that the above are now in Jugoslavia in the ranks of Marshall TITO's Forces."

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for Colonel-Illigible
Col i/c Adm.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

File No.
P13/NSC

Serial: 13

7 June 1944.

From: Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Regional Control and Military Government Section, ACC.

Subject: Deserters from the Armed Forces in Areas Controlled by the Allies.

1. Enclosed herewith is a copy of the Italian Commander-in-Chief, Maritime Department of Ionian and Lower Adriatic letter No. 28206/C.C of 30 May 1944, with reference to the return of Italian Naval deserters who are under Allied jurisdiction.

2. Information is requested as to the policy established for the return of deserters to Italian Naval authorities so that the Italian Commander-in-Chief, Maritime Department of Ionian and Lower Adriatic may be advised.

E. V. ETHOLL,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
for Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, A.C.C.

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From: Commander In Chief, Maritime Department of Ionian and Lower Adriatic.
Date: 30th May, 1944.
To : F.C.T.A. Taranto.
No : 28205/C.C.

Subject: DESERTERS FROM THE ARMED FORCES IN AREAS CONTROLLED BY THE ALLIES.

The Commanding Officer of the Royal Carabiniere Station at CERIGNOLA (FOGGIA) replying in a letter No. 22/535 of the 12th instant to a request by the Naval Command at BARI for the apprehension and restitution of a Service-man, replied:

"The Officer of the Allied Military Government of CERIGNOLA has given orders that no Service man who have deserted or who for any reason find themselves in the territory under his jurisdiction be arrested, let alone brought back and sent to the Italian Royal Naval Station or Departments.

He has also forbidden the execution of warrants of arrest against the deserters."

I request that you advise this Command in Chief whether such are the orders of the Allied Military Government for the District of CERIGNOLA.

Signed - A. DA ZARA.

Admiral,

Commander in Chief.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

File No.
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7 June 1944.

Serial 0012
SECRET
S-E-C-R-E-T:

From: Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Chief Commissioner, A. C. C.

Subject: Italian naval deserters to Jugo-Slav forces.

1. I am enclosing herewith for your information a copy of the Minister of Marine's letter #234/RS and a copy of the Italian Commander-in-Chief, Maritime Department of Ionian and Lower Adriatic letter 2070/C.S of 13 May 1944, both of which relate to deserters from the Italian Navy to Jugo-Slav forces.

2. With reference to your letter of 22 April 1944 to Commodore L. . Palmer, will you please advise me whether a policy has been established by the Allied governments for handling this situation. In the meanwhile, an effort will be made to determine the present whereabouts and status of Italian deserters named in the Minister's letter referred to above. If found to be under Allied control they will be returned to Italian Naval authorities, otherwise no action will be taken.

3. With reference to paragraph 3-b of your letter of 22 April 1944, will you please advise me to whom the instructions were issued that the Jugo-Slavs shall not enter any Italian service personnel in their Armed Forces.

REAR-ADMIRAL.

Copy to:
NAVBASE NAC-Salerno.

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From: Ministry of Marine. Cabinet. C-O-P-Y
Date: 13th May, 1044.
To : F.O.L.I. TARANTO.
No: 334/ F. S. Enclosures I.

Subject: SECRET RECRUITING OF MILITARY PERSONNEL OF SLAV ORIGIN.

S-E C R E T:

Reference your T. A. 940/5 of the 12th April, 1944.

1). I take note of your assurances given on the subject in question, and of the difficulties which hinder a rapid and complete solution of the inconveniences complained of.

2). However, since we are dealing with a subject, the gravity of which profoundly affects the question of morale in the Italian Royal Navy; I deem it advisable to draw attention to the existence of MONOPOLI of another Jugoslav Centre for the clandestine gathering of Italian Service Personnel who are recruited as a result of active propaganda, chiefly in the towns of BRINDISI and TARANTO.

3). At the above-mentioned centre at MONOPOLI, amongst the ranks of the Partisans, there are at present about 200 men of the Italian Royal Navy, including 8 Officers.

4). I attach a list giving the names of Service Personnel whose presence in the Partisan Recruiting Camp has been ascertained.

5). As already previously advised, I ask your intervention for the return to the Italian Authorities of the above-mentioned Service-men, who have absented themselves without leave and who are thus regarded as deserters.

Signed - The Minister.

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(ENCLOSURE).

LIST OF PERSONNEL OF ITALIAN ROYAL NAVY WHO AS A RESULT OF ACTIVE PARTISAN PROPAGANDA, HAVE DESERTED AND TAKEN REFUGE IN THE VARIOUS SLAV CONCENTRATION CAMPS.

RANK	FULL NAME.	
Sub Lieut. C.R.E.M.	CIANI	Ferdinando.
Ldg. Mechanic	SCOPAZZI	Vittorio.
Sto.	CHERBAZ	Mario
"	COCOTTI	Olivo.
"	VARESCO	Raffaele
"	MOCOLE	Leone
"	LUPPI	Italo
"	SALVARANTI	Mario
"	VENTURINI	Michele
Ord. Gunner	LUCCIN	Giulio
" "	GUIDI	Vittorio
" "	CERNIC	Albini
Ldg Sto. O.	PRUSCA	Giuseppe
Electrician	PETTIROSSI	Carlo
Gunner O.	GANDELLI	Paolo
Electrician	FONDA	Giorgio
Sto. O.	CHENDA.	Alberto
Gunner O.	RIBARIC	Giordano.

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Sub Lieut. C.R.E.M.	GIANI	Ferdinando.
Ldg. Mechanic	SCOPAZZI	Vittorio.
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"	COCOTTI	Olivo.
"	VARESCO	Raffaele
"	MOCOLE	Leone
"	LUPPI	Italo
"	SALVARANTI	Mario
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" "	GUIDI	Vittorio
" "	CERNIC	Albini
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Gunner O.	GANDELLI	Paolo
Electrician	FONDA	Giorgio
Sto. O.	CHENDA.	Alberto
Gunner O.	RIBARIC	Giordano.

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C-O-P-Y:

From: Commander in Chief, Maritime Department of IONIAN and LOWER ADRIATIC.
Date: 13th May, 1944.
To : Rear Admiral C. E. MORGAN, F.O.T.A. TARANTO.
No : 2070/C.C.
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Subject: ITALIAN SERVICE PERSONNEL WHO HAVE GONE OVER TO THE JUGOSLAV PARTISANS.

RESERVED. PERSONAL. URGENT.
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TERRITORIAL COMPANY OF ROYAL CARABINEERS - BARI
MONOPOLI DETACHMENT.

No. 79/72 RESERVED. PERSONAL. MONOPOLI, 7th May, 1944.

Subject: ITALIAN SERVICE PERSONNEL DESERTED TO THE JUGOSLAV PARTISANS.

To: Commander in Chief, Maritime Department of IONIAN and LOWER ADRIATIC.
And to various Italian Authorities.

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On the Ist Ult. the Seaman TRAPELLA, Ennio, born at MESOLA, (Ferrara) on the 15th July, 1916, attached to BRINDISI Division, S.A.C.A. Department, having recuperated in the Italian Royal Naval Sick Bay at BRINDISI, was, by deceitful means induced to leave the Sick Bay.

He was accompanied on board a ship belonging to the Jugoslav Partisans which was anchored in that Port, by another sailor, fair, of normal stature, a native of the TRIESTE Province doing guard duties in the said Sick Bay.

On board the ship TRAPELLA was offered a substantial meal and furthermore was induced to drink a great deal of wine which made him slightly intoxicated.

Towards midnight that same night 3 Partisans came aboard and invited TRAPELLA to accompany them on a motor trip. He accepted the offer.

The fair sailor mentioned above, who cannot be identified, also entered the car, which, as soon as it was clear of BRINDISI made off towards MONOPOLI.

When they arrived at that place TRAPELLA and the other sailor were taken to the local PARTISAN COMMAND and imprisoned.

The following morning TRAPELLA was taken before the C.O. of the Partisans from whom he learned that he had been enrolled among them and that in the course of a few days he would be sent to JUGOSLAVIA. TRAPELLA tried to make it understood that he had been taken to the Partisan Command against his will but his protests only served to have him imprisoned again, whilst the other sailor, who donned the Partisan uniform, was released.

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TRAPELLA declared that in the prison were four other PARTISANS and the Infanteryman PERUS, Mario, native of the Province of GORIZIA, belonging to a Detachment stationed at BARI, who told him that he had been brought to MONOPOLI under false pretences, after having been made drunk at a public drinking place at BARI.

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PERUS gave TRAPELLA to understand that he, also had no wish to remain with the Partisans.

Towards 1700 on the 6th instant, TRAPELLA, being Chief

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And to various Italian Authorities

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On the 1st Ult. the Seaman TRAPELLA, Ennio, born at MESOLA, (Ferrara) on the 16th JULY, 1916, attached to BRINDISI Division, S.A.C.A. Department, having recuperated in the Italian Royal Naval Sick Bay at BRINDISI, was, by deceitful means induced to leave the Sick Bay.

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The following morning TRAPELLA was taken before the C.O. of the Partisans from whom he learned that he had been enrolled among them and that in the course of a few days he would be sent to JUGOSLAVIA. TRAPELLA tried to make it understood that he had been taken to the Partisan Command against his will but his protests only served to have him imprisoned again, whilst the other sailor, who donned the Partisan uniform, was released.

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TRAPELLA declared that in the prison were four other PARTISANS and the Infanteryman PERUS, Mario, native of the Province of GORIZIA, belonging to a Detachment stationed at BARI, who told him that he had been brought to MONOPOLI under false pretences, after having been made drunk at a public drinking place at BARI.

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PERUS gave TRAPELLA to understand that he, also had no wish to remain with the Partisans.

Towards 1700 on the 6th instant, TRAPELLA, seeing Chief Petty Officer VETTOR, Ugo of the Italian Royal Navy, passing in the street, disclosed to him his position and begged him to

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pass again later to receive a note to send to TRAPELLA's Command.

This conversation was observed by two agents of the Partisan Police, and these warned the Political Commissioner who betook himself to the prison, administered a blow to TRAPELLA and ordered his isolation in a cellar.

Yesterday evening TRAPELLA escaped from that place and called at the local office of the Italian Royal Navy which informed the C. O. of the Station in this Centre, who arranged to put the sailor in a place of safety in this Barracks, so that he might be escorted to BARI the following day.

What is revealed above sheds light on the methods employed by the Jugoslav Propaganda Agents to constrain Service-men of the Army and Navy to become enlisted in the Partisan Army, - methods which are contraty to International Law.

Consequently the immedite intervention of our Central Authorities and of the Allied Authorities is desirable for the speedy liberation of the Infantryman PERUS who is still in prison and who will be sent to Jugoslavia by the first passage, which should take place in the early days of the coming week; and for the release of other elemonts of our army enlisted in the ranks of the Partisans.

Signed - ANGELO MASSARO,

Sub-Lieutenant in Command.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Naval Subcommission
APO 394

6 May 1944

Subject : Release of Internees, Irace Giuseppe

To : Regional Control and Military Government Section

Your letter Ref 154/30/CA of 2 May 44 has been forwarded to F O T A L I concurring in the recommendations made there in.

Commodore

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/154/30CA

2 May 1944

SUBJECT: Release of Internees - IRACE GIUSEPPE.

TO : Navy Sub-Commission.

1. Reference your Signal 2608 of 11 April 1944 there are forwarded to you copies of a letter from Commandant 371 P.W. Camp reference 371/1200 of 26 April 1944 and recommendation by Security Branch, A.C.C.

This man is considered to be a danger to military security and will continue to be held in detention. Your Signal 2608 of 11 April 1944 and subsequent telephone conversation with this Branch gave an impression that the arrest of this man had been made very recently as a result of a comb-out and was probably a mistake. This would appear to be quite contrary to the facts.

3. It would also appear that nothing more can be done until the case next comes up for review. Do you agree please?

4. This will confirm telephone conversation (Commodore Palmer - Major Driffield White speaking) of 2 May 1944.

/s/ Driffield White
Major
for /t/ NORMAN E FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

1st Ind.
REAR HQ ACC, APO 394 U.S. ARMY - May 5, 1944

To: FCTALI

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Reference your T.A. 1027/117 3 April.

Forwarded - concurring.

/s/ I.M. Palmer

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SUBJECT: RELEASE OF INTERNEES.

371 P.W. Camp
371/1200.
26 April 1944.

G.S.I. (b) A.A.I.

Copy to HQ ACC RC & MG Section
APO 394 (Ref your 154/23/CA dated 19/4/44).

Reference internee IRACE Giyseppe, and attached copy of Reviewing Boards decision.

The above named internee has had his case reviewed by the Board, and after careful consideration, it has been decided that he would, if freed still be a menace to Allied Security.

In above quoted letter from ACC (copy attached) to this office it can be seen, that ACC have received from somewhere instructions for his release.

However, in view of Para 1 this office will continue to hold this internee, unless orders from your office are received to the contrary.

This internee appears on Fifth Army Approved list period 16-31st December 1943.

(J.E. MARSHALL) Major
Commandant No 371 P.W. Camp.,
C.M.F.

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COPY OF RECOMMENDATION BY LIEUT F.G. GEACH
A.C.C. SECURITY BRANCH

CIVILIAN INTERNEE: IRACE GIUSEPPE

In company with LIEUT ELLIS, on 25th April 1944, I interrogated Sub Lieut IRACE Giuseppe, age 25.

He was inscribed in the Fascist Party in the year 1936, and he was a Feduciario del Nucleo Universitario at Naples University. He entered the Italian Navy at the end of 1940 and served on the warship DUILIO, until the 6th and 7th of September 1943, when she was at TARANTO. At this critical moment he obtained three days leave, granted by the C.O., Naval Division, who was his friend. He then left TARANTO by Naval truck which was going to NAPLES for tobacco. He left the truck at SESSA AURUNCA. During the fighting period which followed he states he was in civilian clothes in the hills. He then claims to have reported to the Station Naval Commanderat Naples on the 1st or 2nd of November 1943. By him he was granted indefinite leave together with a new identity card. He was then asked how he accounted for Anti-Allied Propaganda documents (which he had typed), photographic materials, Fascist insignia, membership cards and literatneof the MVSN that had been found at his home. He could give no direct answer, but that the documents were of old standing. The Beretta Automatic found, he first stated was his, then subsequently it was his brother-in-law's. He did not know how much ammunition he had. When questioned about his leaving to accompany the Germans he said suchquestions were insulting, and the only conclusion that could be drawn was that he was anxious not to be confronted by such embarrassing questions.

His general attitude to interrogation was evasive and he undoubtedly lied about the documents found at his home. He is still considered by us to be a danger to military security and we recommend his continued detention for the present.

(signed F.G. GEACH. Lieut.
A.C.C. Security Branch

25/4/44.

Commandant's Remarks:-

I agree with above. His case will be reviewed again when "Line" moves further North.

(signed J.E. MARSHALL Major,
Commandant No 371 P.W. Camp.

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Ref. CC/G/223

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22 April 1944

DSH log
25 APR 1944

TO: Commodore I. M. Palmer,
Director, Navy Sub-Commission

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1. I return attached papers.

2. Reference Admiral Morgan's memorandum of 17th March, No. TA 1027/58. I am not in a position to give a clear-cut decision as the whole question has had to be referred to the Allied Governments for a ruling and I have not yet received an answer.

3. As regards the three alternatives in Para One of Admiral Morgan's letter. -

(a) This is impossible in the meantime.

(b) I have issued strict instructions that the Yugo-Slavs shall not enter any Italian service personnel in their armed forces.

(c) I am not very taken with this alternative.

4. In the meantime everything possible has been done to stop the Yugo-Slavs from enticing Italian service personnel away from their job and until the Allied Governments let us know their decision in the matter there is little more that we can do. In principle we entirely support the Italian point of view that no Italian soldier, sailor or airman may be enticed away however Slav his origin may be.

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NOEL MASON MACFARLANE,
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS - G1/B/2217/A2 - 24 Mar 44.

To : Allied Control Commission.

Subject: PW Escapes.

May a reply now be given to this Headquarters letter of even number dated 10 Jan. please ?

Sgd. A.S. BARSDORF.Lt-Col.
A.A.G.
for Major-General D.A.G.
G-1.(B).

Signal from PW SUB-COMMISSION C.M.F. to FREEDOM 6th April 1944.

A653 Your letter G1/B/2117/A2 dated 24 March 44 PW Escapees received by this HQ. Confirm addressee as no trace here of letter referred to.

Signal from FREEDOM to POWCOM rptd FATIMA. 11th April 1944.

Your A653 of 6th April not repeated not understood. G1/B/2117 of 24th March to ACC evacuated Italian P.O.W. PROVENZANO Ciro employed Tripoli who escaped 8th December 1943 and stowed away Italian Cruiser GARDONE at Tripoli and was handed over Italian Naval Authorities Taranto. Return this P.W. requested for internment P.O.W. Camp 313 and that matter be taken up with ITALIAN NAVAL AUTHORITIES.

Letter from HQ.P/W Sub Commission C.M.F. to ACC. 13th April 1944.

Attached correspondence and signal received at this H.Q. are passed to you for action. 2016

This H.Q. handles only Imperial and Allied ex Ps/W.

Sgd. ----? Capt.
for Colonel.
A/Director,
P.W. Sub Commission.

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for Major-General D.A.G.
G-1.(B).

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Forwarded.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION

No. X.177/44. 28th April 1944.

To... F.O.T.A.I.I.

Subject.- Unauthorised issue of Leave Passes - Control of Movement-Italian Navy.

The enclosed documents and copies of correspondence received through the Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C., are forwarded.

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APR. 44 - APR. 45
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Office of Flag Officer,
Northern Area,
Mediterranean.

At NAPLES. 29th March, 1945.

No. FONAM.150-20.
THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,
MEDITERRANEAN.
(Copy to: Flag Officer, Taranto, Adriatic and Liaison, Italy.
Flag Officer Liaison, Italy (Rome).
British Naval Liaison Officer, Maddalena.
(No. 311/1035/2 dated 5th March, 1945)
British Naval Liaison Officer, Cagliari).

BRITISH SAILORS, CAGLIARI.

The enclosed report from the British Naval Liaison Officer, Cagliari dated 10th February is forwarded for information together with my No.FONAM.150-20 dated 23rd March in reply to paragraph 4.

2. On 16th February a signalled report was received from the British Naval Liaison Officer, Cagliari informing me that three naval ratings had been injured in a street brawl as a result of wounds received from hand grenades thrown, and asking for a small military police unit to keep order.

3. It was ascertained that the Allied Military Authority in the Island was unable to provide this force, and therefore Major Woolner, R.M. and Party "Dig" Provost party were sent to Cagliari from Leghorn. His report to me is also enclosed.

4. The measures taken to prevent further incidents are fully concurred in, but it will not be possible to leave this officer and his Provost party in Cagliari for long as they must be available to go forward with their Port Party when that time comes.

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5. It is significant that this report brings out the fact that nearly all these incidents are caused by merchant seamen (paragraph 7), that the presence of merchant seamen in any port where there are no police authorised to deal with them is always liable to result in incidents (paragraph 12), and that these men are not so subject to the disciplinary restrictions in their liberty as can be imposed in the case of the members of Armed Forces.

6. As has already been stated, it has been made clear that the Italian police have powers of arrest, but they must hand the offenders over to the appropriate military authorities. It is submitted that this is extremely difficult for them to do in any port where there is one British Naval Liaison Officer, who is very often a junior and

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(No. CAG/1075/2 dated 5th March, 1945)
from British Naval Liaison Officer, Cagliari.

SUBJECT: PROVOST, CAGLIARI.

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FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
Date 6 Apl
No 451
ROME

(Sgd) D. HAMMERSLEY JOHNSTON

for REAR ADMIRAL,
(absent on duty).

6th April, 1945

DATE:
FROM: FOTALI, FORWARDED
TO: NAVY SUB
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Enclosures:-
1. British Naval Liaison Officer, Cagliari's letter dated 10th February, 1945.
2. [illegible] 150-20 dated 23rd March, 1945.
3. Report from Naval Provost Marshal Cagliari, dated 27th February, 1945 and 14th March, 1945.

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FROM: ... THE BRITISH NAVAL LIAISON OFFICER, CAGLIARI.

DATE ... 10th February 1945.

TO. ... FLAG OFFICER, NORTHWEST AREA, MEDITERRANEAN.

Subject:- Public Safety, Cagliari.

I am informed by the Public Safety Officer of the Allied Commission at Cagliari that there is no possibility of having a small Allied military police force attached to this post for the control of Allied personnel.

2. The Italian Military and Carabinieri seem to be reluctant to take any action in disturbances involving Allied personnel and it is not clear whether they have in fact the power to do so.

3. Allied Deserters seem who prove to be the most offenders seem to be aware of this state of uncertainty and take advantage of it.

4. It is requested that the position may be clarified by defining the powers invested in the Italian Authorities concerned.

Thos. R. Penny
Lieutenant, R.N.V.R. 7262
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Office of Flag Officer,
Northern Area,
Mediterranean.

At NAPLES. 23rd March, 1945.

To NAVAL, 330-29,
HER BRITTEN NAVAL LIAISON OFFICER,
CAGLIARI.

PUBLIC SAFETY AT CAGLIARI.

With reference to paragraph 4 of your letter of the 10th February, 1945, the powers invested in the Italian Authorities are as follows :-

1. The Italian Civil Police and civil law enforcement agencies have full powers to arrest any member of the Allied Forces (including Merchant Navy personnel) who is breaking the law, but such person must be handed over to the proper Allied Authority at the first opportunity.

2. The Civil Police are armed with a loaded firearm, either pistol, revolver or rifle, both whilst on and off duty, and are instructed to use these weapons if required to enforce the law and uphold the dignity of the Police Force.

(signed) D. [illegible]

for REAR ADMIRAL.

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FROM ... THE NAVAL PROVOST MARSHAL, CAGLIARI.

DATE ... 27th February, 1945.

TO ... FLAG OFFICER, NORTHERN AREA, MEDITERRANEAN.
(Copy to: Naval Officer in Charge, Party "JIG")

SUBJECT: Report as to General Conditions at Cagliari as at 27th February 1945.

1. My Patrol disembarked at Cagliari at 1600 hours on the 25th February 1945 and commenced patrol duties at 1400 hours on the 26th February.

2. Suitable living and messing accommodation for the Patrol has been provided by the Allied Commission through the British Naval Liaison Officer. An office at the Allied Commission Headquarters and a Pigmet House near the Port have been opened.

3. I have contacted Colonel Pennycuick, DSO., (Regional Commissioner (Allied Commission) and Garrison Commander) and his Public Safety Officer, the Naval Officer in Charge, the Officers Commanding the 11th Minesweeping Flotilla and the United States Navy Minesweeping Group, the Commanding Officer, Royal Air Force, Cagliari and the Commandant of the Carabinieri and Questura.

4. Colonel Pennycuick although nominally Garrison Commander has, as such, no troops under command. There are some 60 British and American administrative and supply personnel under the Allied Commission.

5. In general there appears to be no anti-allied feeling amongst the civilian population. Italian Naval and Military personnel seem well-disciplined and have not been concerned in fights with Allied personnel.

There have been a few inter-Italian disturbances arising out of the military call-up.

6. I have read the report of the Public Safety Department's investigation into the bomb-throwing incident of the 14th February 1945.

It has not been possible to ascertain who threw the bomb. It seems clear however that the ratings concerned had been involved in a fight with a civilian in a cafe about an hour previous to the time of the incident (2300 hours) and it is thought probable that the bomb was thrown by the civilian concerned.

There is no proof of this and the investigation must be considered closed.

The ratings have now been discharged from Hospital.

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7. From this report and those of previous incidents it is evident that brawls have usually been started by drunken Merchant Seamen or, in a small number of cases, by Naval ratings. Allied personnel have apparently not been assaulted without some provocation although drunks have had clothes removed from them in back streets.

8. The Officer Commanding the 11th Minesweeping Flotilla, in consultation with the Officer Commanding the United States Navy Minesweeping Group has

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limited liberty for Naval ratings to 1900 hours and has placed all brothels and all bars except for a few of the better conducted establishments Out of Bounds to Naval ratings.

Lack of signs and numerous half-obliterated old signs tend to make the Bounds situation difficult for libertymen.

9. The 11th Minesweeping Flotilla provides a daily patrol of a Petty Officer and 2 during the period of liberty and for ½ an hour afterwards.

A United States Navy Patrol operates during the same period.

A Royal Air Force patrol is on duty until 1750.

All these patrols being withdrawn by 1930 hours, the position is that no Allied police are left in the Town to deal with Merchant Seamen offenders or Service personnel who may still be ashore.

The Carabinieri are not authorised or are certainly not encouraged to handle Allied personnel except in most serious cases, i.e. when it is too late.

It is significant that all the more serious incidents have occurred after 2200 hours, when Unit patrols have been withdrawn.

Curfew is at 2230 hours.

10. No cell accomodation has been available for offenders.

11. The following measures are being taken:-

(a) The existing Patrols of all services are being co-ordinated and based on a single Picquet House.

(b) Royal Marine Patrols will operate until 2230 hours or later if found necessary.

(c) The Naval Officer in Charge and the Garrison Commander are promulgating joint orders placing Liberty and Bounds for Merchant Seamen on the same basis as for Naval ratings. The Merchant Seamen will probably not conform to these orders but it will increase the powers of the Patrols.

(d) Cell accomodation has been obtained at the Carabinieri Headquarters. When occupied by Allied offenders a Royal Marine cell-sentry will be posted. 7259

(e) A clearer indication of In Bounds and Out of Bounds areas will be given and rigorous searches of bars and brothels carried out.

(f) Full liaison with the Allied Commission, all Service Commanders and the Italian Police will be maintained.

12. I consider that the presence of my Patrol in the Town, coupled with

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12. I consider that the presence of my Patrol in the Town, coupled with the measures outlined in paragraph 11 should deal with the position adequately.

I see no reason to anticipate any serious disorders after my Patrol has eventually been withdrawn, although the presence of Merchant Seamen in any port where there are no police authorised to deal with them is always likely to result in incidents.

13. When my Patrol is withdrawn I propose recommending to the Commanding Officers of all Services, that, in the general interest, Unit patrols should be

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maintained not only during liberty hours but at least until Onefer (2230 hours).

14. Now that a greater measure of power and authority is being given to the Italian Government in liberated areas perhaps consideration could be given to the possibility of allowing Carabinieri full powers of arrest over delinquent Seamen in ports where there are no Allied police and encouraging them to use such powers when necessary.

Having worked with Carabinieri in several ports I feel confident that such powers would not be abused.

15. The work of my Patrol is greatly hindered by the complete lack of transport, except for one motor cycle.

The Town is nearly 2 miles square and the Patrol Billet and my own Mess are each, unavoidably, 20 minutes walk from my Office and the Pierhead Gates. The calls are also at a distance.

I have no vehicle in which to transport drunks or stores or to use for mobile patrols or emergency calls.

The British Naval Liaison Office has only one P.U. and one truck which is out of repair and likely to be off the road for a considerable time.

The Garrison Commander has, as such, no transport and informs me that his Allied Commission transport is not available for the purpose. Other Services are too short of transport to be able to assist.

It is hoped to patch up a civilian car, but this may not be possible.

It is requested that a P.U. or 15-cwt. may be made available and sent over from Naples as soon as possible.

16. I propose to render a further report after 14 days.

(Sgd.) W. Woolmer.

Major, Royal Marines.
Naval Provost Marshal

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FROM ... THE NAVAL PROVOST MARSHAL, CAGLIARI.

DATE ... 14th March, 1945.

TO ... THE FLAG OFFICER, NORTHERN AREA MEDITERRANEAN.
(Copy to: Naval Officer in Charge, Party "JIG").

SUBJECT: Report as to General Conditions at Cagliari as at 14th March 1945.

1. This report is supplementary to my Report of 27th February 1945.

2. The views expressed in paragraphs 5 and 7 of my previous Report are confirmed.

3. All the measures outlined in paragraph 11 of that Report have been brought into effect.

4. In the period (26 February-14 March) during which my Patrol has been in operation no offences by Royal Navy personnel have been brought to my notice.

5. During the same period 2 Merchant Navy absentees (one of 3 weeks duration) have been apprehended.

A Merchant Seaman awaiting passage was drunk and disorderly causing slight damage in the Merchant Navy Hotel.

No other drunk or disorderly conduct by Merchant Navy personnel has been brought to my notice.

6. A theft of linen from the store of S.S."SAINTERRIN" was investigated and the stolen property recovered from the Town.

7. I consider that, although my Patrol is carrying out useful duties here, its presence is not really necessary should its services be required elsewhere.

8. I confirm the view expressed in my previous Report that there is no reason to anticipate serious disorders when the Patrol is withdrawn but incidents of a more or less serious nature are always liable to occur when Merchant Navy personnel are ashore.

9. The suggestions contained in paragraph 12 of my previous 4257 now appear to be met by a letter dated 25th February 1945 from the Public Safety Department Allied Commission Headquarters to the Italian Minister of Public Safety, stating that in order to remove doubts it is made clear that Italian Civil Police have powers of arrest over members of the Allied Forces committing crime. Such persons are to be delivered to the appropriate authority as soon as possible with a full report.

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1. This report is supplementary to my Report of 27th February 1945.

2. The views expressed in paragraphs 5 and 7 of my previous Report are confirmed.

3. All the measures outlined in paragraph 11 of that Report have been brought into effect.

4. In the period (26 February-11 March) during which my Patrol has been in operation no offences by Royal Navy personnel have been brought to my notice.

5. During the same period 2 Merchant Navy absentees (one of 7 weeks duration) have been apprehended.

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10. In conjunction with the Public Safety Officer, Allied Commission, Sardinia arrangements will be made for the Carabinieri to hold arrested Merchant Seamen temporarily and subsequently hand them over to the Embarkation Officer of War Transport Representative or return them on board as he may direct. Royal Naval personnel if arrested would be escorted immediately to their ship and handed over to the Commanding Officer.

11. The entire Staff of the Allied Commission, Sardinia Region (other than a small Military Mission) will have left the Island by the middle of April.

12. If sufficient warning of the proposed withdrawal of the Patrol can be given I propose, in the interests of general fitness and ability of efficiency to take them for a 3-day exercise in the mountains.

(Sgd.) R. Woolmer.
Major Royal Marines.
Naval Forces Marshal.

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15 February 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.
To : Land Forces Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.

Subject: Unauthorized Transport of Civilians.

Report by 75 COY C.M.P. (T.C.) to 59 Area, forwarded with another paper under Land Forces Sub-Commission letter AG/11/3 of 10 February 1945 is returned since the unit mentioned appears to be under your jurisdiction.

R. W. ZIROLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy.
For Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AC.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : P.O.L.I. - Rome
Date: 24/1/45
Ref.: D.785

Subject: Landing of Personnel at Leghorn.

Ref. letter L.12/5 of 18th ulto.

The landing of personnel from "Urania"and "Sibilla" with travel permits for areas North of the Military line occurred on 19th and 27th Nov. 1944 and this Ministry knew about it on 1st Dec. as a result of your L.12/5 of 29th Nov.

2. On 10th Dec. in circular letter D.4978 - copy of which is in your possession - the attention of all Commands and Departments was called to observe the regulations in force re. travel in the various Free, Restricted and Army areas.

It should be appreciated that since then infringements have noticeably decreased and if a few still occur it is due more than anything else to serious family situations which deserve to be examined in a spirit of comprehension.

However, this Ministry will adopt all necessary measures against offenders.

In the particular instances of "Urania" and "Sibilla", Maristat ordered a severe investigation some time ago.

3. Such being the position and remembering that at the meeting on 29th Dec. at P.O.L.I.'s office my Chief of Cabinet - Capt. F. Paolini - was informed that the incident could be considered as closed; I observe that the reference to little sense of responsibility as applied to all I.N.N. Officers in regard to the issue of travel permits at least does not correspond to the real facts.

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(Sgd) THE MINISTER

DG/P.

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
Date 20 Jan
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ROME

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Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 3.785 Allegati

Roma, 2 [illegible] 1945

Al F.O.L.I. - R O M A

ARGOMENTO: Sbarco di personale a Livorno.

Riferimento al foglio n. L/12.5 del I8 dicembre s.a.-

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2°) - In data IO dicembre, con dispaccio B.4978 che cotesto F.O.L.I. ha avuto in copia, è stata richiamata l'attenzione di tutti i Comandi ed Enti centrali e periferici sulle norme che regolano i viaggi dei militari per le varie zone Libera, Ristretta e dell'Esercito.

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Il Ministero prenderà comunque tutti i provvedimenti necessari contro gli inadempienti alle disposizioni emanate.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : F.O.L.I. - Rome
Date: 13/1/45
Ref.: 872/2

Subject: Infringements of Travel Restrictions.

Ref. NSC/1477 of 9th inst, you are informed that the case in question has been forward to Torpedo Craft Command for suitable measures to be taken.

CHIEF OF CABINET

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FLAG OFFICER ITALY
Date 19 Jan
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MINISTERO DELLA MARINA
GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARINA - ROMA

Div. 1ª 872/2 Allegati —

ARGOMENTO: Violazione alle norme sul controllo dei viaggi.

Al C.G.L.L. = ROMA

Con riferimento alla vostra lettera NSC/1477 in data 9 corrente, informo che il caso in questione è stato trasmesso al Comando Siluranti per i provvedimenti di competenza.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. F. CASLINI

MINISTERO DELLA MARINA · GABINETTO ·

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/1477
9 January 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine.

Subject: Violation of Travel Control Regulations.

1. Foglio di Viaggio issued by R.M.F. Torpediniera "Cassiopea" to SC. Segn. SANSOVINI, Artemio, serial No. 5685A for travel from Piombino to Forli and return dated 2 December 1944 to search for family is enclosed.

2. SANSOVINI was arrested in the restricted army area and has been evacuated through Prisoner of War Channels.

3. Information is requested of the handling by the Ministry of Marine of this violation of Movement Control Regulations.

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

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SUBJECT: Control of Movement

Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
I/101/1
29 Dec 44

TO : Navy Sub Com. A.C.

1. Herewith papers relating to a member of the Italian Navy arrested in the restricted Army area, and evacuated through POW channels.

2. It is pointed out that "search for family" is not considered military duty by EIGHTH Army.

J. R. Selby Capt
Major General
M.M.I.A.

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Navy Sub-Commission
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NSC/10196

19 October 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, ACC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Unauthorized Movement into Army Areas.

Reference: Navy Sub-Commission ltr 9726 of 9 October 1944.

Additional leave papers on subject for Italian Naval personnel from La Maddalena, already reported in reference, are forwarded herewith.

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

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9 October 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To : Ministry of Marine - Rome.

Subject: Unauthorized Movement into Army Areas and carrying of Uncensored Mail.

References: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/785 of 3 September 1944, to Ministry of Marine.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/905 of 27 September 1944, to Ministry of Marine.
(c) Ministry of Marine ltr 678/FO of 5 October 1944 to FOLI, Rome.

1. Enclosed are papers which have been forwarded from Allied Army Headquarters calling attention to violations of orders controlling subject activities. These papers relate to a mission planned and executed by Italian Naval authorities at La Maddalena without reference to procedures given in reference (a) or to repeated explanations that travel into army areas for compassionate reasons is not permitted.

2. Reference (a), paragraph (4) requested that "strict instructions be issued by Ministry of Marine to insure that no officers or men are granted authority to travel north of the Control Line for compassionate reasons". Reference (b), paragraph (2) requested that the Navy Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission be furnished with copy of these instructions. Reference (c) states that instructions contained in reference (a) had been promulgated to all Italian Navy authorities. It is again requested that a copy of these instructions be furnished to this office.

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

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Office of the Naval Officer in Charge,
MADDALENA.

21st August, 1944.

To whom it may concern.

Commander Pietro Pailli of the Italian Navy is Deputy Chief of Staff at Maddalena.

2. He has been sent over to the mainland by the authority of the Italian Admiralty to search for relatives of Italian personnel of this command.

3. Any assistance which could be afforded to Commander Pailli and his ~~six~~ sailors would be appreciated.

4. Commander Pailli has been informed that this chit is in no way a permit for travelling in Allied controlled areas.

P.Q.Roberts.

(P.Q. ROBERTS)
CAPTAIN, ROYAL NAVY.

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HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tel:- FIELD ADV 79

1401/10/GSI(b)

5 Oct 44

SUBJECT: Unauthorised Movement into Army Areas of Regia Marina Personnel

Naval Sub-Commission, ACC

Copy to: G-2 AFHQ

1. It has come to the notice of this HQ that it is the practice of the Italian Naval Authorities at LA MADDALENA Base, SARDINIA, to despatch to the mainland officers and ratings with instructions to obtain information about families of R.M. personnel by visiting most recently liberated territory.

2. One such party headed by Capitano di Corvetta Piero PAILLI arrived recently at PIOMBINO and proceeded to FLORENCE. In the course of a mission to a place 20 miles north of this city, three of the ratings were checked at a Forward Control Post, and were returned to FLORENCE. Fifth Army has since instructed Captain PAILLI and his men to return to SARDINIA.

3. Such visits to areas north of the Rear Army Control Line for this purpose, are contrary to the Allied Control of Movement regulations. Moreover, they were instructed to deliver and collect letters in areas where postal services are for security reasons not at present permitted.

4. In view of the above it is requested that the Italian Naval authorities be instructed that such missions may not be despatched north of the Rear Army Control Line

5. Enclosed are various documents found on the party, showing the official nature of these missions.

W. D. Gibson. Lt-Col

for Brigadier
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HEADQUARTERS
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Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478800

3 October, 1944.

ACC/14018/5/PS

SUBJECT : Control of Movement.

TO : Navy Sub-Commission.

1. Reference attached correspondence, H.Q. A.M.G. Fifth Army, 203/8, dated 30 August, 1944.

2. XIII Corps reports that the "Foglio di Viaggio" referred to in their letter of the 22 August, 1944, "was forwarded with the body".

Wm. C. Ballance Major

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director, Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

Enclosures :
A.M.G. 5th Army's letter
203/8, dated 30 Aug. 44.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
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10 October 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To : Headquarters, Allied Armies in Italy.

Subject: Unauthorized Movement into Army Areas and Carrying of Uncensored Mail by Regia Marina Personnel.

References: (a) HQ. AAI ltr 1401/10/331(b) of 5 October 1944.

Enclosures: (A) Copy Navy Sub-Com. ltr NSC/785 of 3 Sept. 1944 to Ministry of Marine.
(B) Copy FOTALI Rome ltr 1.361/14 of 26 September 1944 to Ministry of Marine.
(C) Copy Navy Sub-Com. ltr 9118 of 28 September 1944 to Ministry of Marine.
(D) Copy of Navy Sub-Com. ltr. NSC/972 of 9 October 1944.

1. Following receipt of referenced letter, enclosure (D) was written to the Ministry of Marine. Enclosures (A) (B) and (C) are copies of other recent communications on subject. A copy of Appendix "A" to HQ. AAI. ltr. 2030/3/[illegible]2 of 2 April 1944 was attached to enclosure (a).

2. The Ministry of Marine has been requested to supply the Navy Sub-Commission with copies of instruction to its subordinate commands on subject matters.

H. T. MIRCH,
Commodore, U.S. Navy,
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, ACC.

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NSC/107

3 September 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Italian Naval Personnel, Movement of.

1. In accordance with previous information furnished by FOTALI-ROME letter No. L. 361/5 of 15 August 1944, Italian naval personnel on duty in possession of proper credentials issued by competent Italian Naval authorities are authorized to travel in Italy south of the Rear Army Control Line without restrictions. At present the boundaries of the Control Line are as follows:

"PORTO CIVITANOVA B 7813 - TOLENTINO B 4203 - VISSO B 2582 SPOLETO A 9759 - TODI A6866 - ORVIETO A 4659 - S. LORENZO A 2855 - thence route 74 to sea."

For travel north of the Rear Control Line, credentials must be counter signed either by FOTALI-ROME or the Navy Sub-Commission, ACC.

2. Italian Naval personnel not on duty, that is, when on leave or travelling for personal reason, are subject to the same restrictions as civilians. For such travels three (3) zones have been established; the Army Zone, the Restricted Zone and the Free Zone. The boundary between the Restricted Zone and the Free Zone is a line running along the southern portions of the boundaries of Provinces of FOGGIA, CAMPOBASSO, FROSINONE and LITTORIA. The restrictions on travel within the three (3) zones are as follows:

(a) Army Zone.

No civilian may travel more than 10 km. or enter or leave the zone without a pass approved by A.M.G. Fifth or Eighth Army. When, however, a province within the Army Zone has been handed over to Regional Control, the competent authority to issue a pass is the Provincial Commissioner of the Province concerned, and not A.C.A.O. 5th or 8th Army.

Requests for passes to enter the Army Zone will not be considered unless the journey is in the direct interest of the war effort.

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(b) Restricted Zone.

No civilian may travel from one province to another without a pass issued at the point of departure.

It will be noted that the Restricted Zone is partly under

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the control of the Italian Government. The same restrictions apply in both portions of the Zone.

(c) Free Zone.

Movement is unrestricted except between the islands of Elba, Sardinia, Sicily and the mainland. Passes will be issued at the point of departure. A pass is also required to move from the Free Zone to either the Restricted or Army Zone.

3. During recent weeks numerous reports have been received from Allied authorities north of the Control Line indicating that many Italian officers and men are travelling in this area without proper authority. Many of these persons are in possession of credentials indicating that they are on duty whereas, in fact, the primary objective of the travel is for personal reason. Military leave passes to places requiring movement passes are to be issued only after the civilian movement pass has been obtained. Leave passes are not to be granted for travel within the Army Zone.

4. It is requested that strict instructions be issued by the Ministry of Marine to insure that no officers or men are granted authority to perform travel north of the Control Line for compassionate reason. Any person apprehended in this area whether or not they are in possession of proper credentials may be subjected to military discipline, if it is determined that the travel is in fact being performed for personal reason.

H.W. Hirsh,
Commodore, U.S. Navy,
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, ACC.

Copy to:
Flag Officer Taranto, Adriatic & Liaison Italy.
Flag Officer Western Italy.
NOIC-Leghorn
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FLAG OFFICE LIAISON ITALY,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
HEADQUARTERS, ROME

26 September 1944.

No. L 361/14

MINISTRY OF MARINE,
ROME.

ITALIAN NAVAL PERSONNEL - MOVEMENT OF.

References: (a) Prot. No. 366/FO of 20 September 1944 to FOLI, Rome.
(b) Navy Sub-Com. ltr NSC/785 of 3 September 1944.
(c) Navy Sub-Com. ltr NSC/875 of 22 September 1944.

In reply to your letter, reference (a), the issue of travel passes to Italian Navy personnel is controlled in accordance with the policy established by the Navy Sub-Commission, ACC, in reference (b). The Army zone referred to in reference (b) was established to maintain proper security for the Allied Armies and to restrict the movement of personnel in that area. As indicated in reference (c) the Rear Army Control line has advanced town ds the north as rapidly as the military situation will permit. The practice of Italian Naval personnel proceeding to Rome to regularize their standing with the expectation that they will be permitted to return to their homes in the army zone must be discouraged. Therefore no general authorization can be granted to perform such travel. Individual orders for travel submitted in accordance with paragraph 1 of reference (b) will receive consideration, depending upon the merits of each individual case.

REAR ADMIRAL.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
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23 September 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Roma.

Subject: Movement of Personnel and Censorship Regulations.

1. A report has been received by the Navy Sub-Commission, ACC, that MANCHI, Amadeo, I.N.N. was intercepted by Allied Control of Movement personnel while travelling as a courier to GOTRA. The FOGLIO DI VIAGGIO issued by the 1 Regt. Artiglieria Marina, Taranto which authorized MANCHI to enter the Army Zone is forwarded herewith together with three (3) message forms addressed to persons living north of the Rear Army Control Line. The issue of passes for travel north of the Control Line is not authorized except in accordance with the procedure outlined by Navy Sub-Commission, ACC letter NSC/785 of 3 September 1944.

2. A copy of Appendix "A" to Headquarters, A.A.I. letter 2030/3/ 2 of 2 April 1944 with respect to postal arrangements for the Italian Army, is forwarded herewith. The delivery of the private messages by MANCHI to persons in Army Zone is in violation of the censorship regulations promulgated by HQ, AAI, and is considered by Allied Army Authorities to be a serious breach of security in the Army Zone. Information is requested whether these instructions have been previously transmitted to Italian Naval authorities.

3. It is further requested that steps be taken to insure compliance with Navy Sub-Commission, ACC letter NSC/785 of 3 September 1944 relative to the movement of Italian naval personnel.

H. M. KIRKLI,
Commodore, U.S. Navy,
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, ACC.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
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9 October 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To : Ministry of Marine - Rome.

Subject: Unauthorized Movement into Army Areas and Carrying of Uncensored Mail.

References: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/785 of 3 September 1944, to Ministry of Marine.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/905 of 27 September 1944, to Ministry of Marine.
(c) Ministry of Marine ltr 678/FO of 5 October 1944 to FCAL, Rome.

1. Enclosed are papers which have been forwarded from Allied Army Headquarters calling attention to violations of orders controlling subject activities. These papers relate to a mission planned and executed by Italian Naval authorities at La Maddalena without reference to procedures given in reference (a) or to repeated explanations that travel into army areas for compassionate reasons is not permitted.

2. Reference (a), paragraph (4) requested that "strict instructions be issued by Ministry of Marine to insure that no officers or men are granted authority to travel north of the Control line for compassionate reasons". Reference (b), paragraph (2) requested that the Navy Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission be furnished with copy of these instructions. Reference (c) states that instructions contained in reference (a) had been promulgated to all Italian Navy authorities. It is again requested that a copy of these instructions be furnished to this office.

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

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REGIA MARINA

LA MADDALENA

U.U.I.A

To all personnel of the Allied Forces

Bearer Capitano di Corvette Piero PAILLI has to reach as soon as possible the Province of Firenze and the following towns_____ _____returning afterwards to La Maddalena.

He is entrusted with the important and urgent task of taking news and money to the families of Italian naval ratings and of bringing back to them news of their families. The ratings in question belong to the fighting forces, and have not had a chance of getting in touch with their relatives since the armistice.

We call upon your collaboration to help us in the accomplishment of this highly humanitarian task, and request you therefore to supply bearer with:

Use of means of transportation

Any information that may be useful to him.

Bearer has been inoculated against smallpox and typhus. He has also been supplied with a pass addressed to the Italian Authorities.

The Italian sailors of La Maddalena thank you warmly for your help.

(S E A L)

L'AMMIRAGLIO DI DIVISIONE
Comandante Militare Marittimo A.
(Amedeo Nomis Di Pollone)

(Sig. illegible)

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/905C

27 September 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, ACC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Unauthorized Travel Into Army Zone.

Reference: Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/785 of 5 September 1944.

1. Enclosed are Foglio di Viaggio and Biglietto di Licenza for 2° Capo M.N. MAZZA Tullio for travel from Civitavecchia to Province of Pesaro Urbino. As this man was sent on leave into the Army Zone contrary to instructions, a report is requested of action taken with the officials responsible for approving these papers.

2. It is requested that the Navy Sub-Commission be advised of instructions issued by Ministry of Marine as asked in paragraph 4 of reference.

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

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Date Rec'd 24 9/

NAVY
290 FSS
S/290/34
17 Sep 44.

Subject: Italian Naval personnel on leave.

To: ASC, ACC, Rear HQ Eighth Army.

2 Capo MN MAZZA Tullio

Herewith leave pass in respect of a/n Italian sailor sent on leave into Army area.
MAZZA has been returned to Comando Marina through PW channels.

Lieut.,
OC 290 FSS.

Forward to Navy Sub Comm NAPLES

HEADQUARTERS
2 Oct 1944
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Subject: Visits to Forward Areas.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AQ/11

13 Sep 44

Interior Sub Commission, ACC

Dino Philipsen

Ref your ACC/4/1/61/Int of 30 Aug.

1. A copy translation of War Ministry's reply to this HQ AQ/11 of 2 Sep (copy to you) is forwarded for information.

SPA/hh

W.J.NOAKES Lt.Col.
For Major General.
Army Sub Commission(MMIA)

Copy to: Naval Sub Commission.

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COPY TRANSLATION

From: Ministry of War — Ref. 301011/CA
To: M.M.I.A. — 11 Sep 44

Subject: Visit to Advanced Areas.

Ref AQ/11 dated Sep 2, 1944.

Maj.Dino Philipson reported to this Ministry, furnished with a travelling certificate issued by Ministry of the Navy, to request a pass for Florence. The certificate said that the officer had to go to Florence on "Liaison Duties".

Maj. Philipson who was interrogated as requested by MMIA, left a written declaration, a copy of which is attached.

He did not furnish particulars on the nature of his mission to Florence, assuring us that Admiral ROSADEO had already given the required information to a Major of ACC who visited him.

(sgd) Gen.Oxilia.

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CO TRANSLATION

STATEMENT by Maj.Dino Philipson.

Subject: Visit to Florence. 6 Sept 44

Following orders received from Ministry of the Navy, I went to Florence on Sunday, Aug 20, and I returned to Rome Friday Aug 25.

I did not fail to report to British Authorities since the day of my arrival in order to place at their disposal my knowledge of persons and things, as Florence is my native city. I was very courteously received by the authorities.

Admiral Rogadeo has already informed ACC of the purpose of my visit. ACC had requested information from the Ministry of the Navy on the trip which I have just completed with regular authorization of the Allied Authorities.

(sgd) Maj Dino Philipson

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/807

9 September 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To : Ministry of Marine - Rome.

Subject: Control of Movement and Distribution of Uncensored Mail.

1. A report has been received from the 8TH Army that PAOLETTI, Nello, (No. 5568 Cann. Arm) an Italian Marine was apprehended enroute to Florence for personal reasons to visit his family and deliver private mail.

2. An investigation revealed that PAOLETTI was given a special leave pass from Taranto for the purpose of going to Rome. It was clearly typed on the top left hand corner of this pass that it was prohibited to enter either the 5th or 8th Army zones. On arrival, Rome, PAOLETTI obtained a pass from the Ministry of della Marina Direz. Gen. Pers. Serv. Mil. Divisione C.R.E.M., Rome, indicating that he was proceeding to Florence on duty. This Foglio di Vaiggio was apparently countersigned and stamped by A.E.BAKER, Police and Public Safety Division A.M.G.

3. When apprehended by 8th Army authorities, PAOLETTI admitted that he wanted to visit Florence to see his family and that the only official duty he had to perform in Florence was to deliver 17 private letters.

4. In accordance with the provisions of Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/785 of 3 September 1944, and previous instructions, no Italian Naval personnel are authorized to perform travel north of the Rear Army Control Line for personal reasons. In addition, the delivery of uncensored mail is prohibited.

5. It is requested that an investigation be made and appropriate action taken, both in this instance and to insure that unauthorized passes are not issued in the future for personal reasons. Please advise the Navy Sub-Commission, ACC, as to the results of the investigation made and the action taken.

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

Copy to:
Public Safety SC.ACC.

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Office of the Naval Officer in Charge,

MADDALENA.

21st August, 1944.

To whom it may concern.

Commander Pietro Pailli of the Italian Navy is Deputy Chief of Staff at Maddalena.

2. He has been sent over to the mainland by the authority of the Italian Admiralty to search for relatives of Italian personnel of this command.

3. Any assistance which could be afforded to Commander Pailli and his three sailors would be appreciated.

4. Commander Pailli has been informed that this chit is in no way a permit for travelling in Allied controlled areas.

(Sgd) P.W. Roberts
P.W. ROBERTS
CAPTAIN, ROYAL NAVY.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Forward Counter Intelligence
Office of the A. C. of S., G-2
C.M.F.

Postal Address: Forward Counter Intelligence,
C.M.F.

8 Jun. 44.

B-389.506/72 Adv.

SUBJECT: Military Travel Authorisations.

TO : Naval Sub-Commission,
Rear Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission,
APO 394,
U.S. Army.

1. It has come to our attention that two Italians, MACCHIAVELLI, Giovanni, and STRANO, Luigi, departed BARI Airport for ALGIERS - 23 May 44. Neither was in possession of a Military Travel Authorisation and should not have been permitted to depart.

2. They were in possession of a letter issued by the office of Flag Officer, Liaison, dated 18 May 44, with the personal signature of Rear Admiral C.H. ~~Lyon~~ Dillon and were proceeding to ALGIERS to takeup duties with the mercantile marine - M.O.W.T.

3. Will you please take steps to see that, in the future, Military Travel Authorisations, of which this office is the sole issuing agency, are obtained in accordance with circular MGS.300.4-4 of 14 Jan. 44 from A.F.H.Q.

Illigible, Major
for S.S. HILL-DILLON,
Colonel, General Staff,
G-2 (C.I.) Section.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/1717

1 March 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Illegal Issue of "FOGLIO DI VIAGGIO".

Your attention is drawn to the illegal issue of a travel order by Sub/Lieutenant PIANTANIDA on the Staff of N.O.I.C. Piombino to 2° Capo Cann. CHIANI Cesare. The reason for travel was "on duty" (M.M.S.), whereas the rating was apprehended whilst trying to obtain work in Leghorn and admitted that he was on indefinite leave.

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

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3 MAR 1945

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Office of the Naval Officer in Charge
LEGHORN.

13th February, 1945.

No. 50/23.
Italian Naval Officer in Charge,
Taranto.
Copy to:- The Flag Officer, Taranto, Adriatic Station, Italy, Rome.

ILLEGAL ISSUE OF "FOGLIO DI VIAGGIO".

Your attention is drawn to the illegal issue of the attached FOGLIO DI VIAGGIO by Sub Lieutenant Piantadida of your staff. The reason for travel is given as M.R.S. (Missione Regio Servizio) or "on duty" whereas the holder, 2° Capo Cann. CHIANI Cesare was apprehended whilst trying to obtain work in Leghorn and admitted that he was on indefinite leave.

2. The granting of this travel permit is a flagrant breach of the regulations laid down in Circular Prot. B/4978 of 10th December, 1944, issued by the Italian Ministry of Marine to all Italian Naval Authorities under the heading PERMESSI DI VIAGGIO.

3. It is requested that the instructions referred to in paragraph 2 above may be brought to the attention of all the Italian Naval officers on your staff.

R. McD. MacKaye

CAPTAIN.

FLAG OFFICER TARANTO
Date 21 Feb.
No. 361.
ROME

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NAVAL MESSAGE.

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(ESTABLISHED. OCTOBER. 1935.)

TO: FROM:

@ IN C MED. (R) F(EALI ROME N.O.I.C. NAPLES FONAM.

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SECRET.

THE FOLLOWING SIGN:.S WERE EXCHANGED WITH ITALIAN LIGHT CRUISER SCIPIONE AFRICANO I RING HER RECENT VISIT.

(A) ADDRESSED SCI: ONE AFRICANO FROM FONAM.
A NUMBER OF ITA .IAN CO-OPERATORS ARE ABSENT FROM THEIR UNITS.
(2) IT IS CONSI ERED POSSIBLE SOME MAY HAVE EMBARKED IN SCIPIONE AFRICANO. REQU ST SEARCH AND REPORT BEFORE SAILING.
(3) ANY MEN FOU D SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO ROYAL MARINES POLICE AT TRANSATLANTIC UILDING. T.O.O. 070117 END.

(B) ADDRESSED FONAM FROM SCIPIONE AFRICANO.
YOUR 070117. S ARCH WAS MADE WITHOUT SUCCESS ANOTHER CHECK WILL BE MADE DURING VOYAGE. T.O.O. 070732

2. NO REPORT OF TH FURTHER CHECK ON VOYAGE HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND ARMY AUTHORITIES HE E NOW CONSIDER THAT ABOUT 30 CO-OPERATORS WERE PROBABLY SMUGGLED O BOARD SHIP AS RETURNING LIBERTYMEN.

3. NORMAL LEAVE RET RNED FROM ~~MMR~~ GASPI TO SHIP.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/1410
30 December 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Land Forces Sub-Commission, Hq. A.C.

Subject: Control of Movement.

1. Appropriate action will be taken in connection with the unauthorized issue of a pass for the entry of Italian naval personnel into the Army Zone referred to in Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C. letter I/101/1 of 29 December 1944.

2. The observations made by the Land Forces Sub-Commission in paragraph 2, that "search for family" is not considered military duty by the Fourth Army, are concurred in.

H. T. ZINCKE,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, A.C.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/1403
23 December 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.

Subject: Traffic Regulation - Violation of.

1. A copy of a traffic violation report dated 20 November 1944, received from Headquarters, 56TH Area, against seaman MARMAGLIO, F., USN. is forwarded herewith for appropriate action.

2. The Italian Ministry of Marine reports that MARMAGLIO is assigned to duty under the Fleet Transport Office, Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.

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

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : F.O.L.I. - Rome
Date: 13/12/44
Ref.: 17068

Subject: Seaman F.MARCAGLIO.

Ref. your letter NSC/1294 of 9th inst.

1. Seaman MARCAGLIO is serving with C.in C. Med.Fleet Transport Office and it is suggested, therefore, that you write direct to above Allied Authority concerning him.

2. This Ministry will adopt measures re. Seaman SALVINI of the San Marco Regt.

3. "Traffic Violation Report" relative to this Rating is attached hereto.

CHIEF OF CABINET

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FLD OFFICE DOCUMENT CENTRE
Date 20 Dec.
No 26
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Roma, 19 DIC 1944 A.

Ministero della Marina
GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA—ROMA

Prot. N. 17068 Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Marinaio F.MARMAGLIO.

A F.O.L.I. = ROMA =

Riferimento vostro foglio NSC/1294 del 9 dicembre 1944.

1. Il marinaio MARMAGLIO è alle dipendenze del C. in C. Mediterranean Fleet Transport Office e pertanto si suggerisce che codesto Ufficio scriva direttamente alla predetta Autorità Alleata per quanto lo riguarda.

2. Questo Ministero prenderà provvedimenti nei riguardi del marinaio SALVINI dipendente dal Reggimento San Marco.

3. Si allega il "Traffic Violation Report" relativo al militare in argomento.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. F.BASLINI

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/1372
21 December 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Provost Marshal General, Allied Force Headquarters.

Subject: Violators of Movement Control Regulations for Army Areas.

1. Reports to the Navy Sub-Commission from Army authorities charged with enforcement of Movement Control Regulations in Army Areas concerning improper travel by Italian naval personnel north of Rear Army Control line state such violators are returned through Prisoner of War channels.

2. The Navy Sub-Commission requests to be informed of the mechanics of handling of subject Italian navy personnel in the matter of accomodation, method of moving, charges made and point of release.

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

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

MINISTERO DELLA MARINA
GABINETTO
ARCHIVIO SEGRETO
14 DIC. 1944
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NSC/1276
9 December 1944

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine - ROME.

Subject: Unauthorized Travel into Army Areas.

1. Biglietto di Licenzi issued by Commando FLOTTIGLIA, M.A.S. to Fuoch. BETTI Parigi , serial 63201 for travel to RIMINI, is attached. BETTI was arrested in the restricted Army Zone and has been evacuated through Prisoner of War channels.

2. The Navy Sub-Commission requests to be informed of action taken on this violation of travel regulations.

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

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N. 1546 di Catal. — Mod. 19
Art. 312 Regol. di disciplina.

Rimini SAN PAOLO, [illegible]

A norma delle vigenti disposizioni no[illegible]i rilasciano i buoni annonari M.I.L. [illegible] do della licenza.

REGIA MARINA

COMANDO [illegible] M.A.S.

Segreteria Battaglio

(1)

BIGLIETTO DI LICENZA

CONTRASSEGNI PERSONALI

Statura _____ *Naso* _____

Viso _____ *Bocca* _____

Capelli _____ *Mento* _____

Sopracciglia _____ *Viso* _____

Occhi _____ *Colorito* _____

Fronte _____

Segni particolari _____

Firma del titolare

Oggetti di corredo di cui parte provveduto

(2) _____

È concessa al Fuoch. BETTI Parigi *N. di Matricola* 63201

una licenza (3) Breve SPECIALE *di giorni* (4) 15

con decorrenza da domani per recarsi a RIMINI *Provincia*

di Forlì *con diritto al trasporto ai prezzi delle tariffe militari.*

Deve presentarsi (1) a questo Comando *alle ore* otto

del 15.II.1944

A Bordo, *li* 31.IO.1944 *194*

(5) IL TENENTE DI VASCELLO
(Emilio Sciaidone)

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(1) Nave, deposito, ufficio, distaccamento, ecc. — (2) Firma del comandante la squadra, compagnia, sezione, ecc. — (3) Specie della licenza. — (4) In tutto lettere. — (5) Carica e firma dell'autorità che concede la licenza, bollo d'ufficio. — (6) Carica e firma di chi è preposto alla contabilità individuale.

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NOTE DEGLI AGENTI FERROVIARI	Vidi[illegible]me delle Autorità A CUI IL MILITARE SI PRESENTA	DICHIARAZIONE DI PROROGHE, ESAME DI MALATTIE, ASSENZE, PARTECIPAZIONE MATRIMONI, ECC.	SOMME CORRISPOSTE E FIRMA DELL'AUTORITÀ CHE HA DATO
		Presento [illegible] ve per [illegible] Si concede pp. 8 giorni per ulteriori motivi la richiesta concessione della famiglia. Il Colonnello Comte (G. Pinas) Firmato - 15-11-916. - (Aspetta approvazione della Legge)	NB. — Se il militare non ha diritto a rimborso di spesa di viaggio, ciò sarà accennato nella presente colonna.

Estratto del regolamento di disciplina militare per i corpi della R. Marina

308. — I militari del C. R. E. M. in licenza nel Regno, devono vestire sempre la divisa. Però i sottufficiali sono autorizzati allorchè sono in licenza, a vestire l'abito civile.

I sottufficiali di 1ª, 2ª e 3ª cl. ed i secondi capi anziani con 12 anni di servizio nei viaggi per recarsi in licenza o farne ritorno, possono far uso dell'abito civile; però nelle presentazioni ad autorità militari devono sempre indossare la divisa.

In nessun caso i sottufficiali potranno conservare abiti borghesi a bordo o nell'interno di caserme e stabilimenti.

Le autorità militari marittime ed in mancanza di esse i comandi del Presidio del R. Esercito potranno vietare l'uso dell'abito civile ai sottufficiali in licenza, che non tenessero buona condotta.

I sottufficiali e militari del C. R. E. M. nelle 24 ore successive al loro arrivo nel sito di licenza, devono presentarsi all'autorità militare marittima locale; in mancanza di questa alla capitaneria od all'ufficio di porto se retto da un ufficiale di porto, o al distretto militare od ai Reali Carabinieri. Così all'arrivo come alla partenza, devono far vidimare il biglietto di licenza, dalle predette autorità od uffici.

309. — I sottufficiali e militari in licenza non possono ritardare il ritorno alla loro destinazione col pretesto di attendere risposta ad una domanda di proroga in corso.

Essi non possono credere la licenza loro concessa senza giustificata causa di malattia, o senza legittimo impedimento che risulti da documenti.

310. — I sottufficiali e militari del C. R. E. M. che hanno bisogno di proroga di licenza devono in tempo debito rivolgere all'autorità che ha concesso la licenza la domanda di proroga e i documenti giustificativi autenticati dalle autorità locali indicate all'art. 308. Questo possono, in caso di necessità, concedere qualche giorno di proroga di licenza in attesa della risposta alla domanda, ma devono tosto avvisarne l'autorità dalla quale i militari dipendono.

I sottufficiali e militari del C. R. E. M. che per causa di malattia non possono far ritorno alla loro destinazione al termine della licenza, devono darne avviso in tempo debito alle predette autorità locali, le quali devono curare che essi siano ricoverati nell'ospedale militare o nel più vicino ospedale civile. Quando il trasporto all'ospedale di un militare malato può riuscire nocivo alla sua salute, le stesse autorità locali gli concedono di curarsi in casa e di tempo in tempo riferiscono circa l'andamento della malattia all'autorità dalla quale il militare dipende ed appena questi è in istato d'intraprendere il viaggio lo inviano alla sua destinazione.

311. — Quando un sottufficiale o militare del C. R. E. M., che si trova in licenza, non serba condotta buona e decorosa, l'autorità indicata all'art. 274 può ingiungergli di far ritorno immediatamente alla propria destinazione ed in circostanze eccezionali può anche farvelo tradurre, riferendone senza ritardo all'autorità dalla quale il militare dipende.

312. — I sottufficiali e militari del C. R. E. M. in licenza devono secondo i casi, essere provveduti dei biglietti conforme i Mod. 18 e 19, e mostrarli ai RR. CC. ed alle ronde.

313. — Il Ministero ha facoltà di far cessare qualunque licenza prima del suo termine ogni qual volta esigenze del servizio lo richiedano.

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da : S.Commissione Navale dell'A.C.
a : Ministero della Marina. Roma
NSC/1276 - 9.12.44

VIAGGIO NON AUTORIZZATO NELLA ZONA DELL'ESERCITO.

1. Si allega un biglietto di licenza rilasciato dal Comando I^ Flottiglia M.A.S. al Fuochista BETTI Parigi, Matr.63201, per recarsi a Rimini. Il BETTI é stato arrestato nella zona dell'Esercito ed é stato evacuato come prigioniero di guerra.

2. Si richiede di informare questa S.Commissione Navale dei provvedimenti presi contro questa violazione delle norme in vigore.

F°) ZIROLI

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HEAD-UARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/1546

21 December 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.
To : Public Safety Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.

Subject: Italian Currency Offences.

1. With reference to your letter No. AGO/14044/1/PS, this matter was referred to the Italian Ministry of Marine, who now report that action has been taken in pointing out the offences to the persons in question.

2. Captain BERTINI has requested that in view of the smallness of the sum, his £ 10 may be returned to him.

3. Relevant correspondence is returned to you herewith.

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

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To ; N.S.C. - A.C.N.Q.
Date: 22/12/44
Ref.: 1133/FO

Subject: Infringements of Travel Regulations.

Ref. your N.S.C./1329 of 19th inst.

The travel permits attached to above-cited have been sent to I.N.N. Authorities concerned for necessary action.

CHIEF OF CABINET

DG/P.

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON STAFF
Date 4th Dec.
No. 25
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Roma, 22 DIC. 1944

Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N. 1133/Fo. Allegati

NAVY SUB-COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION
R O M A

ARGOMENTO: Violazione ai regolamenti sui viaggi.

Riferimento vostro foglio NSC/1329 del 19 Dicembre 1944.

I fogli di viaggio allegati alla lettera in riferimento sono stati trasmessi alle competenti Autorità della R.Marina, affinchè prendano i provvedimenti del caso.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. F.BASLINI

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : F.O.L.I. - Rome
Date: 13/12/44
Ref.: 1139/FO.

Subject: Act. S/Lt. (A.N.) Ruggero BOSCU.

With ref. to letter NSC/971 B. of 13th Oct. last, and further to our N°732/FO. of 17th Oct. and 1062/FO. of 2nd inst., we regret being unable to indicate which office stamped the above Officer's travel permit, as he informs us that he does not remember the name of the A.C. office in the ex-Corporazioni Building which he had visited for this purpose.

CHIEF OF CABINET

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FILE OFFICE
Date 30 Dec
No
ROME

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Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Gab. N. 1139/Fo Allegati

Roma, 18 DIC. 1944

Al F.O.L.I. - R O M A

ARGOMENTO: Aspirante S.Tenente A.N. Ruggero Boscu.

Con riferimento al foglio NSC/971/B in data 13 ottobre c.a., ed a prosecuzione del dispaccio n.782/FO in data 17 ottobre e IC62/FO in data 2 c.m. di questo Ministero, si è spiacenti di non poter indicare quale sia l'ufficio che ha apposto il timbro sul foglio di viaggio dell'Asp.S.Ten. A.N. Ruggero Boscu in quanto il predetto Ufficiale ha comunicato di non ricordare il nome dell'ufficio dell'A.C. posto nel palazzo delle Ex Corporazioni presso il quale egli si era recato.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. F. Baslini

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : F.O.L.I. - Rome
Date: 13/12/44
Ref.: 1117/FO

Subject: Infringements of Service Travel Regulations in Military Areas.

With ref. to letter NSC/1276 of 9th inst.

You are informed that the Officer at I.R.N Centre, Ancona responsible for having issued travel permits to men to travel in the Military area, for reasons not connected with the war effort, has been disciplinarily punished.

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INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N.° 1117/Fo Allegati

Roma, 18 DIC. 1940

Al T.U.M.I. - R O M A

ARGOMENTO: Infrazioni alle norme sui viaggi dei militari nella Zona dell'Esercito.

Con riferimento al foglio n.SC/1276 in data 9 dicembre c.a.-

Si comunica che l'ufficiale del Centro R.Marina Ancona responsabile di aver concesso l'invio di militari nella Zona dell'Esercito per motivi non interessanti lo sforzo bellico, è stato punito disciplinarmente.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. Massimi

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/1356
16 December 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Provost Marshall General, PBS., South, Naples.

Subject: Wounding of Seaman CINQUEGRANO, Giovanni, by American Enlisted Men.

1. An early reply would be appreciated to Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/1080B of 3 November 1944, in connection with the alleged wounding of the subject named man. The Italian Ministry of Marine reports that CINQUEGRANO was knifed at the Bagnoli (Naples) Railway Station at about 1900, on 21 August 1944, and that the U.S. Army enlisted men involved were arrested by the Bagnoli Carabinieri and turned over to Allied military police.

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

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

N C/1311
11 December 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Chief, Civil Affairs Section, Hq. A.C.

Subject: Security Arrests.

Reference: (a) Navy S/C ltr NSC/1026B dated 20 October 1944.

1. Reference (a) requested the Ministry of Marine to furnish particulars in regard to persons detained in Regina Coeli Prison on security grounds and on orders emanating from that Ministry. In addition, the Navy Sub-Commission recommended that steps be taken to effect the release of any such persons against whom no charges are forthcoming.

2. For information, the following is quoted from the Ministry of Marine's answer to reference (a): "you are informed that the following two Servicemen (as civilians) are detained in the Regina Coeli Prison at the disposal of A.P. Section of S.I.S. (Italian Intelligence):

L/Lt. 10th M.A.S. Flotilla (Assault Craft) MICHELUZZI, Pasquale - As an Officer in the Republican Navy he took part in the sacking of Admiral MAUGERI's appartment, plus operations with the intention of capturing him. Confessed guilty. His dossier is being compiled for his denunciation to A.C.

Writer CICONE, Giovanni, accused in collaboration with German S.S. Inquiries are being made to establish his activities.

It is therefore impossible to request the release of these two men."

H. W. ZIEGLER,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
For Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, A.C.

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Copy to:
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Army SC. AC.
Public Safety SC. AC.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 26/11/44
Ref.: 1019/FO/

Subject: Security Arrests.

Ref. your NSC/1179 of 19th inst., you are informed that letter Nº NSC/1026 B. has been found together with letter as per copy attached.

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SUBJECT: Control of Movement

Land Forces Sub Com A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
I/101/1
1 Dec 44

TO : Naval Sub Commission A.C.

Herewith for information and action as necessary leave pass issued to a member of the Italian Navy, who was arrested in the restricted Army Area and evacuated through P.O.W. channels.

Major General
M.M.I.A.

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FLAG OFFICER LIAISON, ITALY,
ALLIED COMMISSION,
HEADQUARTERS,
ROME.

9th December, 1944.

No.L.25/11.

MINISTRY OF MARINE,
ROME.

UNAUTHORISED TRAVEL OF ITALIAN NAVAL PERSONNEL TO LEGHORN.

An Italian Naval Motor Bus R.M.0422 was intercepted in Leghorn on 5th December, after the discharge and dispersal of 40 Italian Naval personnel brought from Brindisi.

2. A printed pass signed by Commandante GUIDO BACCI DI CAPACI, requires all passengers to be in civilian clothes and states the purpose of the journey to be official business, but the Officer in Charge admits that personnel are on leave and that four similar trips have been made previously with passengers and uncensored mail.

3. Written instructions signed by Capitano di Fregata ANTONIO DI MONTEZEMOLO, show that the traffic is highly organised and that the time-table includes a call at Florence to pick up thirtyfive passengers for return journey. The local Italian Naval Authorities claims to know nothing of the matter.

4. For your information Rear Admiral MORGAN is taking the matter up with the Commander-in-Chief, Ionian and Lower Adriatic.

for REAR ADMIRAL.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission

N30/1236

30 November 1944.

From: Navy Sub Commission, Hq, AC.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Travel of Italian Naval Personnel into Army area.

1. Attached papers indicating additional travel of Italian Naval personnel north of Rear Army Control Line without proper approval are forwarded with following comments:

Cap. MANLIO, Giammarini-leave papers for travel from Taranto to Ancona; while not completely filled in are sufficient for travel between points mentioned. Paper returned with report by Field Security Section that MANLIO claimed he was given verbal permission by Italian Naval authorities at Ancona to proceed to Fano.

Fur. C. VENERANDI, Eugenio-leave papers from M.M. DUILIO to Falconara. VENERANDI reportedly stated his superiors were aware of his intent to proceed to Cattolica.

2. The Navy Sub-Commission requests to be informed of action taken by the Ministry of Marine in regards to above violations of subject regulations.

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

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Whereas the atte ed LEAVE PASS appears in order, the bearer states that his command knew full well that he intended to proceed to Cattolica (in Army area) and that they endorsed the LEAVE PASS specially with the bearer's final destination i.e. CATTOLICA. Such endorsments should be abolished.
Bearer of the PASS also stated that the command issued the PASS to ARMY boundary (FALCONARA) with the verbal suggestion that he should make his own way from there.

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FUR. O. VENERANDI, Eugenio
R.N. Duilio
NSC 1236

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Bearer travelled from TARANTO to ANCONA with a 'duty' pass the object of which is to 'seek news'. At ANCONA he states that the Italian Naval Command gave him verbal permission to visit his family at FANO.

Cap. Manlio, Giammarini
Taranto - Ancona
NSC 1236



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SUBJECT: Control of Movement

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Com. A.C. (MMIA)
c/o Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY
MM/106

21 Nov 44

Land Forces Sub Com. A.C
(M M I A) ROME

I enclose papers relating to three members of the Italian Navy and one member of the Italian Air Force who were arrested in the restricted Army Area, and evacuated through POW channels.

The names of the men are :-

Maro.	GALLI	Dante
Fur. O.	VENERANDI	Eugenio
Cap.	MANLIO	Giammarina
1 Av. Arm.	ROSSI	Alberto AF 316

Capt Clark

for Lt. Col. G.S.
MMIA Rear H.Q. EIGHTH Army

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SUBJECT: Passes

Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
I/101/1
27 Nov 44

TO : Navy Sub Commission A.C.

The attached passes are forwarded for information and action.

for F. R. Bellenger
Major General
M.M.I.A.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

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NSC/1179
19 November 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine - ROME.

Subject: Security Arrests.

1. It is requested that a reply be made as soon as practicable to Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/1026B of 20 October 1944, which requested that information be furnished indicating whether any persons are known to be detained upon orders of the Ministry of Marine in the Regina Coeli Prison for security reasons.

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

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.H.Q.
Date: 1st Nov.'44
Ref.: B.3856

Subject: Security Arrests.

With ref. to letter NSC/1026B of 20th ulto., You are informed that the following two Servicemen (as civilians) are detained in the "Regina Coeli" Prison at the disposal of M.P. Section of S.I.S. (Italian Intelligence):-

- S/Lt. 10th M.A.S. Flotilla (Assault Craft) MICHELUZZI, Pasquale - As an Officer in the Republican Navy he took part in the sacking of Admiral MAUGERI's appartment, plus operations with the intention of capturing him. Confessed guilty. His dossier is being compiled for his denunciation to A.G.

- Writer CICCONE, Giovanni, accused of collaboration with German S.S. Inquiries are being made to establish his activities.

It is therefore impossible to request the release of these two men."

CHIEF OF CABINET

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Ministero della Marina
GABINETTO

Al NAVY SUB-COMMISSION
COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N. 1019/Fo Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Arresti di sicurezza.

Con riferimento al vostro foglio No. NSC/1179 del 19 corrente si comunica di aver già riscontrato il foglio NSC/1026B con lettera di cui si accIude copia.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. F. BASLINI

MINISTERO DELLA MARINA - GABINETTO

Endorsement referring to N.S.C./1026B.

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Ministero della Marina

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INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° B.3856 Allegati

Roma, 1 Novembre 1944

Al ALLIED COMMISSION
N.S.C.

ARGOMENTO: Arresti di sicurezza.

Con riferimento al foglio NSC/1028B in data 20 corrente, si comunica che sono nel carcere di "Regina Coeli" a disposizione del Nucleo di P.M. del S.I.S. i due seguenti militari con qualifica di civili:

- S.Ten.X^Flottmas — MICHIENZI Pasquale - quale Ufficiale della Marina repubblicana, partecipò al saccheggio dell'appartamento dell'Ammiraglio MAUGERI, nonchè alle operazioni tendenti alla cattura di quest'ultimo. Reo confesso. E' in corso la compilazione degli atti per la sua denunzia all'A.G.

- Furiere — CICCONE Giovanni - segnalato quale collaboratore delle S/S germaniche. Sono in corso indagini per stabilire la sua attività.

Per i due sopraindicati militari, non è pertanto possibile richiedere il rilascio.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
F.to C. di V. F.BASLINI

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INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° B.3856 Allegati

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IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
F.to C. di V. F.BASILINI

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This is a true translation.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/1329
14 December 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine - ROME.

Subject: Violations of Travel Control Regulations.

1. Two Regia Marina travel papers for Italian Navy personnel are sent with following comments:

MUCCINI, Fernando, Capo Merc. di 2 Cl. serial 24295, orders written for travel from Ancona to Rimini on official business to search for family. MUCCINI stated he was a member of crew of RCT "R da Recca" in Ancona at the time.

DELLA BIANCA, Walter, Marinaio, 25020, orders for travel Ortona to Rimini for 10 days leave, official business for R.S. DELLA BIANCA was apprehended at Cattolica.

2. Both ratings were removed from Army Area through Prisoner of War channels.

3. The Navy Sub-Commission requests to be informed of action taken by Ministry of Marine on the basis of these reports.

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

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SUBJECT: Control of Movement

Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
I/101/1
13 Dec 44

TO : Naval Sub Commission A.C.

1. Herewith documents in respect of two members of the Italian Navy arrested for unauthorised entry into EIGHTH ARMY area.

2. Both men have been evacuated to Base through P.O.W. channels.

T. A. Bellby Capt
Major General
M.MI.A.

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To: The Officer Commanding,
105 Provost Company.

Sir,

I have to report that at FANO on the 1 Dec 44 at about 1025 hours. I was on duty at the Check Point, when I saw MUCCINI Fernando (Capo Mecc. Italian Navy), endeavouring to obtain a lift to RIMINI.

I questioned him and found him to be a member of R.C.T. "N da RECCO", now lying at ANCONA and he was proceeding on leave to RIMINI.

I had him interrogated by the FSS and conveyed him to the CC.RR, Fano to await onward transmission to 370 P.W. Cage.

Leave pass is attached to this report.

R Pass Cpl.

Field.
1 Dec 44.

(Signed) 3859524 R. PASS CPL.
C.M. POLICE.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/1276
9 December 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine - ROME.

Subject: Violations of Travel Control Regulations.

1. Attached papers have been sent to the Navy Sub-Commission by security authorities in Army areas with following comments:

GALLI, Dante, Serial No. 76949. "Bearer entered Army area with false duty pass issued at Italian Navy HQ. Ancona. Attached is signed statement by bearer confirming that object of journey was to visit his family.

PIROTTI, Aldo, Serial No. 54961. " Leave papers counter-signed and stamped overleaf by SCAPO, Ancona Province".

FRANCHINI, Augusto, Serial No. 49530. "Admitted that reason for travel shown on his orders is false since the sole purpose of his journey was to visit his mother, ROSATI, Ida, Via Nazarion Sauro 5, FANO."

CLEMENTE, Angelo, Serial No. 39348. "Admitted that the true purpose of his journey was to visit his family at VISERBA, north of RIMINI, with whom he was in fact staying.

2. The Navy Sub-Commission requests to be informed of action taken by the Ministry of Marine in disciplining Italian Navy officials responsible for these violations of Travel Control Regulations.

3. Attention of Allied Military Government Senior Civil Affairs Public Safety Officials, Ancona Province has been drawn to the appearance of facsimile signature stamp on attached papers and instructions have been given to discontinue this practice.

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

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From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine - ROME.

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FRANCHINI, Augusto, Serial No. 42530. "Admitted that reason for travel shown on his orders is false since the sole purpose of his journey was to visit his mother, ROSATI, Ida, Via Nazarion Saure 5, FANO."

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

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24 Oct 44.

Bearer entered army area with a false duty pass issued at Italian Naval HQ at ANCONA.

Attached is signed atatement by the bearer confirming that the object of the journey was a visit to his family.

Bulli, Renato
No 76919
Centro Marina, Ancona

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PIROTTI Aldo . Regia Marina

PIROTTI's "Biglietto di Licenza" has been counter-signed and stamped overleaf by SCAPO, ANCONA Province.

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FRANCHINI Augusto

Foglio di Viaggio counterstamped and signed by S.C.A.P.O., ANCONA province.

FRANCHINI admitted to F.S.S. that the motive for his journey as entered on his pass is false. The purpose of his journey was solely to visit his mother, ROSATI Ida, residing at Via Nazarion Sauro, 5, FANO.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.H.Q.
Date: 9/12/44
Ref.: 1100/PO

Subject: Currency Offences.

In reply to letter NSC/1025H of 22nd ulto.

1. General PIZZUTI is responsible for this censorship offence, and H.E. the Minister has called him to order:

2. An official note has been sent to Capt. SESTINI pointing out the error and the offence committed, asking him not to repeat it again. He agrees to this and regrets the matter exceedingly. He also informs that the ten Pounds Sterling had been his wife's property for a long time and had been left with a friend. This is the reason for the money being sent to Taranto where Signora Sestini now resides.

Capt. Sestini asks if this sum, in view of its smallness, may be returned to him: it is thought this might be done, especially considering that this Senior Officer's stricted honesty is well known.

3. We shall be grateful if the above can be arranged.

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PLAN OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
Date 11 Dec
No 325
ROME

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Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 1100/50 Allegati

Roma, 9 Dicembre 1944

Al
Navy Sub-Commission
A. C.

ARGOMENTO: Infrazione valuteria.

Risposta al foglio No. NSC/1025H in data 22 ottobre.

1°.- Il Generale PIZZUTI è responsabile della infrazione alla censura, e pertanto S.E. il Ministro ha provveduto ad un richiamo.

2°.- Con dispaccio ufficiale è stato fatto presente al Capitano di Vascello SESTINI l'errore e l'infrazione commessa invitandolo a non ricadervi più. Egli ha convenuto, e se ne dispiacie molto. Ha anche comunicato che le IO sterline erano di proprietà della moglie da lungo tempo ed erano rimaste a Roma in consegna ad amica. Tale il motivo dell'invio del denaro da Roma a Taranto ove trovasi ora la Signora Sestini.

Il Comandante Sestini chiede se può tornare in possesso della somma, anche tenuto presente la sua esiguità: si crede che ciò sarà possibile, tanto più che trattasi di Ufficiale Superiore ben conosciuto per la sua inflessibile rettitudine.

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3°.- Si sarà grati se sarà possibile poter riconsegnare al Comandante Sestini la somma sequestrata.

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Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 1100/FO Allegati

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Navy Sub-Commission
A. C.

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IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. F. Baslini

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Ministero della Marina

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO DELL'ECC. IL MINISTRO

B. 4792
23-11-44

Roma, li 23 Novembre 1944.

Caro White,

rispondo alla Sua lettera in data 30 Ottobre con la quale Ella mi ha trasmesso a nome del Commodoro Ziroli, la lettera ufficiale della N.S.C. n°1025/4 del 22 Ottobre.

Ho, con dispaccio ufficiale, fatto presente al C.V. SESTINI l'errore nel quale egli era caduto, invitandolo a non ricadervi più. Egli ha convenuto, e se ne dispiace molto. Ha anche comunicato che le 10 sterline erano di proprietà della moglie da lungo tempo, ed erano rimaste a Roma in consegna ad amica. Tale il motivo dell'invio del denaro da Roma a Taranto ove trovasi ora la Signora Sestini.

Il Comandante Sestini chiede se può tornare in possesso della somma, anche tenuta presente la sua esiguità: io credo che ciò sarà possibile, tanto più che trattasi di Ufficiale Superiore ben conosciuto per la sua inflessibile rettitudine.

La prego di farmi sapere qualcosa in merito: al Commodoro Ziroli il mio ossequio ed a Lei, caro White, il mio saluto amichevole.

Cordialmente

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C.V.

Lawrence Grant WHITE
Liet.Comdr.,U.S.N.R.
Naval Liaison Officer

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/1294
9 December 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine - ROME.

Subject: Traffic Violations by Italian Naval Personnel.

1. Allied Military Police Traffic Violation Reports are forwarded for the following Italian naval personnel and violations:

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SALVINI, Mario, Regiment SAN MARCO - Driving 50 M.P.H. in a 30 mile zone. Driving truck on work ticket of SCALFI, Guiseppe.

2. The Ministry of Marine is requested to forward these reports to units to which above ratings are attached with recommendation for reprimands appropriate to offenses cited.

H. W. KIROLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
For Chief, Navy Sub-Commission A.C.

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for Chief, Navy Sub-Commission A.C.

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TO: NAVY SUB COMM... ON (for necessary action)

FROM: Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.

DATE: 1 Dec 44

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SUBJECT:- Driving Offence - Italain RN

HQ 56 Area
Ext 60
110/91/Pro
26 Nov 44

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MMIA

The att copy of CMP report is forwarded for information and any action considered necessary.

/a

Major
A.P.M.

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Capt.
O.C. 501 PROVOST COMPANY,
C.M.P. C.M.F.

STAFF LIEUT
PROVOST

TRAFFIC VIOLATION REPORT

Contravention of GRO 843/44

Date 20 November 1944.

Driver Marmaglio F. **ASN** **Hour** 1355

Organization R. Naval Barracks CASERTA **A. P. O.**

Nature of Violation Exceeding the speed limit over a measured distance of 440yds, Time Taken 22 Secs, Speed 39mph, Max Speed Permissable is :- 30mph

Place of Violation CASERTA - CAPUA Rd

Vehicle No 5008173 **Tipe of Vehicle** Chev 3 Ton

Trip Ticket (yes or no) No **Impounded** (yes or no) No

Official Business (yes or no) Yes **To Be Booked** (yes or no) Yes

Code Markings (yes or no) Yes **Drivers License** (yes or no) No

Speed Limit Markings (yes or no) Yes **Condition of Driver** Sober

OTHER OCCUPANTS **Parked** (yes or no) No

1 Naval Rating

G Marshall Sgt 1903

Apprehending M. P.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

4 December, 1944.

AC/14018/5/PS

SUBJECT : Control of Movement - Italian Naval Personnel.

TO : Navy Sub-Commission.

1. Your letter and enclosures NSC/1152C, dated 11 November, 1944, refers.

2. Returned herewith is the Biglietto di Licenza issued to S/Capo Aldo Pirroti, and a "leave pass" issued Cann. O. Augusto Franchini.

3. The endorsement on the Licenza and the leave pass by the SCAPO, Ancona has been verified.

4. The SCAPO has been instructed to cease using a facsimile signature stamp in connection with the issue of passes. He has also been instructed that the provisions of paragraph 11 of Executive Memorandum No.77, dated 31 August, 1944, relating to the movement of Italian Military Personnel, must be strictly complied with at all times.

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

2 Enclosures.

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A.F.H.Q. [illegible] COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub Commission
APO 394

G/Incls/5/[illegible]. 15 November, 1944.

Subject : Control of Movement.

To : Regional Commissioner, Brussels Outside Region.
(Attention R.P.S.O.)

1. Attached correspondence is forwarded for verification of the endorsements made by Major G. F. Canfield on the leave passes issued by the Centro Recia Marina, Rome, to Marchesa Augusto and Marchesa Lido.

2. If the endorsements are cancelled, Major Canfield will be instructed that the practice of using Carabinieri Officers in connection with the issue of passes will be discontinued immediately. He will also be instructed to report as to the reasons why he authorised the persons named in paragraph 1 to travel into the Red Zone without standard movement of Civilian passes issued by the A.C.C. [illegible].

3. Return of the correspondence is requested, please.

[illegible].CH FIELD
Colonel [illegible].S.O.
Director Public Safety
Sub Commission

1 Enclosure.

Copy :
Navy Sub Commission.
(your 650/1152C of 11 November, refers)

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Public Safety, Rev.
PO 394

c/1.01/5/22.

13 November, 1946.

Subject : Control of Movement.

To : Regional Commissioner, Brunswerhe Region.
(Attention S.I.B.O.)

1. Attached correspondence is forwarded for verification of the statements made by Major U. . Canifold on the issue of passes issued by the Centro Regis Marine, Rome, to [illegible] Augusto and [illegible] Vido.

2. If the statements are acknowledged, Major Canifold will be instructed that the practice of using Fratelli Alinari stamp in connection with the issue of passes will be discontinued immediately. He will also be instructed to report as to the reasons why he authorised the persons named in paragraph 1 to travel into the Jury Zone without standard pattern of Civilian passes issued by the S.C. .C. [illegible] Light Army.

3. Return of the correspondence is requested, please.

POWELL.OH [illegible]
Colonel A. . .D.
Director Public Safety
Sub Commission

1 Enclosures.

Copy :
Navy Sub Commission.
(your M30/11520 of 11 November, refers)

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

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NSC/1152C
11 November 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Public Safety Sub-Commission, Hq. A.C.

Subject: S/Capo PIROTI, Aldo and Cann. C. FRANCHINI, Augusto.

1. Attached papers for subject Italian Navy personnel have been forwarded by MAIA Liaison Officer, Eighth Army, after these men were apprehended by F.S.S. and returned through P.O.W. channels for travelling into Army areas without proper credentials.

2. It will be noted that PIROTTI had been issued Biglietto di Licenza (leave papers) by Italian Navy Center, Ancona, while FRANCHINI did not even have a printed form. Both these papers were stamped by SCAPO, AMG, Ancona Province and were endorsed with approval for use of W.D. Transport if available.

3. These papers were sent to you for any necessary checking of authenticity or other action before we forward them to the Ministry of Marine.

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

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

4 December 1944

AC/14013/5/PS

SUBJECT : Control of Movement - Italian Naval Personnel

TO : Navy Sub-Commission

1. Your NSC/1231, dated 29 November, 1944, refers.

2. Returned herewith are leave papers relating to CALLI Dante. The endorsement on the papers by the S.C.A.P.O. Ancona, has been verified.

3. The S.C.A.P.O. has been instructed to cease using a facsimile signature stamp in connection with the issue of passes. He has also been instructed that the provisions of paragraph 11 of Executive Memorandum No. 77, dated 21 August, 1944, relating to the movement of Italian Military Personnel must be strictly complied with at all times.

Wm. C. Ballance Maj

for JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission

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Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

A/c

NSC/1231
29 November 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Public Safety Sub-Commission, Hq. A.C.

Subject: Control of Movement.

Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. 1152C of 11 November.
(b) Info. copy yr AC/14018/5/PS of 16 November.

1. Attached papers for GALLI, Dante, MARINAIO No. 76949, similar to those sent with reference (a) and forwarded by Public Safety Sub-Commission with reference (b) are passed for verification before handing to Ministry of Marine.

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

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : F.O.I.I. - Rome
Date: 2.12.44
Ref.: 1062/FO

Subject: Act. S/Lt. (A.N.) DOSCO, Ruggero.

Further to letter N°732/FO of 17th Oct. last, you are advised that the information asked for will be communicated as soon as the above Officer returns on board; at present he is on leave.

CHIEF OF CABINET

DG/P.

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Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N.° 1062/Fo. Allegati

Al F.O.L.I.

ROMA

ARGOMENTO: Aspirante Sotto Tenente A.N. BOSCO Ruggero.

A seguito del foglio 762/FO del 17 Ottobre u.s., si informa che le notizie richieste saranno comunicate appena l'ufficiale in argomento rientrera a bordo, trovandosi egli tuttora in licenza.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V.A. Bastini

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Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

File

NSC/1151C
11 November 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine - ROME.

Subject: Unauthorized Movement into Army Areas and Carrying of uncensored mail.

References: (a) Navy Sub-Com. ltr. 972C of 9 October to Ministry of Marine.
(b) Navy Sub-Com. ltr. 1019C of 19 October to Ministry of Marine.

1. Further papers on subject previously reported in references are forwarded for Capo Cann. GIULIANI, Alberto who was apprehended after he had visited 21 out of 26 families listed and was carrying replies from them. These replies were confiscated by Allied Authorities.

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

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SUBJECT:- Control of Movement.

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
c/o Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.
MM/106

29 Oct 44

HQ MMIA Rome.

Further to my letter of yesterday's date, I enclose papers relating to 3 members of the Italian Navy arrested within the restricted Army Area, and evacuated through P O W channels.

Lt-Col. G.S.
MMIA Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.

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From: MINISTRY of MARINE (Cabinet)
To : Navy Sub-Commission A.C.C.
Date: 22.9.44
Ref.: 645/FO

Subject: Control of Servicemen's Movements and Distribution of Un-Censored Mail.

Referring to ypur letter NSC/807 of 9th inst., as a result of investigations made, strict and precise instructions have been issued in order that there will be no repetition of this case.

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Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

Roma 22 SET. 1944

Al ALLIED CONTRO COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N.° 665/Fo Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Controllo dei movimenti dei militari e distribuzione di posta non censurata.

Riferimento Vostro foglio NSC/807 in data 9 Settembre 1944, in seguito alle indagini svolte sono state emanate rigorose e precise istruzioni acciocché il caso non si ripeta.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. F. BASLINI

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/1025H

22 October 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To : Ministry of Marine - ROME.

Subject: Italian Currency Offences.

1. It has been reported by the Allied Control Commission that an envelope addressed to Signora Margot Sestini containing ten Bank of England One Pound notes have been found in the official mail bag from Rome to Taranto. This envelope was enclosed in two other envelopes, the first addressed to Captain Sesto Sestini and the outer one to Comando in Capo del Dipartimento Militare Maritime, Taranto. From the name on the reverse of the envelope, it appears that the sender was Tenente Generale (AN) Antonio PIZZUTI of the Ministry of Marine.

2. Official mail bags are ordinarily exempt from Censorship, but owing to recent abuses by the insertion of private mail, the Allied Censorship Control make occasional checks. During the course of one of these checks, the letter in question was discovered.

3. It is requested that this case be investigated, since the sender of the letter appears to have committed two offences: -

(a) Being in possession of sterling currency.
(b) Attempting to evade censorship.

It would be appreciated if the results of your investigations be communicated to me in order that appropriate action may be taken.

4. The 10 One Pound notes are now in the custody of the Taranto Zone Public Safety Officer, ACC.

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

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NSC/971B

13 October 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To : Ministry of Marine - Rome.

Subject: BOSCU RUGGERO Asp. S.T.A.N.

1. The subject man presented the enclosed Foglio di Viaggio to the Navy Sub-Commission, ACC, and requested assistance in obtaining transportation to FLORENCE. The travel is not authorized, as entry into the Army Zone is not permitted for compassionate reasons.

2. It is noted that the Foglio di Viaggio was pre-stamped with the official seal of the Allied Control Commission when received. It is requested that this office be informed by whom the seal was placed on the Foglio di Viaggio.

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

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : S.O.I.I. - Rome
Date: 17.10.44
Ref.: 732/FO

Subject: Tens. S/L. (A.N.) BOSCH, Ruggero.

With ref. to letter NSC/971 R. dated 13th inst., I inform you that to-day I have asked "Giulio Cesare" Command to furnish this Cabinet Office with the information you have asked for in Para. 2 of you above-cited.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/849

15 September 1944.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, ACC.
To : Army Sub-Commission, Hq, ACC.

Subject: Evasion of Censorship Regulations.

Reference: Your ltr I/113 of 13 September 1944.

1. Attachment to reference refers to "Postal Regulations for the Italian Army contained in Appendix "A" Hq,AAI (Adm Echelon) Instructions 2020/3/42 dated 2 April 44" and to "Control of Movement Regulations".

2. It is requested that this Sub-Commission be furnished with copies of these instructions.

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

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FROM: Fanfanelli, Mario - Torino.
TO: [illegible] - Chieti - Caserma

- Dearest Mother, health splendid and the fragrance is the same; he stays on my account. Always thinking of you with the hope of soon embracing you. - Hug and kiss to all me. - Lucian - " 15/8/944

Rest assured positively the same. -

And mine — do.

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SUBJECT: Evasion of Censorship Regulations

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M E
I/113
13 Sept 44

Navy Sub Commission ACC

Copy to: MMIA LO Rear HQ EIGHTH Army (Your MM/106 of 9 Sept refers)

The attached copy of letter from our LO with Rear EIGHTH Army is forwarded for information and action as the personnel concerned are under the jurisdiction of the Italian Navy.

K. Selby Capper
Maj Gen
for Army Sub Commission

CGL.

Enclosures: Foglio di Viaggio
3 Message Forms

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COPY

SUBJECT: Evasion of Censorship Regulations

Army Sub Commission, ACC
(M M I A)
Rear HQ EIGHTH Army
MM/106

9 Sept 44

Army Sub Commission, MMIA
HQ ACC ROME

Copy to: - GSI (b)
Main HQ EIGHTH Army (Ref M 309 I(b) of 8 Sept 44

1. The attached "FOGLIO DI VIAGGIO" made out by 1 Regt. Artiglieria Marina, TARANTO, in favour of MANONI, Amedeo, and three message forms addressed to persons living in the Army area, are forwarded for information and necessary action.

2. MANONI was intercepted by control of movement personnel while travelling as a courier to OSTRA.

3. This, like the case of Col BOVI (mentioned in my MM/107 of 6 Aug 44) would seem to be a flagrant violation both of the Postal Regulations for the Italian Army contained in Appx "A" to HQ AAI (Adm Echelon) Instruction 2020/3/Q2 dated 2 Apr 44 and of Control of Movement Regulations, and is regarded by GSI (b), EIGHTH Army, as a serious breach of security in the forward area.

Capt O DONNELL

for Lt Col GS
MMIA Rear HQ EIGHTH Army

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SUBJECT: Postal Regulations - Italian Army

Military Mission to the
Italian Army ROME
I/113
18 Sept 44

AAI

Copy to: Navy Sub Commission ACC (Your NSC/849 of 15 Sept refers)

May this Headquarters please be furnished with two copies of your AAI (Admin Echelon) Instructions 2020/3/Q2 of 2 April 44.

W. Selby, Capt
for Maj Gen
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CGL.

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Subject:- Postal Arrangements - Italian Army.

Military Mission Italian Army,
R O M E.
I/113
23 Sep 44

Navy Sub-Commission,
HQ ACC.

Ref your NSC/849 of 15 Sept.

Herewith as requested one copy of Appx 'A' HQ AAI (Adm Echelon) Instructions 2020/3/Q2 of 2 Apr 44.

for Major General.
Military Mission Italian Army.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission
APO 394

NSC/805

6 September 1944.

SECOND ENDORSEMENT to
Hq. AMG 5TH ARMY ltr
203/3 of 30 Aug 1944

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.
To : Public Safety Sub-Commission, Hq. ACC.

Subject: Control of Movement - Uncensored Mail.

1. Action has been instituted with Ministry of Marine to investigate above instances.

2. It is requested that the "Foglio di Viaggio" referred to in attachment from 13 Corps Hq. be sent us.

3. Kindly return all papers.

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

Public Safety Sub-Commission

Folio	for action	information
D. P. S.		
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Ex Officer		
POLICE		
Prisons		
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Adm Officer		

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S.Army

30th August 1944.

SUBJECT: Control of Movement - Uncensored Mail. 203/8.

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission, A.C.C.

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1. Reference attached report from S.C.A.O., XIII Corps, dated 22nd August, 1944.

2. Will you refer this matter to the Minister of Marine, as it is understood they can, and desire to, take the necessary disciplinary action against the Marine, PAOLETTI, Nelle. (5568 Cann. Arm).

3. The Public Safety Officer concerned was last heard of in Grosseto Province.

For the Commanding General:

W. DOHERTY,
Lt.Colonel,
Chief of Public Safety,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

HEAD... 31 AUG 1944 A.G.O.

Copy to:
S.C.A.O., XIII Corps. (For information)

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1st IND.

3 September, 1944.

From : H.q. A.C.C. Public Safety Sub-Commission
To : Navy Sub-Commission

Passed to you for action as indicated in Para.2 above.

for A.Z. YOUNG, Col.,
Deputy Director
Public Safety Sub-Commission.

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Chief of Public Safety,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

Copy to:
S.C.A.O., XIII Corps. (For information)

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Enc to 1/5.

1st IND.

From : H.Q. A.C.C. Public Safety Sub-Commission
To : Navy Sub-Commission

3 September, 1944.

Passed to you for action as indicated in Para.2 above.

A.E. YOUNG, Col.,
Deputy Director
Public Safety Sub-Commission.

Subject:- Control of movement, and passing of Uncensored mail.

Secret
22 Aug 44

To:- Lt/Col. SMITH
13 Corps H.Q.

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To. S.C.A.P.O.
A.M.G. 5th. ARMY MAIN.
For information - necessary action.
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