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NSC/5739
10 December 1946

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

Subject: M/S BUDIMIR, Certificate of Registry.

References: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5732 of 4 December 1946.

Enclosure: (A) Certificate of Registry for M/S BUDIMIR.

1. Enclosure (A), a copy of the certificate of registry for the M/S BUDIMIR dated 26 November 1946, is forwarded herewith.

2. It is requested that the subject certificate ~~will~~ be returned to the Jugoslav authorities taking possession of the BUDIMIR.

JAMES RISK
Lieut. Comdr., USNR,
For REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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NSC/5740
6 December 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: M/S BUDIMIR, receipt of Certificate of Registry of.

Reference: (a) Jugoslav Delegation ltr. Nr. 1731/46 of 5 December 1946.

1. The Navy Sub-Commission acknowledges the receipt of reference (a) and the enclosed certificate of registry.

2. The certificate of registry in question has been forwarded to the Italian authorities with the request that steps be taken to ensure the return of the subject vessel to representatives of the Jugoslav Government with all possible dispatch.

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION.

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DELEGATION OF THE FEDERAL PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF JUGOSLAVIA
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br. 1731/46

5 December 1946

SUBJECT : M/S "NUOVO GALLO" (BUDIMIR), Restitution of.

TO : Navy Sub Commission,
Headquarters Allied Commission.

REFERENCE : Your letter NSC/5670 of 22 November 1946.

1. With reference to your a/m letter find please under cover

(a) the vessel's certificate of registry in Jugoslav language;
(b) our translation of the same.

2. Will you please inform us about the place and time of the handover of the ship.

Encl: (a) and (b)

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DR. SLOVEN J. SMODLAKA,
Jugoslav Representative a.i.
Advisory Council for Italy.

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NSC/5732
4 December 1946

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

Subject: M/S BUDIMIR, restitution of to the Jugoslav Authorities.

Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine letter 3416/UT of 18 October 1946.

1. It is requested that you arrange for the return of the BUDIMIR to the Jugoslav Authorities when the certificate of registry indicating that she is registered in the port of Viniaco Jugoslavia is produced.

2. It is further requested that you inform the Navy Sub-Commission when the transfer has been effected.

H. W. ZIEGEL,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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NSC/5731
4 December 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: M/S BUDIMIR, restitution of.

Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/5670 of 22 November 1946.

1. The M/S BUDIMIR located at Rimini, is now available for transfer to the appropriate Jugoslav authorities subject to the condition laid down in reference (a).

2. It is requested that the Navy Sub-Commission be informed by the Jugoslav Delegation when the transfer has been effected.

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COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

5 DEC 1946

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Translation from Serbo-Croat

The Maritime Directorate - Split
No.10999/46
Split, 26.11.1946.

C O P Y

from the Registry for small merchant coastal shipping
of the Maritime Directorate - Split

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Name of ship : (Budimir) - San Gerolamo
Port of registry: Vinisce
Tons : Gross 8.93
Nett 4.35
Type of vessel : Motor-sailer
Constructed in wood
Motor : Deutz Diesel 25 HP.Consumption: 5 kg.of naphta per hour.
Speed : 6 knots.Reservoir : 260 kg.
Dimensions : length 11.30;bredth : 3.90;hight : 1.08 meters.
Place and year of construction : Betina 1934.
Owners:

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| 1) | Alajbeg Ante p.Mate from Vinisce | 8 carats |
| 2) | Pazanin Jerko p.Stipe from Vinisce | 4 " |
| 3) | Pazanin Zvonimir p.Stipe from Vinisce | 4 " |
| 4) | Majic Petar Matin , from Vinisce | 4 " |
| 5) | Marini Spiro Vickov from Trogir | 4 " |

Ownership registrated by contract stipulated at Trogir by Tironi Todor,notary,on 16.4.1941 Reg.No.124/41,and on 15.9.1942 Reg.No.135/42.

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It is herewith confirmed and certified that this copy is true to the inscription in the Registry:

Shipping Registrator:
(Rendic-Miocevic kap.Ivo)
sig.

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M/S"BUDIMIR"- RETURN TO JUGO SLAV AUTHORITIES.

(Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission's letter No.NSC/5629 dated 7th November, 1946.)

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NAVY SUB COMMISSION, HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION.

Return of Subject vessel to Jugo Slav Government approved.

MEDITERRANEAN. for ADMIRAL
26th November, 1946.

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NSC/5668
22 November 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.

Subject: M/S BUDIMIR, Return to Jugoslav Authorities.

Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5629 of 7th November 1946.

1. In continuation of the reference above, the Navy Sub-Commission is now satisfied that the BUDIMIR is of Jugoslav ownership, being registered in the Port of Vinisce in the name of Pavzanin Jerko.

2. The Jugoslav Delegation is pressing for the restoration of this vessel and therefore an early decision would be appreciated.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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NSC/5670
22 November 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: M/S "NUOVO GALLO" (DUDIMIR), Restitution of.

Reference: (a) Jugoslav Delegation ltr. Br 1648/46 of 15 November 1946.

1. The return of the subject vessel requires the approval of the British Naval Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station, and he has been asked for an early decision. The Italian authorities will be instructed to hand the vessel over to your representative, on production of the vessel's certificate of registry to substantiate Yugoslav ownership, as soon as this approval is received.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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DELEGATION OF THE FEDERAL PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF JUGOSLAVIA
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br.1648/46

15 November 1946

SUBJECT : M/S "NUOVO GALLO" ("BUDIMIR"),restitution of.

TO : Navy Sub=Commission

Reference :(a)Our letter 775/46 of 5 June 1946.
(b)NSC/5537 of 15 October 1946.

In our previous correspondence about the vessel in subject we gave all particulars as regards Jugoslav ownership of the vessel, the name of the owner,tonnage of the ship and its registration port. In view of all this it is now demanded that the Italian Government return the ship without any further delay.

You are kindly requested to inform us about the place and date of the handover,at your earliest convenience.

DR.SLOVEN J.SMODLAKA,
Jugoslav Representative a.i.
Advisory Council for Italy

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
NAVY SUB-COMMISSION APO 794

NSC/5629
7 November 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.

Subject: M/S BUDIMIR, return to Jugoslav authorities.

Reference: (a) Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station, Minute II, No. Med. 46/1376/6/4 of 22 August 1946.

1. In reply to reference (a) it can be stated that while the Navy Sub-Commission has been informed of the circumstances under which the M/S Budimir came into the hands of Ernesto Pulzoni, confirmation of Jugoslav ownership of the vessel is still awaited.

2. The M/S San Girolamo, ex-Budimir, arrived in the port of Rimini in the summer of 1944, manned by a group of Jugoslav partisans who were interned by the local German command. The vessel was taken over by the Germans who, however, abandoned her unguarded alongside a quay in the harbour. After the liberation of Rimini, the Municipality, in the absence of the harbour authorities, which had not yet been reconstituted at that time, took possession of the vessel and entrusted it to Ernesto Pulzoni of Rimini to be repaired and used as a fishing boat. Pulzoni repaired the vessel and began using her in May 1945.

R. L. Conolly

REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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NSC/5629
7 November 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.

Subject: M/S PUDIMIR, return to Jugoslav authorities.

Reference: (a) Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station, Minute II, No. Med. 46/1376/6/4 of 22 August 1946.

1. In reply to reference (a) it can be stated that while the Navy Sub-Commission has been informed of the circumstances under which the M/S Pudimir came into the hands of Ernesto Pulzoni, confirmation of Jugoslav ownership of the vessel is still awaited.

2. The M/S San Girolamo, ex-Pudimir, arrived in the port of Rimini in the summer of 1944, manned by a group of Jugoslav partisans who were interned by the local German command. The vessel was taken over by the Germans who, however, abandoned her unguarded alongside a quay in the harbour. After the liberation of Rimini, the Municipality, in the absence of the harbour authorities, which had not yet been reconstituted at that time, took possession of the vessel and entrusted it to Ernesto Pulzoni of Rimini to be repaired and used as a fishing boat. Pulzoni repaired the vessel and began using her in May 1945.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station,

21st October, 1946.

Med 46/1376/6/4.

SECRETARY TO
NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, HQ. ALLIED COMMISSION.

The undermentioned report not having been received, information is requested when it may be expected or how the matter stands.

for ADMIRAL'S SECRETARY

| Authority calling for report | Subject |
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| Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's Minute II No. Med.46/1376/6/4 dated 22nd August, 1946. | M/S "BUDIMIR" - RETURN TO JUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES. |

Navy Sub-commission, Hq. AC
29 OCT 1946

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C.- A.C.
Date: 18th October 1946
Ref.: 3416/UT

Subject: M.F.V. "S.GIROLAMO" (Budimir ?)

In answer to your letter NSC/5638, dated 15th inst.

The M.F.V. "SAN GIROLAMO" arrived in the port of Rimini in the summer of 1944, manned by a group of Jugoslav partisans who were intended by the local German command. The vessel was taken over by the Germans who, however, abandoned her unguarded alongside a quay in the harbour.

After the liberation of Rimini, the Municipality, in the absence of the harbour authorities, which had not yet been reconstituted at that time, took possession of the vessel and entrusted it to the ship owner Ernesto Pulzoni of Rimini to be put back into efficiency and to be used for fishing, to feed the civilian population.

The above owner provided for the repair of the M.F.V. and began using her in May 1945.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station,
21st October, 1946.

Med.46/1376/6/4.

SECRETARY TO
NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, HQ. ALLIED COMMISSION.

The undermentioned report not having been received, information is requested when it may be expected or how the matter stands.

for ADMIRAL'S SECRETARY

| Authority calling for report | Subject |
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| Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's Minute II No. Med.46/1376/6/4 dated 22nd August, 1946. | M/S "BUDIMIR" - RETURN TO JUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES. |

Navy Sub-commission, Hq. AC
29 OCT 1946

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REPLY

The Secretary to the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station.

Reply has been forwarded under letter
NSC/5629 of 7th November 1946.

~~H.M.S.~~ Navy Sub. Commission, Rome.

ADMIRAL'S SECRETARY

Date 10th November 1946

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C.- A.C.
Date: 18th October 1946
Ref.: 3416/UT

Subject: M.F.V. "S.GIROLAMO" (Budimir ?)

In answer to your letter NSC/5638, dated 15th inst.

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By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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GABINETTO

Ufficio Trattati

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 3416/UT Allegati

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Navale -

ARGOMENTO: Motopesca "S.GIROLAMO" (Budimir?).

Risposta al foglio di codesta C.A. NSC/5638 del 15 corrente.

Il motopesca SAN GIROLAMO (Budimir ?) giunse nell'estate del 1944 nel porto di Rimini, condotto da un gruppo di partigiani jugoslavi che furono internati dal locale Comando tedesco. L'unità fu catturata dai tedeschi che però l'abbandonarono senza custodia lungo una banchina del porto.

Dopo la liberazione di Rimini, quel Municipio, in assenza dell'autorità portuale, a quell'epoca non ancora ricostituita, prendeva possesso, con sua ordinanza, del natante e lo affidava quindi all'armatore Ernesto Pulzoni di Rimini, perchè lo rimettesse in efficienza e lo adibisse alla pesca per l'alimentazione della popolazione civile.

Detto armatore provvide alle riparazioni del motopesca e nel maggio 1945 cominciò ad esercitare la sua attività.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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N9C/5538
15 October 1946

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

Subject: M.F.V. "[illegible]".

Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine ltr. 3345/UT dated 7th October 1946.

1. Information is requested as to how the subject ship came into the possession of Enrico Pulzoni who is mentioned in item (d) of reference (a).

C. F. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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NSC/5537
15 October 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Jugoslav Representative.

Subject: M.F.V. "NUOVO GALLO" (Ex Budimir)

1. Confirmation is requested that subject ship now at Rimini is in fact of Jugoslavian ownership and registry.

C. F. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

16 OCT 1946

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To: N.S.C. A.C.
Date: 7th October 1946
Ref.: 3345/UT

Subject: M.F.V."BUDIMIR"

In answer to your letter NSC/5420, dated 7th Sept. 1946.

1. The Rimini Harbourmaster's Dept. was requested for information on the M.F.V. in question, last July, and informed us by telegram that the "BUDIMIR" was unknown. It appeared, instead, that the M.F.V. "NUOVO GALLO" ex "SAN GIROLAMO", with a 25 HP. engine and at present in possession of Mr. Enrico Pulzoni, was entered in the lists of that Harbourmaster's Dept.

2. The Ministry of Marine therefore informed the Navy Sub Commission of the facts received from the Rimini Harbourmaster's Dept. adding for greater clarification, the facts about the "SAN GIROLAMO" from the appropriate sources.

3. When approached again, following your letter NSC/5420, dated 7th September 1946, the Rimini Harbourmaster's Dept. confirmed what it had already communicated, namely :

a) - that the M.F.V. "NUOVO GALLO" was named "SAN GIROLAMO" when it arrived in Italy.

b) - that its engine is of 25 HP.

c) - that the owner's name is not known, but that he is presumed to be of Jugoslav nationality.

d) - the M.F.V. is at present in the possession of Mr. Ernesto Pulzoni.

Regarding the name of the person who is at present in possession of the M.F.V., the error is to be attributed to the telegraphic transmission.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

JLP/P.
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ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Navale -

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 3345/U.T. Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Motopesca "BUDIMIR".

Risposta al foglio NSC/5420 del 7 settembre u.s.

1. - La Capitaneria di Porto di Rimini interrogata da questo Ministero nel luglio u.s. circa il motopesca in argomento, comunicò telegraficamente che il "BUDIMIR" risultava sconosciuto. Risultava invece inscritto presso quella Capitaneria il Motopeschereccio "NUOVO GALLO", già "SAN GIROLAMO", con motore di 25 HP, gestito attualmente dal Sig. Pulzoni Enrico.

2. - Questo Ministero pertanto comunicò, con foglio 2723/UT del 27 luglio u.s. a codesta Commissione le notizie ricevute dalla Capitaneria di Porto di Rimini, aggiungendo, a maggior chiarimento, la storia del "SAN GIROLAMO" ricavata da pratiche agli atti.

3. - Ulteriormente interessata, a seguito del foglio NSC/5420 del 7 settembre c.a., la Capitaneria di Porto di Rimini ha confermato quanto aveva già comunicato, e cioè:

a) il Motopeschereccio "NUOVO GALLO" portava il nome "SAN GEROLAMO" quando è giunto in Italia; 5121

b) la potenza del motore è di 25 HP.

c) risulta sconosciuto il nominativo del proprietario che si suppone sia di nazionalità jugoslava;

d) il motopeschereccio è attualmente gestito dal Signor Pulzoni

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Ernesto.

Per quanto riguarda il nome della persona che gestisce attualmente il motopeschereccio, l'errore è da attribuirsi alla trasmissione telegrafica.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G.MARINI

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NSC/5420
7 September 1946.

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

Subject: M/S BUDIMIR.

Reference: (a) NSC ltr. NSC/5135 of 7 June 1946.
(b) MofM (Cabinet) ltr. 2733/UT of 27 July 1946.

1. It is noted that the name of the present user of the subject vessel, furnished by the Navy Sub-Commission in reference (a), does not conform to the name of the registered operator furnished by the Ministry of Marine in reference (b).

2. It is also noted that the Ministry of Marine states in paragraph 1 of reference (b) that the NUOVO GALLO (BUDIMIR) has a 25 H.P. engine, while in paragraph 3 it is stated that the engine is a DEUTZ 35-40 H.P. engine.

3. It is requested that these inconsistencies be clarified as soon as possible, inasmuch as the matter has become urgent.

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A. C.

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M/S "BUDLEIR" - RETURN TO JUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES.

(Navy Sub Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission's letter No.NSC/5343 dated 6th August, 1946.)

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Med.46/1376/6/4.
NAVY SUB COMMISSION,
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION,
ROME.

Request information how this vessel came into possession of PUZZONI and confirmation that the vessel is of Jugoslav ownership.

MEDITERRANEAN
22nd August, 1946.

for ADMIRAL

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NSC/5343
6 August 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.

Subject: M/S "BUDIMIR".

1. The Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy requests restitution of subject ship to the Jugoslav authorities.

2. Description is as follows:

"M/S BUDIMIR (Gross Tons 6, DW 20 Tons, registered at the Port of Vinisce, Jugoslavia; owner Pasanin Jerko) is furnished with a motor Diesel Neum 25 HP. The schooner is actually in possession of PUZZONI, Ernesto, Rimini, Via Sinistra del Porto. Renamed at present "GALLO".

3. Comments and instructions are respectfully requested from the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.

W. W. ENGLE,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 27th July 1946
Ref.: 2733/UT

Subject: Motor-propelled vessel "BUDIMIR"

Further to my letter 2431/UT of 6th instant, you are informed that the M.F.V. "NUOVO GALLO" is registered at the Captain of the Port's office, Rimini, having a 25 H.P. engine and being operated at present by Mr.Pulsoni Emio.

The vessel, which bore the name "S.GIROLAMO", arrived at Rimini during the summer of 1944, manned by a group of Jugoslav partisans. These were interned by the Germans and the M.F.V., at first captured, was subsequently abandoned alongside the quay in that port.

As the "S.GIROLAMO" arrived in the Italian port without any papers it was never possible to ascertain its nationality, much less its owners. Only its characteristics, the shape of the hull, and the manner in which it arrived have caused it to be considered Jugoslav. The M.F.V. has a gross tonnage of 13 tons and has a Deutz engine of 35-40 H.P.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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*Ministero della Marina*

GABINETTO

Ufficio Trattati

*Roma* 2 LUG 1945

II COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

- Sottocommissione Navale -

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

*Prot. N°* 2733/UT *Allegati*

ARGOMENTO: Nave a motore BUDIMIR.

A seguito foglio 2431/UT del 6 corrente, si comunica che presso la Capitaneria di porto di Rimini risulta inscritto il motopeschereccio NUOVO GALLO con motore di 25 HP, ora gestito dal Signor Pulsoni Emio.

Il natante che portava il nome di "S.Girolamo" giunse a Rimini nell'estate del 1944 condotto da un gruppo di partigiani jugoslavi. Questi furono internati dai tedeschi ed il motopeschereccio, dapprima catturato, fu in seguito abbandonato senza custodia lungo una banchina di quel porto.

Essendo il"S.Girolamo" giunto nel porto italiano privo di carte, non fu mai possibile accertare la sua nazionalità e tanto meno i suoi proprietari. Soltanto le caratteristiche, la forma dello scafo e la provenienza lo hanno fatto ritenere di nazionalità jugoslava. Il motopeschereccio ha una stazza lorda approssimativa di tonn.13 ed è munito di un motore Deutz della potenza di 35-40 HP.

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d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

*Marini*

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NSC/5277
13 July 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commision, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Motor-vessel [redacted] - Br. 4 ("JUNO") - Tug HOJANA (ZARA).

Reference: (a) Your ltr. Br. 775/16 of 5 June 1946.

1. Information requested in reference (a) has not been obtainable so far.

2. If the town name can be supplied in the case of the user of the [redacted], inquiries will again be started.

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR
COMMODORE, USN,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.
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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 6th July 1946
Ref.: 2431/UT

Subject: Motor-vessel BUDIMIR - Br.4 ("Juno")
Tug BOJANA (ZARA).

Reference is made to your letter NSC/5135 of 7th June 1946.

No particulars concerning the vessels listed in the above-mentioned letter are to be found in the information at the disposal of this Ministry.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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**MINISTERO DELLA MARINA**

GABINETTO
Ufficio Trattati

In tirizzo telegrafico: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N. 2431/UT Allegati .....

Roma, [illegible]

Al COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Navale -

ARGOMENTO: Nave a motore BUDIMIR - Br.4 ("Juno") - Rimorchiatore BOJANA (ZARA).

Riferimento foglio NSC/5135 in data 7 giugno u.s.

Dagli elementi in possesso di questo Ministero non risultano notizie delle unità jugoslave elencate sul foglio in riferimento.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

Marini

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JUGOSLAV DELEGATION
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br. 1056/46

2 July

22 June 1946

Subject : Town name where the user of the Jugoslav M/S "BUDIMIR" is living : RIMINI (Italy).

To : Navy Sub=Commission
H.Q.A.C.

Reference : (a) Your letter NSC/5277 of 13 July 1946.

(b) Our letters: Br.775/46 of 5 June 1946
Br.226/46 of 16 February 1946.

As it was clearly indicated by us in our letters in reference (b) as well as in the lists of our claims submitted to the Allied authorities in Italy, the town name where the user of the M/S "BUDIMIR" is living is RIMINI, whereas the words "Via Sinistra del Porto" in our a/m letters mean the name of the street in RIMINI, where the user, whose name is PUZZONI Ernesto, is living.

We would like also at this occasion to point out again that the ship had been remamed, and its last name known to us was "GALLO".

FOR THE JUGOSLAV REPRESENTATIVE :

Čedomil Veljačić

CEDOMIL VELJACIC, Secretary
Jugoslav Delegation A.C.I.

NFR - Col. Bahlmann

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NSC/5135
7 June 1946

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

Subject: M/S "BUDIMIR" - Br.4"(JUNO); Tugboat "BOJANA"("ZARA")

1. Information is requested of the following ships:

(a) Trawler - Br. 4 "(JUNO)
Tugboat "BOJANA" ("ZARA")

(b) M/S BUDIMIR (Gross Tons 8,DW 20 Tons, registered at the Port of Vinisco, Jugoslavia; owner Pazanin Jerko) is furnished with a motor Diesel Deuz 25 HP. The schooner is actually in possession of PUZZONI, Ernesto, Rimini, Via Sinistra del Porto.

O. F. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

(RN-1104)

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JUGOSLAV DELEGATION
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br. 775/46

5 June 1946

SUBJECT : M/S "BUDIMIR" ,restitution.

TO : H.A.A.C.
Navy Sub Commission

1. With reference to our letter Br.226/46 of 16 February 1946 some additional particulars are forwarded:

M/S BUDIMIR (Gross Tons 8,DW 20 Tons,registered at the Port of Vinisce,Jugoslavia;owner Pazanin Jerko) is furnished with a motor Diesel Deuz 25 HP.= The Schooner is actually in possession of PUZZONI Ernesto,Rimini,Via Sinistra del Porto,who is using it since 2 years and who declared that he was ready to restitute it as soon as he gets orders to do so. (The name has been changed in GALLO and the schooner had been taken by the withdrawing Italian Occupant Forces).

2. A solicite action is courteously requested in order to ensure a prompt restitution of the vessel by the Italian Government to the Jugoslav Authorities.

Dr.Slovenj Smodlaka

Dr.SLOVENJ J. SMODLAKA,
Acting Representative of Jugoslavia
Advisory Council for Italy

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NSC/ 5891
20 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Jugoslav Representative to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Handover of the Materials from the Jugoslav Warships "BEOGRAD" and "LJUBLJANA".

Reference: (a) The Jugoslav Representative to the Advisory Council for Italy ltr. Br.1756/46 dated 12 December 1946.
(b) The Jugoslav Representative to the Advisory Council for Italy ltr. Br. 81/46 dated 15 January 1947.
(c) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5360 dated 9 August 1946.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of references (a) and (b) which have been duly noted.

2. With reference to paragraph 4 of reference (b), it is regretted that it does not come within the province of the Navy Sub-Commission to interfere as regards the entry of foreign nationals into Italian Government territory which is a matter for direct negotiation between the Italian Government and the Foreign Government concerned. Reference (c) refers.

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W. W. [illegible],
[illegible],
FOR
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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DELEGATION OF THE FEDERAL PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF JUGOSLAVIA
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br. 81/46

15 January 1947

TO : Navy Sub Commission,
H.Q.A.C.

Reference is made to your letter NSC/5492,dated 28th September 1946,about the handover of the materials from the Jugoslav warships BEOGRAD and LJUBLJANA,and to our reply Br.1756/46 of 12 December 1946,where we informed you that two officers of the Jugoslav Navy,

Capt.STOJISAVLJEVIC Boris and
Lieut.CENIC Antonije

have been appointed to come in Italy and to collect the a/m materials.

In connection with this we requested regularly through the Tchecoslovaquian Legation in Rome that official visas may be issued to the a/m officers as soon as possible.

The Tchecoslovaquian Legation forwarded the request to the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on January 3rd,1947,ref.No.39/1947, but the Italian Ministry is still delaying to issue the visas.

It is therefore kindly requested that the Navy Sub Commission may take appropriate steps in order to solicit from the Italian authorities to make the restitution practically possible by issuing the requested visas without any further delay.

DR.SLOVEN J.SMODLAKA,
Jugoslav Representative a.i.,
Advisory Council for Italy.

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DELEGATION OF THE FEDERAL PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF JUGOSLAVIA
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br. 1756/46

12 December 1946

SUBJECT : Materials from the Jugoslav Warships "BEOGRAD" and "LJUBLJANA" .

TO : Navy Sub Commission,
H.Q.A.C.

With reference to your letter NSC/5492 of 28th September, 1946, we have the honour to inform you that the above materials will be collected in Taranto by the following Jugoslav Navy Officers:

Capt.STOJISAVLJEVIC Boris, and
Lt. CENIC Antonijo.

The officers will come to Taranto as soon as they will obtain all necessary travel orders and permits for their journey. The exact date of their arrival will be communicated to your Sub Commission as soon as it will be possible to fix it.

FOR THE JUGOSLAV REPRESENTATIVE : Čedomil Veljačić

Čedomil Veljacic, Secretary

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NAVY SUB COMMISSION ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub Commission Ltr. 338.

NSC/5492.
20th September, 1946.

From : Navy Sub Commission, No., Allied Commission.
To : The Acting Representative of Yugoslavia to The Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Material from the Yugoslav warships "ZAGREB" and "DUBROVNIK".

With reference to your letter No. 1057/46 dated 22nd July, 1946, the Italian Ministry of Marine has confirmed that Yugoslav naval material exists in Store No. 41 of ARSENALE in the Italian Navy dockyard at Taranto, and has accordingly been requested to make this material available to the Yugoslav authorities for collection.

2. It is requested therefore, that the Navy Sub Commission may be informed of the name and rank of the Yugoslav representative who will collect this material, and of the exact date of collection in order that it may be communicated to the Ministry of Marine for onward transmission to the Admiral Superintendent, Taranto.

E. H. ARNOLD,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED CONTROL AUTHORITY
Navy Sub Commission APO 324

London.
28th November, 1946.

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

Subject: Materials from the Tripolitan vessels "ELBA" and "LAMPEDUSA"

In accordance with Allied policy, all property which is clearly identified as having been removed from a non-enemy nation to another country during hostilities, is to be restored to that nation.

2. In this connection it is considered that the stores listed in the enclosure to the Ministry of Marine's letter No.4/1/0 dated 7 th September, 1946, should be returned to the Tripolitan authorities, and it is requested therefore that the necessary instructions be given in order that these stores may be made available to the Tripolitan representative for collection in the near future.

3. The Ministry of Marine will be informed of the exact date of collection as soon as it is ascertained by the Tripolitan Authorities.

G. F. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Naristat)
To : N.S.C. - Rome
Date: 18th September 1946
Ref.: 45480 - Encl. No.1

Subject: Materials from the Jugoslav warships "BEOGRAD" and "LJUBLJANA"

With reference to your letter NSC/5323 dated 29th July 1946.

Enclosed is a list of equipment supplies belonging to Jugoslav warships and stored in the warehouses of Maricost Taranto.

for CHIEF OF NAVAL STAFF

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Roma, 18 Settembre 1946

Stato Maggiore della R. Marina

NAVY SUB COMMISSION

Rep. M.D.S. Uff. B.D.

ROMA

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Prot. N. 45480 Allegati 1

ARGOMENTO: Materiali provenienti dalle navi da guerra jugoslave "BEOGRAD" e "LJUBLJANA".=

Riferimento foglio n.NSC/5323 del 29 Luglio c.a. di codesta U.S.C.

Si trasmette un notamento dei materieli di dotazione di unità navali jugoslave accantonati nei magazzini di Maricost Taranto.=

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

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ELENCO DEI MATERIALI APPARTENENTI ALLE SOTTONOTATE UNITA' ESISTENTI AL MAGAZZINO C (41) DI QUESTA MARICOST

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Materiale proveniente da Maricost Teodo con O;d;p; n.1 - 2 - 3 del 26 gennaio 1942 appartenenti ai CC.TT. Lubiana e Sebenico (Jugoslavia)

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tubi di cupronikel da m/m 3195 x 16 x 14 .....circa | n. | 300 | Kg. | 366 |
| Piastre di ferro per condensatori ..... | " | 4 | " | 5,700 |
| Tubi di rame per riscaldat.acqua da m/m 1510x14x12 ..... | " | 20 | " | 10,200 |
| Carboni per manicotti turbina A.P. per turbomotrice serie 45 ..... | " | 60 | " | 35 |
| Molle per detti..... | " | 15 | " | 2,900 |
| Carboni per manicotti turbina B.P. per turbomotrice serie 35..... | " | 48 | " | 25 |
| Molle per detti..... | " | 12 | " | 6,200 |
| Coni d'aria ..... | " | 6 | " | 32 |
| Apparecchi nebbiogeni con accessori ..... | " | 4 | | |
| Pompa a mano con tubi di gomma ..... | " | 1 | | |
| Guarnizioni metalliche per tubi condensatori.....circa | " | 67840 | " | 506 |
| Guarnizioni di fibra per detti .....circa | " | 44000 | " | 33 |
| Asse portaelica ..... | " | 1 | " | 5630 |

Materiale appartenente al C.T. Lubiana versato dalla Giunta di verifica e proveniente da Maricost Teodo

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| Tubi di rame per riscal.alim. sagomati ad U da mm.16x13...N | | 12 | Kg. | 35 |
| Tubi di cupronikel per distillatore da mm.1515x16x13.circa | " | 100 | " | 71 |
| " " " " condens.aus. da mm.1460x16x13....." | | 25 | " | 18,200 |

Materiale appartenente ai CC.TT. VERGADA e MINOSCI provenienti da Maricost Teodo e versato con o.d.p. n.2199 del 28/8/942

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| Alberi portaelica grezzi .....N° | | 4 | Kg. | 7000 |
| " " lavorati ....." | | 2 | " | 3100 |

Materiale appartenente al C.T. LUBIANA proveniente da Marina Teodo

Per turbomotrice principale

Palette, bacchetti e nastri
Bulloni e prigionieri
Molle assortite
Settori portaugelli di bronzo
Utensili per montare palette
Culle per rimozione turbine
Anelli di bronzo per manicotti

Per caldaia

Prigionieri, molle e volantini per valvole di sicurezza

Per condensatori

Molle per valvole di sicurezza assortite
Apparecchi per guarnire e sguarnire ghiere

Per pompa alternativa sentina - molla in acciaio

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Per refrigerante olio

Guarnizioni di gomma

Per accoppiatoio asse portaelica

Perni di acciaio

Per caldaie

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Totale Kg. 1050 circa

Tubi vaporizzatori da mm.3450 x 44,5 x 36,5 ..... n. 90
Idem da mm.3340 x 25 x 20 ..... " 90
Tubi surriscaldatori sagomati ad U da mm.4840x28,50x23... " 15
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NSC/5323
29 July 1946

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

Subject: Materials from the Jugoslav men-of-war "BEOGRAD and LJUBLJANA".

1. The Navy Sub-Commission has been informed that various materials alleged to have been removed from the subject vessels by the Italian occupation authorities in Jugoslavia are now stored in the Arsenal at Taranto. These materials are said to amount to 20 tons and it is claimed that the storekeeper in the arsenal possesses a complete inventory.

2. It is requested that the Ministry of Marine verify the existence of this material and inform the Navy Sub Commission of its exact location and nature.

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C. F. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.

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29 JUL 1946

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JUGOSLAV DELEGATION
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br. 1057/46 22 July 1946

SUBJECT : Materials from the Jugoslav man=of=war "BEOGRAD" and "LJUBLJANA".

TO : Navy Sub=Commission
H.Q.A.C.

1. We have been informed that in the Arsenal of Taranto (Maricost Store No 41) there were stored now various materials taken from the Jugoslav man=of=war "BEOGRAD" and "Ljubljana" by the Italian Occupant Authorities in Jugoslavia. The quantity of this material amounts to about 20 tons and the storekeeper there has the inventary.

2. Application is made herewith that necessary steps be taken in order that the a/n materials be restituted to the Jugo=Slav authorities.

DR. SLOVEN J. SMODLAKA,
Acting Representative of Jugoslavia
Advisory Council for Italy

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NAVY 5872

16 January 1947

SUBJECT: Disposal of the Jugoslav Hulk "DUBROVNIK" in Leghorn Harbor.

TO : AFHQ
Attention: G-5 Section.

1. At the request of United States Military Authorities the Navy Sub-Commission took steps to ensure the cooperation of the Italian naval authorities in the clearance of the Port of Leghorn for resumes of operational necessity. One of the principal obstructions in the harbor is the wreck of the former Jugoslav ship "DUBROVNIK". An investigation of the possibilities of clearing this ship by salvaging it or destroying it, has shown destruction of the hulk to be the most economical and quickest means of disposing of what is in any case a doubtful asset, as indicated by Ministry of Marine letter 3815/US of 7 December 1946, a copy of which is enclosed.

2. In April 1946 the Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy advised the Navy Sub-Commission that a rumor to the effect that the Italian Government planned the destruction of the DUBROVNIK in the interests of clearing Leghorn Harbor had come to their attention. In their letter No. 412/46 of 4 April 1946 (copy enclosed), strong opposition to any such suggestion was voiced. The Jugoslav Delegation were assured by the Navy Sub-Commission, at that time, that there was no truth in the rumor.

3. In June 1946 the Ministry of Marine requested permission to remove the ship for operational reasons. The views of the Jugoslav Delegation were requested and the reply was again strongly negative as indicated in their letter No. 922/46 of 28 June 1946, a copy of which is also enclosed herewith.

4. In view of the circumstances indicated in paragraph 1 above and the facts outlined in Ministry of Marine letter 3815/US, of 7 December 1946 it is requested that the approval of the Supreme Allied Commander, may be given for the destruction of the subject vessel to expedite clearance of Leghorn Harbor for reasons of operational necessity, observing that the United States Army remains in military occupation of the Port.

Further correspondence in INB file.
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/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USN
Chief Commissioner

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER

1. Letter opposite is forwarded for signature by the Chief Commissioner, please.

13 January 1947

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
Date: 10th January 1947
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Ref.: 103/UT

Subject: Jugoslav SS. "CATTARO"

It would be appreciated if an answer could be given to our letter 3815/UT, dated 7th December 1946, on the above subject.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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Ministero della Marina
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INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA
Prot. N. 103/U.T. Allegati

Roma, 10 gennaio 1947

Al COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione
Navale

ARGOMENTO: Piroscafo jugoslavo CATTARO.

Si prega voler cortesemente riscontrare il foglio n°3815/UT, in data 7 dicembre 1946, all'argomento sopra indicato.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G.MARINI

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NSC/
3 January 1947

MEMORANDUM

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Legal Division.

Subject : Destruction of sunken Jugoslav Vessels for reasons of operational necessity.

1. At the request of United States Military Authorities the Navy Sub-Commission took steps to secure the cooperation of the Italian Naval authorities in the clearance of the Port of Leghorn for reasons of operational necessity. One of the principal obstructions in the harbor is the wreck of the former Jugoslav ship "CATTARO". An investigation of the possibilities of removing this ship by salvaging it or destroying it, has shown destruction of the hulk to be the most economical and quickest means of disposing of what is in any case a doubtful asset, as indicated by enclosure (A)

2. Unfortunately any mention of the destruction of the CATTARO will bring a vigorous protest from the Jugoslav Delegate to the Advisory Council for Italy. In April 1946 the Jugoslavs heard a rumor that the ship was to be destroyed and wrote the letter enclosed as Flag A. The Navy Sub-Commission replied (Flag B.) indicating that there was no truth in the rumor. But in July the Ministry of Marine raised the question (Flag C.). The Navy Sub-Commission wrote the Jugoslavs again (Flag D.) and received the reply (Flag E.) again threatening dire penalties of the ship were touched.

3. The Ministry has asked the Navy Sub-Commission to give assurance in writing that the ship can be destroyed (Flag F.). In addition a second request involving the removal of a Jugoslav ship has been received (Flag G.) It might be pointed out that the Jugoslavs have persistently refused to recognize the Admiralty decision regarding salvage: namely that the cost of salvage must be paid by an agreement made with the Italian Government, but that final determination of the responsibility for the ultimate payment of the costs lies in the Peace Treaty. Correspondence in regard to this matter is enclosed (Flag H.)

4. The Navy Sub-Commission would like to be advised how to obtain authority to destroy the CATTARO, and if possible any other hulks that hinder navigation. Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean beleives that Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean must give permission for the CATTARO, but that

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 7th December 1946
Ref.: 3815/UT

Subject: Jugoslav SS. "CATTARO"

Further to our letter 3651/UT, dated 15th November 1946.

Regarding the necessity of clearing the wreck of the "Cattaro" to widen the entrance to the port, 2 possible solutions are suggested :

a) the refloating of the vessel and its transfer to another part of the port.

b) the demolition of the wreck on the spot.

The first solution (Salvage), although possible, would present considerable difficulties and would not be convenient for the following reasons :

- Owing to its position at the entrance to the port and the approaching unfavourable winter conditions, the salvage operations would be very protracted and a time limit can not be estimated. Theoretically it would take from 4 to 5 months, but, as experience in other ports indicates, it is probable that the salvage would not be completed till the approach of the favourable season .
- The list of the ship and the grave damage to the bows require the use of camels, which owing to their delicate requirements of employment, aggravate the difficulties mentioned in the previous paragraph.
- Salvage is made further uncertain by the starboard side of the ship being covered in mud, along all its length and hiding possible bad surprises in the hidden parts of the ship.
- Before beginning salvage work, the recovery of the SS."SECURITAS" will have to be completed as it is lying next to the "CATTARO" and only about a metre away from it.
- The present entrance to the port would not be widened till the completion of the salvage, in fact, it would be more obstructed during the work by all necessary salvage craft (lighters, camels, etc.).
- The expense would be far greater for salvage than for demolition (8-9 million lire).

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The following are the advantages of the second solution (demolition):

- Shorter duration of work, estimated at about 3 months, and lessened influence of the weather on the course of the operations, owing to the lesser complications of demolition with explosives compared to salvage.
- Possibility of obtaining the gradual widening of the passage right from the start of demolition work, since the demolition itself would be begun at the extremity of the ship nearest the entrance passage.
- Less expense compared to salvage.

The Ministry of Marine therefore requests to be informed which of the two possible solutions is favoured by the Navy Sub Commission.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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*Ministero della Marina*

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*Roma*, 1-7 DIC. 1946

Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Navale -

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

*Prot. N°* 3815/UT. *Allegati*

ARGOMENTO: Piroscafo jugoslavo CATTARO.

Si fa seguito al foglio 3651/UT del 15 novembre 1946.

In relazione alla necessità di sgomberare il relitto del CATTARO per allargare il passaggio dell'imboccatura del porto di Livorno, si presentano due possibilità di soluzione:

a) rigalleggiare il piroscafo e trasferirlo in altra zona del porto;

b) demolire il relitto sul posto.

La prima soluzione (ricupero) pur presentandosi, in linea assoluta, possibile, risulta di effettuazione oltremodo difficoltosa e poco conveniente per le seguenti ragioni:

- Data la posizione all'imboccatura del porto e date le sopravvenienti cattive condizioni metereologiche invernali, il lavoro di ricupero si presenta assai lungo e non sicuramente precisabile. Teoricamente, si potrebbe prevedere dai quattro ai cinque mesi, ma come la esperienza in altri porti insegna, è presumibile che che il ricupero non possa ultimarsi che con la buona stagione;

- Lo sbandamento della nave e la grande devastazione della prora richiedono l'impiego di cilindri di spinta, che, per la loro delicatezza d'impiego, aggravano le difficoltà già esposte al punto precedente;

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- Il ricupero risulta anche aggravato dall'essere il lato destro del piroscafo infangato per tutta la sua lunghezza, potendo, nella zona non visitabile, presentare cattive sorprese;

- Necessità di attendere, per l'inizio delle operazioni di ricupero, l'ultimazione del ricupero del piroscafo SECURITAS, adiacente al CATTARO e da esso distante di appena un metro;

- L'attuale passaggio dell'imboccatura del porto non verrebbe ampliata che con la fine del lavoro di ricupero, rimanendo anzi, durante i lavori, maggiormente ingombrata dalla presenza dei natanti (Pontoni, cilindri, ecc.) necessari per le operazioni di ricupero;

- Maggiore spesa prevedibile rispetto alla demolizione (8-9 milioni).

Per contro, la seconda soluzione (demolizione), offre i seguenti vantaggi:

- Minor durata dei lavori, prevedibile in tre mesi, e minor influenza dei fattori metereologici sullo sviluppo dei lavori, data la minor delicatezza delle operazioni di demolizione mediante esplosivo rispetto a quelle di ricupero;

- Possibilità di ottenere un graduale allargamento del passaggio fin dall'inizio dei lavori di demolizione, in quanto la demolizione stessa viene iniziata dall'estremità della nave prospiciente al passaggio stesso;

- Minore spesa rispetto al ricupero.

Per quanto sopra questo Ministero rimane in attesa di conoscere quale delle due soluzioni proposte sarà prescelta da codesta Sottocommissione Navale.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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MEMORANDUM

According to information received from the Engineer CAMANZI of the Ministry of Public Works, it appears that :

a) Demolition work on the two ships "TELLAPO" and "VALDIROSA" (both sunk off the curved breakwater) has already been ordered and begun. It is proceeding fast and it is expected that it will be completed within 90 days (from the 20th November).

b) Salvage of the SS."SECUPITAS" is proceeding and has reached a fairly advanced state. Nevertheless, the Leghorn Harbour Authorities have hastened the salvage firm, to complete the work by the 20th December, or the vessel will be demolished or salvaged by the Harbour Authorities themselves.

c) Demolition work of the SS."CAMPANIA", adjacent to the "SECUPITAS" has not yet been ordered, because, for obvious safety reasons, it is impossible to commence demolition of the SS."CAMPANIA" while divers are below working on the salvage of the "SECUPITAS".

d) When salvage of the SS."SECUPITAS" is completed, it will be possible to commence demolition of the "CAMPANIA" immediately, without having first to demolish the SS."CATTAPO".

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Dalle informazioni avute dall'ing. CAMANZI del Ministero dei LL.PP. risulta:

a) il lavoro di demolizione dei due P/fi TELLARO e VALDI= ROSA (entrambi affondati dal lato del molo curvilineo) è già stato appaltato ed iniziato. Il lavoro procede alacremente ed è prevista la ultimazione entro 90 gior= ni (dal 10 novembre);

b) il lavoro di ricupero del P/fo SECURITAS da parte del= l'armatore prosegue ed è a buon punto. Comunque da par= te delle Autorità portuali di Livorno è stata fatta in= giunzione alla Ditta recuperatrice per ultimare il lavo= ro entro il 20 dicembre, altrimenti si procederà alla demolizione o al ricupero d'ufficio;

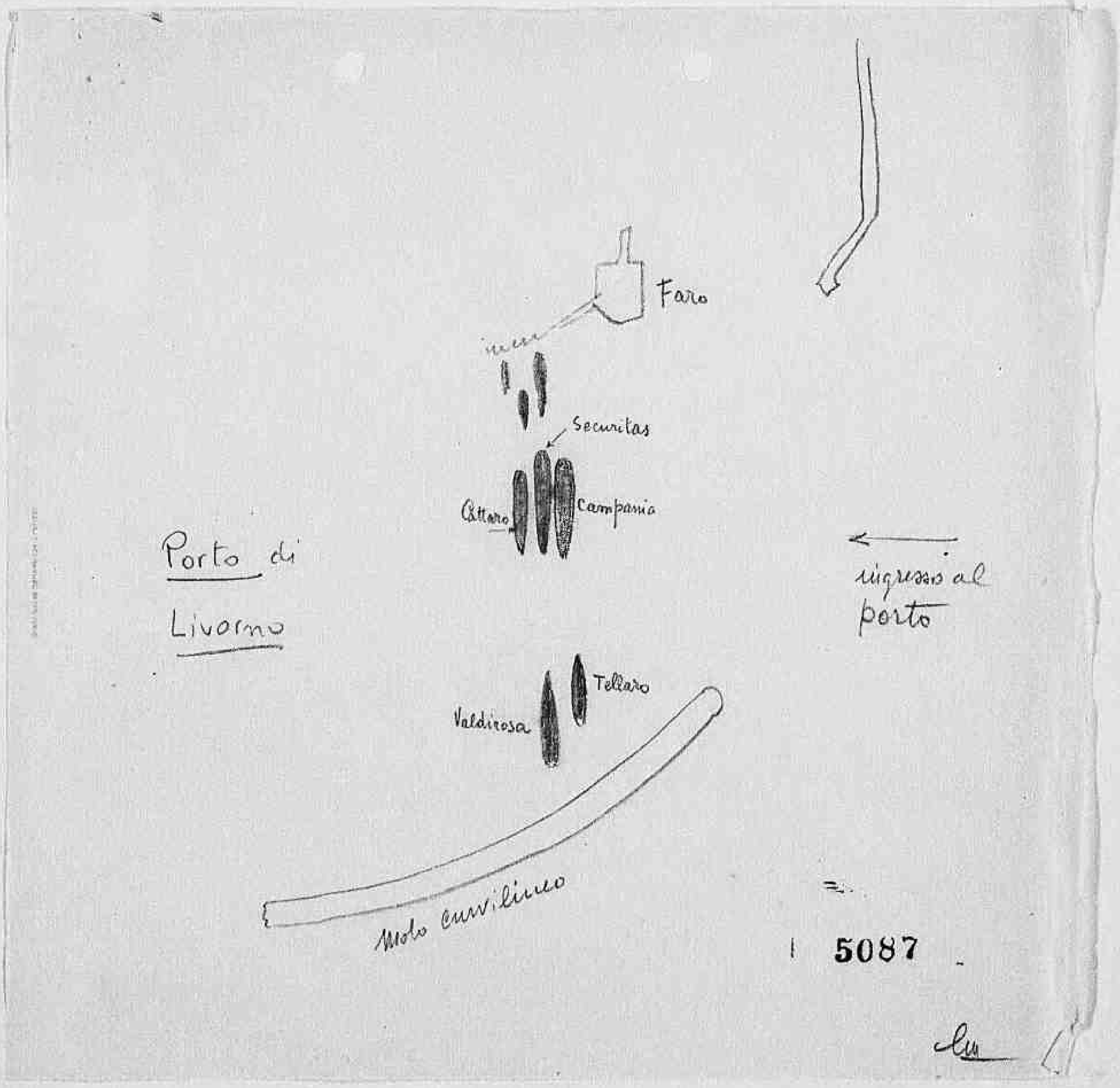
c) il lavoro di demolizione del P/fo CAMPANIA, adiacente al SECURITAS, non è stato ancora appaltato, perchè, per ov= vie ragioni di sicurezza, non è possibile iniziare i la= vori di demolizione del P/fo CAMPANIA mentre i palombari lavorano al ricupero del SECURITAS;

d) a ricupero ultimato del P/fo SECURITAS, si potrà proce= dere senz'altro alla demolizione del CAMPANIA senza che per questo lavoro sia necessario demolire anche il P/fo CATTARO.-

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Memorandum concerning SS. "CATTARO" (ex JUGOSLAVJA), sunk at Leghorn

The wreck of the SS. "CATTARO" is lying partially sunk at the southern entrance to the port of Leghorn, with a list to starboard of about 35°, in a depth of 6 - 7.5 metres.

The bows are completely destroyed by a large internal explosion: in this part of the ship, the sides are blown open and the main deck has been forced to the level of the bridge. There is a gash on the transversal bulkhead under the bridge. The hull plating, especially at the stringers, has been loosened. The upper works have been badly damaged by war action and looting. All equipment and fittings are missing. One of the screws and the anchors and cables have been removed. The starboard side of the ship is covered in mud up to about 2 metres along all its length.

Regarding the necessity of clearing the wreck of the "Cattaro" to widen the entrance to the port, 2 possible solutions are suggested :

a) the refloating of the vessel and its transfer to another part of the port.

b) the demolition of the wreck on the spot.

The first solution (salvage), although possible, would present considerable difficulties and would not be convenient for the following reasons :

- Owing to its position at the entrance to the port and the approaching unfavourable winter conditions, the salvage operations would be very protracted and a time limit can not be estimated. Theoretically it would take from 4 to 5 months. but, as experience in other ports indicates, it is probable that the salvage would not be completed till the approach of the favourable season.
- The list of the ship and the grave damage to the bows require the use of camels, which owing to their delicate requirements of employment, aggravate the difficulties mentioned in the previous paragraph.
- Salvage is made further uncertain by the starboard side of the ship being covered in mud, along all its length, and hiding possible bad surprises in the hidden parts of the ship.
- Before beginning salvage work, the recovery of the SS. "SECURITAS" will have to be completed as it is lying next to the "CATTARO" and only about a metre away from it.
- The present entrance to the port would not be widened till the completion of the salvage, in fact, it would be more obstructed during the work by all necessary salvage craft (lighters, camels, etc.).
- The expense would be far greater for salvage than for demolition (8-9 million lire).

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The following are the advantages of the second solution (demolition) :

- Shorter duration of work, estimated at about 3 months, and lessened influence of the weather on the course of the operations, owing to the lesser complications of demolition with explosives compared to salvage.
- Possibility of obtaining the gradual widening of the passage right from the start of demolition work, since the demolition itself would be begun at the extremity of the ship nearest the entrance passage.
- Less expense compared to salvage.

In conclusion, it is definitely considered advantageous to carry out the clearance by the demolition of the ship, especially in consideration of the essential requirement asked for, which was to widen the present entrance to the port as soon as possible.

Rome 27th November 1946.

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PRO-MEMORIA CIRCA IL P/FO "CATTARO" (EX JUGOSLAVIJA)
AFFONDATO A LIVORNO.-

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Il relitto del P/fo "CATTARO" giace parzialmente affondato all'imboccatura sud del porto di Livorno, sbandato sulla destra di circa 35°, in un fondale di metri 6 - 7,50.-

La prora è completamente squarciata da una grande esplosione interna: in questa zona le murate sono aperte verso l'esterno e il ponte di coperta è sollevato fino al ponte di comando. Vi è una falla dulla paratia trasversale sotto il ponte di comando. Lo scafo, specie nei trincarini, presenta schiodature. Le sovrastrutture sono molto danneggiate da eventi bellici e dalle asportazioni. Manca ogni accessorio di allestimento e di arredamento. Manca una delle eliche, le ancore e le catene. Il lato destro dell'unità è infangato per tutta la sua lunghezza per circa 2 metri.-

In relazione alla necessità di sgomberare il relitto del "CATTARO" per allargare il passaggio dell'imboccatura del porto, si presentano due possibilità di soluzione:

a) - Rigalleggiare il Piroscafo e trasferirlo in altra zona del porto;

b) - Demolire il relitto sul posto.-

La prima soluzione(ricupero) pur presentandosi, in linea assoluta, possibile, risulta di effettuazione oltremodo difficoltosa e poco conveniente per le seguenti ragioni:

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- Data la posizione all'imboccatura del porto e date le sopravvenienti cattive condizioni metereologiche invernali, il lavoro di ricupero si presenta assai lungo e non sicuramente preciabile. Teoricamente, si potrebbe prevedere dai quattro ai cinque mesi, ma come la esperienza in altri porti insegna, è presumibile che il ricupe-

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- lo sbandamento della nave e la grande devastazione della prora richiedono l'impiego di cilindri di spinta, che, per la loro delicatezza d'impiego, aggravano le difficoltà già esposte al punto

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precedente;

- Il ricupero risulta anche aggravato dall'essere il lato destro del Piroscafo infangato per tutta la sua lunghezza, potendo, nella zona non visitabile, presentare cattive sorprese;
- necessità di attendere, per l'inizio delle operazioni di ricupero, l'ultimazione del ricupero del Piroscafo "SECURITAS", adiacente al "CATTARO" e da esso distante di appena un metro;
- L'attuale passaggio dell'imboccatura del porto non verrebbe ampliata che con la fine del lavoro di ricupero, rimanendo anzi, durante i lavori, maggiormente ingombrata dalla presenza dei natanti (Pontoni, cilindri, ecc.) necessari per le operazioni di ricupero;
- Maggiore spesa prevedibile rispetto alla demolizione (8 - 9 milioni).-

Per contro, la seconda soluzione (demolizione), offre i seguenti vantaggi:

- Minor durata dei lavori, prevedibile in tre mesi, e minor influenza dei fattori metereologici sullo sviluppo dei lavori, data la minor delicatezza delle operazioni di demolizione mediante esplosivo rispetto a quelle di ricupero;
- Possibilità di ottenere un graduale allargamento del passaggio fin dall'inizio dei lavori di demolizione, in quanto la demolizione stessa viene iniziata dall'estremità della nave prospiciente al passaggio stesso;
- Minore spesa rispetto al ricupero.-

In conclusione, si delinea netta la convenienza ad effettuare lo sgombero mediante demolizione del Piroscafo, specie in relazione al risultato essenziale richiesto, che è quello di ottenere il più presto possibile l'allargamento dell'attuale varco di accesso al porto.-

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- Possibilità di ottenere un graduale allargamento del passaggio fin dall'inizio dei lavori di demolizione, in quanto la demolizione stessa viene iniziata dall'estremità della nave prospiciente al pas= saggio stesso;
- Minore spesa rispetto al ricupero.-

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Roma, lì 27 novembre 1946

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 15th November 1946
Ref.: 3651/UT

Subject: Jugoslav S.S. "CATTARO" - French Sloop COMMANDANT RIVIERE

Reference is made to your letter NSC/5249 dated 8th July 1946.

During the meetings which took place between Italian and Allied delegates in Rome and at Leghorn during the latter half of October, to decide on the execution of various operations in the port of Leghorn, ordered by the Allied Authorities, it has been agreed that the wreck of the Jugoslav S.S. "CATTARO" (as well as that of the French Sloop Commandant RIVIERE) should be removed, after being demolished owing to operational urgency.

The work on the S.S. "CATTARO" is to be carried out by the Ministry of Public Works; that on the COMMANDANT RIVIERE, by a Leghorn firm to which the wreck is previously to be sold by the French Authorities.

Should the firm itself be unable to complete the work within a month, the Navy will intervene to terminate it.

The Allied representatives at the above meetings verbally assumed the responsibility for the demolition and declared that the Allied Authorities would settle directly with the French and Jugoslav Governments any possible difficulties which might arise with these Governments over the decisions taken.

In communicating the above, it is requested that the Allied Commission should confirm the assurances given verbally by its representatives.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N. 3651/UT Allegati

// COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Navale

ARGOMENTO: Piroscafo jugoslavo CATTARO - Aviso francese COMM. RIVIERE.

Si fa riferimento al foglio di codesta Commissione Alleata nº NSC/5249 dell'8 luglio c.a.-

Nelle riunioni che hanno avuto luogo fra delegati italiani e alleati a Roma e a Livorno nell'ultima decade di ottobre per concretare l'esecuzione di alcuni lavori al porto di Livorno richiesti dalle Autorità alleate, è stato concordato che il relitto del piroscafo jugoslavo CATTARO (come pure di quello dell'aviso francese COMANDANT RIVIERE) sarà rimosso, per ragione di urgenza operativa, previa demolizione.

I lavori per il piroscafo CATTARO saranno effettuati a cura del Ministero dei Lavori Pubblici; quelli per il COMM.RIVIERE da una Ditta di Livorno alla quale il relitto sarebbe stato venduto dalle autorità francesi. Qualora la Ditta stessa non riuscisse ad ultimare i lavori entro il termine di un mese, la Marina interverrà per la loro sollecita ultimazione.

I rappresentanti alleati alle riunioni sopra indicate hanno verbalmente assunta la responsabilità della demolizione e hanno dichiarato che le Autorità alleate risolveranno 5081 mente con i Governi jugoslavo e francese le eventuali difficoltà che potessero sorgere con tali Governi per la decisione presa.

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Nel comunicare quanto sopra si prega codesta Commissione Alleata di voler confermare le assicurazioni date verbalmente dai propri rappresentanti.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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NSC/5249
8 July 1946

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

Subject: Jugoslav S.S. "CATTARO".

Reference: (a) Your letter 2235/UT of 17 June 1946.

1. With regard to reference (a) in which it is proposed to remove obstructions in the herbor of Leghorn including the Jugoslav wreck S.S. "CATTARO" more detailed information is requested.

2. Present information available to the Navy Sub-Commission, indicates two vessels in the immediate vicinity of the "CATTARO". Information is requested as to whether these vessels are Italian, and furthermore whether it is proposed to salve the "CATTARO" in clearing the obstructions in the Southern entrance to the port. Is it possible to clear the destructions without damage to the "CATTARO".

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR
COMMODORE, USN,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.
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JUGOSLAV DELEGATION
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br. 922/46

28 June 1946

From : Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy
To : Navy Sub=Commission, Hq. Allied Commission

SUBJECT: S/S "JUGOSLAVIJA" (renamed "CATTARO" by the Italian invaders)

Reference: (a) Navy Sub Commission letter NSC/5189 of 24 June 1946.
(b) Navy Sub=Commission letter NSC/4901 of 12 April 1946.
(c) Jugoslav Delegation letter Br.412/46 of 4 April 1946.
(d) Jugoslav Delegation letter Pov.br.434/46 of 20 April 1946

1. Receipt is acknowledged of Reference (a).

2. My point of view is contained in Reference (d) and (c). Instead of destroying the Jugoslav Passenger S/S "JUGOSLAVIJA", the duty of the Italian Authorities is to salve and repair it. It is obvious that the responsability for destroying Jugoslav vessels would fall to those authorities who would issue orders for their blowing up.

3. I am informing my Government about Reference (d).

Dr. Sloven J. Smodlaka

Dr.SLOVEN J. SMODLAKA,
Acting Representative of Jugoslavia
Advisory Council for Italy

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NSC/5189
24 June 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Jugoslav S.S. "CATTARO".

1. Since the wreak of the S.S. "CATTARO" obstructs the southern entrance to the port of Leghorn, it is proposed to remove her.

2. The views of the Jugoslavian Representative concerning the above are requested.

C. F. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : A.C. - M.S.C.
Date: 17th June 1946
Ref.: 2235/UT

Subject: Jugoslav SS. "CATTARO"

The wreck of the Jugoslav SS. "CATTARO", which is sunk in Leghorn harbour, obstructs the passage of ships entering through the Southern entrance which is the only one available, the other being completely blocked.

In order to facilitate movements in, and use of, Leghorn harbour it is urgently required to remove the wreck in question.

The "CATTARO" has been visited by the Jugoslav Naval Delegation, but the results of their visit and their decisions are not known. It appears, however, that it is possible to salvage and repair the vessel.

In view of the foregoing, the Navy Sub Commission is requested to obtain from the Jugoslav delegation its instructions or decisions in the matter.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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*Ministero della Marina*

GABINETTO

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*Roma* 17 GIU. 1949

*Alla* COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Navale -

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARINA - ROMA

*Prot. N°* 2235/UT Segreto

ARGOMENTO: Piroscafo jugoslavo CATTARO.

Il relitto del piroscafo jugoslavo CATTARO, affondato nel porto di Livorno, ostacola il passaggio delle navi che entrano nel porto stesso dall'ingresso sud, che è l'unico accessibile, essendo l'altro completamente ostruito.

Allo scopo di migliorare il traffico e l'esercizio del porto di Livorno si rende pertanto necessario ed urgente rimuovere il relitto del piroscafo in argomento.

Il CATTARO è stato visitato dalla delegazione navale jugoslava, ma non si conoscono i risultati della visita nè le decisioni prese in merito. Sembra però che il piroscafo presenti possibilità di ricupero e ripristino.

Per quanto sopra si prega codesta N.S.C. voler sollecitare dalla delegazione navale jugoslava i provvedimenti o le decisioni in merito al piroscafo sopra menzionato.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G.MARINI

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JUGOSLAV DELEGATION
TO THE ADVISORY FOR ITALY
Br. 412/46

4 April 1946

SUBJECT : S/S "JUGOSLAVIJA" Passangers steam-ship, sunk in the port of Leghorn - selvage.

TO : H.Q.A.C.
Navy Sub-Commission.

1. Reference our letters Br. 1554 of 13 November 1945 and Br. 225/46 of 16 Feb.1946.

2. We have been informed that the Italian Maritime Authorities have decided to blow up with mines on first of May all the vessels sunk around the entrance to the port of Leghorn, because they are hindering the navigation.

3. Among the vessel in question there is also s/s JUGOSLAVIJA, Passangers steam-ship, tonnage 1275, owner "Jadranska Plovidba d.d." Susak and the luxurious Yacht TIHA, tonnage 466, owner "Jugoslavenski Lloyd a.d."

4. Application is made herewith:

A. That this Delegation be informed urgently whether or not the a/m statement is official and authentical.

B. If so that blowing up of Jugoslav vessels be immediately prohibited.

C. Instead of destroying the ships in question, urgent measures for the salvage of those Jugoslav vessels should be taken in the port of Leghorn, as well as in other ports where those ships are sunk. This would be a duty of the Italian Maritime Authorities /see Para 1/. But in any case sufficient time must be left for saving of all Jugoslav ships.

5. It is obvious that blowing up of Jugoslav vessels in Italy would provoke resentment of the Jugoslav public opinion and that the responsability for further destroying of Jugoslav vessels should be charged to those authorities who would issue the order for blowing up.

We are informing Jugoslav Government about this.

We are convinced that the Allied Commission will take urgent measures that no new damnages be made to Jugoslavia and that all possible complications will be excluded in this way.

DR. SLOVEN J. SMODLAKA,
Deputy Representative of Jugoslavia,
Advisory Council for Italy.

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NSC/5524
10 October 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Jugoslav Representative, Allied Commission.

Subject: Tanker "LINA CAMPANELLA", registered at Genoa, No. 1630.

1. Information of subject ship is requested. It is alleged that she was taken from Trieste in May 1945 and is now in the service of the Jugoslavian authorities. Gross tonnage 3355-70 registered at Genoa #1630 and owned by the Tito Campanella Co. of Genoa.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN
REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 2nd October 1946
Ref.: 3231/UT

Subject: Tanker "LENA CAMPANELLA", registered at Genoa, No.1630

With reference to letter NSC/5419 dated 7th inst., we inform you that the tanker "LENA CAMPANELLA" was requisitioned by the Navy from 20th January 1941 and at the date of the Armistice was at Pola in no condition to move.

Her gross tonnage is 3355.70 and net tonnage 1952.31 tons. Her registry No. is 1630, of Genoa, and she is owned by the Fito Campanella Company of Genoa.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 3281/UT Allegati

ARGOMENTO: P/cist. LINA CAMPANELLA, registrata a Genova, n°1630.

Al COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Navale

Con riferimento al foglio NSC/5419 del 7 corr., si comunica che la P/c. LINA CAMPANELLA era requisita dalla Marina sino dal 20 gennaio 1941 e alla data dell'armistizio essa si trovava a Pola, non in condizioni di muovere. Essa ha la stazza lorda di tonn. 3355,70 e netta di tonn.1952,31. E' iscritta al n°1630 delle matricole di Genova e di proprietà della Soc. An. TITO CAMPANELLA con sede a Genova.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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NSC/5419
7 September 1946.

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

Subject: SS LINA CAMPANELLA, Registered No. 1630, Genoa.

Reference: (a) MofM (Cabinet) ltr. 2931/UT dated 24 August 1946.

1. It is requested that fuller details in regard to the requisitioning and original ownership of the subject vessel be supplied the Navy Sub-Commission.

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G. F. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A. C.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 24 August 1946
Ref.: 2931/UT

Subject: SS. "LIVIA CAMPANELLA" - registered No.1630 - Genoa

1. The requisitioned steamship "LIVIA CAMPANELLA" was at the port of Trieste, in May 1945 and was removed by the Jugoslavs.

2. Wearing the Jugoslav flag she subsequently ran aground near Albona after having run into a mine and has since been repaired at Portore' and is now working for the Jugoslav Government.

3. Taking into consideration that she is the only ship equipped as a water tanker and would therefore be of great use owing to the serious water supply situation confronting the Navy, it is requested that attempts should be made to obtain recognition of the property of the ship and its restitution to the Italian Government.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Navale -

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N. 2931/UT Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Piroscafo LINA CAMPANELLA - matr.1630 - Genova.

1. - Il piroscafo requisito LINA CAMPANELLA trovavasi nel porto di Trieste nel maggio 1945 ed è stato prelevato dalle autorità jugoslave.

2. - Battendo bandiera jugoslava è incagliato successivamente nelle acque di Albona dopo aver urtata in una mina e, riparato a Portoré, naviga ora alle dipendenze del Governo jugoslavo.

3. - Nella considerazione che risulta essere l'unico piroscafo attrezzato quale nave cisterna per acqua e che sarebbe di molta utilità data la tragica situazione in cui si dibatte oggi la Marina in fatto di riformimenti idrici, si prega di voler fare i passi necessari per ottenere il riconoscimento della proprietà e la restituzione al Governo italiano del piroscafo in argomento.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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IL V. CAPO DI GABINETTO
(C. di F. - N. Marzi)

N. Marzi

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NSC/5697
25 November 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Jugoslav Auxiliary Sailing Vessel "RICORDO".

Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5571 of 23 October 1946.

1. The attention of the Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy is invited to the request contained in reference (a).

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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NSC/5571
23 October 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Jugoslav Representative, Allied Commission.

Subject: Jugoslav Auxiliary Sailing Vessel "RICORDO".

1. Information has been received from the Italian Ministry of Marine that the owner of the Auxiliary Sailing vessel "RICORDO" sunk in the Ravenna harbour channel, has given authority for the salvage of that vessel to one Marino Gieda a shipping agent who apparently assumes responsibility of placing the salvaged materials at the disposal of the rightful owners.

2. Subject vessel was registered at Sibenik and is owned by Cimera Dragutin and Travica Dragutin of Merlinne.

3. The decision of the Jugoslav Representative as to his desires in this matter is requested.

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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REGULAR AUTOMATIC CATALOG VERSE
"RICORDO"

(Headquarters Allied Commission,
Navy Sub-Commission's letter No.
230/Mtd. dated 30th August, 1946).

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NAVY SUB-COMMISSION,
A.P.O. 794.

No action can be approved until the decision of the Jugoslav Authorities is known. It is requested that this decision be ascertained and the letter be referred back to the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean if necessary.

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MEDITERRANEAN. for ADMIRAL.
9th October, 1946.

Navy Sub-commission No. 10
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NSC/5404
30 August 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.

Subject: Jugoslav Auxiliary Sailing Vessel RICORDO.

Enclosure: (A) Ministry of Marine (Mercantile) ltr. 7562/P dated 14 August 1946.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded for information and any action deemed advisable since the cargo may have claims pending unknown to this sub-commission.

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A. C.

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15 SEP 1946

Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 785020

From : MINISTRY OF MERCANTILE MARINE
To : N.S.C. A.C.
Date : 14th August, 1946.
Ref. : 7562/P

Subject : Jugoslav auxiliary sailing vessel "RICORDO".

The auxiliary sailing vessel "RICORDO" registered at Sibenik and owned by Cimera Dragutin and Travica Dragutin, living at Merliane, is lying sunk in the Ravenna harbour channel.

According to the information of the Ministry of Marine, Cimera Dragutin has given authority for the salvage of the wreck to the shipping agent Marino Giada, who has approached us for the removal of the wreck and who is taking the responsibility of placing the salvaged materials at the disposal of the rightful persons.

It is therefore requested that the Navy Sub Commission inform us of the decisions of the Jugoslav Authorities in the matter.

for THE MINISTER.

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NSC/5723
2 December 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER.

Subject: Questions Raised by the Jugoslav Delegate.

Reference: (a) Executive Commissioner's Memorandum 8002/92/EC of 26 November, 1946.

1. In accordance with the request contained in reference (a) the following information is submitted upon which the Chief Commissioner can base a reply to the questions raised by the Jugoslav Delegate:

(a) The identity of sunken vessels is established by the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station, after considering the internal evidence available, the known history of each individual case, and after an examination of documentary proofs of ownership submitted by claimants of other ships in question.

(b) In accordance with the British Admiralty's Directive S 213/46 of 12 March, 1946 regarding salvage, it is the responsibility of the owners of sunken vessels or their interested governments, to make their own arrangements with the Italian Government to obtain lire funds for salvage.

(c) It is the intention of the Navy Sub-Commission to send a hastener to Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean regarding the letter NSC/5526 of 11 October 1946. It is observed that the delay in dealing with the matter by Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean has probably come about through the referring of the question to the Admiralty for decision.

2. With regard to sub paragraph (c) of reference (a), information is requested as to how the Jugoslav Delegate obtained access to a letter written to the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station by the Naval Sub-Commission.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref.: 8002/92/EC

26 November 1946

MEMO TO NAVY S/C.

1. At the last meeting of the Advisory Council for Italy the Yugoslav Delegate raised the following points with the Chief Commissioner.

(a) Referring to the AC Weekly Bulletin of 9 November, page 5, paragraph under the heading of Navy S/C, the Yugoslav Delegate wished to know how the identity of sunken vessels was established. Was it decided by a Commission of experts ?

(b) Referring to the AC Weekly Bulletin of 18 November, pages 4 and 5, the Yugoslav Delegate asked who would supply Lire funds for salvage of sunken vessels.

(c) The Yugoslav Delegate requested that a hastener should be sent to C-in-C Med regarding letter NSO/5526 dated 11 Oct.46 which asked for a policy regarding the matters raised in that letter.

2. With regard to (a) and (b) above, will you please forward information to this office upon which the Chief Commissioner can base a reply to the Yugoslav Delegate.

With regard to (c) above will you please state if you consider that such a hastener should now be sent.

T.B. Hurst-Smith Lt-Col.
for Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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From: Ministry of Marine (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 18th December 1946
Ref.: 3919/UT

Subject: Yacht "MARCO POLO" ex JADRAN

With reference to our letter 3777/UT, dated 30th November 1946, we inform you that the Jugoslav yacht "JADRAN" (MARCO POLO) was handed over to the Jugoslavs by the British Naval Authorities of Venice, on the 2nd instant.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 3919/UT Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Nave MARCO POLO ex Jadran.

Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Navale -

Con riferimento al foglio 3777/UT del 30 novembre u.s. si comunica, per conoscenza, che il panfilo jugoslavo JADRAN (Marco Polo) in data 2 corrente, è stato consegnato a mezzo delle Autorità Navali Britanniche di Venezia, a quelle jugoslave.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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Office of Resident Naval Officer,
Venice.

3rd December 1946

Ref. CB/410/3.

Commander in Chief Mediterranean Station.

Copies to :- British Naval Representative, Belgrade.
Navy Sub Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.

JUGO-SLAV SHIP " JADRAN "

Reference Med. 46/1376/6/2 dated 10th November 1946, the Jugoslav tug " SIROKIAC " with Naval personnel arrived in Venice on 1st December.

The " JADRAN " was handed over to the Jugoslav Naval Officer in charge of the party who accepted on behalf of the Jugoslav Naval Staff, receipt obtained being attached.

The " SIROKIAC " with " JADRAN " in tow departed Venice for Sibenik A.M. 3rd December.

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Received at Venice from Resident Naval Officer, Venice the training ship "JADRAN" formerly "MARCO POLO" together with stores as set out in General Staff of Yugoslav Army Navy Departments No. 2204 of 19th July 1946 and amended by Resident Naval Officer Venice 01/356/4 dated 28th October 1946.

Amundsen, Ltz mietz,
Brian H Pradeyni

for Yugoslav Naval Staff
2nd December 1946

Ricevuto a Venezia dal Resident Naval Officer Venice, la nave scuola "JADRAN" precedentemente denominata "MARCO POLO", assieme al materiale elencato nel foglio No. 2204 in data 19 luglio 1946 dello Stato Maggiore Yugoslavo dei Dipartimenti dell'Esercito e della Marina, corretto dal Resident Naval Officer Venice con foglio 01/356/4 in data 28 ottobre 1946.

Amundsen, Ltz mietz,
Brian H. Pradeyni

per lo Stato Maggiore della
Marina Yugoslava
2 dicembre 1946

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FNR BELGRADE INFO CINC MED NOLI FROM...RNO VENICE.

Important Unclassified.

Your 201927A. Jedran handed over to representative of Yugoslav Naval Staff.

(2) Tug Spasilac with Jadran in tow depart Venice A.M. 3rd. December for Sibenik.

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Ref: Yugoslav authorities will send tug to Venice.
CAW P/L TOR A.M. 3rd: EF E/T.

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station.
16th November, 1946.

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BRITISH NAVAL REPRESENTATIVE, BELGRADE.
(Copies to:-
Resident Naval Officer, Venice.
Navy Sub Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.)

JUGO-SLAV SHIP "JADRAN".

Reference the last paragraph of the letter from the Jugo-Slav General Staff L.A., Liaison Office No. 257 dated 15th September, 1946, enclosed with your BM/510 dated 20th September, 1946, it is requested that you will represent once more to the Jugo-Slav authorities that the liability for condition of the vessel "JADRAN" and loss of equipment and stores is a matter for future determination as stated in Navy Sub Commission Rear's Signal timed 1222Z/4 December/45, and urge them strongly to remove the vessel to Jugo-Slavia as soon as possible as she is a constraint on the Allied Naval Authorities at Venice.

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Sgd. P.S. SMITH
for ADMIRAL 5056

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JUGOSLAV SHIP "JADRAN".
(The Resident Naval Officer, Venice's letter No.CM/358/34, dated 28th October, 1946.)

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No. F.O.L.I. 1018/2.

THE NAVY SUB COMMISSION,
ALLIED COMMISSION.

Forwarded with reference to my Minute II No. F.O.L.I. 1018/2, dated 30th September, 1946.

for REAR-ADMIRAL.

ROME,
12th November, 1946.

FROM : RESIDENT NAVAL OFFICER, VENICE.

DATE : 25th October 1946.

Ref.CL/358/7.

TO : BRITISH NAVAL REPRESENTATIVE, BELGRADE.

Copy to : COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF MEDITERRANEAN STATION.
FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY.

Subject :- Jugoslav Ship "JAPAN"

N.H.

Your NER/370 dated 7th August attached is list of items missing as checked with inventory forwarded by the Jugoslav Naval Department. It is pointed out that under present circumstances it is impossible for the Italian Naval Authorities to make good the deficiencies for a long time.

It is suggested that the Jugoslav Authorities send crew and tug to Venice to stand by to tow JAPAN on receipt of favourable weather reports. Request information regarding the intentions of the Jugoslav Authorities.

COMMANDER R.N.

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
Date 5 NOV 1946
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SCHOOL TRAINING SHIP "JARVIS"

CONDITIONS OF EFFICIENCY SURVEYED BY DOMINION AUTHORITIES.

Steam Heating - partially existing
Riggings - Lower missing
Materials - Sail area including spare sails missing.

1. Living Rooms Aft in Poop.

Commandant's Cabin - One locker, 3 cushion chairs missing
Officers Mess Room - Chairs missing
Chief Engineer's Cabin - Folding Table, cushion chair missing.
Cabin for one officer - Folding table, cushion chair missing.
Cabin for two officers - One bed, one bench, one chair, folding table missing.

2. Living Rooms aft - sofa and Mess chair missing

3. Living Rooms Maindeck - writing desk, Mess chair, lockers bookshelves.

Ambulance - all furniture missing
Sick Room - all furniture missing
Two double Cabins for Petty Officers - one bench missing
Petty Officers Messroom - all furniture missing

4. Living Room under Forecastle.

Room for 16 sailors - shelves for kitbags missing
Two cabins for P.O.s - tables and benches missing

5. Living Room in between Decks - hammocks, school necessaries, table outfit and clothing gears missing.

Living Room for Senior Petty Officers - benches, two tables covered linoleum, six Mess chairs missing.
Officers' Kitchen - drawers, locks and hooks missing
Kitchen for Crew - complete

Sanitary Installation. All correct except (b) only existing bathroom for the Commandant.

Navigation Rooms - one chart table with graduated glassboard and lighting missing and part of plywood grating

Chart Room - one Mess chair missing
Wireless Cabin - chair with bench missing

Drinking Freshwater Tank - existing
Tank for Washing and general use - existing
Ports and Fittings - existing
Ventilation - all ventilators missing

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Conservation.

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Officers Mess Room - Chairs missing
Chief Engineer's Cabin - Folding Table, cushion chair missing.
Cabin for one Officer - Folding table, cushion chair missing.
Cabin for two Officers - One bed, one bench, one chair, folding table missing.

2. Living Rooms aft - sofa and Mess chair missing

3. Living Rooms Midships - writing desk, Mess chair, lockers bookshelves.

Ambulance - all furniture missing
Sick Room - all furniture missing
Two double Cabins for Petty Officers - one bench missing
Petty Officers Messroom - all furniture missing

4. Living Room under Forecastle.

Room for 16 sailors - shelves for kitbags missing
Two cabins for P.O.s - tables and benches missing

5. Living Room in between Decks - hammocks, school accessories, table outfit and cleaning gears missing.
Living Room for Senior Petty Officers - benches, two tables covered linoleum, six Mess chairs missing.
Officers' Kitchen - drawers, locks and hooks missing
Kitchen for Crew - complete

Sanitary Installation. All correct except (b) only existing bathroom for the Communicant.

Navigation Rooms - one chart table with graduated glassboard and lighting missing and part of pinewood grating
Chart Room - one Mess chair missing
Wireless Cabin - chair with bench missing

Drinking Freshwater Tank - existing
Tank for Washing and general use - existing
Berth and Fittings - existing
Ventilation - all ventilators missing

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Conservation.

Floor coverings - linoleum and cement floors in fair condition.
Ceilings - bad condition, wooden deck good.

Communications - all electric system missing.

Auxiliary Machinery on Deck existing

Boats - only two pulling boats exist.
Lockers for Water Hose - exist

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Gun and Side Awnings - all awnings missing, a few stanchions exist.
For Anchoring - exist
Side Rooms - two exist
Accomodation Ladder - two exist
Sound Signals - seven exist
Electric Installation for Fire Warning - missing

Anchors Chains and Ropes

Following exist :- 2 anchors (weight 1 ton.) and chain
1 anchor (weight 500 Kgs)
1 Hedge anchor 200 Kgs (on deck by hole)
1 boat anchor 50 Kgs.
60 metres Rope 200 mm.
10 lengths R.S.W.R. various
1 wire with splice and shackle / swivel and chain
10 metres Wire seized and parelled
40 R.S.W.R.
1 anchor swivel
2 buckles for anchor claws
2 anchor claws

Ships Inventory

Following exist :- 1 canvas cover for compass stand
16 Capstan bars
2 life jackets
one 2 ms. manila fender
2 boat hooks with wooden staffs and iron hooks
1 rope ladder and hemp rope
1 rope ladder
42 assorted blocks (some sheaves missing)
6 small blocks
3 large blocks
15 brass heads (worn)
4 empty boxes
3 boxes with old iron pieces.
1 wooden box.

Lights and Lanterns.

Following exist :- 1 set side lights
1 white light
1 mast head light with frame (oil)
2 anchor lights (oil) and cages
9 anchor light glasses
9 hurricane light glasses
12 lamp glasses
5 paraffin light glasses

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Flags

exist :- 3 canvas and iron signals
3 signal flag racks

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40 F.S.W.B.
1 anchor swivel
2 thimbles for anchor claws
2 anchor claws

Cabin Inventory

Following exist :- 1 canvas cover for compass stand
16 Capstan bars
2 life jackets
and 2 ms. manila fenders
2 boat hooks with wooden staffs and iron hooks
1 rope ladder and hemp rope
1 rope ladder
42 assorted blocks (some sheaves missing)
6 small blocks
3 large blocks
15 brass heads (worn)
4 empty boxes
3 boxes with old iron pieces.
1 wooden box.

Lights and lanterns.

Following exist :- 1 set side lights
1 white light
1 mast head light with frame (oil)
2 anchor lights (oil) and cages
9 anchor light glasses
9 hurricane light glasses
12 lamp glasses
5 paraffin light glasses

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Flags

exist :- 9 canvas and iron signals
3 signal flag racks

Carpenters Tools

exist :- 1 paint barrel (wood)
40 lengths used hose
1 wooden mallet

Wheel house Inventory - all missing

Wireless Set Cabin - all missing

Pilots Cabin - all missing

Officers Mess Room - all missing

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Commandant's Quarters - all missing except one safe without lining, one spring mattress, one brass hanging lamp without lamp

For Officers Cabins - all missing except 12 nets for folding bunks, 5 bunk nets, 2 bunk boards, 11 double folding bunks.

Cabin for Four Petty Officers - all missing
Cabin for School Head Master - all missing
Cabin for Four Petty Officers - all missing
Messroom for Senior Petty Officers - all missing

The Office - all missing

The Hospital - all missing except 2 spring mattresses

The Ambulance - all missing

The Room for 16 Sailors - all missing
Room for the Apprentices - 22 complete bed frames (double bunked), 3 wall lockers (fixed) for plates

Space for Senior Petty Officers - all missing
Messroom for the crew - 4 crew mess tables.

The Kitchen - all missing except : 2 kitchen tables without legs, 1 aluminium cylindrical boiler, 2 cooking pots.

Sails and Sail Covers - exist 3 brass covers for compass, 5 sail hoops, 4 coutches for boom, 2 dead-eyes.

Miscellaneous - exist 12 fire extinguishers
3 10 litre foam extinguishers
6 cone shaped minimax extinguishers
1 drinking water filter
2 accomodation ladders
1 boat boom
2 boat hooks with rope ladders
1 small wooden wardrobe
1 wooden and 2 metal wardrobes
1 glass fronted cupboard
5 cupboards (double doored, glass door)
1 small wooden cupboard
3 mushroom tops.

In addition there is a considerable quantities of sundry stores and equipment stowed below which is not mentioned in the inventory. As previously reported the Engines are missing.

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YUGOSLAV SHIP "JADRAN".
(British Naval Representative, Belgrade's letter No. BNR/510, dated 20th September, 1946).

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II.

No. F.O.L.I. 1018/2.

THE NAVY SUB COMMISSION,
ALLIED COMMISSION.

Forwarded.

W. T. Davidson

ROME,
30th September, 1946. for REAR ADMIRAL.

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BNR Belgrade's ltr. BNR/510 of 20/9/46 (Minute I) missing from pack. 5050

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FROM: BRITISH NAVAL REPRESENTATIVE, BELGRADE.

DATE: 7TH AUGUST 1946.

REF: BNR/370.

TO: RESIDENT NAVAL OFFICER, VENICE.
(Copy to: Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.
Flag Officer, Liaison, Italy).

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YUGOSLAV SHIP "JADRAN".

Attached is a translation of a letter, Ref. No. 2204 of 19th July 1946 from the Yugoslav Naval Staff, together with their original inventory+ in respect of the above ship, which is passed to you for the necessary action.

2. It is requested that you will keep the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station and Flag Officer, Liaison, Italy informed of your further progress in this matter.

CAPTAIN, ROYAL NAVY.

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
Date 24 AUG 1946
No. N.S/84/018
ROME

+ Not attached.

DATE: 26 August 1946
FROM: FLAG OFFICER ITALY & LIAISON.
TO : NAVY SUBCOMMISSION, 10 AD
FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION.
D.R.C. [illegible] 5049
for RESIDENT ADRIATICA.

[illegible] OF NAVAL [illegible] F.D.R.L.
GENERAL STAFF OF NAVAL ARM.
NAVAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 8220.

19-7-45.

[illegible] OF THE ROYAL NAVAL DEPARTMENT'S,

[illegible],

[illegible].

Enclosed I beg to send you an extract of description and specification of the vessel "Landing Ship Rocket" at the moment is [illegible] by the Italian authorities in 1943.

Will you please take the necessary steps with the naval authorities in Italy in order that this ship may be visited and in accordance with the enclosed inventory what it may be taken over by our authorities, fully equipped.

On the other hand, if it is not possible to fit out this ship completely in accordance with the enclosed inventory, will you please arrange that the Landing Vessel Rocket in Venice attends with the signature which [illegible] on the enclosed list are absent.

To reach with high esteem,

By order of Department Chief,
[illegible],
Lieutenant of I rank.

(Sgd.) [illegible].

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PIC VENICE (R) NAVY SUB COMMISSION C IN C MED FOLK VAM
PIC TRIESTE
FROM.....XXX NIH BELGRADE

Restricted

Delay has been caused by JUGO-SLAV naval authorities having misInid inventory recently received. Have given them a further copy crew is nearly ready and further Appeal follows as soon as possible. Your 151557A refers.

181245 Sept

Ref. A. Warning JADRAN to Yugoslavs.
T/P P/L YOR 2345 PAGD. 1/4

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S. 1320d.
(Established—May, 1939)
(Revised—June, 1944)

ENR BELGRADE (R) NAV SUB COM G U N O MIS FOLI VAM NOIC TRIESTE
FROM....ENO VENICE

Important Unclassified

Request information when you will take over vessel JADRAN. Vessel is awaiting your disposal instructions and can be turned over at any time.
(2) My 161146A Jan and your 081820A Jan refer.

----151557AMarch----

H/M P/L TOR A.M. PAGE 1. 19/3
Ref...Turning over JADRAN to Yugoslavs.
Dists. O-5 to NSC(4.) Log.

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NSC/4700
8 March 1946.

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

Subject: Training Ship Marco Polo, ex-Jadran.

Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine ltr. SM/11995 of 2 March 1946.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/4228 of 12 December 1945.

1. Paragraph (2) of reference (b) states that the Jadran be turned over to the British Resident Naval Officer, Venice for delivery to Jugoslav Authorities.

2. It is not necessary to await locating the ship's engine since the inventory will show it missing.

Captain, U.S.Navy,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.
Acting.

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9 MAR 1946

Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 725020

From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Maristat)
To : N.S.C. - A.C. - Rome
Date: 2nd March, 1946
Ref.: SM/11993

Subject: Training ship "MARCO POLO" ex Jadran.

Reference is made to your letter NSC/4603 of 15th inst.

In its letter No.2378 of 10th instant this Naval Staff requested instructions for the turning over of the Ship to the Jugoslav Government it being observed that the ship's engine was missing; this has not yet been found

Consequently it is desired to know whether the handing over of the ship should be delayed until the engine may be found.

for the Chief of Staff.

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Stato Maggiore della R. Marina

Reg. Operazioni Uff. Naviglio

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Prot. N. 2a/11/f/3 Allegati

Roma 2 MAR 1946 19

Alla SOTTOCOMMISSIONE NAVALE
Nautica Marina Lede

ARGOMENTO: Nave Scuola "MARCO POLO" ex Jadran.=

Riferimento foglio NSC/4603 corrente 15.-

Con il dispaccio n.2378 del 10 corrente di questo Mari= stat, si chiedeva disposizioni per la consegna dell'Unità al governo jugoslavo in considerazione che la Nave stessa risul= tava mancante dell'apparato motore che non è ancora stato pos sibile rintracciare.=

Si chiede pertanto se devesi ritardare o meno la conse= gna all'eventuale rintraccio dell'apparato motore.=

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
L'Ammiraglio

ISTITUTO POLIGRAFICO DELLO STATO

MINISTERO DELLA MARINA
GABINETTO
UFFICIO TRATTATI
- 4 MAR 1946
N. 792 /U. T.

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NSC/4603
15 February 1946

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

Subject: Training Ship "MARCO POLO", ex-JADRAN.

References: (a) Ministry of Marine(Marietat) ltr 2378 of 10 Feb. 1946.
(b) Navy S/C ltr NSC/4228 of 12 December 1945.

1. Reference (a) requests instructions for the return of subject vessel.

2. Reference (b) in paragraph 2 refers to disposal instructions.

G. F. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

16 FEB 1946

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. T25020

From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Maristat)
To : N.S.C.
Date: 10th February 1946
Ref.: 2378

Subject: Training ship "MARCO POLO" formerly Jadran

Reference is made to your letter 4228 of 12th December 1945.

Forwarded herewith is a copy of Marina Venezia's letter No.1385 dated 14th January, with as enclosure thereto a detailed report upon the state of the Jugoslav ship "Jadran" and the lists of the material on board the said ship.

Marina Venezia is making enquiries with regard to the engine, shown as missing, but these are difficult since there is no indication as to what use was made of it by the Germans.

You are informed that instructions have been given to Marina Venezia for copies of the above letters to be given to the British R.N.O. at Venice.

We await the instructions of the Navy Sub Commission for the return of the vessel to the Jugoslav Government.

for CHIEF OF STAFF

GGE/P.

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COPY

From: Independent I.R.N. ("Military Maritime") Command of the Upper Adriatic

To : Maristat - Rome
Date: 14th January 1946
Ref.: 1385

Subject: "MARCO POLO", ex "Jadran"

With reference to your signal 44871 of 14th December last, forwarded herewith are :

- 1 Efficiency report upon "MARCO POLO"
- 1 List of Italian materials
- 1 List of Jugoslav materials
- 1 Copy of letter No.3001 dated 2nd instant, from I.R.N. Engineering Dept.(Venice), subject: "Engines for auxiliary motor vessel : "MARCO POLO"".

With regard to the engine of the above vessel, the Provisional Centre for Istria and Trieste has been asked to investigate the matter, which is expected to prove a difficult task in view of the lack of exact information concerning where the said motor was sent and its subsequent use by the Germans, who took it.

Sgd. : Amedeo NOMIS di POLLONE
Senior Rear-Admiral

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Directorate of Naval Workshops and Mechanical Services, VENICE

Report on the condition of the "MARCO POLO" ex "JADRAN"

In conformance with the orders of Maribase, contained in letter No.6591 of 28th December last, the Commission shown below met on the 11th instant and has ascertained the following with regard to the condition of the "MARCO POLO".

1. Hull a) above water : in good condition
   b) below water : to give a precise judgement it would be necessary to dock the ship (it is presumed to be in good condition)
2. Deck superstructure (bridge access ladders, doors and communication hatches etc.) : in good condition.
3. Deck : in good condition (needs caulking).
4. Fixed and movable fittings : the equipment on board is in good condition; a few repairs are necessary.
5. Mast and bowsprit : in good condition.
6. Engines : the main engine is missing, as also the main propellor-shaft.
7. Control equipment : in fair condition.

The undermentioned Commission has checked also all the movable materials on board, copies of the lists thereof being attached.

Venice, 11th January 1946.

The Commission

Lieutenant (E) Irlando Quintarelli
Member

Catenacci Francesco, Techinical Foreman,
Member

Rinaldo Gugelmo, Technical foreman
Member

Sub.Lieutenant Salvatore Serpilli,
Member

Commander (E) Alfio DENARO
President

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True copy:
Commander Candido Corvetti.

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Directorate of Naval Construction and Mechanics (Workshops)
VENICE

List of Italian movable materials on board

No. 7 - circular life-buoys of cork
" 2 - cork floats
" 2 - masts for boats
" 2 - sail covers
" 1 - Jacob's ladder of hemp rope with wooden rungs (3? metres approximately)
" 2 - wooden chests for lifebelts
" 1 - canvas capstan cover
" 2 - steel cables (25 mm. and 30 mm. - 15 metres)
" 2 - chain stoppers (?)
" 1 - rubber-covered electric cable, two strand, 30 mm. (about 50 metres)
" 1 - bridge-mat of canvas and velvet
" 1 - canvas awning over the stern steering point (23 sq.mts. approx.)
" 1 - wooden roller for sounding apparatus
" 9 - distance signals in canvas and iron
" 50 metres - Electric cable, useless
" 3 - tables for signals flags
" 1 - donkey engine
" 1 - outboard chute
" 1 - American type stove
" 1 - bench vice
" 1 - small cylindrical boiler for galley (aluminium)
" 5 - flagg-staffs
" 5 - portable iron candle-lamps
" 4 - mess tables
" 1 - 2 metres manilla fender
" 1 - wooden butt, holding 30 litres
" 1 - wooden cabinet
" 11 - double bunk-frames
" 1 - boat lashings, complete
" 12 - extinguishers
" 1 - electric cover
" 2 - zinc-plated iron bath-tubs
" 12 - porcellain wash-basins (one broken)

Venice 11/1/46

(Certified true copy
Candido Corvetti, Lt.Cdr. I.R.N.)

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VENICE

Italian Materials

No. 1 - Radio direction finding set, the control panel and valves missing
1 - 1 RDF gyro-wheel with tensioner and return pulleys
1 - T.A.N. 250, mishandled, lacking valves and measuring instruments
1 - starting rheostat
2 - field rheostat, very badly damaged
1 - control board for starting rotary converter
1 - bipolar 30 Amp knife commutator
1 - " " " " switch
1 - Suspension clamp for WT set
1 - RM 5, instruments and valves missing
1 - case for R.M.5 rectifier (all the internal parts having been removed)
1 - Unidentified part of German set
6 - dry batteries (60 V.) for (exhausted)
1 - TN 150 C.G.E. transmitter, half demolished (damaged by hammering)
2 - 5-way aerial commutators
9 - nine-hole insulators
1 - broad-guage (?) insulator
1 - small- " (?) " "
1 - manipulation key
1 - flashing distress-signal
1 - transmission aerial with relative copper connection tubes

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All sets have been completely maltreated and many parts have been taken away; evidently this happened at the time of the liberation

Sgd.: Roberto TIENGO,
Lieut. (Italian Navy)

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VENICE

"MARCO POLO" ex "JADRAN"

List of movable Jugoslav material on board

No. 1 - boom
" 2 - rowing boats, 6.5 metres long approx. (one whaler and one lifeboat without air tanks)
" 2 - One ton Admiralty-type anchors with...?.?...metres of chain
" 2 - sets of tackle with 4 triple-blocks complete with rope
" 2 - wooden boathooks with iron hooks (each 7 metres)
" 2 - sailing lights, red and green
" 1 - Searchlight
" 1 - sailing light, white
" 3 - Bronze bells
" 3 - Brass pinnacles
" 1 - Bronze propeller (about 300 kgs)
" 1 - boat's kedge anchor, about 50 kgs.
" 1 - electric pump (hydraulic part only, the electric motor is missing)
" Several valve-sets with flywheels
" 1 - Engineroom telegraph
" 1 - Ammeter
" 12 - Metal netting for bunks
" 1 - Admiralty type kedge anchor; about 500 kgs.
" 16 - Capstan bars
" 2 - conpressor (cable) pulleys
" 2 - slips for boat-lashings
" 7 - iron stanchions for boat lashings

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Venice, 11th January 1946
Candido Corvetti
Cdr. I.R.N.

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/HNDG NO. 785020

From: I.R.N. Engineering Branch, Venice
To : MARINA - Venice
Date: 2nd January 1946
Ref.: 3001

Subject: "Engines from the 'MARCO POLO'."

Upon the request of the Engineering Dept. I have made enquiries at the CNOM Co. and at the "Cantiere del Levante" 'Eastern Shipyards) Murano, with regard to the abovementioned engine, and the following is the result :

About October 1943 the said M/V was handed over, complete with engine, to the C.N.O. for certain repairs to be effected. The Company asserts that after inspection the engine was sent to Trieste by the Germans.

No fuller details could be obtained from the Company. The "Cantiere Navale del Levante" stated that it has never undertaken repairs to the said engine.=

Parilli
Captain (E)

I.
Fair copy :
TOPPI Nettuno, Secretary

II.
Fair copy :
Candido CORVETTI
Cdr. I.R.N.

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Stato Maggiore della R. Marina

Rep. OPERAZIONI Uff. Naviglio

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Prot. N.° 2370 Allegati

Roma, 19

Al S.COMMISSIONE NAVALE

ARGOMENTO: Nave Scuola "MARCO POLO" ex Jadran.-

Riferimento lettera 4228 del 12 dicembre u.s.

Si rimette copia del foglio 1385 in data 14 gennaio di Marina Venezia, con allegato un rapporto dettagliato sullo stato di efficienza della Nave jugoslava "Jadran" e gli elenchi dei materiali esistenti a bordo della nave stessa.

Nei riguardi dell'apparato motore, che risulta mancante, sono in corso da parte di Marina Venezia ricerche che si presentano difficoltose mancando precise indicazioni sul suo impiego da parte dei tedeschi.

Si informa che sono state date disposizioni a Marina Venezia perché copia dei documenti suddetti sia subito consegnata al British Resident Naval Officier di Venezia.

Si rimane in attesa delle disposizioni che codesta S.Commissione vorrà dare per la riconsegna dell'Unità al Governo Jugoslavo.= 5034

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

COMANDO MILITARE MARITTIMO
AUTONOMO DELL'ALTO ADRIATICO
Ufficio O/1
Prot.1385

Venezia, 14 gennaio 1946
MARISTAT = ROMA

ARGOMENTO: Nave "MARCO POLO" ex "Jadran".-

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Riferimento telaispaccio 44871 del 14 dicembre u.s., si trasmette
- 1 Rapporto di efficienza della Nave "Marco Polo -
- 1 Elenco materiale di pertinenza italiano -
- 1 Elenco materiale di pertinenza jugoslavo -
- 1 Copia del foglio 3001 in data 2 corrente di Navalgenio Sede all'argomento "Motori per Motoveliero "Marco Polo" -

Circa il motore della suddetta unità, è stato interessato il Centro Provvisorio, dell'Istria e Trieste per le ricerche del caso, che si prevedono difficili in considerazione della mancanza di precise indicazioni circa la destinazione del motore stesso e del suo successivo impiego da parte dei tedeschi che l'hanno asportato.-

IL COMANDANTE MILITARE MARITTIMO
AUTONOMO DELL'ALTO ADRIATICO
Ammiraglio di Divisione
Azedeo NOMIS DI POLLONE

PER COPIA CONFORME

IL CAPITANO DI FREGATA
Capo Ufficio Naviglio
(Candido Corvetti)

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DIREZIONE OFFICINE NAVALI E MECCANICHE

VENEZIA

Indirizzo Telegr. MARICOST

RAPPORTO SULLO STATO DI EFFICIENZA DELLA NAVE "MARCO POLO" ex "QUADRAN"

Giusto ordine di Maribase col foglio 6591 del 28 dicembre u.s. la sottonotata Commissione si è riunita il giorno 11 c.m. ed ha constatato quanto segue sullo stato d'efficienza della Nave "Marco Polo"

1°) SCAFO: a) opera morta : in buone condizioni

b) opera viva: per dare un giudizio esatto necessiterebbe immettere la Nave in bacino (si presume in buone condizioni).

2°) SOPRASTRUTTE DI COPERTA(scale accesso ponte, porte e portelli di comunicazione, ecc): in buone condizioni.

3°) COPERTA: in buone condizioni(ha bisogno di calafateggio).

4°) ARREDAMENTO FISSO E MOBILE: il materiale esistente a bordo è in buone condizioni, ne ha bisogno di alcune riparazioni.

5°) ALBERATURA e BOMPRESSO: in buon stato.

6°) APPARATO MOTORE: l'apparato motore principale manca eguipaggio e manca pure l'asse portaelica.-

7°) APPARECCHI DI GOVERNO: in discrete condizioni.

La sottonotata Commissione ha proceduto inoltre al controllo di tutto il materiale mobile esistente a bordo di cui si allegano gli elenchi in copia.-

Venezia, 31 gennaio 1946.

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LA COMMISSIONE :

IL CAPITANO G.N. s.m. Membro
F/to Irlando Quintarelli

IL CAPOTECNICO - Membro
F/to Catenacci Francesco

IL CAPOTECNICO - Membro
F/to Rinaldo Bugelao

IL S.TENENTE G.M. - Membro
F/to Salvatore Serpilli

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2°) SOPRASTRUTTA DI COPERTA(scale accesso plnte, porte e portelli di comunicazione, ecc): in buone condizioni.

3°) COPERTA: in buone condizioni(ha bisogno di calafateggio).

4°) ARREDAMENTO FISSO E MOBILE: il materiale esistente a borro è in buone condizioni, ne ha bisogno di alcune riparazioni.

5°) ALBERATURA e BOMPRESSO: in buon stato.

6°) APPARATO MOTORE: l'apparato motre principale manca apparecchiatura e manca pure l'asse portaelica.-

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IL S.TENENTE S.M. - Membro
F/to Salvatore Serpilli

IL T. COLONNELLO G.N. - Presidente
F/to Alfio Denaro

PER COPIA CONFORME
IL CAPITANO DI FREGATA
Capo Ufficio Naviglio
(Candido Corvetto)

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DIREZIONE OFFICINE COSTR. NAVALI E MECCANICHE

VENEZIA

Indirizzo Telegr. Maricost

ELENCO MATERIALE MOBILE ESISTENTE A BORDO DI PERTINENZA ITALIANA

n/7 salvagenti circolari di sughero.
" 2 gavitelli di sughero.
" 2 pennole per imbarcazioni.
" 2 ventrini.
" 1 biscaglina di cavo di canapa con terrozzi di legno (m.3)circa)
" 2 cassoni di legno per salvagenti.
" 1 cappa di tela per argano.
" 2 cavi d'acciaio (da mm.25 e 30 - mt.15 cad.)
" 2 bozze a scocco.
" 1 cavo elettrico in gomma bifase da mm.30(mt.50 circa).
" 1 tappeto di tela e velluto per plancia.
" 1 tenda di tela sopra la timoneria di poppa - mq.23 circa.
" 1 rullo di legno per scandaglio.
" 9 segnali da lontananza in tela e ferro.
Mt. 50 cavo elettrico f.u.
n.3 tabelle per bandiere segnali.
" 6 sedie di legno e n.2 tavoli.
" 1 cavallino.
" 1 generario per fuori-bordo.
" 1 stufa tipo americano.
" 1 morsa da banco.
" 1 caldaio cilindrico per cucina (in alluminio).
",5 aste per bandiere.
" 5 fanali di ferro a candella portatili.
" 4 tavole da rancio.
" 1 paraborro di manilla da m.2

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" 1 biscaglina di cavo di canapa con terrozzi di legno (n.3)circa)

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" 4 tavole da rancio.

" 1 paracorpo di manilla da n.2

" 1 motte in legno da lt.30.

" 1 armadietto di legno.

"11 telai doppi per cuccette.

" 1 barcarizzo completo.

"12 estintori.

" 1 cappellone elettrico.

" 2 vasche da bagno in ferro zincate.

"12 lavandini di porcellana (di cui uno rotto)

Venezia, II/1/946

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p.c.c.
IL CAPITANO DI FREGATA
Capo Ufficio Naviglio
(Candido Cervesi)

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DIREZIONE OFFICINE COSTRUZ.NAVALI E MECCANICHE
VENEZIA
Indirizzo telegrafico Maricost

MATERIALE DI PROVENIENZA ITALIANA

N° 1 radiogoniometro OLAP mancante del frontale dello strumento e di valvole.

N° 1 volantino per RG con puleggie tenditrici e di rinvio.

N° 1 T.A.N. 250 manomesso e mancante di valvole e strumenti di misur

N° 1 reostato d'avviamento.

N° 2 reostati da campo, rovinati.

N° 1 quadro di manovra per avviamento gruppo convertitore.

N° 1 commutatore bipolare a coltello da 30 A.

N° 1 interruttore bipolare a coltello da 30 A.

N° 1 staffa di sospensione per ricevitore RT

N° 1 RM 5 mancante di strumenti e valvole.

N. 1 cassa per alimentatore RM 5 (asportato tutto l'interno)

N. 1 parte di apparato tedesco non identificabile.

N. 6 batterie di pile da 60 V. per anodica (esaurite)

N. 1 trasmettitore TN I50 C.G.E. mezzo demolito(danneggiato a colpi di martello).

N. 2 commutatori d'aereo a 5 vie.

N. 9 isolatori a nove gole.

N. 1 isolatore di passaggio grande.

N. 1 isolatore di passaggio piccolo.

N. 1 tasto manipolatore.

n. 1 apparato di soccorso a scintilla.

N. 1 aereo per trasmissione e relativi tubi in rame per 5 collegamenti.

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con puleggie tendritrici e di rinvio.

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Tutti gli apparecchi sono stati totalmente manomessi e molte parti asportate, evidentemente al tempo della liberazione.=

IL TENENTE DI VASCELLO
F/to (Roberto TIENGO)

p.c.c.
IL CAPITANO DI FREGATA
Capo Ufficio Intriglio
(Candido Cervesi)

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DIREZIONE OFFICINE COSTRUZIONI NAVALI E MECC.

VENEZIA

NAVE "MARCO POLO" - ex "JADRAN"

ELENCO MATERIALE MOBILE ESISTENTE A BORDO DI PERTINENZA JUGOSLAVA

n.1 asta di posta.
" 2 lance a remi, da mt. 6,5 circa (una tipo baleniera e una tipo lancia salvataggio senza casse aria).
" 2 ancore tipo ammiragliato da tonn.1 circa con catena da m. ...??
" 2 paranchi con 4 bozzelli tripli completi di cavo.
" 2 aste d'accosto di legno con ganci di ferro (mt.7 circa l'uno).
" 2 fanali di via rosso e verde.
" 1 proiettore.
" 1 fanale di via bianco.
" 3 campane di bronzo.
" 3 chiesuole di ottone per bussola.
" 1 cappa di tela per chiesuola di bussola.
" 1 elica di bronzo (kg.300 circa).
" 1 ancorotto per imbarcazioni da kg.50 circa.
" 1 pompa elettrica (solamente la parte idraulica: manca il motore elettrico.
Alcuni gruppi di valvole con volantini.
n.1 telegrafo di macchina.
n.1 amperometro.
" 12 reti metalliche per cuccette.
" 1 ancorotto tipo ammiragliato: kg.500 circa.
" 16 aspe per argano.
" 2 paranchi per strozzatoi.
" 2 pianarottoli per barcarizzo.
" 7 candelieri di ferro per barcarizzo.

Venezia, 11/1/1946.

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IL CAPITANO DI FREGATA
Capo [illegible] Saviglio
(Comdido Cervesi)

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Venezia, 11/1/1946.

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IL CAPITANO DI FREGATA
Capo Ufficio Naviglio
(Comdido Corvetto)

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REGIA MARINA
Ufficio Tecnico del Genio Nav.
Venezia

Prot.N.3001

Venezia, 2 Gennaio 1946

MARINA = SEDE

ARGOMENTO: Motori della Nave "MARCO POLO.=

In seguito a richiesta verbale di codesto Navalgenio ho eseguito accertamenti presso la locale Ditta CNOM e presso il Cantiere del Levante di Murano in merito al motore in argomento, da cui é risultato quanto segue:

La M/n. in questione verso l'ottobre 1943 venne consegnata completa di apparato motore dai tedeschi al C.N.O. per alcuni lavori di riparazione. La Ditta asserisce che il motore dopo essere stato revisionato fu dai tedeschi inviato a Trieste.

Non é stato possibile aver dalla Ditta maggiori dettagli.

Il Cantiere Navale del Levante ha asserito di non aver mai avuto incarico di eseguire lavori di riparazione al motore sopracitato.=

IL COLONNELLO G.N.
Direttore
F/to Parilli

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per copia conforme
Il Segretario
F/to TOFFI Nettuno

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IL COLONNELLO G.N. 5028
Direttore
F/to Parilli

per copia conforme
Il Segretario
F/to TORTI Nettuno

P.C.C.

IL CAPITANO DI FREGATA
Capo Ufficio Consiglio
(Candido Corvetto)

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BNR BELGRADE (R) NAVY SUB COMMISSION, C IN C MED FOR...

FROM...RNO VENICE.

RESTRICTED
YOUR 221820 MY 181146 WORDS AFTER "SUBMISSION" NOT AS FOLLOWS
"SUBMISSION TO JUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES."

.....231543 JANUARY.....

REF...INVENTORY EQUIPMENT ETC. FORWARDED BY OFFICIAL MAIL

DIST...1-4 13 15 16 25 RSC(4)

T/P P/L TOR...0733 RGB 25/4

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RNO VENICE (R) NAVY SUB COMMISSION FOIL C IN C MED

FROM...BNR BELGRADE

RESTRICTED

REQUEST REPTITION OF YOUR 181146 AFTER THE WORD "SUBMISSION"

.....221820A JANUARY.....

REF...INVENTORY EQUIPMENT STORES ETC., A.M.V.JADRAN FORWARDED
BY OFFICIAL MAIL.
DIST...1-5 13 15 16 25 NSC(4) LOG.

T/P P/L TOR...0347 RCB 23/1

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RNO VENICE (R) FOIL C IN C MED ENR BELGRADE

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CHIEF OF YUGOSLAV NAVAL STAFF ASKS WHETHER ANY INFORMATION COULD BE GIVEN AS TO PROBABLE DATE WHEN JADRAN CAN BE TAKEN OVER AND CONFIRMS ORTWA IS WAITING AT SPLIT.

=== 081820A JAN ...

DIST. 1-4,13,16,25. LOG. NSC (4).

T/P P/L TOR 1800 LAG 9/1

DATE: 10th January 1946
FROM: FLAG OFFICER ITALY & LIAISON
TO : NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, II
FORWARDED FOR information
J. H. Crowe
for REAR ADMIRAL

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BRITISH NAVAL REPRESENTATIVE BELGRADE. (R) NAVY SUB COMMISSION
C IN C MED(MALTA) FOLL

FROM FMO VENICE.
181146A

RESTRICTED.
REF NAVY SUB COMMISSIONS 121145 DECEMBER INVENTORY EQUIPMENT
STORES ETC IN DUPLICATE A.M.V. JADRAN FORWARDED BY OFFICIAL
MAIL TODAY FOR SUBMISSION TO JUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES.

.....181146A

Ref. Turning over Jadran to Yugo-Slav authorities.

Dist. 1-5 13 15 16 25 NSC(A) Log.

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NAVY SUB COMMISSION (R) CINCMED FOIL RNO VENICE

RNR BELGRADE
161615 DEC.

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Message from N.S.C. (NC T.C.C.) in reply to my 101700A not to RNO VENICE.

Para 1. Yugoslav authorities have been informed.

Para. 2. Yugoslav authorities have been informed that an inventory of equipment wikland stocs will be forwarded for their scrutiny. Will make further arrangements with RNO VENICE for transfer.

=161615X Dec.

Ref: Crew for Jadran.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/4228
12 December 1945

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

Subject: Training Ship "MARCO POLO", ex-"JADRAN".

References: (a) Navy S/C ltr NSC/3596 of 18 September 1945.

1. The Navy Sub-Commission in reference (a) informed the Ministry of Marine that the British Naval Representative, Belgrade had been requested to make arrangements for a Jugoslav crew to take over the subject vessel for the Jugoslav Government. Information has been received that the crew has been assembled at Split and the British Naval Representative, Belgrade has been informed that the crew should report to the British Resident Naval Officer, Venice.

2. All equipment and stores which were formerly on board the Jadran and are the property of the Jugoslav Government should be delivered with the vessel. Prior to turning over the Jadran to the British Resident Naval Officer, Venice for delivery to Jugoslav authorities, it is requested that the Italian Command at Venice be directed by dispatch to make a detailed report of the condition of the vessel at the present time and a complete inventory of the equipment and stores on board for the Italian Ministry of Marine. A copy of the report and inventory should be furnished to the Navy Sub-Commission, AC and to the British Resident Naval Officer, Venice for verification by Jugoslav authorities upon delivery of the vessel. It is requested that this matter be treated as urgent.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN
REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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Copy to:
CINC MED
BNR BELGRADE
FOIL
RNO VENICE
(NSC Dispatch 121145A Dec. refers)
(Encl. - BNR Belgrade ltr BNR/615/23/69
of 21 November 1945, w/c Encl.)

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# NAVAL MESSAGE.

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TO: BNR BELGRADE (R) CINC MED(MALTA) FOIL
RNO VENICE

FROM: NAVY S/C

YOUR 101700A TO FOIL NOT TO RNO VENICE PASSED TO NAVY SUB COMMISSION FOR ACTION. MAINTENANCE CREW ONLY REQUIRED FOR JADRAN AS ENGINES HAVE BEEN REMOVED. CREW SHOULD REPORT TO RNO VENICE. A TUG WILL BE REQUIRED TO MOVE THE VESSEL.

2. REFER YOUR LETTER BNR/616/23/69 OF 21 NOVEMBER TO FOIL COPIES OF WHICH ARE BEING FORWARDED TO CINC MED AND RNO VENICE SUBJECT MISSING EQUIPMENT JADRAN. ITALIAN MINISTRY OF MARINE IS BEING REQUESTED TO MAKE REPORT PRESENT CONDITION JADRAN, MAKE INVENTORY EQUIPMENT AND STORES AND SUBMIT COPIES TO RNO VENICE PRIOR TO TURNING OVER VESSEL TO JUGOSLAV

| System | P.L. Code or Cypher | Time of Receipt | Time of Despatch | Operator | P.O.G.W. | Date |
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# NAVAL MESSAGE.

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TO: BNR BELGRADE (R) CINC MED(MALTA) FOIL
RNO VENICE

FROM: NAVY S/C

(Contd)

AUTHORITIES. RNO VENICE IS REQUESTED TO SUBMIT REPORT AND INVENTORY TO JUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES FOR VERIFICATION AND COMMENT PRIOR TO DELIVERY VESSEL. LIABILITY FOR CONDITION VESSEL AND LOSS OF EQUIPMENT AND STORES IS MATTER FOR FUTURE DETERMINATION AND NO DETERMINATION RESPONSIBILITY ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TO REPLACE MISSING EQUIPMENT AND ASSUME OBLIGATION FOR LOSSES CAN NOW BE GIVEN.

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Prepared: 21/3

Released: 21/3

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(Established—May, 1940
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U/C IMPORTANT.

TO. NOIC, ROME. (R) CINCMED(MALTA). FROM. ENR BELGRADE.

YUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES INFORM ME THAT A CREW FOR THE SHIP JADRAN IS STATIONED BY AN SPLIT CONFIRMATION REQUIRED AS TO WHOM THE PARTY SHOULD REPORT.

.... 101700A/DEC ....

E/W F/L TOR A.M/11th P.R. 11/12

Distr. 1-5,13,16,25,101.

DATE: 11th December, 1945
FROM: FLAG OFFICER IN CHARGE, ADRIATIC.
TO : NAVAL SUB-COMMAND.

FORWARDED FOR ACTION
F.H. Drowne
CAPTAIN, R.N.

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S.S. "JADRAN" - MISSING EQUIPMENT.
(British Naval Representative, Belgrade's letter No. BNR/615/23/69, dated 21st November, 1945.)

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No.F.O.I.L. 1016/1.

NAVY SUB COMMISSION, HQ. ALLIED COMMISSION.
(Copy to:- British Naval Representative, Belgrade.)

Forwarded for information and any action that might be considered desirable.

for REAR ADMIRAL.

ROME,
7th December, 1945.

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TO : FLAG OFFICER ITALY AND LIAISON :

FROM : BRITISH NAVAL REPRESENTATIVE, B E L G R A D E :

DATE : 21st NOVEMBER 1945 :

REF : BNR/615/23/69 :

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S.S.JADRAN - MISSING EQUIPMENT

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SUBMITTED:

The following is a translati nof letter 2611 of 14th November, received from the Jugoslav Ministerhy of National Defence, Naval Section:-

In connection with your letter NA546/23/65, of November 7th.1945, will you please ask the authorities concerned)-

1. That Italian authorities should replenish the missing equipment of the ship JADRAN.
2. If Italian authorities could not replenish the missing equipment until the time of delivery of the ship, to take from them an obligation on the grounds of retribution.
3. At the moment of delivery to make a statement of the state of the ship, through a mixed commission and against an invoice(list) in two copies for the use of this department.

Please accept on this occasion the expression of my special esteem.

Chief General Major.
Srecko Manola.

FLAG OFFICER ITALY & LIAISON
Date 3 DEC 1945
No M.1085/1016
ROME

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CAPTAIN ROYAL NAVY :

Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. T 85020

TO : YUGOSLAV LIAISON OFFICER BELGRADE.

FROM : BRITISH NAVAL ATTACHE BELGRADE :

DATE : 7th NOVEMBER 1945 :

REF : NA/546/23/64 :

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RETURN OF A M V. JADRAN.

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Further to my BNA/303/23/40 of 8th Sept., British naval authorities in Italy inform me that this vessel is being held in Faralon pending transfer to the Jugoslav authorities. It is requested that a crew may be provided for this vessel and if you will be good enough to inform me when this party will be available, I will request further instructions as to details.

REF : BNA/23/40/303. 8th September 1945

With reference to your letter No. 1370 of 13th August 1945 advice has now been received from the Commander in Chief Mediterranean Station, that arrangements are to be made with the Ministry of Marine to hand back to your navy the SS JADRAN which it is understood is now named MARCO POLO and is at present in Venice.

Shortly further information as to whenthis vessel is likely to sail for your country should be received in this office when of course we shall inform you accordingly.

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FOIL C/O NAVY SUB COMMISSION ALCOM BNR BELGRADE

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ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRANSFER OF JADRAN ARE BEING TAKEN UP WITH YUGOSLAV NAVAL STAFF FORTHWITH YOUR 051847 REPEATS.

.....061140A NOVEMBER.....

REF...YUGOSLAV CREW FOR "JADRAN"

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T/P P/L TOR...A.M. RCB 8/11

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S. 1320d.
(First published—May, 1930)
(Revised—June, 1944)

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TO. BNR BELGRADE (R) CINC MED, FOIL. NOIC VENICE. FROM. M.S.C.

1) My letter MSC/3554 of 14 September to you requested that arrangements be made to provide a Jugoslav crew for "JADRAN" and that Navy Sub-Commission be informed by despatch as to date on which Jugoslav Navy desires to assume control. Italian Ministry of Marine is holding JADRAN at Venice pending her return to Jugoslav Naval Authorities in accordance with CINC MED's M.D. 45/0070/14 of 1 September copy to you.
2) An early reply by despatch would be appreciated.

.... 051847A/ NVO. 1744.

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SUBJECT: NAVAL ACADEMY "MARCO POLO" - EX "JADRAN"

FROM: Naval Officer in Charge, Venice.

DATE: 26th September 1945. No.1011/26/1

TO : NAVY SUB COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION HEAD QUARTERS, ROME.

Further to my 874/26/1 of 7th September 1945, information has been received from the Ministry of Marine, Rome, and it appears that this ship was captured at Teodo on 26 April 1941 and was sent to Pola on 20 July 1941, where she was refitted and adapted as a training ship for the Italian Naval Academy.

W.W. Mackhouse

Commander, R.N.
Naval Officer in Charge

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3596
18 September 1945

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

Subject: Training Ship "MARCO POLO", ex-"JADRAN".

1. Reference is made to Ministry of Marine Letter 14953 of 10 September 1945.

2. The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean has requested that arrangements be made with the Ministry of Marine, in conjunction with the British Naval Representative, Belgrade to return Jadran to the Jugoslav Government. Consequently the Navy Sub-Commission has requested the British Naval Representative, Belgrade to initiate action to provide a Jugoslav crew for Jadran and to inform the Navy Sub-Commission as to the date on which the Jugoslav Navy desires to assume control.

3. The Ministry of Marine will be informed at the time such information is received and the British Naval Officer-in-Charge, Venice will be requested to make local arrangements for Jadran's transfer to the Jugoslav Government.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

N3C/3556
14 September 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Naval Officer-in-Charge, Venice.

Subject: Former Jugoslav Navy Training Ship JADRAN.

1. Reference is made to your letter 874/26/1 of 7 September 1945. The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean has directed that arrangements be made with the Ministry of Marine, in conjunction with the British Naval Representative, Belgrade to hand subject vessel back to the Jugoslav Naval Authorities.

2. The Italian Ministry of Marine has informed the Navy Sub-Commission that arrangements have been made with Marina Venezia to hold JADRAN at the disposal of the local Allied Authorities in Venice pending her return to the Jugoslav Government. In addition, the Navy Sub-Commission has requested the British Naval Representative, Belgrade to initiate action to provide a Jugoslav crew for JADRAN and to inform the Navy Sub-Commission of the date on which the Jugoslav Navy is prepared to assume control.

3. The Naval Officer-in-Charge, Venice will be informed of the information received from the British Naval Representative, Belgrade in order that local arrangements may be made for JADRAN to be turned over to the Jugoslav Navy. Pending the receipt of such information, the Naval Officer-in-Charge, Venice is requested to take all necessary steps to insure that JADRAN is held by the local Italian Authorities as directed by the Ministry of Marine.

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(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3554
14 September 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : British Naval Representative, Belgrade.

Subject: Return of A.M.V. JADRAN to Jugoslavs.

1. With reference to letter Med.45/0070/14 of 1 September 1945 from the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, the Navy Sub-Commission has been informed by the Italian Ministry of Marine that arrangements have been made with the local Italian Navy Command in Venice (Marina Venezia) to hold Jadran at the disposal of the local Allied Authorities in order that she may be returned to the Jugoslav Government.

2. It is requested that arrangements be made to provide a Jugoslav crew for Jadran and that the Navy Sub-Commission be informed by dispatch as to the date on which the Jugoslav Navy desires to assume control. At the time such information is received the Naval Officer-in-Charge, Venice will be requested to arrange for Jadran's transfer to the Jugoslav Government.

(Sgd) C. L. W[illegible]
REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3555
14 September 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy, Via Quintino Sella, 56, Rome.

Subject: Training Ship JADRAN.

1. Reference is made to communication number 34/45 of 14 August 1945 from the Naval Attache, Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy on the subject of the training ship JADRAN.

2. The return of JADRAN to the control of the Jugoslav Government has been made the subject of a communication from General Manola, Chief of the Naval Staff, Jugoslav General Staff to the British Naval Representative, Belgrade. As a result of that communication arrangements now are being made with the Italian Ministry of Marine and the British Naval Representative, Belgrade to return JADRAN to Jugoslav Naval Authorities. All arrangements are in accordance with the instructions of the Allied Naval Commander-In-Chief, Mediterranean.

3. The Naval Attache, Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy, will be furnished additional information on the subject of the return of JADRAN at such time as it may be received by the Navy Sub-Commission, Allied Commission.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN
REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Maristat)
To : N.S.C.
Date: 10th September 1945
Ref.: 14953

Subject: Training ship "MARCO POLO" - ex Jadran.

Reference is made to your letter No.3417 dated 28th August 1945.

At the act of the occupation of Venice by the Allies the I.R.N. Ship "MARCO POLO" (ex "Jadran") was found afloat in that port. The hull was in good condition but the machinery and fittings had been taken away.

Arrangements have been made with Marina Venezia to hold the vessel at the disposal of the local Allied Authorities for return to Jugoslavia.

for CHIEF OF STAFF

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Roma 10 Settembre/94 5

Stato Maggiore della R. Marina

Rep. Operaz. Uff. Naviglio

Al SOTTO COMMISSIONE NAVALE ALLEATA

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARISTAT - ROMA

Prot. N. 14953 Allegati

ARGOMENTO Nave Scuola MARCO POLO ex Jadran.=

Riferimento foglio N°5417 in data 28 Agosto c.a.

All'atto della occupazione di Venezia da parte degli Alleati è stata ritrovata galleggiante in quella Sede, la R.N. MARCO POLO ex Jadran, con lo scafo in buone condizioni, ma con macchinari asportati e le attrezzature mancanti.

E' stato interessato Marina Venezia a tenere l'Unità a disposizione delle locali Autorità Alleate per la sua restituzione alla Jugoslavia.

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3516
10 September 1945.

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

Subject: Jugoslav Training Ship "JADRAN".

1. A reply to Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/3417 of 28 August 1945 would be appreciated.

B. ST. J. BUTLER,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: REPORT ON FORMER YUGO-SLAV NAVY TRAINING SHIP "JADRAN".

FROM: Naval Officer in Charge, Venice.

DATE: 7th September, 1945. No.874/26/1.

TO : NAVY SUB COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION H.Q., ROME.

Reference : Navy Sub Commission, Rome's 29.1306

The Training Ship "Jadran" has been renamed "Marco Polo" and is at present lying in the Arsenale at Venice.

2. In July, 1943, she was based at Pola as a training ship for Naval Cadets. She was then transferred to Venice for repairs and was used by the Germans as a depot ship.

3. The hull is in good condition but the engines were removed by the Germans, who also dismantled a great deal of equipment.

4. Further details have been asked for by the Italian Naval Liaison Officer from Royal Italian Admiralty, Rome.

W.W.Jackson
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Commander, R.N.
Naval Officer in Charge

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station,
Allied Force Headquarters.
1st September, 1945.

Med. 45/0070/14
THE FLAG OFFICER ITALY AND LIAISON
(Copy to: The British Naval Representative, Belgrade)

RETURN OF A.M.V. JADRAN TO JUGOSLAVS

Attached is a copy of a letter No. 23/6 dated 17th August, 1945 from the British Naval Representative, Belgrade.

2. It is requested that you will make arrangements with the Ministry of Marine, in conjunction with the British Naval Representative, Belgrade, to hand this vessel back to the Jugoslav Naval Authorities. It is understood that S.S. JADRAN is now named "MARCO POLO" and is at Venice.

M. B. Laing

for ADMIRAL

Enclosure

British Naval Representative, Belgrade's
No. 23/6 dated 17th August, 1945

FLAG OFFICER ITALY & LIAISON
3 SEP 1945
C.402/1016/17

DATE: 6th September, 1945. 5006
FROM: FLAG OFFICER ITALY & LIAISON.
TO : NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, HQ. AC.
FORWARDED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

L H Thomas
for REAR ADMIRAL.

To : The Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station.

From : British Naval Representative,
Belgrade

Date : 17th August, 1945

Ref : BNR/23/C

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SUBJECT :

The following is a translation of a communication received from General Manola, Chief of the Naval Staff, Yugoslav General Staff, which is self-explanatory :-

"I beg to inform you that in Venice moored alongside the landing Zattere, is our schoolship - sail and auxiliary motor - "JADRAN", the property of the Yugoslav Navy.

The ship was built in Hamburg for the owners. "Jadransko straze" (Adriatic Guards) and was given over to the Yugoslav Navy as a gift from 8005
'Jadranske straze'.

Until April, 1945, the ship was a unit of the German Navy and flew the German flag. After the capitulation of Germany the above-named ship was taken over by 'Brigada Mariniti del Piave'

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SUBMITTED :

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Until April, 1945, the ship was a unit of the German Navy and flew the German flag. After the capitulation of Germany the above-named ship was taken over by 'Brigada Martiti del Piave' belonging to Italian Partisan Forces.

I request you to effect a permit from the interested authorities that this ship 'Jadran' should be returned to the Yugoslav Navy."

24 AUG 1945

(Sgd.) E. Welman

Captain
Royal Navy.

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NOIC VENICE

FROM: NAVY SUB COMMISSION ROME

CONFIDENTIAL

A REPORT HAS BEEN RECEIVED THAT FORMER JUGOSLAV NAVY TRAINING SHIP "JADRAN" TAKEN BY ITALIANS DURING OCCUPATION OF JUGOSLAVIA, IS NOW AT VENICE UNDER ITALIAN CONTROL. REQUEST CONFIDENTIAL INVESTIGATION AND REPORT BY LETTER.

TOO 291306B AUG.

DIST:0-5,13,17,24,25,NIO(h),LO:.

T/P E/L L/T W.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3417
28 August 1945

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

FILE

Subject: Jugoslav Training Ship "JADRAN".

1. It is reported that a vessel alleged to be the Jugoslav training ship JADRAN, stated to have been taken by the Italians during their occupation of Jugoslavia, is now in Venice in Italian service.

2. Information is requested whether the Ministry of Marine has any knowledge concerning the status of this vessel, and if so, whether the return of the vessel to Jugoslav control has been considered.

3. An early reply is requested.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN
REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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NAVY SUB-COMMISSION ALLIED COMMISSION

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3419
28 August 1945

FILE

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Jugoslav Naval Attache.

Subject: Handing Over the Jugoslav Navy Training Ship "JADRAN".

1. Your letter No. 34/45 of 14 August 1945 was referred to the Navy Sub-Commission, AC on 27 August 1945 for appropriate action. The matter is being investigated and you will be informed as to the action taken as soon as practicable.

GEO C. L. WARREN
REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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JUGOSLAV DELEGATION
TO THE ALVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY
Naval Attaché
56, Via Quintino Sella, Tel.No.42.482
R o m e

No.34/45

14 August 1945.

Subject: Handing over the Jugoslav Navy
Training-ship "Jadran".
To: The Flag Officer, Italy and Liaison, Rome.
From: Jugoslav Naval Attaché.

The G.H.Q. Jugoslav Army Navy Dept. having the authentic informations about the Jugoslav Navy training-ship "Jadran" taken by the Italians during their occupation of Jugoslavia, now at port Venezia still in Italian service, kindly requesting your assistance for her handing over to Jugoslav Navy.

Will you please to take in your earliest convenient time the necessary action, because as by recently information received the vessel is laying up, and Italians are stealing the ship inventory.

Stipanović

for the Jugoslav Delegation
to the Advisory Council for Italy,
Naval Attaché
(Stipanović Andrija,capt.)

FLAG OFFICER ITALY & LIAISON
DATE 27 AUG 1945
FILE M220/46

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DATE: 27th August, 1945
FROM: FLAG OFFICER ITALY & LIAISON.
TO : NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, [illegible]C.
FORWARDED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

[illegible] ADMIRAL.

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(W 4886/273/58)

MEMORANDUM CONCERNING THE USE AND DISPOSAL OF UNITED NATIONS VESSELS CAPTURED OR FOUND BY THEIR FORCES IN THE COURSE OF OPERATIONS FOR THE LIBERATION OF EUROPE

This Memorandum sets out the principles which shall determine the use and disposal of United Nations vessels captured or found by their Forces in the course of operations for the liberation of Europe.

PART I.

Immediate action to be taken as regards United Nations vessels captured or found in the area of operations.

1. The objectives to be attained are:-

(a) not to impede the Commander-in-Chief or operations in any way;
(b) to put the vessels into useful service as soon as possible, and
(c) to avoid all local disagreements between the various United Nations Forces which may be concerned in their recovery and also between ~~xxxxxx~~ organisations who may be found to be in local control of the vessels.

2. The Commander-in-Chief shall, accordingly, in the first instance be solely responsible for all clearance and emergency measures in the ports within the area of this control, and for immediate operational purposes shall have absolute discretion over all United Nations vessels captured by the forces under his command, whatever their nationality, or found within the area for which he is responsible. This discretion shall cover such matters as power to order the destruction of such vessels in accordance with military necessity, to order the loading or unloading of vessels, their movements and any other steps necessary to preserve them, to put them into use in his own name in so far as he may consider necessary for the immediate operations in progress.

3. The Commander-in-Chief for these purposes will use any powers of military requisition which may be necessary, and neither he nor his Government, nor the forces operating under his command will be held responsible in any way for any action or the results of any action taken by him or on his authority aparat from any question of ultimate liability for payments for the use or for the loss of vessels taken up for his service.

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4. Any vessel not immediately required by the Commander-in-Chief un the operational area shall be ordered away so that it can be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of Part II of this Memorandum.

5. The Commander-in-Chief will not enter into any general Agreement even of a temporary character dealing with the chartering of groups of United Nations vessels with any Authorities he may find in liberated or captured territories. Any such matters will be dealt with by the Shipping Authorities of the United Nations. The question as to the time at which it may be appropriate to transfer the primary responsability for dealing with such vessels from the Commander-in-Chief to the Shipping Authorities of the United Nations will be dealt with accordance to the course of the operations.

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PART II.

Arrangements to be made for the disposal of United Nations Vessels captured or found in the area of operations.

1. (a) The general principle is recognised that the Government of each United Nation shall subject to the provisions of Part I of this Memorandum ultimately be entitled to take over and dispose of, as it thins fit, vessels belonging to that state. Ve sels will be treated as belonging to a state;

(i)if they were at the time when they fell into the hands of the enemy registered in the territory of that State;

(ii) if at the time when they fell into the hands of the enemy they had the right to fly the flag of that State whether or not formally registred in its territory;

(iii) if they were built for or acquired by or by any national of that State and registered in its territory (if liable to registration) after the occupation of its territory by Germany or her Allies.

(b) This general principle will apply irrespective of the place of capture or of the consitution or nationality of the United Nations force effecting the actual capture and of the flag which the vessel may be flying at the time when captured or found. Thus, iff in a Norwegian harbour there were captured a formerly British vessel, a formerly Norwegian vessel and a formerly Netherlands vessel, then, subject to the provisions of Part I of this Memoradum, the first would ultimately be handed over to the United Kingdom Government, the second to yhe Norwegiam Government and the third to the Netherlands Government, even though the forces actually capturing them were not British, Norwegian or Netherlands, but belonging to some other United Nations nationality.

2. The following additional priniciples are recognised and accepted in respect of any United Nations vessels captured or found in the area of operations: -

(a) The vessels concerned will be handed back to the Government of the United Nation concerned and not to individual nationals of the United Nations who were the original Owners. It will be for the Government of the United Nation concerned to make the neccasary arrangements with its own nationals as regards the ultimate ownership of any such vessels.

(b) The Government of each United Nation will, in respect of any vessel handed over to it under the terms of this Memorandum:

(i) make the vessel available for the common purposes of the United Nations in accordance with the arrangements then existing;

(ii) accept responsibility for all liabilities in respect of the vessel and

(iii) indemnify the other United Nations Governments concerned agains any claims made against them or any one more of them arising out of the handing over of the vessel.

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(c) Some United Nations vessels have been placed by the enem in a Prize Court. If such vessel are captured of found, some form of prize proceedings will be required to divest the enemy of their title and to revest it in the Governments of the United Nation concerne The necassary proceedings will be brought in the Prize Court of the State to which the ship is to be ultimately returned, or, failing that, in a Prize Court of the State of which the Commander-in-Chief as a national, but action in the latter Prize Court would be without predjudice to the operation of the general principle as to return sta-

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ted in sub-paragraph 1 of Part II above. Except in these Prize Court proceedings will only be taken if in any particular instance immediate action is necessary to bring a vessel into service.

(d) There may be cases in which it is subsequently proved that the true owner of a particular vessel is a State or National of a State other than that in which the vessel is registered, or that parties who are not nationals of the State of registration hold equities in the vessel or the right to possession thereof. In such cases, it is understood that Allied Governments to whom a vessel has been transfered in accordance with Article 1 of Part II of this Memorandum have by such transfer acquired custody only and will release the vessel or make such other arrangements as may be necessary in the circumstances.

(e) In the case of vessels in respect of which total losses have been paid by underwriters, the return to a Government under the arrangements agreed in this Memorandum will be subject to the safeguarding of any rights which underwriters may have. Thus, when the owner of a vessel whether a United Nations Government or a National of a United Nations Government, has been indemnified by the underwriters, the turning over of a vessel to that Government, without taking into account such indemnification, would be in the nature of a gift and in such circumstances appropriate equitable adjustments will be made between the Government concerned.

## PART III

## Definitions

1. Throughout this Memorandum the term "territory" is used to include Clonies, protectorates and overseas territories or territories under suzerainty or mandate.

2. Throughout this Memorandum the term "vessels" is used in the widest sense to include all categories of merchant vessels, e.g. ocean going, coastal and inland craft, but some latitude may be necessary in the application of all its principles to inland craft.

3. Further, the term " vessels" includ s merchant vessels which, though operating as naval auxiliaries when captured or found were not so operating at the time when they fell into the hands of the enemy. Vessels which at the time when they fell into enemy hands were operating as naval auxiliaries are not covered by the proposals set out in this Memorandum.

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4. If for any operation or series of operations there is a Supreme Commender-in-Chief, then he is the purpose of this Memorandum the Commander-in-Chief. If, however, the Naval Command is separate from the Land Command, then for the purpose of this Memorandum the Naval Commander-in-Chief is the Commander-in-Chief as regards ocean going and coastal vessels and that Land Commander-in-Chief as regards all other vessels.

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FOREIGN OFFICE

S.W.1.

26th. June, 1945

Yours Excellency,

I have the honour to enclose a Memorandum relating to the Use and Disposal of United Nations Vessels Captured or Found in the course of operations for the Liberation of Europe. A copy of this document has been sent to the other Allied Governments concerned.

2. His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom would welcome an assurance from the Yugoslav Government that they will be willing to apply the principle of this Memorandum not only to British vessels but to vessels of all United Nations on a reciprocal basis, and that, with this end in view, they will enter into similar agreement with all other United Nations willing to do so and will further take such steps as may be necessery to ensure that claims in the nature of Prize salvage will not be advanced in the Yugoslav Courts against British vessels recovered in the course of the operations covered by the Memorandum or against other vessels so recovered being vessels of other United Nations entering into similar arrangements. I take this opportunity of drawing Your Excellency's attention to the Prize Salvage Act, 1944 of which a copy is enclosed, whereby His Majesty's Government took power to control and prevent prize salvage claims.

3. If the Yugoslav Government approve the application of the principles of the Memorandum as suggested in the application of the principles of the Memorandum as suggested in the previous paragraph, I have the honour to suggest that this approval should be embodied in an exchange of notes constituting an agreement between our two Governments.

I have the honour to be, with the highest consideration.

Your Excellency's obidieant Servant
(For Mr. Winston Churchill)

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His Excellency
Dr. Ljubo Leontic,
etc.,etc.,etc.,
195,Queen's Gate
S.W.7.

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(Established—May, 1939)
(Revised—June, 1943)

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NOIC TRIESTE

U/C IMPORTANT

Your 12 1119. Dredger ARBE towed from Grado to Trieste 8th May handed over to Jugoslavs 8th June and towed to Piran.

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Ref..Information requested re Arbe.

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S. 1320d.

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NOIC TRIESTE

U/C IMPORTANT.

Early information is requested of disposal of Yugoslav dredger No 2 ARBE alleged to have been towed by British tug from GRADO to Trieste 8th June.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
and for Info. to : Ministry of Foreign Affairs - A.P. IV
Ministry of Public Works.

(1) further to letter 2576/UT dated 18/7/46

Date: 9th October 1946
Ref.: 3367/UT

Subject: Dredger No.2 ARBE

Reference is made to your letter NSC/5270 dated 12th July 1946, in which it was stated that the dredger in question was, at the time, inactive at Grado.

The information in possession of the Ministry of Public Works, as mentioned in our letter 2609/UT dated 18th July 1946, is contrary to the communication of the Navy Sub Commission.

In fact, during May 1946 the dredger ARBE, which was then in the possession of the Ministry of Public Works, was towed from Grado to Trieste, by order and on behalf of the A.M.G.

On 8th June 1946, the dredger was towed from Grado to Trieste by a British tug of the Mediterranean Fleet.

According to what was then said to the representative of the Ministry of Public Works at Trieste, the purpose of the transfer was to return the dredger to the Jugoslav Authorities.

After this date, no further news was received of the dredger. There is therefore reason to believe that it is no longer either in zone A, or anywhere else in Italy.

In view of the above, it is therefore impossible for the Ministry of Marine to return the dredger to the Jugoslav Authorities, should the return not already have taken place on behalf of the British Authorities, as the letter to which reference is made would lead one to suppose.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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Roma, 9 OTT. 1946

Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

Ufficio Trattati

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N. 3367/U.T. Allegati

COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Navale

e per conoscenza:

(1) MINISTERO AFFARI ESTERI - A.P.IV

(1) MINISTERO DEI LAVORI PUBBLICI

(1) a seguito del foglio 2576/UT del 18-7-1946.

ARGOMENTO: Drage N.2 ARBE.

Si fa riferimento al foglio NSC/5270 del 12 luglio c.s. nel quale era detto che la drage in argomento era in quel momento inoperosa a Grado.

Le notizie raccolte presso il Ministero dei Lavori Pubblici, come da foglio 2609/UT del 18 luglio u.s., sarebbero in contrasto con la comunicazione di codesta N.S.C.-

Infatti nel maggio 1946 la drage ARBE, che era allora in consegna al Ministero dei Lavori Pubblici, fu, per ordine e a cura dell'A.M.G., rimorchiata da Grado a Trieste.

Il giorno 8 giugno 1946, a mezzo di un rimorchiatore inglese, dipendente dal Comando in Capo del Mediterraneo, la drage fu portata da Trieste a Pirano.

Secondo quanto fu detto allora al rappresentante del Ministero dei Lavori Pubblici a Trieste, lo scopo del trasferimento era di consegnare la drage alle Autorità jugoslave.

Da tale data non si è più avuta alcuna notizia della drage. Si ha quindi ragione di ritenere che essa non sia nè nella zona A nè in alcun altro punto d'Italia.

Per quanto sopra questo Ministero è nella materiale impossibilità di restituire la drage alle autorità jugoslave, qualora

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Allegato (1) a seguito del foglio 2576/UT del 1-7-1946.

ARGOMENTO: Draga N.2 ARBE.

Si fa riferimento al foglio NSC/5270 del 12 luglio c.a. nel quale era detto che la draga in argomento era in qual momento inoperosa a Grado.

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Per quanto sopra questo Ministero è nella materiale impossibilità di restituire la draga alle autorità jugoslave, qualora tale restituzione non sia già avvenuta per cura delle autorità britanniche, come il foglio cui si fa riferimento farebbe supporre.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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WRECK - MINELAYER "ARNE" EX "MALINSKA".
(Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station's Minute III
No.Med.46/218/3/5, dated 16th August, 1946).

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IV.

No.F.C.L.I.975/74.

NAVY SUB COMMISSION,
ALLIED COMMISSION.

Forwarded for appropriate action in accordance with Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station's Minute III No.Med.46/218/3/5, dated 16th August, 1946.

ROME,
2nd September, 1946.

for REAR ADMIRAL.

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WRECK - MINELAYER "ARBE" EX "MALINSKA".

(Ministry of Marine's letter, No. 9973/OA, dated 5th July, 1946.)

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III

Med.46/218/3/5.
FLAG OFFICER LIAISON, ITALY.
(Minute II, No. F.O.L.I. 975/74, dated 25th July, 1946.)

Disposal of this vessel should be referred to the Navy Sub. Commission to be taken up with the JUGO-SLAV representative on Allied Commission, for his decision in accordance with the policy contained in Admiralty Letter, No. S.213/46, dated 12th March, 1946, a copy of which is attached for your information.

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2. Admiralty have no objection to the contents of this message being passed to the JUGO-SLAVS and G.5 Allied Force Headquarters were so informed in the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's letter, No. Med.46/1352/25/1, dated 30th April, 1946, but it is not known whether the information was in fact passed on.

for A D M I R A L.

MEDITERRANEAN.
16th August, 1946.

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
Date 29 AUG. 1946
No C/1734/975/74
ROME

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COPY.

WRECK - MINELAYER "ARBE" EX"MALINSKA".
(Ministry of Marine's letter No.2973/OA, dated 5th July, 1946).

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II.

No.F.C.E.I.975/74.

THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF,
MEDITERRANEAN STATION.

Forwarded.

2. Information has been received that the vessel in question was salvaged some considerable time ago by the Compagnia Marittima. As the Compagnia Marittima waived their claim for salvage, the Ministry of Marine handed over the vessel to the Salvors for an indefinite period and are understood to have gone to considerable expense in carrying out necessary repairs.

3. The Ministry of Marine have been requested to report on the information received.

ROME,
25th July, 1946.

(Sgd). G.L. WARREN.
REAR ADMIRAL.

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COPY.

From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Maristat)

To : F.O.L.I.

Date: 5.7.46

No : 3973/CA

Subject: Wreck - Minelayer ARBE ex KALINSKA.

In order that the appropriate decisions may be made, you are informed that the wreck of a vessel has been found at a point in the port of Genoa, from enquiries made on the spot this would appear to be the minelayer ARBE, ex KALINSKA, of Jugoslav nationality.

The wreck is in a bad state of preservation.

for THE CHIEF OF NAVAL STAFF

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COPY.

Stato Maggiore della R. Marina.

Roma 5 Luglio 1946.

Rep. Operazioni
Uff. Naviglio

Al F.C.L.I.

No.2973/CA.

Argomento: Relitto - Posamine Arbe ex Malinska.

Per le decisioni in merito si informa che in una zona del porto di Genova e' stato rintracciato il relitto di un natante che da accertamenti fatti sul posto risulterebbe trattarsi del posamine Arbe ex Malinska di nazionalita' Jugoslava.

Il relitto e' in cattive condizioni di conservazione.

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE.

(Sgd).....

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 18th July 1946
Ref.: 2609/UT

Subject: Minesweeper No.2 - "ARBE"

With reference to your letter NSC/5270 of 12th instant.

You are informed that the request of the Navy Sub Commission has been passed today by this Ministry to the Ministry of Public Works which is concerned with harbour works and equipment relating thereto.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

GGE/P.
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MINISTERO DELLA MARINA

GABINETTO
Ufficio Trattati

Indirizzo telegrafico: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N. 2609/4T Allegati .....

Roma, 18 LUG 1946

Al COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Navale -

ARGOMENTO: Draga No 2 "ARBE".

Con riferimento al foglio NSC/5270 del 12 corrente, si informa che in data odierna questo Ministero ha passato, per competenza, la richiesta di codesta S.Commissione Navale al Ministero dei Lavori Pubblici che si interessa dei lavori portuali e dei relativi mezzi.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 25020

NSC/5272
12 July 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Dreger # 2 - restitution of.

Reference: (a) Your ltr. 225/46 of 16th February 1946.

1. Further to reference (a), instructions have now been received for the release, to the Jugoslav authorities, of the subject ship.

2. The Italian Ministry of Marine is being informed accordingly.

H. W. RIBOLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR COMMODORE, USN,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.
ACTING.

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NSC/5270
12 July 1946.

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

Subject: Dredger No. 2 - "ARNE".

1. Information has been received whereby you are directed to turn over to the proper Jugoslavian authorities the subject ship now lying idle at Crado.

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR COMMODORE, USN,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.
ACTING.

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station.
28th June, 1946.

Med.46/1376/4/1.
NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION.

RETURN OF YUGOSLAV MERCHANT SHIPS.

With reference to your letter No. NSC/5016 dated 13th May, 1946, the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean has no objection to these two ships being returned to the Yugoslav Authorities, under the conditions laid down in Part II of the "Memorandum for Captured and Liberated Vessels".

2. It is requested that you will inform the Italian and Yugoslav Governments and issue appropriate instructions for the transfer.

for ADMIRAL

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NSC/5016
13 May 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.

Subject: Yugoslav Merchant Ships - Return of.

Enclosure: (A) British Ministry of Transport ltr. GAB/399/46/ R.171 of 9 May 1946.

1. Enclosure (A) requests Headquarters Allied Commission, Navy Sub-Commission to return two ships to the Yugoslav authorities.

2. Comments and instructions are respectfully requested from the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.

(SGD) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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# BRITISH MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT

A.P.O. S. 551 C.M.F.

Telegrams: Shipminder, Rome.
Tel. 843041 Ext. 37

9th May, 1946.

Ref: GAB/399/46/R.17j.

To HQ Allied Commission, Navy Sub Commission.
From British Ministry of Transport Representative (Italian Area)
Subject: Yugoslav Merchant Ships

Information has been received that:-

(a) Former Yugo-Slav "UCKA" (142 g.r.t.) seized by the Italians and re-named "MONTE MAGGIORE": subsequently seized by the Germans and sunk in Civitavecchia, was raised in February 1945 by the Italian Naval Salvage Officers. The vessel was inspected by the Yugoslav Mission on 30th March, 1945.

(b) Dredger No.2 built Vienna 1902, named "ARBE", at present lying idle at Grado.

2. Instructions have now been received from the Ministry of Transport, London, that the two vessels mentioned above should be returned to the Yugoslavs under the Liberated Ships Agreement.

3. I am further instructed to ask for the necessary arrangements to be made for their release, and for the Yugoslavs to be given facilities to take over the vessels.

4. It would be appreciated if you would kindly inform the Yugoslav and Italian Authorities.

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G.A.BELL
Ministry of Transport Representative (Italian Area)

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NSC/5134
7 June 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Trawler "Br.2" (ARHE).

References: (a) Your ltr. Br. 789/46 of 5 June 1946.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/4954 of 27 April 1946.
(c) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/4874 of 9 April 1946.

1. Receipt of reference (a) is acknowledged.

2. Questions raised in reference (a) on subject ship, are fully covered in references (b) and (c).

(Sgd) G. L. WATKINS

REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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JUGOSLAV DELEGATION
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br. 789/46

5 June 1946

SUBJECT : Trawlers "Br.2"(ARBE);Br.4"(JUNO);Tugboat "BOJANA"("ZARA")

TO : H.Q.A.C.
Navy Sub Commission

With reference to our letters: Br.227/46 of 16 February 194 and Br.442/46 of 8 April 1946 ( ARBE,Br.2);Br.228/46 of 16 Feb.46 and Br.443/46 of 9 April 1946 (JUNO,Br.4); Br.444/46 of 9 April 1946 (BOJANA), we have the honour to repeat our requests for a solicite restitution,all necessary repeirs included,of the a/n vessels by the Italian Government.

Dr Sloven J. Smodlaka

Dr.SLOVEN J. SMODLAKA,
Acting Representative of Jugoslavia
Advisory Council for Italy

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NSC/4954
27 April 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Jugoslav Delegate to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Dredger "ARBE", payment for, costs of repair of.

Reference: (a) Jugoslav Delegation letter Br. 442/46 of 8 April 1946.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/4874 of 9 April 1946.

1. It is considered that the question of the cost of the repair of the subject vessel, raised in reference (a), is fully covered by reference (b).

For G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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JUGOSLAVENSKA DELEGACIJA
U SAVETODAVNOM VEĆU ZA ITALIJU
Br.442/46

8 April 1946

SUBJECT: Dredger "ARBE" = Restitution

TO: H.Q.A.C.
Navy Sub Commission

1. Dredger "ARBE", property of the Jugoslav Government, taken away by Italian Occupant Authorities, is actually in use at GRADO in service of the "Servizio Escavazioni Porti Marittimi sezione autonoma di Venezia" (Ministero dei Lavori Publici).

2. We have been informed that the Royal Navy has already authorized its restitution to Jugoslavia, whereas the Servizio Escavazioni Porti Marittimi, Sezione Autonoma di Venezia has asked instruction from the Ministero dei Lavori Publici (Prot. N° 522 of 25 March 1946).

3. The condition under which the Jugoslav Government would take over the dredger includes its being repaired and tuged up to the Jugoslav port Susak on expenses of the Italian Government.

DR. SLOVEN J. SMODLAKA,
Deputy Representative of Jugoslavia
Advisory Council for Italy

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NSC/4874
9 April 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Salvage of Jugoslav Ships Sunk in Italian Waters.

Reference: (a) Jugoslav Delegation letter Fr.1554 of 13 November 1945.

1. It is considered that claims for the costs of salvage of liberated ships sunk in Italian waters are justifiable in point of form under the Armistice terms. However, since the conclusion of the Armistice a distinction has been drawn between current occupation expenses, which can properly be charged to the Italian Government, and restitution, which is considered to be a matter for settlement by the Peace Treaty. The cost of salvage of liberated ships fall into the category of restitution.

2. It is the responsibility of the Jugoslav Government to make all necessary arrangements for salvage. In order to facilitate the salvage of Jugoslav ships, therefore, it is advised that a Lire account be obtained from the Italian Government. It must be emphasized that the final disposal of this account is not considered to come under the terms of the Armistice, but is a matter left to be determined by the Peace Treaty.

(Sgd) G. I. WARREN
REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A. C.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 27th January 1947

Marina 6821. With reference to signals 201025A January and 231030A January, you are informed that the Bari maritime authorities have been approached regarding clarifications on M.B.38 and M.C.22.

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Further correspondence in IRN-11(6)/N/ folder in NSS files.

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Marina..... Riferimento fonogrammi 2010254 gennaio et 231030 A gennaio informasi interessato Autorità marittime Bari per schiarimenti merito M.B.38 et N.C.22 alt

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NAVAL MESSAGE

TO MINISTRY OF MARINE. FROM NSC ROME.

UNCLASSIFIED.

REFERENCE NSC SIGNAL 201025A OF JANUARY 1947. AUTHORIZATION IS GRANTED TO RETURN M.B. 38 AND M. 22 TO JUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES. PLEASE INFORM THE NSC WHEN THE RETURN HAS BEEN EFFECTED.

....23 1030A/JAN....

REF: LOCATIONS OF CRAFT.
DIST: 0-5, 10, 15, 16, 21, LOC. 2 H/M MINISTRY OF MARINE.

H/M R/L All 23rd DGS 23/1.

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JUGOSLAV DELEGATION TO ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

FROM.....N.S.C. ROME.

Unclassified.

Reference your letter ER 72/47 of 14th January.
Authorisation has been granted to return MF 38 and M22 to Jugoslav authorities. It is requested that the NSC be informed when the return has been effected.

.....23 10254/JAN.....

Dist: O-5 10 15 16 21 Leg.
2 H/M Jugoslav Delegation.

H/M P/L TOD A.M. 2328: IF 25/1/47

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NAVAL MESSAGE

TO:

FROM:

TO NSC ROME.

FROM CINC MED.

IMPORTANT UNCLASSIFIED.

Your 2116/QA/JAN approved.

.....22 1156A/Jan.....

REF: Approval for MB 38 and M22 to be returned Jugoslav Government.
DIST: 0-5, 10, 15, 16, 21, Log.

CSW P/L HM 22nd DGS 23/1. 4970

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NAVAL MESSAGE

TO CINC MED STATION.

FROM NSC.

IMPORTANT UNCLASSIFIED.

Your approval is requested for motor boat NO. 38 and boat No. M22 of confirmed former Jugoslav ownership, now located at Pari, to be returned to the Jugoslav Government. This matter is urgent owing to the imminent arrival of a Jugoslav tugboat in Pari to tow a vessel already approved by C in C for return, and the Jugoslav Delegation desire that the opportunity be taken to return all three boats to Jugoslavia at the same time.

....21 1640M/Jan....

DIST: 0-5, 10, 15, 16, 21, Log.

C&S P/L PM 21st DGS 22/1. 4969

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NAVAL MESSAGE

MINISTRY OF MARINE FROM..NSC.

Unclassified.

Reference your 3777/UT of 30th: Nov: 1946.
Motor boat 38 listed as at SPALATO and Motor boat MO22 at Scutari. Request these locations be confirmed as NSC has been informed both craft at Bari.

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Dist: O-5 10 15 16 21 Log.
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H/M P/L TOD A.M. 20th: RF 20/1/47.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet).
To : N.S.C. - H.Q., A.C.
Date: 22nd January, 1947.
Ref.: 274/UT.

Subject: Jugoslav Motor Boat 32.

Further to our letter No.88/UT, dated 14th January, 1947.

The Ministry of Marine has acted upon your verbal information that the motor boat 32, to which the N.S.C. had been alluding, is the one mentioned in the N.S.C.'s letter No.NSC/5128, dated 7th June, 1946.

As communicated in the enclosure of letter No.3777/UT, dated 30th November, 1946, the craft is at Bari.

The General Command of the Finance Guard from which the boat depends, has been informed today that the necessary instructions should be given for its handing over to the representative of the "Jugoslav delegation on the consultative Council for Italy" or to a person appointed by him.

By Direction

CHIEF OF CABINET

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*Ministero della Marina*

GABINETTO

Ufficio Trattati

Roma 22 gennaio 1947

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO/MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 274/U.T. Allegati

*Alla* COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Navale

ARGOMENTO: Motor boat jugoslavo 32.

Si fa seguito al dispaccio di questo Ministero n°88/UT del 14 gennaio 1947.

Questo Ministero prende atto delle comunicazioni date verbalmente che il motor boat 32, cui codesta Commissione alludeva, è quello di cui al foglio di codesta Commissione NSC/5128 del 7 giugno 1946.

Come comunicato con l'allegato al dispaccio n°3777/UT del 30 novembre 1946, l'unità trovasi a Bari.

In data odierna è stato interessato il Comando Generale della Guardia di Finanza, da cui dipende l'unità predetta, perchè dia le opportune disposizioni per la sua consegna al rappresentante della "Delegazione jugoslava presso il Consiglio consultivo per l'Italia" o a persona da lui delegata.

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IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G.MARINI

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
NAVY SUB-COMMISSION APO 794

NSC/
20 January 1947

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

Subject: Motor Boat 32 and Ninfa.

Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine ltr. 88/UT of 14 January 1947.
(b) Ministry of Marine ltr. 3918/UT of 15 December 1946.

1. In the correspondence dealing with the return of the Subject craft the Navy Sub-Commission had occasion to ask the Ministry of Marine for specific information about one of them, the NINFA. There was no reason to request information concerning the Motor Boat 32 because the Ministry of Marine furnished all that was necessary without being presented with repeated requests. It is difficult to understand why confusion should arise simply because directions were issued, in the same letter, to return the subject craft to the Jugoslav Government.

2. In reply to the specific points raised in reference (a) the Navy Sub-Commission invites the attention of the Ministry of Marine to reference (b) by which the Motor Boat 32 is listed. It can be observed that in view of reference (b) the Ministry of Marine is hardly justified in the view that it is unable to proceed with the return of the subject Motor Boat until the Navy Sub-Commission furnishes additional details.

3. This matter is urgent. It is therefore requested that immediate action be taken without any further unnecessary delay.

REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 14th January 1947
Ref.: 88/UT

Subject: M.L.32 and auxiliary sailing vessel "NINFA"

Reference is made :

a) - to the Navy Sub Commission's letters NSC/5551 dated 20th October 1946 and NSC/5688 dated 23rd November 1946;

b) - to the Navy Sub Commission's letters NSC/5719 dated 30th November 1946 and NSC/5756 dated 10th December 1946;

c) - to the Ministry of Marine's letter 3918/UT, dated 15th December 1946;

d) - to the Navy Sub Commission's letter NSC/5826 dated 3rd January 1947.

1. In the letters to which reference is made under (a), the Navy Sub Commission concerned itself solely with the aux. S/V."NINFA".

2. In the letters to which reference is made under (b), the Navy Sub Commission, in dealing with the question of the "NINFA", added the M.L.32 to the subject.

3. In the letter to which reference is made under (c), the Ministry of Marine, noticing the above addition, requested the Navy Sub Commission to supply more detailed information about the motor launch.

4. In the letter to which reference is made under (d), the Navy Sub Commission, without providing the information requested by the Ministry of Marine, insisted that provision should be made for the handing over to the Jugoslav Authorities of M.L.32.

5. The Ministry of Marine has no idea what motor launch is being discussed, and therefore, without the requested details, it is not in a position to proceed with the return of the craft.

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By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Div. N° 88/UT Allegati

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Navale

ARGOMENTO: Motoscafo 32 e motoveliero NINFA.

Si fa riferimento:

a) ai fogli della Commissione Alleata NSC/5551 del 20 ottobre 1946 e NSC/5688 del 23 novembre 1946;
b) ai fogli della Commissione Alleata NSC/5719 del 30 novembre 1946 e NSC/5756 del 10 dicembre 1946;
c) al dispaccio di questo Ministero 3918/UT del 15 dicembre 1946;
d) al foglio della Commissione Alleata NSC/5826 del 3 gennaio 1947.

1° - Con i fogli di cui al riferimento a), codesta Commissione Alleata si è unicamente interessata del motoveliero NINFA.

2° - Con i fogli di cui al riferimento b), codesta Commissione Alleata, nel trattare sempre la questione del motoveliero NINFA, ha aggiunto nell'argomento il motoscafo 32.

3° - Con il dispaccio di cui al riferimento c), questo Ministero, rilevata la predetta aggiunta, pregava codesta C.A. di fornire precisazioni nei riguardi del motoscafo.

4° - Con il foglio di cui al riferimento d), codesta Commissione Alleata, senza fornire le precisazioni richieste da questo Ministero, insiste che si provveda alla consegna alle Autorità jugoslave del motoscafo 32.

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5° - Questo Ministero non ha alcuna idea di quale motoscafo si tratti ed è pertanto evidente che, senza avere le precisazioni richieste, non gli è in alcun modo possibile procedere, ove del caso, alla consegna dell'unità.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G.MARINI

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DELEGATION OF THE FEDERAL PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF JUGOSLAVIA
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Tel.877.245

Br. 72/47

14 January 1947

SUBJECT : Jugoslav Custom Patrol Boats M.B.32,M.B.38,M.22, restitution of.

TO : Navy Sub Commission, H.Q.A.C.

REFERENCE : NSC/5718 of 30 Nov.1946.

With reference to your a/m letter the Asst.Merchant Navy Attaché of our Delegation Mr.Frane Valentic went to Bari on Jan.8, 1947,in order to see the conditions of the Motor Launch M.B.32. Accompanied by the Commanding Officer of the "Comando Naviglio Guardia Finanza Bari" Mr.Valentic went to the "Porto Vecchio" of Bari where he was shown M.B.32,which is due to be restituted. Near her Mr.Valentic saw the other Jugoslav Custom Boat M.B.38 (a sister ship of M.B.32)which at an earlier date was identified by our officials and whose restitution was requested at the same time with M.B.32,though it was denied.There was a sailor aboard M.B.32 who told that on M.B.32 the motors have been fixed up a few days ago,whereas the accumulators were still missing,but expected to be fixed in some days.As for M.B.38,her motors had been dismounted too,but due to be returned in a few days.Otherwise both ships needed to be cleaned and painted.

The Officer Commanding "Comando Naviglio Guardia di Finanza di Bari" informed Mr.Valentic at the same occasion that there was in Bari a third Jugoslav motor boat,M.22.He showed it to Mr.Valentic and told him that there was no impediment to the immediate restitution of all the three vessels to Jugoslavia,M.B.32,M.B.38,M.22.

M.22.is a boat constructed in wood,8 meters long,partly covered.

Our Merchant Marine Attaché's Office has already informed the Jugoslav Maritime authorities to send to Bari a tug-boat in order to tug back in Jugoslavia all the three ships from Bari.

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As upto date only the restitution of M.B.32 has been authorized, whereas the identity and ownership of M.B.38 and M.22 has been confirmed both by our and the Italian officials,it is herewith requested that the restitution of M.B.38 and M.22 be authorized urgently,so that our tug when comming to Bari may take all the three vessels at the same time.

This matter is urgent because the Jugoslav tug-boat may arrive to Bari at any time.It is therefore requested that a confirmation may be given to us in the above mentioned sense with your earliest convenience.

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Dr Slovenj Smodlaka

DR.SLOVEN J.SMODLAKA,
Jugoslav Representative a.i.A.C.I.

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MSC/5826
3 January 1947

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

Subject: Motor Boat 32 and M.F.V. NINFA, return of.

References: (a) Ministry of Marine (Cabinet) ltr. 3918/UT of 15 December 1946.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. MSC/5688 of 23 November 1946.
(c) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. MSC/5756 of 10 December 1946.

1. The Navy Sub-Commission fails to see how reference (b) applies in this case.

2. It is requested that the Ministry of Marine will follow the instructions concerning the return of both craft contained in reference (c).

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H. W. ZINGLI,
COMMANDER, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 15th December 1946
Ref.: 3918/UT

Subject: Auxiliary S/V. "NINFA"

In the "subject" of your letter NSC/5756, dated 10th December, mention is made of motor boat 32, besides the auxiliary sailing vessel "NINFA".

The Ministry of Marine requests further clarification regarding this motor boat, as the previous letters on the subject, including the one NSC/5688, dated 23rd November, refer only to the auxiliary S/V. "NINFA".

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 3918/U.T. Allegati

Roma, 15 DIC. 1948/194

Mr

Al COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Nav.-

ARGOMENTO: Motoveliero NINFA.

Nell' "argomento" del foglio di codesta Sottocommissione Navale NSC/5756 del 10 dicembre, si fa cenno, oltre che al motoveliero NINFA, anche al Motor boat 32.

Questo Ministero prega volere fornire precisazioni in merito a questo Motor boat dato che le precedenti lettere in proposito, sino a quella NSC/5688 del 23 novembre, si riferivano soltanto al motoveliero NINFA.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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NSC/5756
10 December 1946

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

Subject: Motor Boat 32, and M.F.V. NINFA.

Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5719 of 30 November 1946.
(b) Ministry of Marine ltr. 3755/UT of 1 December 1946.

1. The appropriate Jugoslav authorities referred to in reference (a) will be the representatives of the Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

2. When the representatives of the Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy approach the Ministry with the view to arranging for the return of the subject craft, it is requested that the restitution will be accomplished as speedily as practicable.

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : A.C. - N.S.C.
Date: 5th December 1946
Pef.: 3808/UT

Subject: Motorboat No.32 M.F.V. "NINFA" (ex VILA)

Answer is made to the Navy Sub Commission's letter NSC/5719, dated 30th November 1946, which crossed our letter No.3755/UT, dated 1st December.

We await information on whether the Jugoslav Authorities have recognised with certainty that the "NINFA" is Jugoslav, which the three Jugoslav subjects who presented themselves to the Venice Maritime Authorities on 31st October 1945 were not able to prove.

In the affirmative case, you are requested to communicate which are the "Appropriate Jugoslav Authorities" to which the vessel should be handed over.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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*Roma* 5 DIC 1948

*Alla* COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Navale

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA – ROMA

*Prot. N°* 3808/UT *Allegati*

ARGOMENTO: Motoscafo N°32 M.F.V. NINFA (ex VILA).

Si risponde al foglio di codesta Commissione Alleata N° NSC/5719 in data 30 novembre u.s.- incrociatosi con il dispaccio dello scrivente N° 3755/UT del 1° dicembre.

Si resta in attesa di conoscere se le Autorità jugoslave hanno riconosciuto con certezza che il NINFA è jugoslavo, cosa che non sono stati capaci di provare i tre sudditi jugoslavi presentatisi alle Autorità marittime di Venezia il 31 ottobre 1945.

In caso affermativo si prega comunicare quali sono le "# appropriate Jugoslav authorities" cui la consegna andrebbe effettuata.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G.MARINI

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From: Ministry of Marine (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. A.C.
Date: 1st December 1946
Ref.: 3755/UT

Subject: Auxiliary Sailing vessel "NINFA" (ex Vila)

Answer is made to your letter NSC/5688 dated 23rd November 1946.

1. As communicated in letter 3474/UT, dated 10th November 1946, it has not been possible to ascertain the nationality of the Aux. S/V "NINFA".

Three Jugoslav subjects presented themselves to the Italian maritime Authorities at Venice on 31st October 1945, and claimed that the vessel was Jugoslav and their own property. They were not, however, able to prove their assertion, and although they declared that they could produce documentary evidence confirming their claim, they did not appear again, although over a year has since passed.

On the other hand, the Jugoslav authorities had not, up to the 20th October 1946, asked for the return of the vessel because of its Jugoslav nationality, either directly or through the A.C.

2. In order to prove the authenticity of the document, which, according to the Jugoslav authorities, had been given to Messrs. Bellesco and Franich by Lieut. Roberto TRINGO, it is necessary that the A.C. should forward the original document in order to have it recognised by the above officer, who is at present demobilised.

3. Should the Jugoslav Authorities be able to recognise with certainty that the "NINFA" is Jugoslav, the Ministry of Marine will immediately give instructions for its handing over.

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Ufficio Trattati

Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

- Sottocommissione Navale -

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 3755/UT Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Motoveliero NINFA (ex Vila).

Si risponde al foglio N30/5688 del 23 novembre 1946.

1) - Come comunicato con il foglio 3474/UT del 10 novembre u.s. non è stato possibile accertare la nazionalità del motoveliero NINFA.

Sono stati tre sudditi jugoslavi, presentatisi alle Autorità marittime italiane di Venezia il 31 ottobre 1945, che hanno affermato che l'unità era jugoslava e di loro proprietà. Non sono stati però in condizioni di provare tale loro asserzione e benchè avessero dichiarato di poter esibire documenti in appoggio di quanto asserito, essi non si sono più presentati, benchè sia trascorso oltre un anno.

Non risulta d'altra parte che, prima del 20 ottobre 1946, le Autorità jugoslave, direttamente o tramite codesta C.A., abbiano chiesta la consegna dell'unità perchè jugoslava.

2) - Per poter accertare l'autenticità del documento che, secondo le Autorità jugoslave sarebbe stato rilasciato ai Signori Bellesco e Franich dal Tenente di Vascello Tiengo Roberto, è necessario che codesta Commissione invii il documento originale onde poterlo presentare per il riconoscimento all'Ufficiale predetto, attualmente in congedo.

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3) - Se le Autorità jugoslave sono in condizioni di riconoscere con certezza che il NIMFA è jugoslavo questo Ministero darà senz'altro ordine perchè esso sia immediatamente riconsegnato.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC No. 735020

NSC/5719
30 November 1946

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

Subject: Motor Boat 32 and M.F.V. Ninfa (ex Vila).

1. It is requested that you arrange for the return of the subject craft to the appropriate Jugoslav authorities.

2. It is further requested that you inform the Navy Sub-Commission when the transfer has been effected.

FOR THE BOARD,
COMMANDER, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. F 85020

NSC/5718
30 November 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Motor Boat 32 and M.F.V. Ninfa (ex Vila), restitution of.

1. The Motor Boat 32, located at Bari, and the M.F.V. Ninfa (ex Vila) located at Venice are now available for transfer to the appropriate Jugoslav authorities.

2. It is requested that the Navy Sub-Commission be informed by the Jugoslav Delegation when the transfer has been effected.

H. M. [illegible]
COMMODORE, U.S. NAVY,
FOR
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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NSC/5688
23 November 1946

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

Subject: M.F.V. NIHFA (ex VILA).

References: (a) Ministry of Marine ltr. 3474/UT of 10 November 1946.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5551 of 20 October 1946.

1. It is noted that reference (a) does not provide the specific information requested in reference (b).

2. It is requested therefore, that the Ministry of Marine give its immediate attention to this matter which has become urgent.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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NSC/5672
20 November 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: M.F.V. NIMFA (VII A) restitution of.

Reference: (a) Jugoslav Delegation ltr. Br 1647/46 of 15 November 1946.

1. The Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy will be provided with the information requested in reference (a) as soon as the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station has rendered a decision in the case of the subject vessel.

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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DELEGATION OF THE FEDERAL PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF JUGOSLAVIA
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY
Br. 1647/46

15 November 1946

SUBJECT : Motor Boat 32,
M.F.V."NINFA"("VILA"), restitution of.

TO : Navy Sub=Commission
H.Q.A.C.

With reference to our letter Br.1516/46 of 11 October 1946 it is requested that this Delegation may be informed at your earliest convenince about the place and the date of the handover of the a/m Jugoslav ships.

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DR. SLOVEN J. SMODLAKA,
Jugoslav Representative a.i.
Advisory Council for Italy.

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MOTOR BOAT 32 AND M.F.V. "NINFA".

(Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission's letter No. NSC/5540 dated 18th October, 1946).

II.

Med.46/1376/10/4.
NAVY SUB-COMMISSION,
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION.

Transfer of vessels to Jugo-Slav authorities approved.

2. It is requested that in future when requesting the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's approval to transfer property, Navy Sub-Commission will state their opinion as to whether the ownership of the property is established to their satisfaction, or to forward sufficient information upon which a decision can be based.

MEDITERRANEAN.
13th November, 1946.

for ADMIRAL

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 10th November 1946
Ref.: 3474/UT

Subject: Auxiliary sailing vessel NINFA (ex VILA)

Reference is made to your letter NSC/5551 dated 20th October 1946.

1. As a result of inquiries carried out at the Ministry of Mercantile Marine, it appears that the hull of an auxiliary sailing vessel named "NINFA", of unspecified nationality, was found abandoned in the port of Venice along the barge quay, immediately after the liberation.

The following are the details of the vessel :
length 15.30 m.;
breadth 4.20 m.;
depth 1.70 m.

The vessel was without its engine, which was later traced to be in the possession of the Mogno firm to which it had been taken for repairs by the German Authorities in February 1945. It was a Mann 60 H.P., 3 cylinder engine.

2. Following the salvage notices published by the Venice Harbour-master's Dept. (since a recovery of unknown origin was concerned), three Jugoslav subjects presented themselves to the Maritime Authorities of the city on 31st October 1945, and each declared that he was the owner of the vessel which, according to their statements, had been taken from them by the Germans at Spalato in September 1943.

The above three persons, in order to confirm their statements, promised to produce the documents proving their rights to the vessel, but they did not return.

The auxiliary sailing vessel is at present still in the Venice Dockyard and its engine is with the Mogno firm in the same city.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET 1946

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Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

Ufficio Trattati

IIa/COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

- Sottocommissione Navale -

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 3474/u.T. Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Motoveliero NINFA (ex VILA).

Si fa riferimento al foglio di codesta C.A. NSC/5551 del 20 ottobre 1946.

1) - Da ulteriori ricerche effettuate presso il Ministero della Marina Mercantile, è risultato che, nel porto di Venezia, subito dopo la liberazione della città, fu rinvenuto abbandonato lungo la banchina delle Zattere lo scafo di un motoveliero di nome "NINFA", ma di nazionalità non precisata.

Le caratteristiche dell'unità erano le seguenti:
- lunghezza m.15,30 - larghezza m.4,20 - altezza di puntale m. 1,70).

La nave era sprovvista di motore che fu rintracciato, in un secondo tempo, presso la Ditta Mogno alla quale era stato affidato per le necessarie riparazioni dalle Autorità tedesche nel febbraio 1945. Trattavasi di motore Mann da 60 HP. a 3 cilindri.

2) - In seguito agli avvisi di ricupero pubblicati dalla Capitaneria di porto di Venezia (trattandosi di rinvenimenti di ignota provenienza) il 31 ottobre 1945 si sono presentati alle Autorità marittime di quella città tre sudditi jugoslavi i quali si sono dichiarati proprietari della nave che, secondo quanto da loro asserito, era stata loro tolta dai tedeschi a Spalato nel settembre 1943.

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I tre predetti si riservarono, a conferma di quanto asserito, di esibire i documenti attestanti i loro diritti sulla nave, ma, non si sono più presentati.

Il motoveliero trovasi tuttora a Venezia, in Arsenale; il motore presso la Ditta Mogno della stessa città.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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NSC/5551
20 October 1946

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

Subject: M.V.F. "NINFA" (Ex VIIA).

Enclosure: (A) Copy of Jugoslavian ltr. Br. 627/46 dated 14 May 1946.

1. Confirmation is requested of the authenticity of the receipt headed "Comando Base Navale Venezia" which comprises the second paragraph of enclosure (A).

2. It is desired to know whether in fact the Yougoslavian claim to ownership of subject vessel is acknowledged by the Ministry of Marine.

G. F. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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NSC/5540
18 October 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Commander in Chief, Mediterranean.

Subject: Motor Boat 32.

Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. 5348 dated 6 August 1946.
(b) CinCMed ltr. Med. 46/1376/10/4 dated 30th August 1946.

Enclosure: (A) Copy of Jugoslav Representative ltr. Br. 1516/46 dated 11 October 1946.

1. By reference (a) the Navy Sub-Commission requested permission to return subject motor boat to Jugoslavian Authorities.

2. Reference (b) from the Commander in Chief Mediterranean requested additional information.

3. Enclosure (A) item (1) submits requested additional information to return to Jugoslavian authorities, subject boat.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

21 OCT 1946

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DELEGATION OF THE FEDERAL PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF JUGOSLAVIA
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br. 1516/46

11 October 1946

SUBJECT : Jugoslav Motor Boat 32, restitution from Italians.
Jugoslav M.F.V."NINFA".
TO : Navy Sub-Commission
H.Q.A.C.

REFERENCE: NSC letter No.5517 of 5 October 1946.
NSC letter NO.5567 of 15 August 1946.

It is considered as superfluous to furnish further particulars and details of previous ownership of Jugoslav vessels in Italian hands in cases where it is well known to the Italian authorities which ships are indisputable Jugoslav property.

We however have no objection to amplify and to point out again some points contained in our previous letters concerning the a/m ships:

1. Motor Boat 32 was constructed for the Jugoslav Government in 1940 in the dockyard "Jadransko brodogradiliste" in Split (Jugoslavia). The dimensions are: 15.40 x 3,47 x 2,57 meters. Gross tons 27,77. Netto 1,24. Engine Guldner, type 6 LSM, 120H.P.

2. As M.F.V."VILA" ("NINFA") is concerned, we cannot but send you an additional copy of our letter Br.627/46 of 14 May 1946, where the original text of an italian official certificate is reproduced confirming the ownership.

In view of all the foresaid it is requested again that measures for the restitution of the a/m ships should not be farther delayed.

Encl. 1

DR. SLOVEN J. SKODLAKA,
Representative of Jugoslavia a.i.
Advisory Council for Italy.

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Br. 627/46

14 May 1946

("VINFA")
SUBJECT : M/S "VILA" = Additional particulars.

TO : H.Q.A.C.
Navy Sub Commission

1. With reference to our letter Br.590/46 of 4 May 1946 about the same subject, we would like to quote, for additional information, the original text of an Italian Document confirming the location of the ship on 1 Nov.45 :

"COMANDO BASE NAVALE VENEZIA

Si dichiara che la barca "VINFA" di Tonn.40 di portata degli armatori BELLESCO Giovanni e FRASICH Antonio trovasi nell' Arsenale di Venezia.
La barca è stata riconosciuta dai sudetti Armatori.

Venezia 1 Novembre 1945.

IL TENENTE DI VASCELLO
(Roberto Tiengo) p.m. "

2. With reference to our previous request application is made herewith that the a/n ship be restituted by the Italian Authorities who are bound by the Armistice Terms to do so.

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CEDOMIL VELJACIC, Secretary
Jugoslav Delegation A.C.I.

Rd (A) see Navy letter.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 9th October 1946
Ref.: 3368/UT

Subject: Auxiliary sailing vessel "VILA"

Further to our letter 3321/UT of 4th inst., and with reference to your letter NSC/5500 dated 1st inst., we inform you that the Ancona Harbourmaster's Dept. was requested telegraphically for information on the sailing vessel in question, and answered by telegram that the S/V. "VILA", ex Jugoslav, is not entered in the Harbourmaster's lists, nor has she ever entered that port.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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ARGOMENTO Motoveliero "VILA". -

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA - Sottocommissione navale. -

A seguito del foglio 3321/UT del 4 corr. e con riferimento al foglio NSC/5500 del 1° corr. si comunica che, telegraficamente interessata in merito al motoveliero in argomento, la Capitaneria di Porto di Ancona ha risposto telegraficamente che il M/v VILA, ex jugoslavo, non risulta inscritto presso quella Capitaneria, nè mai giunto in quel porto. -

d'ordine

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G.MARINI

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NSC/5517
5 October 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Jugoslav Representative to A.C.

Subject: M.B. 32 - Restitution from Italy.

Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr.5462 dated 19 September 1946.

1. By reference (a) you were requested on September 19th to furnish the Navy Sub Commission further particulars and details of previous ownership of Motor Boat 32.

2. A prompt reply of the above is hereby requested.

W. W. ZIROLY,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : A.C. - M.S.C.
Date: 4th October 1946
Ref.: 3321/UT

Subject: Report on Jugoslav ships

With reference to your letter MSC/5500 dated 1st inst., we inform you that the Ministry of Marine, following your letters MSC/4305 dated 27th March 1946 and MSC/5122 dated 2nd June 1946, has consulted all the dependent Directorates General concerned, to trace the vessels mentioned in the letter to which reference is made.

The outlying bases have also been given instructions to inform the Ministry of Marine of all ships discovered after the liberation of the territories occupied by the Germans. Up to the present nothing has been communicated regarding the ships in question.

For greater accuracy, the Ministry of Marine has informed the Harbourmaster's Dept. of Ancona by telegram, regarding the S/V"VILA". It appears that there are in fact four vessels named VILA :

1) Vila (Fatu) already returned to the British Authorities at Malta on 7th December 1943.
2) Vila (Scardona) transferred to Pola on 8th September 1943, no news available.
3) Vila (Minfa) not traced in the lists of the Ministry of Marine.
4) Vila - No.21 in the letter to which reference is made.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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GABINETTO
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Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Navale -

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Gral N° 3321/UT Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Rapporto su navi jugoslave.

Con riferimento al foglio NSC/5500 del 1° corr. si comunica che questo Ministero a seguito dei fogli NSC/4805 del 27.3.1946 ed NSC/5122 del 5 Giugno c.a., ha consultato tutte le Direzioni Generali competenti dipendenti per trovare traccia delle navi citate nel foglio di cui si fa riferimento.

Gli enti periferici hanno inoltre disposizioni di segnalare a questo Ministero tutte le unità ritrovate dopo la liberazione dei territori occupati dai tedeschi. Sinora nulla è stato comunicato circa le unità in questione.

Per maggior precisione questo Ministero ha interessato telegraficamente la Capitaneria di Porto di Ancona in merito al M/V. "VILA". Risultano infatti nelle pratiche agli atti quattro natanti con il nominativo VILA:

1°) VILA (FATA) già restituito alle autorità inglesi di Malta il 7.12.1943;

2°) VILA (SCARDONA) - Dislocato a Pola l'8.9.1943, di cui manca no notizie;

3°) VILA (NINFA) - Non rintracciato negli elenchi in possesso di questo Ministero;

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NSC/5462
19 September 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Jugoslav Delegation to Advisory Council.

Subject: Jugoslav Motor Boat 32 - Restitution from Italians.

References: (a) Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy, ltr. Br. 767/46 dated 4 June 1946.

1. It is requested that further particulars of the craft in reference (a) and details of previous ownership be forwarded.

C. F. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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UFFICIO TRATTATI

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Al la COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Navale -

Oral. N° 3321/UT Allegati

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3°) VILA (NINFA) - Non rintracciato negli elenchi in possesso di questo Ministero;

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4°) VILA - di cui al N.21 del foglio in riferimento.

d'ordine
IL.CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G.MARINI

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NSC/5462
19 September 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Jugoslav Delegation to Advisory Council.

Subject: Jugoslav Motor Boat 32 - Restitution from Italians.

Reference: (a) Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy, ltr. Br. 767/46 dated 4 June 1946.

1. It is requested that further particulars of the craft in reference (a) and details of previous ownership be forwarded.

C. F. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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JUGOSLAV MOTOR BOAT 32 - RESTITUTION FROM ITALIANS.

(Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters, Allied Commission's letter No. NSC/5348 dated 6th August, 1946).

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II.

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NAVY SUB-COMMISSION,
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION.

It is requested that further particulars regarding this craft and details of previous ownership be forwarded

MEDITERRANEAN.
30th August, 1946.

for ADMIRAL

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NSC/5367
13 August 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Jugoslav M.F.V. "NINFA".

References: (a) Your ltr. Br. 627/46 of 14 May 1946.

1. Request further particulars upon which to base a decision, including vessel's previous history, dimensions, and the grounds for Jugoslav claim of ownership.

[Sgd] C. B. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.

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NSC/5348
6 August 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.

Subject: Motor Boat 32.

1. The Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy requests restitution of the M.C.B. 32 now being repaired at Bari, Porto Vecchio by the Italian Ministry of Marine.

2. The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's permission is respectfully requested.

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(Sgd) G. L. WARREN
REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A. C.

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JUGOSLAV M.F.V. "NINFA".

(Navy Sub-Commission's letter No. NSC/5232
dated 5th July, 1946.)

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Med.46/1376/10/2.
NAVY SUB-COMMISSION.

Request further particulars upon which to base a decision, including vessel's previous history, dimensions, previous name if any, and the grounds for Jugoslav claim of ownership.

MEDITERRANEAN.
4th August, 1946. for A D M I R A L

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NMC/5232
5 July 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.

Subject: Jugoslav "NINFA".

1. The Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy requests restitution to the Jugoslavian Government of the M.F.V. "NINFA".

2. Information received and confirmed shows her to be moored at Venice dockyard, in good condition but without engine.

3. Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's approval is respectfully requested.

C. P. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.

/RM-11 (4)

5 JUL 1946

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From : MINISTRY OF MARINE (Maristat)
To : N.S.C.
Date : 18th June, 1946.
Ref. : 29909

Subject : Motor Fishing Vessel "NINFA".

With reference to letter NSC/4988 of the 6th instant we communicate for your information, the particulars received from "MARINA VENEZIA" in answer to our request for the details referred to in above letter.

"NINFA" (M.F.V.) at present moored on the dockyard (by the basins) is in good condition, without engine.

"VILLA VEIERITA" - Italian name "PALINURO" ex Jugoslav Merhcant training ship - was beached and sunk near Ortona di Mare during the events of 8th September, 1943. "

By Direction
CHIEF OF STAFF.

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Stato Maggiore della R. Marina

Reg. OPERAZIONI Uff. Naviglio

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARISTAT - ROMA

Tel. N. 29909 - Allegati

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A/ NAVY SUB COMMISSION

ARGOMENTO: Motopesca Ninfa.=

Riferimento foglio NSC/4988 del 6 corrente.

Si trascrive per conoscenza quanto è stato comunicato da Marina Venezia in risposta alla nostra richiesta di notizie di cui al foglio in riferimento.

NINFA - (motopesca) attualmente ormeggiata in Arsenale (alle Vasche) in buono stato di conservazione, senza motore.

VILLA VELEBITA - nome italiano PALINURO - ex Nave Scuola Marina Mercantile Jugoslava - Durante i fatti dell'8 settembre 1943 è stata arenata o affondata nei pressi di Ortona a Mare.=

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

Per.

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NSC/4988
6 May 1946.

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

Subject: "NINFA" - Status of.

1. Information has been received that the "NINFA", gross tonnage 40, alleged to be the former Jugoslav vessel M/V"VILA", is in Italian service at Venice.

2. Information is requested whether the Ministry of Marine has any knowledge of the "NINFA" and her present status.

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

7 MAY 1946

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JUGOSLAV DELEGATION
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Br. 590/46

4 May 1946

SUBJECT: M/V "VILA" = Restitution

TO : H.Q.A.C.
Navy Sub Commission

1. M/V. "VILA" 40 Gross Tons,sequestered by Italian Authorities on 8 Sept. 1943;the name was changed in "Ninfa"; the vessel is actually in Venice,in the basis of the Arsenal , out of use,whereas the the motor of the same,"MAN" 60 HP,is used in a private work shop. M/V "Vila" is property of Framic Antun & Co.Kastel Luksic,near Split,Jugoslavia.

2. With reference to the Memorandum W 4886/273/56 of the British Foreign Office we have the honour to apply for the restitution of the a/n vessel to the Jugoslav Authorities as soon as possible.

Čedomil Veljačić

CEDOMIL VELJACIC,Secretary
Jugoslav Delegation A.C.I.

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IMAS/8003/CS

13 February 1947

My dear Count Sforza:

Further to my letter CC 1020 dated 31 January 47 which forwarded a copy of the letter from the Yugoslav Representative to the Advisory Council for Italy in connection with the Yugoslav ships "Karmen" and "Neti", I am enclosing a copy of my reply to Dr. Smodlaka together with a letter from Allied Force Headquarters dated 30 August 46 which states that the Yugoslav request appears to be entirely a matter for diplomatic representations to the Italian Government.

Very sincerely yours,

/S/
ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief
Italian Military Affairs Section

Count Carlo Sforza
The Minister for Foreign Affairs
Italian Government
Rome

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IMAS/8003/CS 13 February 47

My dear Dr. Smodlaka:

The Supreme Allied Commander has directed me to advise you that the decision given in the case of the SS "Karmen", communicated to you by letter G-5: 912.20, dated 30 August, (copy enclosed), is applicable in the case of the SS "Heti".

Very sincerely yours,

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief
Italian Military Affairs Section

Dr. Gliovan J. Smodlaka,
The Yugoslav Representative to the
Advisory Council for Italy,
Rome.

Copy to Ministry for Foreign Affairs
Italian Government, Rome

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 912.20

7 February 1947

SUBJECT: Jugoslav ships SS KARMEN and SS NETI.

TO : Chief, IMAS,
APO 794.

Reference your letter CG 1020 of 31 January 1947.

1. The case of the SS KARMEN was previously reported and has been dealt with by this Headquarters letter, G-5: 912.20 of 30 August 1946, a copy of which is enclosed for your easy reference. The same decision is applicable in the case of the SS NETI.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL LEE:

A.L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

Encl: as above.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 794

OC 1020

31 January 1947.

My dear Mr. Minister:

In accordance with the request contained in paragraph 4 thereof, I am forwarding to you herewith a copy of the Jugoslav Representative, a.i., to the Advisory Council for Italy letter No. Ar.177/47 dated 30 January 1947 in connection with the Jugoslav ships "KARNER" and "UNITI".

Very truly yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USN
Chief Commissioner

His Excellency
Dr. Pietro Nenni,
Minister for Foreign Affairs,
Rome.

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Navy Sub-Commission

Copy to: Dr. Sloven J. Smodlaka,
Jugoslav Representative a.i. to ACI.

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CC 1020

31 January 1947

SUBJECT: Jugoslav ships SS KARMEN and SS NETI

TO : G-5 Section,
A.F.H.Q.

1. There is forwarded herewith letter No. Br.177/47 of 30 January 1947 from Dr. Slovan J. Smodlaka, Jugoslav Representative a.i. to the Advisory Council for Italy, addressed to the Supreme Allied Commander.

2. A report on the searching of the SS KARMEN was submitted to you in my letter of 26 September 1946, Ref. 5601/118/EC.

3. The Navy Sub-Commission of this HQ is investigating the case of the SS NETI and a copy of their report will be forwarded to you as soon as it is received. It would appear, however, that this case may be covered by paragraph 4 of my letter of 26 September 1946.

4. In compliance with the request contained in paragraph 4 thereof, a copy of Dr. Smodlaka's letter has been furnished the Italian Government as per the attached copy of my letter of this date to the Foreign Minister.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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DELEGATION OF THE FEDERAL PEOPLE'S
REPUELIC OF JUYGOSLAVIA
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

C O P Y

Br.177/47

30 January 1947

SUBJECT: Perquisition of Jugoslav S/S"Karmen" and S/S "NETI" by the Italian authorities.

TO : The Supreme Allied Commander,Mediterranean Theatre.

THROUGH: The Chief Commissioner,Allied Commission.

I have the honour to state on behalf of the Jugoslav Government as follows:

1. In July 1946, the Jugoslav S/S "Karmen" was anchored in the Italian port Margerita di Savoia where she was loading salt. On July 4, at 22.00 hrs. an Italian man-of-war approached S/S "Karmen" and an officers Patrol came on board and performed a perquisition of documents and rooms of the ship. The perquisition was ended at 23.15 hrs. with a negative result. On July 9, 1946, an Italian Corvette stopped near the same Jugoslav ship and performed another perquisition from 21.30 to 22.00 hrs. The result was negative again.

2. On August 21, 1946, the Jugoslav S/S "Neti" left the port of Margerita di Savoia and sailed following the common route in the direction of the Jugoslav coast. At 21.50 hrs., when S/S "Neti" was about 7 miles West off the island Palagruza, an Italian Corvette "C 48" (Chimera) approached and stopped her. Four officers under command of a captain, two sailors, all armed with pistols, and one sailor armed with a rifle came on board S/S "Neti". Two of the sailors wore filled bags. A perquisition was imposed for the doubt that the ship was carrying illegal goods, as wheat, exported from Italy. The perquisition was ended at 2.00 hrs. with negative result.

3. Considering that the forementioned cases of perquisition of Jugoslav vessels by the Italian men-of-war have been preceded by some other case (see our protest Br.1147/46 dated August 4, 1946), I protest herewith again on behalf of the Jugoslav Government against such proceeding of the Italian Maritime Authorities, who have not the right to do so for the following reasons:

(a) Italy, being an ex-enemy state has not yet regularized the relations with the Federal People's Republic of Jugoslavia by the Peace Treaty, and the right to stop and perquisition the United Nations vessels is contested to her.

(b)



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(b) The action of the Italian man-of-war in case of the perquisition of the Jugoslav S/S "Neti" was in contradiction with the general international maritime rule of hot pursuit (droit de poursuite), as well as in contradiction to the Italian H.M.Decree from the year 1896, stating that the Italian authorities can perform perquisitions of suspected foreign vessels up to the distance of 10 kilometres off the coast. Moreover it is pointed out that the Jugoslav S/S "Netti" had left the port of Margherita di Savoia with knowledge and permission of the Italian Maritime authorities in the Port, who would not have given that permission if anything had not been in order with the ship.

4. It is requested that the attached copy of this letter may be forwarded to the Italian Government

Enclosure: Copy for the Italian Government.

/S/ DR. SLOVEN J. SMODLAKA
Jugoslav Representative a.i.
Advisory Council for Italy.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 912.20

14 November 1946

SUBJECT: Boarding of the Jugoslav SS SRBIN and SS KARMEN.

TO : Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
(Attn: Rear Admiral Stone)
APO 794.

1. Attached are copies of this HQ letter G-5: 912.20 of 20 August addressed to the Jugoslav Delegate to the Advisory Council for Italy, and of the Navy SC letter NSC/5604 of 30 October and its enclosure, CinC Med letter 46/001377/3/1 of 15 October.

2. Please remind the Navy Sub-Commission that it is inappropriate that a subordinate headquarters should criticise the form of a letter despatched on behalf of the Supreme Allied Commander.

3. In case the Head of the Navy Sub-Commission considers it desirable to refer the matter back to the Office of the Commander in Chief, Mediterranean Fleet, it is relevant to note that the latter, in his signal 281213 of 28 August to NLO to SACMED, concurred in the wording of this Headquarters' letter under reference, prior to its despatch.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A. L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

Incls: as above.

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End.-1 19 November 1946 HEAD-QUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

From: Chief Commissioner.
To : Chief, Navy Sub-Commission.

1. Forwarded for information and guidance.

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ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR

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NSC/5604
30 October 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Allied Force Headquarters, G-5 Section, APO 512.

Subject: Boarding of the Jugoslav SS SRBIN and SS KARMEN.

Reference: (a) AFHQ ltr. G-5 912.20 of 30 August 1946.
(b) AFHQ ltr. G-5 912.20 of 1 October 1946.

Enclosure: (A) Commander in Chief, Mediterranean ltr. 46/001377/3/1 dated 15 October 1946.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded for information.

2. In view of the action already completed in this case, as indicated by references (a) and (b), the Navy Sub Commission concurs in the view expressed in paragraph (2) of enclosure (A), that there is no need to take any further action.

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

30 OCT 1946

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Fleet.
15th October, 1946.

Med.46/001377/3/1.
CHIEF OF NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION,
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION.

BOARDING OF JUGOSLAV s.s. SRBIN
AND s.s. KARMEN BY ITALIAN NAVY.

With reference to your letter No. NSC/5448 of the 12th September, 1946, it is considered that a more appropriate reply by G.5. Section, A.F.H.Q. to Dr. Smodlaka would have been in the sense that it is a matter for the local courts to decide whether these interceptions took place inside or outside Italian territorial waters. If the interceptions were inside territorial waters the Italian action was entirely justified.

2. It is requested that G.5. Section may be so informed. It is considered that no further action need be taken unless the Yugoslav representative again raises the matter.

for A D M I R A L.

Navy Sub-commission, Hq. AC
28 OCT 1946

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5 912.20

1 October 1946

SUBJECT: S.S. SREBIN and S.S. KARMEN.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794

1. There is no objection to your passing the information contained in your 5601/118/EC of 26 September 46 to Dr. Smodlaka, reference his Br. 1147/48 of 8 August 46, if you consider it desirable.

2. In view of this Headquarters letter G-5: 912.20 of 30 August 46, no further action by this Headquarters is called for.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

/S/ A.L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

E.C. Dist. 4-10-46

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 785020

Ref. : 5601/118/EC 26 September 1946.

SUBJECT: - SS SRBIN and SS KARMEN.

TO : G-5 Section,
AFHQ.

1. Reference your letter No. G-5: 912.20 dated 16 Sept 46 on this subject.

2. The Italian Ministry of Marine report that the Jugoslav SS SRBIN was stopped and searched from 2223 hrs to 2324 hrs on 17 July last by the corvette CHIMERA in naval anticontraband service 2.7 miles from TORRE PREPOSTI (GARGANO). It was found to be in order and allowed to proceed.

3. The Jugoslav SS KARMEN was searched between 2101 and 2200 hours on 9 July last, by the same corvette CHIMERA, for the same reasons, while the ship was anchored at S.Margherita di Savoia loading salt. It was found to be in order.

4. This action would appear to be within the authorisation of SACMED for the Italians to police their own waters in that area.

For the Chief Commissioner:

A. W. Knisely.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Navy S/C
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NSC/5448
12 September 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.

Subject: Protest by Jugoslav Representative to Advisory Council for Italy, re: Boarding of Jugoslav SS SRBIN and SS KARMEN by Italian Navy.

Enclosure:
(A) Copy of Dr. Smodlaka's ltr. Br.1147/46 of 8 August 1946.
(B) Copy of Navy Sub-Commission Memo. NSC/5401 of 28 August 1946, to Executive Commissioner.
(C) Copy of G-5 Section, AFHQ, ltr. 912.20 of 30 August 1946, to Dr. Smodlaka.

1. Enclosures (A), (B), and (C) are forwarded herewith for your information.

(Sgd) Q. L. WARREN
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A. C.

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COPY:

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G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 912.20

30 August 1946

SUBJECT: S/S "SRBIN" & S/S "KARAEN"

TO : Dr. SLOVEN J. SMODLAKA
Jugoslav Delegate to the Advisory Council.

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter Br. 1147/46 of the 8 August.

The administration of Italy having been handed back to the Italian Government the allegedly improper searching of ships by Italian preventive vessels appears to be entirely a matter for diplomatic representations to the Italian Government.

There does not appear to be any military implication which would make the matter one for the Supreme Allied Commander to deal with.

FOR THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER, MEDITERRANEAN THEATER.

A.L. HARRISON
Colonel GSC
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

Copy to:- ALCC refer 5601/174/EC of 12 Aug.

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Action - EC
Info - Navy S/C

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 85120

NSC/5401
28 August 1946.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER.

Subject: Boarding of the Jugoslav Merchant Vessels SS SRBIN and SS KARMEN by an Italian Man-of-War.

1. The Ministry of Marine reports that the Jugoslav SS SRBIN was stopped and searched from 2223 to 2324 hours on 17 July last, by the corvette CHIMERA in naval anti-contraband service, 2.7 miles from Torre Preposti (Gargano). It was found to be in order and allowed to proceed.

2. The Jugoslav SS KARMEN was searched between 2101 and 2200 hours on 9 July last, by the same corvette CHIMERA, for the same reasons, while the ship was anchored at S. Margherita di Savoia loading salt. It was found to be in order.

G. F. MENTZ,
CHIEF STAFF OFFICER, NSC.

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28 AUG 1946

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - H.Q. - A.C.
Date: 23rd August 1946
Ref.: B.7807

Subject: Visit of Jugoslav steamships "SRBIN" and "KARMEN"

With reference to your letter NSO/5372 dated 13th August 1946.

1. We inform you that the Jugoslav SS. "SRBIN" was stopped and searched from 2223 to 2324 hrs. on 17th July last, by the corvette "CHIMERA" in naval anti-contraband service, 2.7 miles from Torre Preposti (Gargano). It was found to be in order and allowed to proceed.

2. The Jugoslav SS. "KARMEN" was searched between 2101 and 2200 hrs. on 9th July last by the same corvette "CHIMERA", for the same reasons, while the ship was anchored at S.Margherita di Savoia loading salt. It was found to be in order.

CHIEF OF CABINET

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*Ministero della Marina*
GABINETTO

*Al* NAVY SUB COMMISSION
HEADQUARTERS, A.C.

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARINA - ROMA

*Prot. N°* B.1807 *Allegati*

ARGOMENTO: Visita piroscafi jugoslavi "SRBIN" e "KARMEN".-

Riferimento vostra lettera NSC/5372 in data 13 Agosto 1946.

1. Si informa che il piroscafo jugoslavo "SRBIN" è stato fermato e visitato dalle $22^h$ $23^m$ alle $23^h$ $24^m$ del 17 luglio c.a. da parte della corvetta "CHIMERA", di servizio navale anticontrabbando grano, a mg.2,7 da Torre Preposti (Gargano). Trovato in regola e lasciato libero di proseguire.

2. Il piroscafo jugoslavo "KARMEN" è stato visitato dalle $21^h$ $01^m$ alle $22^h$ $00^m$ del 9 luglio c.a. da parte della stessa corvetta "CHIMERA", facente servizio di cui al precedente paragrafo, mentre era alla fonda a S.Margherita di Savoia in caricazione di sale. Trovato in regola.

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IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G.MARINI

h. Marini

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDG NO. 765020

NSC/5372
13 August 1946

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

Subject: Alleged Boarding of Jugoslav Merchant Vessels by Italian Men-of-War - Information regarding.

1. Information has been received to the effect that the Jugoslav SS SRBIN enroute from Marseilles to Split was stopped by an Italian corvette on 22 July 1946 at 2200, four miles off the Italian coast, Vieste Subaccie, in the vicinity of the lighthouse at Monte Gargano. It has been alleged that two officers and four seamen came on board with the purpose of inspecting the cargo of the above mentioned vessel.

2. It has been further alleged that on or about 8 July 1946 an Italian corvette inspected the Jugoslav SS KARMEN, at that time anchored off the port of Margherita di Savoia, where it seems that vessel was at the time loading salt.

3. It is requested that detailed information on the alleged incidents mentioned in the first two paragraphs be furnished the Navy Sub-Commission as soon as practicable.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A. C.

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14 AUG 1946

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A P O 794
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 5601/106/EC

12 August 1946.

SUBJECT: S/S "SRBIN" & S/S "KARMEN".

TO : Navy Sub-Commission,
A.C.

The Executive Commissioner directs that enquiries be made regarding the truthfulness of the statements made in the attached copy of letter No. 1147/46 from Dr. Smodlaka, Acting Representative of Jugoslavia, A.C.I. to the Supreme Allied Commander.

Please treat as urgent.

By Command of Admiral Stone:

Alan D. Kussel Capt.
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 725020

Ref. : 5601/174/BC

12 August 1946.

SUBJECT: S/S "SRBIN" & S/S "KAISER".

TO : C-5 Section,
A.F.H.Q.

The attached letter from Dr. Smodlaka, Acting Representative of Jugoslavia to the A.C.I., addressed to the Supreme Allied Commander, was handed to this Commission for onward transmission on 9 August 46.

The Navy Sub-Commission of this H.Q. is investigating the case and a copy of their report will be forwarded to you as soon as it is received.

For the Chief Commissioners:

W. HIND-SMITH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Br. 1147/46

8 August 1946.

TO : Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre.

THROUGH: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.

Following instructions received from the Jugoslav Government I have the honour to inform you about the following:

The Jugoslav merchant S/S "SRBIN" on her way from Marseilles to Split, on 22 July 1946 at 22.00 hrs, was stopped by an Italian man-of-war (type corvette, about 500 Tons) 4 miles off the Italian coast, Vieste Subaccie, light-house Monte Gargano. Two officers and 4 sailors with arms came aboard and approached the Officer Commanding S/S "SRBIN" telling him that they were of the Italian Navy, demanding to inspect the cargo of the ship. At 23.00 hrs. they left the ship after having inspected the cargo without having had any reason to do so. The Officer Commanding S/S "SRBIN" protested and told to the Italian Lieutenant that he will complain against such procedure.

It seems that an other case of Italian perquisition of a Jugoslav vessel happened on or about 8 July during the night, when an Italian corvette inspected the Jugoslav S/S "KARMEN", anchored off the port of Margherita di Savoia, where the steamer was loading salt.

On behalf of the Jugoslav Government I strongly protest against such proceeding of the Italian authorities who have not the right to do so, particularly considering that Italy is a defeated country. It is requested that the Allied Authorities take necessary steps in order to put and end to such Italian behaviour.

/s/ Smodlaka
DR. SLOVEN J. SMODLAKA
Acting Representative of Jugoslavia,
Advisory Council for Italy

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 794

Ref: 9009/298/30

1 November 1946.

SUBJECT: Restitution of Jugoslav Property

TO : ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS,

Attention: G-5 Section.

1. Reference is made to your letter G-5:912.23-1 dated 22 August which went astray and was only received by this HQ. with your further letter of same reference dated 27 Sept.

2. Further steps have been taken to obtain settlement of the Jugoslav claims and the Appendices attached to this Commission's letter 9009/212/30 of 17 August have now been revised to show the present position and are forwarded herewith. It will be noted that Appendix B has now been divided into two parts - Part I listing the items on which no further action can be taken by this HQ. without further word from the Jugoslav Delegation, and Part II showing items which still require action by the Italian Government.

3. With regard to Appendix "A" which concerns ships, the matter is, in general, affected by the question of restitution in original condition. C-in-C Med's policy in this matter is awaited (See Appx "A" 2). C-in-C's authority to hand back certain vessels is also awaited.

4. In regard to the item of property (as distinct) from ships referred to in Appendix "B", a letter was sent to the Italian Government on 2 Oct 46 requesting immediate attention to the many previous requests. A reply to this letter was received, but it was considered very unsatisfactory and a further letter was sent from this HQ. on 16 October again urging further immediate action. Copies of these letters are enclosed for your information (Enclosures C 1, C 2, C 3).

5. You will note from the foregoing that it is a matter of extreme difficulty to obtain satisfactory replies from the Italian Government. However, this Commission will continue to press the matter with a view to clearing up these outstanding claims.

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Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Navy S/C (2)

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APPENDIX "A"

1. SLOVENE SHIPS

| Serial No. | Name of Ships | Action taken |
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| 1. | S/S JURAJ DUBIC | Jugoslav Delegation informed of the position by letter No. NSC/4874 of 9 April 1946 (Copy at Appendix "A" 1.) Navy S/C wrote on 1 Oct. 46 to Ministry of Marine to confirm that locations are correct. Reply is waited. |
| 2. | S/S JUGOSLAVIA | |
| 3. | Yacht TIHA | |
| 4. | S/S SOC.. | |
| 5. | S/S SARAJEVO | |
| 6. | S/S TOPOLA | |
| 7. | S/S DUBROVNIK | |
| 8. | S/S DRAVA | |
| 9. | S/S UNA | |
| 10. | Schooner ILIRA | |
| 11. | M/V USPOENA (RICORDO) | |
| 11.bis | S/S BISTRICA (CODO) | |

2. OTHER SHIPS

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| 12. | S/S UCKA (Monte Maggiore) | Traced, located and request made for return to the Jugoslav Authorities by letter No. NSC/5269 dated 12 July 1946 to the Italian Ministry of Marine. Jugoslav Delegation informed by letter No. NSC/5271 of same date. Slavs want this ship in good condition. Ship at present unseaworthy C-in-C MED'S policy on this and other vessels requested by Navy S/C on 11 Oct. 46 (Copy at Appendix "A" 2). Reply is now awaited. 4896 |
| 13. | M/S BUMER | Traced located and C-in-C MED'S authority to hand back these vessels was requested. C-in-C |

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| 1. | S/S JURAJ SUBIC | Jugoslav Delegation informed of the position by letter No. NSC/4874 of 9 April 1946 (Copy at Appendix "A" 1.) Navy S/C wrote on 1 Oct. 46 to Ministry of Marine to confirm that locations are correct. Reply is waited. |
| 2. | S/S JUGOSLAVIA | |
| 3. | Yacht TIHA | |
| 4. | S/S SOCA | |
| 5. | S/S SARAJEVO | |
| 6. | S/S TOPOLA | |
| 7. | S/S DUBROVNIK | |
| 8. | S/S DRAVA | |
| 9. | S/S UNA | |
| 10. | Schooner ALBA | |
| 11. | M/V USPOPEK (RICORDO) | |
| 11.bis | S/S DISTRICA (TODO) | |
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| 13. | M/S BUDHER | Traced located and C-in-C MED'S authority to hand back these vessels was requested. C-in-C MED replied asking for further information. Request passed in the case of no. 13 to the Italian Ministry of Marine on 7 Sept. 46 and in the case of no. 14 to the Jugoslav Authorities on 13 Aug. Now awaiting reply. |
| 14. | M/V VILA (VILA) | |
| 15. | Trawler Br.2 (BRED) | Towed from Grado to Trieste 8 May 1946 handed over to Jugoslavia 8 June 1946 and towed to Pirano. |

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| 16. | Trawler Br. 4 (JUMO) (dredge) | Information requested of Italian Ministry of Marine verbally, who reported vessels being used in Ancona & Venice on dredging for Italians. C-in-C MED has given approval for their hand back and the Italian Ministry of Marine have been instructed to hand back these vessels. |
| 17. | Tugboat BOJAL. (ZAR.) | |
| 18. | Tugboat J.P. 1 | Information requested from the Italian Ministry of Marine who reported that they had no trace of these craft. The Jugoslav Delegation informed by letter No. NSC/5098 dated 31 May 1946. Ministry of Marine have been asked to state what steps have been taken to trace them by letter no. NSC/5500 dated 1 Oct. 46. |
| 19. | S/S ZRINJ. (ISTO) | |
| 20. | x.M/V ISTOK II | |
| 21. | M/V VIL. | x. ANG VENEL. GIULIA asked about this vessel on 1 Oct. 46. (Last location Pola). |
| 22. | M/V MIRAMAR | |
| 23. | M/V MARJAN | |
| 24. | 2 Custom Patrol Boats no. 32 & 38. | Information has been received about these boats and the permission of C-in-C MED to return these to the Jugoslav Authorities was requested. C-in-C MED required more information and this was requested from the Jugoslav Authorities on Oct. 4th. Slav Authorities advised that the M.B. 38 was left at Spalato on 8-9-43. |
| 25. | Jugoslav Custom Ships | Partial information on this list of 98 ships was forwarded to Jugoslav Delegation by NSC/5301 of 19 July 1946. 4 of these are said to be in Malta and C-in-C MED has been asked to confirm. One is said to have been sunk by Polish submarine, one is located at Scrutari and additional information has been obtained on a further 20.<br>This information has been passed to the Jugoslav Authorities by letter No. NSC/5573 of 3 Oct. 46 (Copy at Appendix "A" 3). From this letter it will be seen that a number of these craft are already said to be in Jugoslav ports. In this case attention is drawn to the fact that in para c of claim no. 25 the Slav Authorities claim 15 Motor boats but list only 13.<br>The Italian Ministry of Marine have been requested to produce a report showing what action has been taken to find these small and in many cases re-painted and renamed boats. |

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| | | back these vessels. |
| 18. | Tugboat J.P. 1 | Information requested from the Italian Ministry of Marine who reported that they had no trace of these craft. The Jugoslav Delegation informed by letter No. NSC/5093 dated 31 May 1946. Ministry of Marine have been asked to state what steps have been taken to trace them by letter no. NSC/5500 dated 1 Oct. 46. |
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APPENDIX "A" 1.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission

SECRET

NSC/4874
9 April 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, HQ Allied Commission.
To : Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Salvage of Jugoslav ships sunk in Italian waters.

Reference: (a) Jugoslav Delegation letter Nr. 1554 of 13 November 1945.

1. It is considered that claims for the costs of salvage of liberated ships sunk in Italian waters are justifiable in point of form under the Armistice Terms. However, since the conclusion of the Armistice a distinction has been drawn between current occupation expenses, which can properly be charged to the Italian Government, and restitution, which is considered to be a matter for settlement by the Peace Treaty. The cost of salvage of liberated ships falls into the category of restitution.

2. It is the responsibility of the Jugoslav Government to make all necessary arrangements for salvage. In order to facilitate the salvage of Jugoslav ships therefore, it is advised that a Lire account be obtained from the Italian Government. It must be emphasized that the final disposal of this account is not considered to come under the terms of the Armistice, but is a matter left to be determined by the Peace Treaty.

(Sgd) G.L. WARREN,
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC

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APPENDIX A.2.

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ISD/3526
11 October 1946.

From: Dep. Sub-Commission, Br. Allied Commission.
To: Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.

Subject: Transfer to Jugoslav and Other Governments of Vessels Originally Seized by Italian Authorities - Policy regarding.

Reference: (a) CCS, Belgrade, ltr. 10/10 dated 20 September 1946.
(b) SACMED signal 12145/December/1945.
(c) Admiralty signal 0.1545 of 11 March 1946.

1. The Jugoslav Government is anxious to the Military Council for Italy have agreed to the early restitution of a considerable number of vessels originally seized by Italian authorities in Jugoslav ports. Some difficulty has been encountered in locating a number of these vessels by the Italian Ministry of Marine. A considerable number of vessels are small craft such as motor boats, coast patrol craft, tugs, motor launches, etc. In every instance the Italian owners have changed the names and there appears to be little record of the origin or previous ownership of the vessels involved. Recently the control of all Italian merchant vessels has been transferred from the Ministry of Marine to the Ministry of Merchant Marine with a resulting delay in expeditiously obtaining information on these craft.

2. It is anticipated that a number of ex-Jugoslav vessels and small craft will be located and available to be turned over to Jugoslav authorities in the near future. The question of condition and seaworthiness in each case has not as yet been determined such as in the case of the Jugoslav request for transfer of aid ing to Jugoslav authorities it is generally understood that each vessel be turned over in reasonably seaworthy and in good operating condition. The Jugoslav Representative has recently demanded that each vessel be repaired, refitted, outfitted, and put in first class operating condition at the expense of the Italian Government.

3. A case in point is that of the ex-Jugoslav [illegible] (now the training ship [illegible]) which has been awaiting for some time at Venice for transfer to Jugoslav authorities. Reference (a), a copy of which has been forwarded to Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station, and is addressed to the British Naval Representative, Belgrade, by the Jugoslav Military Mission, Naval Branch, Belgrade, states that the Jugoslav Naval Department desires to take over the [illegible] in completely fitted out according to the inventory list of [illegible]. He further adds that in case it is not possible to find the ship completely as per the inventory, 4893
request is made for the list of missing equipment, and the inventory to be authenticated by "the British Allied naval officer in Venice" after which, presumably, the ship would be made ready by the Jugoslavs. Attention is invited to reference (b) in which the Naval Sub-Commission informs them

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Reference: (a) [illegible], [illegible], ltr. 27/210 dated 20 September 1946.
(b) USNAVMISSION 121/46/Secret/1946.
(c) Memorandum dated 3.15/5 of 11 March 1946.

1. The Jugoslav Representative to the Advisory Council for Italy has requested in order to determine what additional number of vessels will finally remain to be allocated to Jugoslav ports. The difficulty has been encountered in locating a number of these vessels by the Italian Ministry of Marine. A considerable number of vessels are small craft such as motor boats, custom patrol boats, and other small types. In every instance the Italian Navy have shown little record of the origin or previous ownership of the vessels involved. Recently the conduct of all Italian merchant vessels have been transferred from the Ministry of Marine to the Ministry of Merchant Marine with a resulting delay in expeditiously obtaining information on these craft.

2. It is anticipated that a number of Jugoslav vessels and small craft will be located and will be turned over to Jugoslav authorities in the near future. The question of condition and seaworthiness in each case has been an important factor in each request for transfer of shipping to Jugoslav authorities. The Navy has held that such vessel be turned over in seaworthy condition and in good operating condition. The Jugoslav Representative has consistently demanded that each vessel be received, outfitted, and made ready for first class operation at the expense of the Italian Government.

3. A case in point is that of the ex-Jugoslav [illegible] (now the training ship [illegible]) which has been available for over three months for transfer to Jugoslav authorities. Reference (a), a copy of which has been forwarded to Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station, and is addressed to the Italian Naval Representative, Belgrade, by the Jugoslav Military Naval Staff, Belgrade, states that the Jugoslav Naval Department desires to take over the vessel immediately after completing to the [illegible] U.S.N. It further states that in case it is not possible to take over and ship the vessel exactly as per the inventory, 4893
a report in case of the lack of fighting equipment, of the inventory to be authenticated by [illegible] Allied naval officer in Venice after which, presumably, the ship would be accepted by the Jugoslavs. Attention is invited to reference (b) in which the Naval Commission informs them that liability for condition of vessel and loss of equipment and stores is a matter for future determination and that no definite decision as to the responsibility of the Italian Government to supply fighting equipment and ammunition for losses can be given at that time.

The [illegible], formerly a minelayer, the ex-[illegible], has been available for transfer to the Jugoslav authorities but to date no effort has been made to take possession of that vessel. The Jugoslav Representative has stated that they would take over this vessel only in condition of its being [illegible] by the Italian Government. Similarly, the

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[illegible] on Jugoslav MTA, was made available for transfer to Jugoslav flag [illegible] but the question of that vessel's future ship is considered beyond [illegible] scope.

4. Paragraph (c) is the Admiralty's directive regarding alleged [illegible] in Italian ports. Under this directive distinction is made between current [illegible] expenses which can properly be charged to the Italian Government under Article 1 of the Armistice, and [illegible] made in connection with, or [illegible] to the Peace Treaty. The cost of salvage of these vessels, according to this directive, falls under the category of [illegible] and the French Government was asked to obtain from the Italian Government to meet their expenses in that by the establishment of a blocked account the disposal of which would be decided upon at the Peace Treaty. The letter further directs that it is the responsibility of Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean to make recommendations with regard to [illegible]. With this [illegible] reference to Italian vessels, it would appear that the same procedure should apply to other vessels [illegible] and that the cost for Italy to their governments. The expense [illegible], in the employment of Italian [illegible] and labor in the repair of vessels [illegible] to other governments would also [illegible] if [illegible] necessary. Furthermore, such a direction [illegible] and convoy would not appear to be in the best United States interest at the present time.

5. In anticipation of future representations for transfer of vessels by the Italian Government to other governments, the opinion of the Commander-in-Chief regarding policy, particularly as to state of repair and seaworthiness of the vessels concerned, is requested.

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REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-[illegible]SION, A.C.

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APPENDIX "A" 3

NSC/5513
3 October 1946

From : Navy Sub-Commission, HQ. Allied Commission

To : Jugoslav Representative, A.C.I.

SUBJECT : Jugoslav Customs Ships.

Ref. : (a) Jugoslav Representative ltr. Br. 767/46 dated 6 June 1946.

1. Additional information requested in reference (a) has been received as follows.

N.B. 38 Remained at Spalato on 8th September 1943.

10 motorboats (A to L)

A remained at Ragosnizza
B under repair at Bari
C returned to the British at Malta on 5/1/44
D " " " " " 7/12/43
E remained at Fiume
F sunk at S.Benedetto del Tronto
G returned to the British at Malta on 5/1/44
H under repair at Bari
K at disposal of Allies
L returned to the British at Malta on 5/1/44

15 motorboats

2 remained at Fiume
4 destroyed by the Germans
11 remained at Zara
12 remained at Obrovazzo
13 remained at Spalato
14 remained at Vrsnizza
15 remained at Sebenico
16 remained at Durazzo
17 remained at Zaravecchia
23 remained at Corgueniza

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2. If a complete description of Motor Boats C, B, G & L can be forwarded, additional information will be requested from British Authorities at Malta.

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APPENDIX "B"

ITEMS ON WHICH NO MORE ACTION CAN BE TAKEN BY A.C. WITHOUT FURTHER ACTION BY THE JUGOSLAVS

PART I

| Serial No. | Subject | Action taken |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | 9 Machines from Tobacco factory at LUBLIN. | Passed to the Ministry of Commerce on 11 Sept. 45 under ref. ES/5.02 and again on 27 Sept. 45, 27 Oct. 45 and the 8 Dec. all under the above ref. Jugoslav Authorities advised on 8 Feb. 46 by letter no. AC/5622/IND which stated that the Italian State Monopoly had left a large number of machines at the Tobacco factories in Fiume, Pola, Rovigo and Zara, and that 18 of these have been supplied by the Italians in exchange for the 9 machines claimed by the Jugoslavs. No reply received from the Jugoslavs. |
| 2. | Machines and tools by TREVLETTI. | Passed to Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 8 November 1945 and again on 14 June 1946. Italian Government replied on 11 July 1946 to the effect that investigations are being made. Jugoslav Delegation advised on 15 July 1946. Further reply received on 12 August 1946 giving the result of the Italian investigations. This information was passed to the Jugoslav Delegation on 15 July 1946. No further action can be taken until a reply is received from the Jugoslavs. |
| 3. | 13 Mail Wagons of Jugoslav Railway. | Passed to the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 5 November 1945 and again on 5 June 1946. Jugoslav Delegation informed on 15 June 46 that this case should be taken up with U.C.I.T.O. |
| 4. | Property looted by Italian Brigata dei Carabinieri Albanesi Lorenso. | Passed direct Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 5 November 1945 and again on 14 June 1946. Information received that the Carabinieri denies all charges brought against him. Jugoslav Delegation informed of this on 2 Aug. 1946. |
| 7. | Material for construction Railway CROMELY-VRBOVSKO | Passed Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 14 June 1946. Requested again on 9 July 1946. Reply received on 15 Sept. stating that the property claimed had never been removed by the Italians. Jugoslav Delegation informed on 16 Sept. 46. No further action can be taken until |

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| 18. | Lighthouse Equipment. | Passed to Italian Ministry of Marine on 3 July 1946. Reply received on 20 Aug. stating that enquiries had failed to find any information about this equipment. Jugoslav Delegation advised on 22 Aug. 46. |

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APPENDIX "B"

ITEMS STILL OUTSTANDING

PART II

| Serial No. | Subject | Action taken |
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| 5. | The Jugoslav Insurance Company "Jugoslavia". | Passed to Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 14 June 1946 under ref. 9009/125/EC and again on 9 July under ref. 9009/146/EC and finally on 2 Oct. 46 by letter ref. 9009/251/EC. Reply awaited. |
| 6. | Stamps and post cards of 12 million Jugoslav pre-war Dinars. | |
| 8. | Jugoslav Bank Drzavna Hipotekarn Banka Bonds and Papers. | |
| 9. | Machine "Grosswecht" SPLIT. | Passed to Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 14 June 46 under ref. 9009/125/EC and again on 9 July 46 under ref. 9009/146/EC. A reply was received on 12 Aug. 46 requesting further information about this machine. The information was obtained and forwarded to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 31 Aug. 46 under ref. 9009/232/EC together with a further claim for an additional similar machine. Reply is awaited. |
| 11. | Archives of Sibenik, Trogir, etc. | Passed to Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 14 June 1946 under ref. 9009/125/EC and again on 9 July 46 under reference 9009/146/EC, and finally on 2 Oct. 46 by letter ref. 9009/251/EC. Reply is awaited. |
| 12. | Objects plundered Gallery of Arts, SPLIT. | |
| 13. | 2 Paintings from Church of LATOV. | |
| 14. | Many collections and objects from Museum in Zara. | |
| 15. | Picture of Interior Court DUBROVNIK. | |
| 16. | Ancient Colums from Museum in SPLIT. | |



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| 11. | Archives of Sibenik, Trogir, etc. | Passed to Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 14 June 1946 under ref. 9009/125/EC and again on 9 July 46 under reference 9009/146/EC, and finally on 2 Oct. 46 by letter ref. 9009/251/EC. Reply is awaited. |
| 12. | Objects plundered Gallery of Arts, SPLIT. | |
| 13. | 2 Paintings from Church of LATOV. | |
| 14. | Many collections and objects from Museum in Zara. | |
| 15. | Picture of Interior Court DUBROVNIK. | |
| 16. | Ancient Colums from Museum in SPLIT. | |
| 17. | Classical Sculpture in marble CETINJE. | |
| 19. | Valuables from the "Crnogorska Banka". | |
| 20. | 1 Spectroheliograph, Property of the astronomic observatory in BELGRADE. | Passed to Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 5 Sept. 46 under reference 9009/238/EC, and passed again on 2 Oct. 46 by letter ref. 9009/251/EC. Reply is awaited. |

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APPENDIX C.1.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 794

Ref. 9009/251/Eq

2 October 1946

Dear Dr. Bruno,

I write to the subject of the restitution of Jugoslav property to Italian banks.

Since September 1945 this Commission has, at the request of the Jugoslav Representative to the Advisory Council for Italy and in accordance with the Armistice Terms, forwarded to your Ministry of Foreign Affairs thirteen claims for property said to be in Italian banks.

To these thirteen, answers have been received to four claims only. In all cases the matter has been followed up by letters from this Commission to your Ministry of Foreign Affairs and, in most cases, not even an acknowledgment has been received. In addition Dr. Brabbenti, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Liaison Officer to this Commission, has frequently asked the Ministry to expedite the replies but without success.

In addition one claim was forwarded to the Ministry of Commerce, and again no reply has been received.

The Supreme Allied Commander desires that in accordance with the letter and spirit of the Armistice Terms decision thereon should be given to the claims made by the Jugoslav Government and directs me to request you to furnish clarification of these claims with the least possible delay. I should be grateful therefore to receive a letter from you before the end of this week stating the action which has been taken in each case mentioned in the attached list.

I should be glad if you would give this your urgent attention.

Yours very truly,

/S/ [illegible] W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USN
Chief Commissioner

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Doctor Renato Bruno,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,

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I refer to the subject of the restitution of Jugoslav property to Italian hands.

Since September 1945 this Commission has, at the request of the Jugoslav Representative to the Advisory Council for Italy and in accordance with the Armistice Terms, forwarded to your Ministry of Foreign Affairs thirteen claims for property said to be in Italian hands.

To these thirteen, answers have been received to four claims only. In all cases the matter has been followed up by letters from this Commission to your Ministry of Foreign Affairs and, in most cases, not even an acknowledgement has been received. In addition Dr. Barbaresi, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Liaison Officer to this Commission, has frequently asked the Ministry to expedite the replies but without success.

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As Supreme Allied Commander desires that in accordance with the letter and spirit of the Armistice Terms serious attention should be given to the claims made by the Jugoslav Government in Circular to request you to furnish clarification of these claims with the least possible delay. I should be grateful therefore to receive a letter from you before the end of this week stating the action which has been taken in each case mentioned in the attached List.

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Yours very truly,

/S/ ERNEST W. STEVENS
Rear Admiral, USN
Chief Commissioner

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Doctor Renato Prunas,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Italian Government,
Rome.

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APPENDIX C.2.

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Rough Translation

MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI
Il Segretario Generale

D/307/61

Rome, October 9th, 1946.

Dear Admiral Stone,

In reply to your letter of the 2nd instant, concerning the restitution of Jugoslav goods and properties which have fallen into Italian hands, I beg to inform you that it has always been the care of the Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs to forward to the competent authorities the claims submitted by the Jugoslav Delegation and the Allied Commission, with the request to examine the cases and report on the matter.

As far as the cases specified in your letter are concerned, I herewith enclose a list of the essential data of the addresses of the notes, with which these claims had been forwarded to the competent authorities.

Some of these cases have already been urged, and all of them are being attended to as fast as may.

The unavoidable delay with which these sort of matters are dealt with is due to many reasons, which obviously are happening, the development of careful and painstaking researches, as for instance the destruction of archives - the fact that several times buildings are moved, after the armistice, in several municipalities - the general situation which has unsettled after the war events.

However, I can assure you, dear Admiral, that I will not fail to follow the matter with all my attention also for the future, trusting in a speedy solution of it.

I remain very sincerely yours,

/S/ Pronzo

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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APPENDIX C.3.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 794

Ref. : 9009/275/EC

16 October 1946.

My dear Doctor Frumes,

I am writing to thank you for your letter No. 32007/31 of October 9th, 1946 on the subject of the restitution of Jugoslav goods which have fallen into Italian hands.

I must, however, point out that this Commission has at all times been dealing with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as the appropriate authority of the Italian Government in this matter.

The information contained in your letter is confined to giving me information as to what action has been taken by the individual Foreign Affairs in regard to sending the claims to other ministries or Government Departments. No information is given as to what progress has been made by the ministries or Departments concerned towards satisfying the claims of the Jugoslav delegation. The majority of these claims were sent out by your ministry more than three months ago and I feel that by this time information should be available as to whether or not the goods have been traced or as to the extent of progress made in the investigation.

This matter is one of considerable urgency which has been outstanding for a long time as I should be glad to receive at a very early date a report as to the progress made in tracing the Jugoslav property listed in my letter No. 9009/251/EC of 2 October 1946.

Very truly yours,

ELLIOTT W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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My dear Dottor Franks,

I am writing to thank you for your letter No. 3500/31 of October 9th, 1946 on the subject of the identification of Jugoslav goods which have fallen into Italian hands.

I must, however, point out that this decision has at all times been dealing with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as the appropriate Ministry of the Italian Government in this matter.

The information contained in your letter is confined to giving me information as to what action has been taken by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in regard to sending the claims to other Ministries or Government Departments. No information is given as to what progress has been made by the Ministries or Departments concerned towards satisfying the claims of the Jugoslav Delegation. The majority of these claims were sent out by our Ministry more than three months ago and I feel that by this time information should be available as to whether or not the goods have been traced or as to the extent of progress made in the investigation.

This matter is one of considerable urgency which has been outstanding for a long time and I should be glad to receive at a very early date a report as to the progress made in tracing the Jugoslav property listed in my letter No. 1000/251/72 of 2 October 1946.

Very truly yours,

ELLIOTT W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Doctor Renato Franks,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Italian Government,
Rome.

Copy to: G-5 AFHQ.

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23 January 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER.

1. The letter opposite has been forwarded to the Navy Sub-Commission for action in accordance with paragraph 3.

2. It is observed that the control referred to in paragraph 3 is, according to the enclosure (Flag A) "control of priorities of materials and labour", to minimize any dislocation of internal Italian economy that excessive Jugoslav demands for repairs to ships might cause.

3. The Navy Sub-Commission is not equipped to express a competent opinion on the practicability of a suggestion involving the internal economy of Italy, even though the subject under discussion may involve shipping.

4. The letter opposite is therefore returned again because it is considered that this matter would be more effectively handled by the Economic Section.

H. W. ZIROLI.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5 912.23-1

17 Janury 1947;

SUBJECT: Repairs of Jugoslav Ships.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

1. Enclosed for your information is a copy of a reference 359 to C in C Med of Jugoslav claims for ship repairs to be done at Italian expense and of C in C Med and reply thereto.

2. You will note that while there is no right to limit what Jugoslavia may "claim", that is not an admission that the claim is correct and that it is presumed that the cost of any repairs done would have to be taken into account as part payment of reparations.

3. To what extent would any control such as is referred to in the last sentence of the letter be practicable.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MORGAN:

A.L. HAMBLEN,
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

Encl:
Copy of Minute 1 and C in C Med's reply.

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J Slav. HW.11 (Polia)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

File: G-5: 912.23-1 Suspense:

SUBJECT: Restitution of Jugoslav Ships.

1. G-5 NLO 14 Nov. 46.

1. Jugoslavia has refuse to accept return of certain vessels from Italy on ground that they have not been reinstated to a condition as good as when they were captured. She bases her claims on Art 15 of Armistice terms.

2. View here is that Art 15 related solely to assembly of ships for use in the United Nation Shipping pool and not to the restoration of vessels to individual nations and that the words "necessary repairs" meant the repairs necessary to enable the ships to ~~kkx~~ be assembled in the original condition of the ship. Contrast the use of the words "in good repair and in seaworthy condition" as used in Art 14.

3. Do you concur.

A.L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station
14th December 1946.

Med.46/1376/6/1/
NAVAL LIAISON OFFICER TO SACMED.

RESTITUTION OF JUGOSLAV SHIPS.

The view of the British Government is that in point of form Allied Governments are perfectly entitled to claim under Article 15 of the Armistice, see the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's I.R.S. Med.46/1352/25/1 dated 26 March, 1946, to G-5 Section Allied Force Headquarters and the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's Med.46/1352/25/1 dated 30th April, 1946, to Naval Liaison Officer to SACMED.

2. It is not considered to be within the competence of the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, or even the United Kingdom Government, to lay down any arbitrary limits as to the extent of repairs which may be claimed, observing that Jugoslavia is a sovereign and independent state. Moreover Jugoslavia will receive under the Treaty a certain lump sum from Italy as "reparations", and it is presumed that the cost of repairs to be borne by the Italian Government is covered by this sum.

3. There is a possibility, to which Navy Sub-Commission has drawn attention, that the diversion of a large amount of Italian repair labour and resources to the repair of Jugoslav ships may have an injurious effect on Italian economy. Although, as stated above, it is not considered possible to limit what the Jugoslavs may claim, it is presumably within the competence of the Allied Commission to minimise by control of priorities of materials and labour, etc., the amount of dislocation to Italian economy which may be caused.

for A D M I R A L.

Enclosure

G-5's I.R.S. No. 912.23-1,
dated 14th November, 1946

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NSC/ 5824
3 January 1947

From : Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Payment for repairs to Vessels returned to the Jugoslav Government.

Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/4874 of 9 April 1946.

1. In reference (a) the Jugoslav Delegation was informed that costs of salvage of Jugoslav ships sunk in Italian waters falls under the category of restitution and therefore cannot be charged to the Italian Government under the armistice terms.

2. It is considered advisable at this time to inform the Jugoslav Delegation that the question of the repair of Jugoslav vessels recovered in Italy also falls under the heading of restitution. If the Jugoslav Government desires vessels being returned to them to be repaired an arrangement must be made with the Italian Government to obtain the necessary Lire for payment of costs incurred by means of a blocked account to be disposed of as determined by the Peace Treaty.

H. W. ZIEGLER,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Rome, December 31, 1946.

The Secretariat has the honor to transmit herewith a copy of a communication from AFHQ, dated December 23, 1946, addressed to the "Chairman in Rotation" of the Advisory Council for Italy, regarding the subject of "Restitution of Jugoslav Property".

Enclosure:

Letter G-5: 912.23-1
signed by T.A. Airey.

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
Rome.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Chief of Staff

G-5 : 912.23-1 23 December 1946

SUBJECT: Restitution of Yugoslav Property.

TO : Chairman in Rotation,
Advisory Council for Italy
Rome.

1. I have the honour to refer to the letter from M. Georges Balay of the 5th August and this Headquarters reply of 25th October in which the hope was expressed that it would be possible to supply you with the information you desired at a later date. I now forward the promised report.

2. With regard to List A you will note that, before Jugoslavia brought the matter before the Advisory Council, she had been informed that so far as the first eleven items were concerned, she had no case. Items 12 to 17 have either been handed back to or are awaiting take over by Yugoslavia. Items 18 to 23 cannot be traced. Of the 100 small vessels in items 24 and 25 - 77 cannot be traced, many of these small motor launces may have been repainted and renamed. Further action is not possible without fuller and better evidence of identity and present location. Of the remaining 23 vessels, 12 were last heard of in Jugoslaviports, 6 are stated to be in Allied and not Italian hands but have not been identified by the Allies, 2 are stated to have been destroyed and 3 have been traced.

3. With regard to List B, you will note that of the 18 items only four had been presented to the Italian Government prior to Sir Noel Charles' letter of the 15th May. The Yugoslav Government has received reports from the Allied Commission about the first four items. The Supreme Allied Commander does not consider that the remaining 14 items should have been presented to him as matters on which the Jugoslav Government had been unable to obtain redress until all proper efforts to obtain satisfaction had been made and had failed. The Allied Commission is in contact with the Italian Government on these items and will keep the Yugoslav Delegate informed. The Supreme Allied Commander does not propose to take any further action as regards lists A and B until he learns the results of the contacts of the Allied Commission.

4. Will you please also note that the Supreme Allied Commander has not the means to conduct investigations into disputed matters nor is he prepared to adjudicate on such. Where the case is clear, the Supreme Allied Commander, if satisfied that he should do so, is prepared to act; but, contentious matter must be settled through diplomatic channels.

FOR THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER, MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE:

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T.A. AIREY
Major General
Chief of Staff

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FOR THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER, MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE:

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T.A. AIREY
Major General
Chief of Staff

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LIST "A"

Ships claimed by Yugoslavia

1. SUNKEN SHIPS

| Serial No. | Name of Ship | Action taken |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | S/S JURAJ SUBIC | Yugoslavia informed on 9 Apr. by ALCOM letter NSC/4874 that the cost of salvage of liberated ships falls in the category of restitution. The Supreme Allied Commander is not prepared to make any representation hereon. Any claim must be taken up diplomatically. |
| 2. | S/S Yugoslavia | |
| 3. | Yacht TIHA | |
| 4. | S/S SOCA | |
| 5. | S/S SARAJEVO | |
| 6. | S/S TOPOLA | |
| 7. | S/S DUBROVNIK | |
| 8. | S/S DRAVIA | |
| 9. | S/S UNA | |
| 10. | Schooner AIDA | |
| 11. | M/V USPOMENA (RICORDO) | |
| 11. bis | S/S BISERICA (RHODO) | |

2. OTHER SHIPS

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|---|---|---|
| 12. | S/S UCKA (Monte Maggiore) | This vessel was found in Civitavecchia sunk and heavily damaged. She is considered to be beyond economic repair. As a "constructive" wreck the comments on items 1/11 applies to her also. |
| 13. | M/S SUMMIR | The Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy was informed by NSC/5731 of 4 December and NSC/5740 of 6 December that the vessel was available for handing back to representatives of the Yugoslav Government. The Italian Ministry of Marine was similarly informed and both authorities have been requested to inform the Navy Sub-Commission when the restitution has taken place. |
| 14. | M/V VILA (NINFA) | The Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory |

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| 3. | Yacht TIHA | ...category of restitution. The Supreme Allied Commander is not prepared to make any representation hereon. Any claim must be taken up diplomatically. |
| 4. | S/S SOCA | |
| 5. | S/S SARAJEVO | |
| 6. | S/S TOPOLA | |
| 7. | S/S DUBROVNIK | |
| 8. | S/S DRAVIA | |
| 9. | S/S UNA | |
| 10. | Schooner AIDA | |
| 11. | M/V USTOPENA (RICORDO) | |
| 11. bis | S/S BISERICA (TRODO) | |
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| 14. | M/V VILA (NINFA) | The Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy was informed by NSC/5718 of 30 November 1946 that this vessel was available for handing back to representatives of the Jugoslav Government. The Italian Ministry of Marine was similarly informed and both authorities have been requested to inform the Navy Sub-Commission when the restitution has taken place. |
| 15. | Trawler Br.2 (ARBE) | Handed over to Jugoslavia at Trieste on 8 Jan. 46. |

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| 16. | Trawler Br.4 (JUNO) | The Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy was informed by NSC/5617 of 8 November and by NSC/5616 of 8 November that the Trawler (dredge) No.4 (JUNO) and the tugboat BOJANA (ZARA) are available for handing back to representatives of the Jugoslav Government. The Italian Ministry of Marine informed the Navy Sub-Commission on 7 December that the two craft have been taken over by the Yugoslav authorities. |
| 17. | Tugboat BOJANA (ZARA) | |
| 18. | Tugboat J.P. 1 | Not traceable |
| 19. | S/S HRVANJA (ISTO) | " " |
| 20. | M/V ISTOK II | " " |
| 21. | M/V VILA | Presumed to be the same as item 14. |
| 22. | M/V MIRAMAR | Not traceable |
| 23. | M/V MARJAN | " " |
| 24. | 2 Custom Patrol Boats nos 32 and 38 | The Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy was informed by NSC/5718 of 30 November 1946 that MB-32 vessel was available for handing back to representatives of the Yugoslav Government. The Italian Ministry of Marine was similarly informed and both authorities have been requested to inform the Navy Sub-Commission when the restitution has taken place. MB 38 was last heard of in Spalate in Jugoslavia. No further information is available regarding her. |
| 25. | Jugoslav Custom. | This is a list of 98 small motor vessels, launches, etc. Many may have been repainted and renamed. There is little information which would lead to positive identification. Yugoslavia informed on 3 October by AICOM letter NSC/5513 that 11 of the vessels were last heard of in Jugoslavia ports. 5 were stated to have gone to Malta and efforts are being made to trace them now that more complete descriptions have been supplied by the Yugoslav Government.<br><br>2 had been destroyed by enemy action.<br><br>2 were stated to be under repair at Zara. 1877<br><br>1 was stated to be in Allied Hands but is not identified. |

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| 19. | S/S ERMANJA (ISTO) | " " |
| 20. | M/V ISTOK II | " " |
| 21. | M/V VILA | Presumed to be the same as item 14. |
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## List B

Property other than ships, claimed by Yugoslavs.

| Serial No. | Subject | Action taken |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 9 Machines from Tobacco factory at LUBIANA | Jugoslavia informed on 8 Feb by ALCOM letter AC/5622/TWO that Italy had left a large number of machines at tobacco factories in Fiume, Pola, Rovigo and Zara and that 18 of these machines had been supplied in replacement of the 9 machines claimed. The Supreme Allied Commander cannot adjudicate contentious claims. The matter must be settled diplomatically. |
| 2 | Machines and tools by TRIFLETTI | Yugoslavia informed on 19 Aug. 46 by ALCOM letter 9009/206/EC that:<br>a) the firm Trifietti did not remove the machineries concerned, but bought them from the High Commissioner of Lubiana;<br><br>b) the specification of the machines bought by the a/m do not correspond with the specifications of the machines mentioned in the list submitted by the Yugoslav Delegation;<br><br>c) the machines with other tools however were left on the road of Cruden and were not to be found there after the war because removed by party or parties unknown. |
| 3 | 13 Rail Wagons of Yugoslav Railway | Yugoslavia informed on 5 June by ALCOM Letter AC/333/TN 4 that this case should be cleared through the machinery of KCITO. The Supreme Allied Commander concurs. |
| 4 | Property looted by Italian Brigata dei Carabinieri Albanesi Lorenzo. | Yugoslavia informed on 2 Aug. by ALCOM letter 9009/193/EC that the charges are denied. The Supreme Allied Commander has not the machinery to investigate and adjudicate on contended matters. If the matter is to be pursued it must be taken up diplomatically. |
| 5 | The Yugoslav Insurance Company "Yugoslavia". | These claims were first made after the original submission by Sir Noel Charles |



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| 2 | Machines and tools by TRIELETTI | Yugoslavia informed on 19 Aug. 46 by ALCOM letter 9009/206/EC that:<br>a) the firm Trifletti did not remove the machineries concerned, but bought them from the High Commissioner of Lubiana;<br><br>b) the specification of the machines bought by the a/m do not correspond with the specifications of the machines mentioned in the list submitted by the Yugoslav Delegation;<br><br>c) the machines with other tools however were left on the road of Cruden and were not to be found there after the war because removed by party or parties unknown. |
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| 5 | The Yugoslav Insurance Company "Yugoslavia". | These claims were first made after the original submission by Sir Noel Charles on 15 May. The Supreme Allied Commander does not consider that these items should have been included in the later list as a matter on which Yugoslavia had been unable to obtain redress seeing that the Italian Government had not even then received the claims. The claims have been communicated to the Italian Government but no reply has yet been received. ALCOM is actively pursuing the matter. The Supreme Allied Commander is not at present prepared to take any action. |
| 6 | Stamps and post cards of 12 million Jugoslav pre-war Dinars. | |

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| Serial No. | Subject | Action taken |
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| 7 | Material for construction Railway CROMALY-VRBOVSKO | Jugoslavia was informed on 16 Sept by ALCOM letter 9009/242/EC that the property claimed was not removed by the Italians. The Supreme Allied Commander has not the machinery to investigate and adjudicate disputed claims and is not prepared to take further action. If the matter is to be pursued it must be taken up through diplomatic channels. |
| 8 | Yugoslav Ban Drzavana Hipotekarn Banka Bonds and Papers. | These claims were all first made after the original submission by Sir Noel Charles. For the same reasons as mentioned against items 5 and 6 the Supreme Allied Commander is not prepared to take any action at present. ALCOM is watching progress. |
| 9. | Machine "crosswacht" SPLIT. | |
| 11. | Archives of Sibenik, Trogir, etc. | |
| 12. | Objects plundered Gallery of Arts, SPLIT. | |
| 13. | 2 Paintings from Church of Latov. | |
| 14. | Many collections and objects from Museum in Zara. | |
| 15. | Picture of Interior Court DUBROVNIK. | |
| 16. | Ancient Columns from Museum in SPLIT. | |
| 17. | Classical Sculpture in marble CETINJE. | |
| 18. | Lighthouse Equipment | Yugoslavia was informed on 22 Aug by ALCOM letter NSC/5388 that the Italian Government had made enquiries but had failed to find any information of the equipment. If the matter is to be pursued it must be taken up through diplomatic channels. |



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| | Hypothecation Bonds Titles and Papers. | Original submission by Sir Noel Charles. For the same reasons as mentioned against items 5 and 6 the Supreme Allied Commander is not prepared to take any action at present. ALCOM is watching progress. |
| 9. | Machine "crosswacht" SPLIT. | |
| 11. | Archives of Sibenik, Trogir, etc. | |
| 12. | Objects plundered Gallery of Arts, SPLIT. | |
| 13. | 2 Paintings from Church of Latov. | |
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

A P O 794

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 9009/ /EC

16 December 1946.

SUBJECT: Restitution of Jugoslav Property

TO : ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS,

Attention: G-5 Section.

1. Reference is made to your letter no. G-5: 912.23.1 dated 6 December 1946 on this subject.

2. In accordance with your request contained in para 1 the lists "A" and "B" have been completed and in the case of List "A", it will be seen that suggested amendments have been substituted for items numbered 13, 14, 16 and 17, 21, 24 and 25, to bring this list up to date.

3. With reference to Appendix "A" item 12, it can be stated that the unseaworthiness of this vessel makes it unreasonable to expect that a voyage to a Jugoslavian port can be accomplished. When the port of Civitavecchia was liberated the ship was found sunk and heavily damaged. She was salvaged in the interests of clearing the harbour, but is considered so damaged that repair is not economical.

The Italian Government is not prepared to make repairs unless the Yugoslav Government can make an agreement in line with the policy outlined by the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station (Flag A), based on the Admiralty decision (Flag B) and furnished in response to the Navy Subcommission request (Flag C) submitted in the interests of clarifying the question of repair to salvaged or seized vessels. The Yugoslav Delegation was informed of the Admiralty decision (Flag B) by the Navy Subcommission on 9 April 1946 (Flag D).

4. With reference to List "B", it is noted that items 19 and 20 should be deleted from the List and that has been done on this Commission's copy.

5. With regard to the covering letter to the Chairman in turn of Rotation of the Advisory Council in Italy, the statements have been verified and this Commission has no comments to make.

6. It would appear that in the opening sentence of para 3 of the draft reply, reference should be to "18 items" and not "20 items".

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This Commission is vigorously pressing those matters still outstanding and informs the Yugoslav Authorities from time to time as fresh information is received from the Italian Government.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner.

Encls: as above.

Copyto: Navy S/C.

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NSO/5765
13 December 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Office of the Executive Commissioner.

Subject: Restitution of Jugoslav Property.

References: (a) C-in-C Memorandum C-in-C 912.23.1 of 6 December 1946.

1. With regard to the question of the condition of Item 12 raised in paragraph 3 of reference (a), it can be stated that the unseaworthiness of this vessel makes it unreasonable to expect that a voyage to a Jugoslav port can be accomplished. When the port of Civitavecchia was liberated the ship was found sunk and heavily damaged. She was salvaged in the interests of clearing the harbor, but is considered so damaged that repair is not recommended.

2. The Italian Government is not prepared to make repairs unless the Jugoslav Government can make an agreement in line with the policy outlined by the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station (Flag A), based on the Admiralty decision (Flag B) and furnished in response to the Navy Sub-Commission request (Flag C) submitted in the interests of clarifying the question of repair of salvaged or sealed vessels. The Jugoslav Delegation was informed of the Admiralty decision (Flag B) by the Navy Sub-Commission on 9 April 1946 (Flag D).

3. As a result of the progress in restoring Jugoslav property some of the statements in Appendix A are now out of date and suggested amendments are given below:

(A) Item 13--4/5 MIDHAR - Substitute "The Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy was informed by NSO/5731 of 4 December and NSO/5740 of 6 December that the vessel was available for handing back to representatives of the Jugoslav Government. The Italian Ministry of Marine was similarly informed and both authorities have been requested to inform the Navy Sub-Commission when the restitution has taken place."

(B) Item 14--4/V VILA (MEGA) - Substitute "The Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy was informed by NSO/5718 of 30 November 1946 that this vessel was available for handing back to representatives of the Jugoslav Government. The Italian Ministry of Marine was similarly informed and both authorities have been requested to inform the Navy Sub-Commission when the restitution has taken place."

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13 December 1946.

Subject: Restitution of Jugoslav Property.

(C) Item 16— } Substitute "The Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory
" 17— } Council for Italy was informed by NNC/5617 of 8 November and by NNC/5616 of 8 November that the Trawler (dredge) No. 4 (JUNO) and the Tugboat BOJANA (ZARA) are available for handing back to representatives of the Jugoslav Government. The Italian Ministry of Marine informed the Navy Sub-Commission on 7 December that the two craft have been taken over by the Jugoslav authorities.

(D) Item 18— Not traceable.
" 19— " "
" 20— " "
" 21— Presumed to be the same as Item 14.
" 22— Not traceable.
" 23— " "

(E) Item 24— Substitute "The Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy was informed by NNC/5718 of 30 November 1946 that this vessel was available for handing back to representatives of the Jugoslav Government. The Italian Ministry of Marine was similarly informed and both authorities have been requested to inform the Navy Sub-Commission when the restitution has taken place. No further information is available regarding MT-38."

(F) Item 25— This is a list of 98 small motor vessels, launches, etc. Many may have been repainted and renamed. There is little information which would lead to positive identification. Jugoslavia informed on 3 October by ALCOM letter NNC/5513 that 12 of the vessels were last heard of in Jugoslav ports. 5 were stated to have gone to Malta and efforts are being made to trace them now that more complete descriptions have been supplied by the Jugoslav Government.

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR
NEAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A. C.

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14 DEC 1946

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 912.23.1

6 December 1946

SUBJECT: Restitution of Jugoslav Property.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

Reference your 9009/298/EC of 1 November 1946.

1. Enclosed is the proposed draft reply to the ACI, together with revised Appendices (Lists) A and B. Will you please complete all the blanks and verify all the statements made in the letter and its enclosures and forward any comments on them which you may have.

2. Please pursue vigorously, the clearing up of the matters with the Italian Government reporting any cases in which you are unable to obtain satisfaction.

3. The following comments are made on the Appendices to your letter:-

Appendix A, Item 12. Is the unseaworthiness such as would make it unreasonable for this vessel to undertake a voyage to a Jugoslav port? If so, please state when this unseaworthiness arose and whether the Italian Government is prepared to do such repairs as to enable this vessel to proceed to a Jugoslav port.

Appendix B, Item 2. The information in your letter is insufficient to enable a reply to be drafted. Please give the gist of the information.

Items 19/20. These were not in the original enquiry and should be deleted from the list.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL LEE:

for A. L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

Incl: as above.

Navy S/c. Action to marked 4870
Please

# DRAFT LETTER

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

ALH/SHW/dgh.

December 1946.

G-5: 912.23-1

SUBJECT: Restitution of Jugoslav Property.

TO : Chairman in Rotation,
Advisory Council for Italy,
ROME.

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1. I have the honour to refer to the letter from M. George Balay of the 5th August and this Headquarters reply of 25th October in which the hope was expressed that it would be possible to sup ly you with the information you desired at a later date. I now forward the promised report.

2. With regard to List A you will note that before Jugoslavia brought the matter before the Advisory Council she had been informed that so far as the first eleven items were concerned, she had no case. It as 12 to 17 have either been handed back to or are awaiting take over by Jugoslavia. Items 18 to 23 cannot be traced. Of the 100 small vessels in items 24 and 25 - 77 cannot be traced, many of these small motor launches may have been repainted and renamed. Further action is not possible without fuller and better evidence of identity and present location. Of the remaining 23 vessels, 12 were last heard of in Jugoslav ports, 6 are stated to be in Allied and not Italian hands but have not been identified by the Allied, 2 are stated to have been destroyed and 3 have been traced.

3. With regard to List B, you will note that of the [20] 18 items only four had been presented to the Italian Government prior to Sir Noel Charles' letter of the 15th May. The Jugoslav Government has received reports from the Allied Commission about the first four items. The Supreme Allied Commander does not consider that the remaining 16 items should have been presented to him as matters on which the Jugoslav [illegible] had been unable to obtain redress until all proper efforts to obtain satis-

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1. I have the honour to refer to the letter from Mr. George Kelly of the 5th August and this Headquarters reply of 25th October in which the hope was expressed that it would be possible to supply you with the information you desired at a later date. I now forward the promised report.

2. With regard to List A you will note that before Jugoslavia brought the matter before the Advisory Council she had been informed that so far as the first eleven items were concerned, she had no case. Items 12 to 17 have either been handed back to or are awaiting take over by Jugoslavia. Items 18 to 23 cannot be traced. Of the 100 small vessels in items 24 and 25 - 77 cannot be traced, many of these small motor launches may have been repainted and renamed. Further action is not possible without fuller and better evidence of identity and present location. Of the remaining 23 vessels, 12 were last heard of in Jugoslav ports, 6 are stated to be in Allied and not Italian hands but have not been identified by the Allied, 2 are stated to have been destroyed and 3 have been traced.

3. With regard to List B, you will note that of the 20 items only four had been presented to the Italian Government prior to Sir Noel Charles' letter of the 15th May. The Jugoslav Government has received reports from the Allied Commission about the first four items. The Supreme Allied Commander does not consider that the remaining 16 items should have been presented to him as matters on which the Jugoslav Government had been unable to obtain redress until all proper efforts to obtain satisfaction had been made and had failed. The Allied Commission is in contact with the Italian Government on these items and will keep the Jugoslav Delegate informed. The Supreme Allied Commander does not propose to take any further action as regards Lists A and B until he learns the results of the contacts of the Allied Commission.

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4. Will you please also note that the Supreme Allied Commander has not the means to conduct investigations into disputed matters nor is he prepared to adjudicate on such. Where the case is clear the Supreme Allied Commander if satisfied that he should do so is prepared to act, but, contentious matter must be settled through diplomatic channels.

FOR THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER, MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE:

A. L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5



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LIST "A"

Ships claimed by Yugoslavia.

1. GERMAN SHIPS

| Serial No. | Name of Ship | Action taken |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | S/S JURAJ SUBIC | Yugoslavia informed on 9 Apr. by ALCOM letter NSC/4874 that the cost of salvage of liberated ships falls in the category of restitution. |
| 2. | S/S YUGOSLAVIA | |
| 3. | Yacht THIA | |
| 4. | S/S SOCA | |
| 5. | S/S SARAJEVO | |
| 6. | S/S TOPOLA | |
| 7. | S/S DUBROVNIK | |
| 8. | S/S DRAVIA | |
| 9. | S/S UNA | |
| 10. | Schooner ALDA | |
| 11. | M/V USPOPENIA (BROOKLYN) | |
| 11.bis | S/S BISTRICA (TRIESTE) | |

2. OTHER SHIPS

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| 12. | S/S UCKA (Monte Maggiore) | Yugoslavia informed on 12 Jul by ALCOM letter NSC/5271 that this vessel was available for take over by her. She has not taken her over on the grounds that she requires her to be re-instated to her previous condition. There is in the Armistice Terms no obligation on Italy to re-instate ships to such previous condition and the Supreme Allied Commander is not prepared to make any representations thereon. Any claims for repairs must be taken up diplomatically. |
| 13. | M/S SUMMER | The Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy was informed by NSC/5731 of 4 December and NSC/5740 of 6 December that the vessel was available for handing back to representatives of the Yugoslav Government. The Italian Ministry of Marine was similarly informed and both authorities have been requested to inform the Navy Sub-Commission when the restitution has taken place. |
| 14. | M/V VILA (VIENNA) | The Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for |

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| 4. | S/S SOCA | |
| 5. | S/S SARAJEVO | |
| 6. | S/S TOPOLA | |
| 7. | S/S DUBROVNIK | |
| 8. | S/S DRAVIA | |
| 9. | S/S UNA | |
| 10. | Schooner ALBA | |
| 11. | M/V UEROPEIA (RIJEKA) | |
| 11.bis | S/S BISTRICA (TRIESTE) | |

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| 12. | S/S UCKA (Monte Maggiore) | Yugoslavia informed on 12 Jul by ALIED letter NSC/527) that this vessel was available for take over by her. She has not taken her over on the grounds that she requires her to be re-instated to her previous condition. There is in the Armistice Terms no obligation on Italy to re-instate ships to such previous condition and the Supreme Allied Commander is not prepared to make any representations thereon. Any claims for repairs must be taken up diplomatically |
| 13. | M/S SUSAK | The Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy was informed by NSC/5731 of 4 December and NSC/5740 of 6 December that the vessel was available for handing back to representatives of the Yugoslav Government. The Italian Ministry of Marine was similarly informed and both authorities have been requested to inform the Navy Sub-Commission when the restitution has taken place. |
| 14. | M/V VILA (NIMFA) | The Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy was informed by NSC/5718 of 30 November 1946 that this vessel was available for handing back to representatives of the Yugoslav Government. The Italian Ministry of Marine was similarly informed and both authorities have been requested to inform the Navy Sub-Commission when the restitution has taken place. |
| 15. | Trawler Br.2 (ANNA) | Handed over to Jugoslavia at Trieste on 8 Jun.46 |

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| 16. | Trawler Br.4 (JUNO) (dredge) | The Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy was informed by NSC/5617 of 8 November and by NSC/5616 of 8 November that the Trawler (dredge) No.4 (JUNO) and the Tugboat BOJANA (ZARA) are available for handing back to representatives of the Yugoslav Government. The Italian Ministry of Marine informed the Navy Sub-Commission on 7 December that the two craft have been taken over by the Yugoslav authorities. |
| 17. | Tugboat BOJANA (ZARA) | |
| 18. | Tugoboat J.P. 1 | Not traceable |
| 19. | S/S ZRMANJA (ISTO) | " " |
| 20. | M/V ISTOK II | " " |
| 21. | M/V VILA | Presumed to be the same as item 14. |
| 22. | M/V MIRAMAR | Not traceable |
| 23. | M/V MARJAN | " " |
| 24. | 2 Custom Patrol Boats nos 32 & 38. | The Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy was informed by NSC/5718 of 30 November 1946 that this vessel was available for handing back to representatives of the Yugoslav Government. The Italian Ministry of Marine was similarly informed and both authorities have been requested to inform the Navy Sub-Commission when the restitution has taken place. No further information is available regarding MB-38. |
| 25. | Jugoslav Custom. | This is a list of 98 small motor vessels, launches, etc. Many may have been repainted and renamed. There is a little information which would lead to positive identification. Yugoslavia informed on 3 October by ALCOM letter NSC/5513 that 11 of the vessels were last heard of in Jugoslavia ports. 5 were stated to have gone to Malta and efforts are being made to trace them now that more complete desdriptions have been supplied by the Yugoslav Government.<br><br>2 had been destroyed by enemy action.<br><br>2 were stated to be under repair at Bari.<br><br>1 was stated to be in Allied Hands but is not identified.<br><br>The remainder have not been traced. The Supreme Allied Commander is unable to take further action without fuller and better evidence of identity and present location. |

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| 20. | M/V ISTOK II | " " |
| 21. | M/V VILA | Presumed to be the same as item 14. |
| 22. | M/V MIRAMAR | Not tracable |
| 23. | M/V MARJAN | " " |

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| 24. | 2 Custom Patrol Boats nos 32 & 38. | The Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy was informed by NSC/5718 of 30 November 1946 that this vessel was available for handing back to representatives of the Yugoslav Government. The Italian Ministry of Marine was similarly informed and both authorities have been requested to inform the Navy Sub-Commission when the restitution has taken place. No further information is available regarding MB-38. |

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List B
Property other than ships, claimed by Yugoslavs

Part I

| Serial No. | Subject | Action taken |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 9 Machines from Tobacco factory at LUBIANA | Jugoslavia informed on 8 Feb by ALCOM letter AC/5622/IWO that Italy had left a large number of machines at tobacco factories in Fiume, Pola, Rovigo and Zara and that 18 of these machines had been supplied in replacement of the 9 machines claimed. The Supreme Allied Commander cannot adjudicate contentious claims. The matter must be settled diplomatically. |
| 2 | Machines and tools by TRIFILETTI | Yugoslavia informed on 19 Aug.46 by ALCOM letter 9009/206/2C that:<br>a) the firm Trifiletti did not remove the machineries concerned, but bought them from the High Commissioner of Lubiana;<br>b) the specification of the machineries bought by the a/m do not correspond with the specifications of the machineries mentioned in the list submitted by the Yugoslav Delegation;<br>c) the machineries with other tools however were left on the road of Cruden and were no more to be found there after the war because removed by party or parties unknown. |
| 3 | 13 Rail Wagons of Yugoslav Railway. | Yugoslavia informed on 5 Jun by ALCOM letter AC/333/TN 4 that this case should be cleared throu the machinery of IRITO. The Supreme Allied Commander concurs. |
| 4 | Property looted by Italian Brigata dei Carabinieri Albanesi Lorenzo | Yugoslavia informed on 2 Aug. by ALCOM letter 9009/193/2C that the charges are denied. The Supreme Allied Commander has not the machinery to investigate and adjudicate on contended matter: If the matter is to be pursued it must be taken up diplomatically. |
| 5 | The Yugoslav Insurance Company "Yugoslavia" | These claims were first made after the original submission by Sir Noel Charles on 15 May. The Supreme Allied Commander does not consider that these items should have been included in the late: list as a matter on which Yugoslavia had been unable to obtain redress seeing that the Italian Government had not even then received the claims. The claims have been communicated to the Italian Government but no reply has yet been received. ALCOM is actively pursuing the matter. The Supreme Allied Commander is not at present prepared to take any action. |
| 6 | Stamps and post cards of 12 million Jugoslav pre-war Dinars. | |

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| 2 | Machines and tools by TRIFILETTI | Yugoslavia informed on 19 Aug.46 by ALCOM letter 9009/206/EC that:<br>a) the firm Trifiletti did not remove the machineries concerned, but bought them from the High Commissioner of Lubiana;<br><br>b) the specification of the machineries bought by the a/m do not correspond with the specifications of the machineries mentioned in the list submitted by the Yugoslav Delegation;<br><br>c) the machineries with other tools however were left on the road of Gruden and were no more to be found there after the war because removed by party or parties unknown. |
| 3 | 13 Rail Wagons of Yugoslav Railway. | Yugoslavia informed on 5 Jun by ALCOM letter AC/333/TE 4 that this case should be cleared throu the machinery of SCITO. The Supreme Allied Commander concurs. |
| 4 | Property looted by Italian Brigata dei Carabinieri Albanesi Lorenzo | Yugoslavia informed on 2 Aug. by ALCOM letter 9009/193/EC that the charges are denied. The Supreme Allied Commander has not the machinery to inveatigate and adjudicate on contended matters If the matter is to be pursued it must be taken up diplomatically. |
| 5 | The Yugoslav Insurance Company "Yugoslavia" | These claims were first made after the original submission by Sir Noel Charles on 15 May. The Supreme Allied Commander does not consider that these items should have been included in the late list as a matter on which Yugoslavia had been unable to obtain redress seeing that the Italian Government had not even then received the claims. The claims have been communicated to the Italian Government but no reply has yet been received. ALCOM is actively pursuing the matter. The Supreme Allied Commander is not at present prepared to take any action. |
| 6 | Stamps and post cards of 12 million Jugoslav pre-war Dinars. | |
| 7 | Material for construction Railway CROMELY-VRBOVSKO | Jugoslavia was informed on 16 Sept. by ALCOM letter 9009/242/EC that the property claimed was not removed by the Italians. The Supreme Allied Commander has not the machinery to investigate and adjudicate and is not prepared to take furthe action. If the matter is to be pursued it must be taken up through diplomatic channels. |



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| Serial No. | Subject | Action taken |
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| 8. | Yugoslav Ban Drzavana Hipotekarn Banka Bonds and Papers. ✗ | These claims were all first made after the original submission by Sir Noel Charles. For the same reasons as mentioned against items 5 and 6, the Supreme Allied Commander is not prepared to take any action at present. ALCOM is watching progress. |
| 9. | Machine "Grosswacht" SPLIT. ✓ | |
| 11. | Archives of Sibenik, Trogir, etc. ✓ | |
| 12. | Objects plundered Gallery of Arts, SPLIT. ✓ | |
| 13. | 2 Paintings from Church of LATOV. ✓ | |
| 14. | Many collections and objects from Museum in Zara, ✓ | |
| 15. | Picture of Interior Court DUBROVNIK. ✓ | |
| 16. | Ancient Columns from Museum in SPLIT. ✓ | |
| 17. | Classical Sculpture in marble CETINJE. ✓ | |
| 18. | Lighthouse Equipment. ✓ | Yugoslavia was informed on 22 Aug by ALCOM letter NSC/5388 that the Italian Government had made enquiries but had failed to find any information of the equipment. If the matter is to be pursued it must be taken up through diplomatic channels. |



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# HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A P O 794
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 9009/250/EC

30 September 1946

SUBJECT: Jugoslav Goods Sequestered in Italy.

TO : Navy Sub-Commission,
Allied Commission.

1. The Executive Commissioner will hold a conference at 1630 hrs 30 Sept 46 in the Chief Commissioner's Conference room to discuss the action to be taken on AFHQ letter no. G-5: 912.23-1 dated 22nd Aug 46, copy enclosed.

2. It is requested that Commodore Ziroli, Captain Mentz and Commander Bahlmann attend from your Sub-Commission and that Representatives from the Ministry of Marine and Ministry of Mercantile Marine be asked to attend.

By order of the Chief Commissioner.

Chief Staff Officer
to the Executive Commissioner

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 912.23-1 27 September 1946.

SUBJECT: Restitution of Jugoslav Property.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

Reference your letter 9009/212/EC of 17 August 1946 and conversation Brigadier CARR - Lt. Col. WHITE.

Herewith a copy of this Headquarters letter G-5: 912.23-1 of 22 August in reply to yours, which appears to have gone astray.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A.L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

Encl: as above.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 912.23-1 22 August 1946.

SUBJECT: Restitution of Jugoslav Property
by Italian Government.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

Receipt of your letter 9009/212 IC of the 17 August is acknowledged.

1. It is considered that further steps to obtain settlement of these claims should be taken before appendices A and B are written in their final form.

a. Of items 12 to 24 of Appendix A the only ships that have been located are the cases in which the Jugoslavs themselves stated where the ships were. The Italian Government with all its resources has not itself located a single one, it has admitted only the location of those known to the Jugoslavs.

b. Of the 18 items in Appendix B not a single one seems to have been dealt with though in four cases complaint was made as long ago as 1945.

c. There is no indication in either of the Appendices that the Allied Commission is pursuing these matters vigorously with the Italian Government.

2. In matters for which it has no responsibility the Allied Commission may act solely as a channel of communication between the Jugoslav and Italian Governments: but, the Allied Commission is responsible for watching that the Italian Government carries out the Armistice Terms. It is within both the letter and spirit of the Armistice Terms and of other agreements that Jugoslav ships in Italian possession should be returned to Jugoslavia and steps will be taken to see that these ships are located and returned to Jugoslavia with as little delay as possible. A report that a ship cannot be traced should show that all reasonable and proper steps to trace her have been taken.

3. Similar steps will be taken to obtain clarification of the Jugoslav claims in Appendix B, to which the Italian Government does not appear to have given serious attention.

4. You will please take these claims up with the appropriate Italian Authority with a view to obtaining a satisfactory statement of the action that has been taken to trace the allegedly missing ships and property.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL LEE:

A.L. HAMBLEN 4861
Colonel, GSC.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 794
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SECRET

Ref: 9009/412/EC.

17 August 1946.

SUBJECT: Restitution of Jugoslav Property by Italian Government.

TO : ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.
Attention: G-5 Section.

1. In reply to your letter G-5: 912.23-1 dated 20 July 1946, I attach herewith a draft reply to be sent by the Supreme Allied Commander to the Chairman in Turn of Rotation to the Advisory Council as directed in para 2 of your letter.

2. You will note that paras 2 and 3 of the draft letter deal with the facts of the action taken on each of the requests made by the Jugoslav Delegation for the restitution of ships and property. I wish to emphasise here what I have already included in the draft reply at para 3, that many verbal requests have been made to the Italian Government in order to try and hasten replies.

3. With regard to para 5 of your letter under reference, an examination of the letters and statements enclosed with your letter does not reveal any fresh claims which require reference to the Italian Government. As regards property other than ships, the Italian Government has not so far been pressed or directed to make restitution in view of the fact that the validity of the claims is being argued by A.C.I. The submission of the claims, however, to the Italian Government for action does in itself imply restitution. In one case (Serial No.4), the Italian Government has rejected the Jugoslav claim as being unjustified after investigation. As regards ships, in all cases where claims appear to be justified the Italian Government have been directed to make restitution, and the Jugoslav Delegation have been so informed.

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5. With reference to para 9 of your letter of 20 July, it has now been agreed in your G-5: 912.23-1 of 30 July that the question of granting permission to visit ports (except those under AMG control) shall be a matter of arrangement



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between the Jugoslav and Italian authorities concerned, and that this matter should not be referred to in the draft letter attached. The Jugoslav Delegation has been informed of this decision.

6. Dr. Smodlaka complains that with re ard to ships the location of a number of these was known to the Allied authorities although they had stated to the contrary. It is emphasised that all information known to this HQ regarding locations was passed to the Jugoslav Delegation as rapidly as possible.

Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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DRAFT OF LETTER TO BE DESPATCHED BY SACMED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY.

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1. In reply to your letter dated 9 July 1946 in which you enquire about the position regarding the claims made by the Jugoslav Representative to the Advisory Council for Italy, I forward the following information.

2. With regard to the lists of vessels which you have forwarded and which you request should be restituted, at Appendix 'A' to this letter particulars are given showing the action taken in respect of each vessel listed.

3. Similarly, at Appendix 'B' details are shown of the property listed by you and the action taken in each case. It is pointed out that most of these cases have been represented not only in writing, but also in the form of verbal requests to the Liaison Officer of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the Allied Commission who, in turn, has noted the requests with their references and raised them again with the Italian Government.

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(b) It appears, therefore, obvious that the loss of Allied ships caused by Italian action should be dealt with either under the title of reparations in the Peace Treaty or by direct negotiations between the Allied Government concerned



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and the Italian Government. On the other hand, all seaworthy ships identified as Jugoslav should be returned by the Italian Government without delay.

Furthermore, in its memorandum of 12 March 1946 the British Admiralty directs that ships found in enemy waters should be treated in the same way as is set out in para 4(a) above referring to the Cunningham - De Courten Agreement. The terms of this British Admiralty memorandum were conveyed to the Jugoslav Delegation in the Navy Sub-Commission letter, Reference 4874 dated 9 April 1946 (copy at Appendix 'A.1').

(c) It would appear, therefore, that there are no means under the Armistice Terms or any other existing instruments through which the Allies can demand from the Italian Government the salvage and reconditioning of Allied shipping sunk in Italian waters. On the contrary, as stated above, the loss of Allied ships caused by Italian action should be dealt with either under the title of reparations in the Peace Treaty or by direct negotiations between the Allied Government concerned and the Italian Government. In this connection it is to be noted that the French authorities have accepted the latter point of view and have settled similar claims to those of Jugoslavia by direct negotiations with the Italian authorities.

(d) As far as restitution of other private property is concerned this is a matter which needs no special text to justify itself. Private property under International Law is technically as fully protected against plunder by occupying forces as it is in Common Law against thieves and should be restored or compensation made in all cases where the validity of such claims has been fully established.

5. As regards the facts themselves and the accuracy of the claims of the Jugoslav Delegation, all such claims have been brought to the attention of the Italian Government who are thus in a position to dispute them and to produce their own evidence if they so desire.

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APPENDIX "A".

1. SUNKEN SHIPS.

| Serial No. | Name of Ship | Action Taken |
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| 1. | S/S JURAJ SUBIC | |
| 2. | S/S JUGOSLAVIJA | |
| 3. | Yacht TIHA | |
| 4. | S/S SOCA | |
| 5. | S/S SARAJEVO | Jugoslav Delegation informed of the position by letter No. NSC/4874 of 9 April 1946 (copy at Appendix 'A.1'). |
| 6. | S/S TOPOLA | |
| 7. | S/S DUBROVNIK | |
| 8. | S/S DRAVIA | |
| 9. | S/S UNA | |
| 10. | Schooner ALDA | |
| 11. | M/V USPOMENA (RICORDO) | |
| 11.bis | S/S BISTRICA (TEODO) | |

2. OTHER SHIPS.

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| 12. | S/S UCKA (Monte Maggiore) | Traced, located and request made for return to the Jugoslav Authorities by letter No. NSC/5269 dated 12 July 1946 to the Italian Ministry of Marine. Jugoslav Delegation informed by letter No. NSC/5271 of same date. |
| 13. | M/S BUDIMIR | Traced, located, now awaiting permission of C-in-C MED to return to Jugoslavian authorities. |
| 14. | M/V VILA (NINFA) | |
| 15. | Trawler Br. 2 (ARBE) | Traced, located and request made for return to the Jugoslav authorities by letter No. NSC/5270 dated 12 July 1946 to the Italian Ministry of Marine. Jugoslav Delegation informed by letter No. NSC/5272/ dated 12 July 1946. |
| 16. | Trawler Br.4 (JUNO) | Information requested of Italian Ministry of Marine verbally, who reported "no trace known". Additional inquiries are being made. |
| 17. | Tugboat BOJANA (ZARA) | |

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| 8. | S/S DRAVIA | |
| 9. | S/S UNA | |
| 10. | Schooner ALDA | |
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| 18. | Tugboat J.P.1 | Information requested from the Italian Ministry of Marine who reported that they had no trace of these craft. The Jugoslav Delegation informed by letter No.NSC/5098 dated 31 May 1946. |
| 19. | S/S ZRMANJA (ISTO) | |
| 20. | M/V ISTOK II | |
| 21. | M/V VILA | |
| 22. | M/V MIRABAMAR | |
| 23. | M/V MARJAN | |

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| Serial No. | Name of Ship | Action Taken |
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| 24. | Customs Patrol Boats | Information has been received about MB. No.32. Now awaiting permission of C-in-C MED to return this to Jugoslav authorities. No information to date on the remainder. |
| 25. | Jugoslav Custom Ships. | Partial information on this list of 98 ships was forwarded to Jugoslav Delegation by NSC/5301 of 19 July 1946. |



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APPENDIX 'A.1'

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission.
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SECRET

NSC/4874
9 April 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, HQ Allied Commission.
To : Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Salvage of Jugoslav ships sunk in Italian waters.

Reference: (a) Jugoslav Delegation letter Br. 1554 of 13 November 1945.

1. It is considered that claims for the costs of salvage of liberated ships sunk in Italian waters are justifiable in point of form under the Armistice Terms. However, since the conclusion of the Armistice a distinction has been drawn between current occupation expenses, which can properly be charged to the Italian Government, and restitution, which is considered to be a matter for settlement by the Peace Treaty. The cost of salvage of liberated ships fall into the category of restitution.

2. It is the responsibility of the Jugoslav Government to make all necessary arrangements for salvage. In order to facilitate the salvage of Jugoslav ships therefore, it is advised that a Lire account be obtained from the Italian Government. It must be emphasized that the final disposal of this account is not considered to come under the terms of the Armistice, but is a matter left to be determined by the Peace Treaty.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN,
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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APPENDIX "B".

| Serial No. | Subject | Action Taken. |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | 9 Machines from Tobacco Factory at LUBIANA. | Passed to Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 11 September 1945 and again on 12 June 1946. |
| 2. | Machines and tools by TRIFLETTI. | Passed to Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 8 November 1945 and again on 14 June 1946. Italian Government replied to the effect that investigations are being made on 11 July 1946. Jugoslav Delegation advised on 15 July 1946. |
| 3. | 13 Mail Wagons of Jugoslav Railway. | Passed to the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 5 November 1945 and again on 5 June 1946. Jugoslav Delegation informed on 13 June 46 that this case should be taken up with E.C.I.T.O. |
| 4. | Property looted by Italian Brigata dei Carabinieri Albanesi Lorenzo. | Passed direct Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 5 November 1945 and again on 14 June 1946. Information received that the Carabinieri denies all charges brought against him. Yugoslav Delegation informed of this on 2 August 1946. |
| 5. | The Yugoslav Insurance Company 'Yugoslavia' Contracts. | Passed to Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 14 June 1946 and again on 9 July 1946. |
| 6. | Stamps and Post cards of 12 million Jugoslav pre-war Dinars. | Passed to Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 14 June 1946 and again on 19 July 1946. |
| 7. | Material for construction railway CROMELY - VRBOVSKO. | Passed Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 14 June 1946. Requested again on 9 July 1946. |
| 8. | Yugoslav Bank Drzavna Hipotekarn Banka Bonds and Papers. | Passed Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 14 June 1946. Requested again on 19 July 1946. |
| 9. | Machine "Grosswucht" Split. | Passed Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 14 June 1946. Requested again on 9 July 1946. |
| 10. | Archives of District Court in KOTOR. | Passed to Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 18 May 1946 and again on 3 June 1946. Yugoslav Delegation advised on 22 June that inquiries are being made to locate archives. |
| 11. | Archives of Sibenik Trogir, etc. | |
| 12. | Objects plundered Gallery of Arts, SPLIT | |
| 13. | 2 Paintings from | |

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| 13. | 2 Paintings from Church of LATOV | |
| 14. | Many collections and objects from Museum in ZARA. | Passed to Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 14 June 1946 and again on 9 July 1946. |
| 15. | Picture of Interior Court DUBROVNIK. | |
| 16. | Ancient Columns from Museum in SPLIT. | |
| 17. | Classical Sculpture in marble CETINJE. | |
| 18. | Lighthouse equipment | Passed to Italian Ministry of Marine on 3 July 46 |

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A P O 794
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 9009/EC

31 July 1946

SUBJECT: Restitution of Property to Yugoslavs.

TO Navy Sub-Commission (attention Comd. Bahlmann)
Legal Sub-Commission (attention Lt.Col.Hannaford)

1. You are requested to attend a meeting to be held in the office of the V.P. Civil Affairs Section at 1000 hrs on Friday 2 August 1946.

2. Purpose of this meeting is to consider the draft of the lists and of the paragraphs of the letter to be sent to AFHQ in reply to their G-5 912.23-1 dated 20 July 1946.

3. Your attention is drawn to the memorandum referred to at the last meeting in which was set out the suggested form the reply to AFHQ should take.

L.D. Hird-Smith
Lt. Col.
Chief Staff Officer,
to Executive Commissioner.

List of ships attached (2 copies)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 912.23-1

30 July 1946.

SUBJECT: Restitution by Italians.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

1. Reference your letter above subject file 9009/EC (G-5 912.23.1) dated 27 July 1946. It is agreed that permission for Jugoslav Naval experts to visit Italian ports (except those under AMG control) should be one of direct arrangement between Italian and Jugoslav authorities concerned.

2. The question of this permission should not be referred to in SACs reply to Dr. Smodlaka's letter of 9 July 1946.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

/s/ A.L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

EC DIST - 6/8/46

ACTION - NAVY S.C.
INFO - POLAD 'A'
- POLAD 'B'
- V.P. C.A.S. (Legal)
- E.C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 794.

Ref. : 9009/30. 27 July 1946.

SUBJECT: Restitution by Italian Government of Yugoslav Property.

TO : G-5 Section,
A.F.H.Q.

1. Reference your G-5: 312.23-1 dated 20th July 1946.

2. With regard to paragraph 5 of the above mentioned letter in which an independent reply is asked for, in respect of action taken in regard to the request for permission for Yugoslav representatives to visit ports in Italy, this matter was raised in Mr. Smollen's letter of 4th June 1946 to the Navy Sub-Commission of this Headquarters.

Mr. Smollen, in his letter, referred to a previous letter No. 26/46 of 7th August 1945 written by the Naval Attache of the Yugoslav Delegation to the Ministry of War Transport Representative, ICS, Navy House, Naples. This Headquarters has no knowledge or record of this previous letter. The relevant passage contained in Mr. Smollen's letter of 4th June 1946 is as follows:-

> "We consider that it would be very useful if some Yugoslav Naval experts might get permission to visit Italian ports in order to identify Yugoslav ships that should be restituted."

The above was not considered to be a request, but merely an observation and accordingly no action was taken. If Mr. Smollen's letter of the 4th June 1946, in the light of the above, is to be interpreted as containing a specific request for permission to visit Italian ports, it is recommended that the matter should be one for direct arrangement between the Italian and Yugoslav authorities concerned. I await your further instructions in this matter.

3. Because it is a separate issue, I recommend that this question of permission to visit Italian ports should not be referred to in the report on the facts which will form the basis of the Supreme Allied Commander's reply to be despatched to the Chairman in Turn of Rotation to the Advisory Council in answer to Mr. Smollen's letter of July 9th.

ELLERY W. STONE

Copy to:- Polad 'A'
Polad 'B'
— Navy Sub-Commission —
Vice President, C.A.S. (For Legal S/C)

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USN
Chief Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 794

Ref. : 9009/MC

27 July 1946

SUBJECT: Restitution by Italian Government of Jugoslav Property.

TO : C-5 Section,
AFHQ.

1. Reference your C-5 912.2-1 dated 20 July 1946.

2. Immediate action is being taken in regard to the compilation of a report on the facts of this matter and to the preparation of a suitable draft reply to Dr. Smolka's letter of the 9th July 1946 for despatch by the Supreme Allied Commander to the Chairman in Turn of Rotation of the Advisory Council.

It will not be possible for this report and draft to be prepared and considered in time for presentation at the next meeting of the Advisory Council on August 2nd.

I enclose draft of an Interim reply, concurred by my American and British Political Advisors, which I suggest should be despatched by the Supreme Allied Commander to the Chairman in Turn of Rotation of the Advisory Council.

ELLERY W. STONE

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Encls. as above.

Copy to: Polad A.
Polad B.
Navy S/C
V. CAS. (for Egypt S/C)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A P O 794
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 9009/EC.

July 1946.

Aide Memoir of Phone Call, Lt.Col. White - Capt. Knisely, 15/7/46.

Yugoslav Ships in Italian Hands.

3 Lists:

a. Ships sunk.
b. Ships afloat.
c. Property looted by Italians.

A.F.H.Q. are taking up this matter very strongly. NO letter to SMODLAKA without Draft to Col. White - G-5 first.

List a) Italians have no responsibility for ships sunk.

" b) Ships in Italian possession over which there is no dispute should be handed over in a seaworthy condition - NOT as brand-new ships as requested by Slavs, if they are refused by the Slavs, so much the better. This is Clause 15 of the Armistice Terms.

" c) List of property looted.

Italy has no obligation to hand over this property under the Armistice Terms, it is purely a matter for the Peace Treaty and reparations.

An interim report on List b) to go to A.F.H.Q. immediately.

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NSC/5124
7 June 1946.

MEMORANDUM FOR BRIGADIER LUSH:

Subject: List of Yugoslav vessels whose restitution was requested through Allied Commission.

1. This list was received at 1830 on June 6th, the list includes 14 requests whichtthe Yugoslav's submitted to the Allied Commission on June 4th. These letters for the restitution of these vessels were received in the Navy Sub-Commission yesterday - June 6th. In each of these cases information must be obtained from the Italian Ministry of Marine as to the present location, condition, etc. This was done yesterday but it will be some time before the desired information is received.

2. The Yugoslav list contain's 10 vessels (the first 10) which are sunk in various harbors and for which the Yugoslav's demand salvage and restitution at the expense of the Italian government.

3. In all such cases of sunken vessels, Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean letter of 19 January and Admiralty secret letter to Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean of 12 March applies.

4. In each case regarding sunken vessels the Yugoslav representative has been fully informed as to the procedure laid down in the directives mentioned in the previous paragreph.

5. Instructions are being obtained from Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean for returning the ships under items 11,12,13 and 14.

6. Items 15, 16 and 17 are covered in a list forwarded to the Yugoslav Delegation as an Enclosure to Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5098 of 31 May 1946. Items 18, 19 and 20 were forwarded to the Yugoslav Delegation under NSC ltrs. NSC/5120/21/22.

7. Information requested in items 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and the balance were requested to the Ministry of Marine yesterday June 6th, based on the Yugoslav request of June 4th.

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LIST OF JUGOSLAV VESSELS, TAKEN BY ITALIANS, WHOSE RESTITUTION WAS REQUESTED THROUGH ALLIED COMMISSION

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A) SUNKEN SHIPS

1. S/S JURAJ SUBIC, Gross Tonnage 105,37; Nett 52,57. Registered at the Port of Split. Name was changed by the Italians in SALE. Sunk in Civitavecchia. Requested through A.C. Ref.Br.224/46 of 16 Feb.46, and 766/46 of 4 June 1945.

2. S/S JUGOSLAVIJA, Gross Tonnage 1275, owner "Jadranska Plovidba a.d." Susak; sunk at Leghorn. Requested through AC. Ref.Br. 1554 of 13 Nov. 1945; Br 225/46 of 16 Feb 1946; Br 412/46 of 4 Apr 46. Replies of AC NSC: Ref NSC/4875 of 9 Apr 1946;NSC/4901 of 12 Apr 46 (both dealing with the delay of measures for blowing up the vessel); NSC/4874 of 9 Apr 1946 (negativ reply regarding the salvage and repair of the ship) NSC/5189 of 24 June 1946 (where the question of removing the ship is raised again). Our reply Br 922/46 of 28 Jun 46.

3. Yacht TIHA Gross Tonnage 466; owner "Jugoslavenskj Ll$oyd", sunk in Leghorn. Requested through AC: Ref Br 225/46 of 16 Feb 1946; Br 1554 of 13 Nov 1945; Br 412/46 of 4 Apr 1946. Reply of AC NSC (same as for JUGOSLAVIJA)

4. S/S SOCA Gross Tonnage 545; owner "Jadranska Plovidba a.d. "Susak; sunk in Venice (La Marittima). Requested through AC: Ref Br 1554 of 13 Nov 1945 and 225/46 of 16 Feb 46 and Br 765/46 of 4 June 1946 = Reply of AC NSC: NSC/4874 of 9 Apr 1946 (negative).

5. S/S SARAJEVO Gross Tonnage 479; owner "Jadranska Plovidba a.d." Susak; sunk near Messina on 14.8.43. Requested through AC: Ref Br 1554 of 13 Nov 1945; Br 225/46 of 16 Feb 1946 and Br 765/46 of 4 June 1946. Reply of AC: Same as N.4.

6. S/S TOPOLA Gross Tonnage 254; owner "Jadranska Plovidba a.d."Susak; sunk near Messina on 14.8.43. Requested through AC: Ref same as N.4 and 5. Reply of AC: Same as N.4 and 5.

7. S/S DUBROVNIK Gross Tonnage 1036, owner "Dubrovacka Plovidba d.d. Dubrovnk sunk at Chioggia near Venice on 11.9.43. Requested: Same as no. 4=6. Reply of AC: Same as No.4=6

8. S/S DRAVA (GICVANNI INGRAO) Gross Tonnage 198. Sunk at Pianosa (Portoferraio) on 30 January 1944. Requested through AC NSC : Ref 768/46 of 4 June 1946.

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9. S/S UNA Gross Tonnage 198; sunk on 11th Oct 1942 South of Capri. Requested: Same As N. 8.

10. Schooner ALDA Gross Tonnage 88; Sunk at Punto S. Sebastiano after 8 Sept. 1943. Requested: Same as above No. 8=9.

11. M/V USPOMENA (RICORDO), DW 100 Tons; dimensions: 19x5, 85x1,80 m, engine: Diesel MAN 100hp; owner: Travica Dragutin. Sunk in the Candiano Canal (Ravenna). Requested through AC. NSC: Br 733/46 of 1 June 1946. Reply: NSC/5204 of 17 June 1946 (informing that the Italian authorities are requesting its removal).

11.BIS S/S BISTRICA (Teodo) Gros Tonnage 144,88, sunk in the Port of S. Benedetto del Tronto. Owner "Zetska Plovidba a.d. Cetinje" Requested through AC NSC: Ref Br 586/46 of 3 May 1946.

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OTHER VESSELS

12. S/S UCKA (Monte Maggiore) Gross Tonnage 142; owner "Jugoslavenska Plovidba a.d."Susak; actually located in the Port of Civitavecchia, damaged afloat. Requested through AC NSC: Ref Br 1551 of 13 Nov 1945. Reply of AC : Ref NSC/4280 of 18 Dec 1945 (negative). Requested again on 4 June 1946, Ref Br 769/46.

13. M/S BUDIMIR Gross Tonnage 8, DW 20 Tons; owner Pazanin Jerko; motor Diesel Deuz 25 HP. The Schooner is actually used by the Italian PUZZONI Ernesto, Rimini, Via Sinistra del Porto, who has declared that he was ready to hand it over as soon as he will receive orders to do so. The ship was renamed GALLO. Requested through AC NSC: Ref Br 226/46 of 16 Feb 1946 and Br 775/46 of 5 June 1946.No reply received.

14. M/V VILA (NINFA) Gross Tonnage 40; taken by the Italians on 8 Sept 1943; owner Franic Antun & Co, Kastel Luksic (Split); Actually the schooner is located in Venice (Basis of the Arsenal), whereas the motor MAN 60 HP is used in a private Italian workshop. Requested through AC NSC: Ref Br 590/46 of 4 May 1946 and Br 627/46 of 14 May 1946. No definite reply.

15. Trawler Br.2 (ARBE), constructed in Vienna in 1902 by Schimmelbush. Engine 100HP indicated; dimensions 23 x 7 x 3 m. Taken by the Italians in April 41. from Rab. In May 1945 was in Grado and is still used by the Italian Servizio Escavazioni Porti Marittimi, Sezione Autonoma di Venezia, Ministero dei Lavori Pubblici. = Requested through AC NSC: Ref Br 227/46 of 16 Feb 1946 and Br 442/46 of 8 April 1946. Reply of AC: NSC/4954 of 27 April 1946 (negative as regards the cost of repair) Requested again on 6 June 1946, Ref Br 789/46.

16. TRAWLER BR.4 (JUNO), constructed in 1931 at Treviso. Dimensions: 34 x 7,3 x 2,8 m; steam engine Yarrow; 137,8 M2 heating surface. It is supposed that the Italians made the vessel longer for some meters. Taken by the Italians in June 1943 to Venice. Ing. Somma, Director of the Servizio Autonomo Escavaziohi Porti, Venice, confirmed after the end of the war that the trawler was Jugoslav property. = Requested through AC NSC Ref Br 228/46 of 16.2.46; Br 443/46 of 9.4.46 and Br 789/46 of 5 June 1946. No reply.

17. Tugboat BOJANA (ZARA) Gross Tonnage 42 (nett 10); dimensions: 22,7 x x 3,9 x 2 m. Steam engine: compound vertical, 10 HP nominal, 2 cylinders. The vessel is built in wood. Taken by the Italians on 28 April 1941 from the Jugoslav island Rab. At present used by the Italian Ministero dei Lavori Pubblici, Servizio Escavazione Porti Marittimi". = Requested through AC NSC: Ref Br 444/46 of 9 April 1946 and Br 789/46 of 5 June 1946. No reply.

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18. Tugboat J.P.1, Gro Tonnage 17,75;Nett 3,38; owner adranska Plovidba d.d. Susak". Taken by the Italian Ministry or Marine during the Italian Occupation in Jugoslavia. Requested through AC NSC: Ref Br 224/46 of 16 Feb 46 and Br 766/46 of 4 Jun 46. No reply.

19. S/S ZRMANJA (ISTO) Gross Tonnage 100,11; Regt Port Sibenik. Taken by the Italians during their occupation. Requested through AC NSC: Ref Br. 224/46 of 16 Feb 46 and Br 766/46 of 4 June 1946.

20. M/V Istok II, Gross Tonnage 65,DW 150, Nett 47; dimensions; 29.60 x 5,65 x 2.82 m. Constructed at Palestrini, reconstructed at Trogir in 1920; engine: Linz 36 HP; owner: Blagajic Berislav; Port of Registration: Rogac. Taken by the Italian army in 1943; captured by the Germans an the way to Ancona, it was later used as a patrol boat around Pola. Requested through AC NSC:Ref Br 733/46 of 1 Jun 46.

21. M/V VILA Gross Tonnage 100,DW 180, Nett 70; engine Semi Diesel 50 HP; owner Kozulic Dinko; Port of Regt.Ist. The Ship was taken by the Italians in 1943 to Venice and according to some informations it is actually in Italian service at Ancona. Requested: Same as N 20.

22. M/V MIRARAMAR Gross Tonnage 16,5;DW 40; Nett 10; dimensions:16,50 x 3,55 x 1,85 m. engine Diesel MAN 75 HP; constructed in 1919 at Losinj Mali; owner Bonacic Proti Ivan; Port of Regt. Milna. The ship was taken by the Italian soldiers on 11 Sept 1943 from Split to Porto Gabice a Mare near Fano. Requested: Same as No 20,21 above.

23. M/V MARJAN Gross Tonnage 65.62;DW 120;Nett 36,43; dimensions:23,25 x x 5,60 x 2,34 m; constructed in 1939; engine: Diesel MAN 100 HP; owner Vela Ivan; Port of Regt. Podgora. The Vessel was taken by the Germans from Split on 20 Oct 44 and employed later by them between Ancona and Trieste. Requested: Same as N. 20=22 above.

24. Custom Patrol Boats: Mb 32 and MB 38, engine 6 cylinders; make Gurtner. Taken by the Italian Occupant Authorities in Jugoslavia. At present the ships are anchored at Bari, Porto Vecchio; the one has got crew on it, the other one is empty. The sailors confirmed that the ships were "navi slave". They are used by the Regia Guardia di Finanza. Requested through AC NSC: Ref Br 767/46 of 4 Jun 1946.

25. Jugoslav custom ships taken by the Italian Occupant Authorities from Jugoslavia during the war:

(a) M/B MILOS OBILIC, KRALJEVIC MARKO, SENJANIN IVO, JUG BOGDAN, VUC MANDUSIC, NEZNANI JUNAK.
(b) 10 Motor Boats: A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,K,L
(c) 15 Motor Boats: 2,4,7,9,11,12,13,14,15,16,17, 19,23.
(d) Motor Boats MC 21,MC 22, MC 24, ZMAJ.
(e) 51 Patrol Boats: P.C.1 = 26;28 = 51,55 = 57.
(f) 16 Coastal Boats: O.C. 1=8, 10=13, 18,19,23,27.
(g) 2 Diesel=flinder spare engine and a lot of spare parts and various materials from the Custom Warehouse in Split.= Requested: Br 767/46 of 4 June 1946.

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FROM: Major General M.W.M.MACLEOD.

22nd May, 1946.

Dear

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 15th May, 1946 to General Morgan and in his absence send you as requested a report on the statement presented by the Jugoslav Representative on the Advisory Council. I am afraid I am quite unable to agree with the Jugoslav views as to the interpretation to be placed on the Armistice Terms.

You will I hope realise that as the papers did not reach my working staff until the 20th May, 1946 it has not been possible to make as detailed an investigation into the matter as I would have liked. Further it has not been possible to contact C-in-C Med who is vitally interested. However, in order that you may have something on which to base your discussion, the attached notes have been hastily prepared. If, after your meeting, you feel that any useful purpose will be served by further briefing, I will have the matter investigated further and more fully.

Yours

/s/

His Excellency, Sir Noel Charles, Bt., CMG, MC,
Cherirman Advisory Council,
c/o Allied Commission
ROME

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COMMENTS ON THE STATEMENT PRESENTED BY THE JUGOSLAV DELEGATION

| Relevant Para of Statement | |
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| | 1. There seems to be a confusion of thought as to the function of Armistice Terms as compared with those of a Peace Treaty. The Armistice Terms were an interim measure concerned with matters of immediate moment for the furtherance of the war effort. They were not intended to and did not make a settlement of claims between parties. That is a matter for the Peace Treaty. |
| 1. | 2. By Art 33 of the Armistice Terms the Italian Government undertook to comply with such directions as the United Nations might prescribe regarding restitution. The United Nations have given no direction relevant to the matter under discussion. There has, therefore, been no failure by the Italian Government to comply with any such direction. |
| | 3. From its wording it is obvious that Art 15 is intended to apply to usable ships and not to wrecks. It provided for the immediate collection and handing over of ships in Italian hands at the time of the Armistice. |
| 1 & 2. | 4. There is a well known distintion in marine law between salvage and repair. The raising of a sunken vessel and its towage to a dock are not repairs. The Jugoslav memorandum introduces the word "salve" which is not mentioned in Art 15 and quite wrongly refers to that Article as an undertaking "to salve and repair" ships. Art 15 contains only an undertating to repair ships so far as may be necessary to enable the earlier part of Art 15 to be carried out. |
| 2. | 5. It is not agreed that the Supreme Allied Commander "is obliged to use his authority whenever requested by any of the United Nations to do so". The Supreme Allied Commander is not a vehicle for enforcing particular national claims, these should be dealt with through diplomatic channels or in the Peace Treaty. |
| 3. | 6. The Armistice Terms do not, in general, deal with questions of restitution. If the Armistice Terms have not been complied with, enquiry will be made if particulars of the alleged default are supplied. |

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Relevant Para of Statement

4. 7. Ships within the terms of the Liberated Ships Agreements should be returned. The Allied Commission will be asked to report upon the position with regard to the ships mentioned.

5. 8. There is not obligation on the Italian Government to salve ships. The ruling as to these ships which is opposed, is based on a direction issued by the Admiralty as agents for the CCS.

6. 9. The right to blow up a vessel obstructing navigation is well known. Jugoslavia cannot expect these ships to be left indefinitely as an obstruction to navigation. If they are readily salvable she should take urgent steps to remove them. If she unreasonably fails to do so she cannot complain if the obstruction is removed.

Hostile action has been stayed.

10. The action of the Allied Commission appears to have been perfectly correct.

7. 11. The right of the Advisory Council to advise the Supreme Allied Commander on the enforcing of the terms of surrender is not questioned but there is no evidence that there has been any failure of the Italian Government to carry out its obligations thereunder.

8 a. 12. The Armistice Terms contain no provision for the restoration of plundered property.

8 b. 13. It is not for this Headquarters to advise on the propriety of passing the proposed resolution.

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NSC/4936
24 April 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Salvage and Restitution of Jugoslav Ships Sunk in Italian Waters.

Reference: (a) Jugoslav Delegation letter Pov.br. 434/36 dated 20 April 1946.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/4874 of 9 April 1946.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of Reference (a).

2. The latest information available was forwarded to you a fortnight ago contained in Reference (b).

3. No further action or information is available at this time.

(Sgd) C. L. WARREN
REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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JUGOSLAV DELEGATION
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY
Pov.br. 434/46

20 April 1946

From: Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy
To : Navy Sub=Commission,Hq.Allied Commission

Subject: Salvage and restitution of Jugoslav ships sunk in Italian waters

Reference: (a) Navy Sub Commission letter NSC/4874 of 9 April 1946.
(b) Jugoslav Delegation letters Br.1554 of 13 Nov. 45. and Br. 225/46 of 16 February 1946.

On behalf of the Jugoslav Government the Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy has the honour to state:

The Jugoslav Government have the right to demand from the Italian Government:(A) the restitution of vessels taken by Italy;(B) that salvage and repairs be done by the Italian Government alone and on their expenses.

The obligation of Italy to effect this results from the terms of the Armistice.Particularly are pointed out: Para 15, according to which the"United Nations merchant ships,fishing and other craft in Italian hands wherever they may be ... will be surrendered to the United Nations.... Any necessary repairs to any of the above mentioned vessels will be effected by the Italian Government,if required,and at their expense"= Para 33,A:"The Italian Government will comply with such directions as the United Nations may prescrive regarding restitution...."

According to the principles of the International Law the Italian Government are equally obliged to restitute the vessels and it is the duty of the Italian Government alone to take care for the salvage of ships and their repair. Application of principles of the International Law is explicitly foreseen in the Armistice Agreements concluded with all other Germany's satelite countries. But even without any regard to this fact it is obvious that the principles of the International Law apply also to the Italian Armistice.

Those duties of Italy are by no means in contradiction with the agreement "Concerning the use and disposal of United Nations vessels"(Memorandum W 4886/273/58),concluded between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Jugoslav Government on 14 November 1945.

It is therefore requested by the Jugoslav Government that the Italian Government be ordered by the Allied Authorities to salvage and repair at their own expenses the Jugoslav ships sunk in Italian waters and to restitute them to the Jugoslav Government.

Dr.SLOVEN J. SMODLAKA,
Deputy Representative of Jugoslavia
Advisory Council for Italy

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NSC/4874
9 April 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Salvage of Jugoslav ships sunk in Italian waters.

References: (a) Jugoslav Delegation letter Br.1554 of 13 November 1945.

1. It is considered that claims for the costs of salvage of liberated ships sunk in Italian waters are justifiable in point of form under the Armistice terms. However, since the conclusion of the Armistice a distinction has been drawn between current occupation expenses, which can properly be charged to the Italian Government, and restitution, which is considered to be a matter for settlement by the Peace Treaty. The cost of salvage of liberated ships fall into the category of restitution.

2. It is the responsibility of the Jugoslav Government to make all necessary arrangements for salvage. In order to facilitate the salvage of Jugoslav ships, therefore, it is advised that a Lire account be obtained from the Italian Government. It must be emphasized that the final disposal of this account is not considered to come under the terms of the Armistice, but is a matter left to be determined by the Peace Treaty.

(Sgd) T. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station.
26th March, 1946.

Med.46/1352/25/1
FLAG OFFICER, MALTA, ITALY.
(Copy to:
The Navy Sub Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission, Rome)

RATINGS OF ALLIED SUBMARINES IN ITALIAN WATERS.

With reference to the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's Submission No. 255/Med.46/1352/25/1 dated 19th January, 1946, the attached copy of Admiralty letter No. M.233 46 dated 14th March, 1946 is forwarded for information and necessary action.

Peter Cazalet

FOR ADMIRAL.

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BY SURFACE MAIL

Any further communication
should be addressed to:-

The Secretary of the Admiralty,
London, S.W.I.
quoting S.213/46

Admiralty S.W.I.

12th March, 1946.

SECRET
Commander-in-Chief,
MEDITERRANEAN.

With reference to your communication of 19th January, No. 255 Med.46/1352/25/1 regarding the salvage of Allied shipping in Italian waters, I am to inform you that the French Government have been informed in reply to their diplomatic demarche that in the view of the British Government they are perfectly entitled in point of form to claim under Article 15 of the Armistice Terms in respect of the cost of salvage and repair of liberated ships which have been found stranded or sunk in Italian waters. It was added, however, that since the conclusion of the Armistice a distinction has been drawn between current occupation expenses, which can properly be charged to the Italian Government under the Armistice, and restitution, which is regarded as a matter belonging peculiarly to the Peace Treaty. The cost of salvage of liberated hips falls into the category of restitution and the French Government have been advised to obtain lire from the Italian Government to meet their expenses in Italy by the establishment of a blocked franc account, the disposal of which would be determined under the Peace Treaty. I am to add that it is the intention of the British Government that under the Peace Treaty the Italian Government shall bear the cost of salvage of any British ships seized by Italy before the Armistice. The French have been informed accordingly.

2. It is confirmed that, as indicated in paragraph 3 of your letter under reply, it is the responsibility of the owners of the vessels or of the Government concerned to make the necessary arrangements for salvage.

BY COMMAND OF THEIR LORDSHIPS.

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SALVAGE OF ALLIED SHIPPING IN ITALIAN WATERS.
(The Commander in Chief, Mediterranean Station's letter No. 255/Med.46/1352/25/1, dated 19th January, 1946).

II.

No. F.O.I.L. 975-48.

THE NAVY SUB-COMMISSION,
ALLIED COMMISSION.

Forwarded for your information.

ROME,
6th February, 1946.

for REAR ADMIRAL.

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Commander in Chief, Mediterranean.

No. 255 / Med 46. 1552/25/1 Date. 19th January, 1946.

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SUBJECT.

SALVAGE OF ALLIED SHIPPING IN ITALIAN WATERS.

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FORMERS.

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ENCLOSURES.

1. The French Naval Liaison Officer to the Commander in Chief, Mediterranean's No.95 E.M.-1, dated 23rd December, 1945, with enclosures thereto.

2. Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission's No. NSC/400 dated 17th November, 1945, and enclosure.

3. Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission's No. NSC/4212 of 17th December, 1945.

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The Secretary of the Admiralty.
(Copy to:-
The Flag Officer, Italy and Liaison.).

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The attached correspondence concerning claims by the Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy and the French Marine Commission in Italy, in respect of salvage and repairs of Jugoslav and French ships sunk in Italian waters is forwarded for the consideration of their Lordships.

2. The question of whether or not the Italian Government is liable for the costs of salvage and repair to such vessels would appear to depend upon the interpretation of Article 15 of the "Additional Conditions of Armistice with Italy", and it is observed that the French Government has already made known its position to the British, American and Italian Governments by means of a diplomatic demarche.

3. At the time of the armistice the over-riding need of the United Nations

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3. At the time of the armistice the over-riding need of the United Nations was for ships which could be made available at the earliest possible moment; demands on repair facilities were then so great that no ships were taken in hand if it was anticipated that it would take more than three or four months to bring them into service. Long term salvage operations were out of the question.

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H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
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4. From this it would appear that the intention of paragraph 15 of the Armistice Terms was that it should refer only to vessels afloat and that it was not intended to cover the salvage of sunken shipping.

5. It is clear, however, that both the Jugoslav and French Governments regard this clause as having a very much wider meaning, and, if their view is accepted, it would involve the Italian Government in very heavy financial liabilities, since it would make them responsible for the costs of salving all United Nations shipping sunk in Italian waters.

6. Although both the Jugoslav and Italian Governments have made contracts with private Italian salvors for the salving of certain vessels, it would appear that most of these contracts were made before they were aware of the terms of the Armistice with Italy. It is, however, understood that the Ministry of War Transport Mediterranean Representative, was authorized to make a contract on a "No cure, no Pay" basic with a private firm of Italian salvors (SORIMA), in respect of the S.S. "EMPIRE MOOR" owned by the Ministry of War Transport, and that the vessel was salved at Syracuse under this contract. It is also believed that the French Government has signed a closed "No cure, no Pay" contract for about 19 million Lire with a private Italian salvage company as recently as 29th November, 1945.

7. If it is decided that paragraph 15 of the Armistice Terms does not include the salvage of sunken shipping it would appear possible that the Italian Government is, nevertheless, still liable for cost of salvage under paragraph 35 (A) of the Armistice.

8. Whether or not the costs of salvage are recoverable from the Italain Government, it is presumed that the owners of the vessels or the Governments concerned should make any necessary arrangements for the salvage of their vessels.

9. The data contained in the Jugoslav Delegation's letter BR.1554 of the 13th November, 1945, is correct. The JUGOSLAVIA, SOCA and HERCEGOVINA were renamed CATTARO, ENNA and SARAJA respectively, when these vessels passed to Italian control.

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(Signed) P.C.L. CAZALET

for ADMIRAL.

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6. Although both the Jugoslav and Italian Governments have made contracts with private Italian salvors for the salving of certain vessels, it would appear that most of these contracts were made before they were aware of the terms of the Armistice with Italy. It is, however, understood that the Ministry of War Transport Mediterranean Representative, was authorized to make a contract on a "No cure, no Pay" basis with a private firm of Italian salvors (SORIMA), in respect of the S.S. "EMPIRE HOOK" owned by the Ministry of War Transport, and that the vessel was salved at Syracuse under this contract. It is also believed that the French Government has signed a closed "No cure, no Pay" contract for about 19 million Lire with a private Italian salvage company as recently as 29th November, 1945.

7. If it is decided that paragraph 15 of the Armistice Terms does not include the salvage of sunken shipping it would appear possible that the Italian Government is, nevertheless, still liable for cost of salvage under peragraph 35 (A) of the Armistice.

8. Whether or not the costs of salvage are recoverable from the Italain Government, it is presumed that the owners of the vessels or the Governments concerned should make any necessary arrangements for the salvage of their vessels.

9. The data contained in the Jugoslav Delegation's letter BR.4554 of the 13th November, 1945, is correct. The JUGOSLAVIA, SOCA and HERCEGOVINA were renamed CATTARO, EMEO and SAIONA respectively, when these vessels passed to Italian control.

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(Signed) P.C.L. CAZALET

for A D M I R A L.

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TRANSLATION

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTS
Central Office for Fishing and Hunting
Division III
File No. 4675

Rome, 23 May 1946.

SUBJECT: Fishing motorboats captured by the Yougoslave.

TO : Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Cabinet, Rome.

This Ministry is particularly interested in the regrettable affair of the wellknown seizure by the Yougoslavs of several fishing motorboats belonging to the Maritime Department of Ancona.

Since it is not difficult to calculate the enormous damage deriving from this serious incident to the whole class of the shipowners and seamen as well as to the alimentation of the Country, especially in this particular and delicate moment, your Ministry is most urgently requested to take all the possible steps so that the captured boats may be as soon as possible returned to their owners, especially if the reasons for the operated seizure cannot be ascribed to them.

However, it is chiefly necessary to prevent the repetition of similar incidents. And since the expiration of the Brioni Convention will unfortunately bring such unlucky consequences, it is necessary to draw the attention of the Allies to the fact that any territorial mutilation of Italy along the coasts of the Eastern Adriatic must at least be counterbalanced by the renewal of an Agreement similar to that of Gorizia with Austria, which allowed our fishermen to fish along the coasts of Quarnerolo and of Dalmatia, i.e. to save the economic unity of the Adriatic and the rational exploitation of its resources.

It appears therefore that a conference of the Mediterranean Nations for the regulation of fishing, as proposed by Admiral Stone and similar to that recently held in London by the Nations interested in the exploitation of the North Sea, would have been most advisable.

This is, in fact, an economic problem of general interest concerning the alimentation of Europe and not only the interests of Italy.

THE MINISTER
/s/ Gullo

A true copy.
THE GENERAL CHIEF INSPECTOR
/s/ Brunella

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cc to:
Ministry of the Navy, Rome
Allied Commission, Rome.

ECDIST - 1 June
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 5609/164/EC

16 May 1946.

My Dear Mr. Key,

With further reference to my letter No. 5609/155/EC dated 7 May 1946, I have now been advised by the Italian Ministry of Marine that the motor-schooner "SALVINO" was seized by the Yugoslav Authorities at LUSSINPICCOLI on 14 March 1946.

I would appreciate it if this ship could be included in the earlier list submitted to you.

Very truly yours,

N. W. HIND-SMITH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Mr. David McK. Key,
Chargé d'Affairs ad Interim,
American Embassy,
Via Vittorio Veneto 119
Rome.

Copy to:- Naval Sub-Commission.

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDG NO. 725020

NSC/5022
14 May 1946.

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

Subject: Italian Schooners detained by Jugoslav Authorities.

References: (a) Ministry of Marine ltr. 1573/NT of 4 May 1946.
(b) Ministry of Marine ltr. 1501/NT of 26th April 1946.
(c) Your signal 45521.

1. Information contained in your reference's (a),(b), and (c) have been acted upon by the proper authorities.

R. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 785020

From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 13th May 1946
Ref.: 1712/UT

Subject: Italian auxiliary sailing ships held by Yugoslavia

Further to our telegrams from this Ministry, Nos.22129 and 45521 dated 24th March and 16th April 1946, and the letters 1501/UT of 26th April and 1573/UT of 4th May 1946.

1. It is understood that the following are the Italian auxiliary sailing vessels held by the Yugoslavs from 4th to 7th of March, following the requisition, on the part of the Allied Authorities, of the sailing vessel Zvir of Fiume.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| - S/V. | ERNESTO LEONE | of Portoempedocle, | held at | Parenzo |
| - " | ROMANO B. | " Chioggia, | " " | Parenzo |
| - " | Ardito PESCATORE | " Chioggia, | " " | Parenzo |
| - " | REMO | " Chioggia, | " " | Parenzo |
| - " | NICOLETTA | " Chioggia, | " " | Parenzo |
| - " | DIVINA MADRE | " Ravenna, | " " | PArenzo |
| - " | FLORIDO | " Ravenna, | " " | Rovigno |
| - " | GIUSEPPE F. | " Ravenna, | " " | Fiume |
| - " | NUOVA PROVVIDENZA | " Venice, | " " | Arsia |
| - " | VOLANO | " Comacchio, | " " | Fianona |
| - " | LIBERTA' E ANTONIO M. | " Comacchio, | | |

To these must be added the auxiliary sailing vessel SALVINO of Chioggia, held at Lussinpiccolo on 14th April last.

2. The "Nuova Provvidenza", "Volano", and "Liberta' e Antonio M." were made to unload their cargo of wood and coal destined for Venice and were ordered to carry coal from Arsia to Fiume for the Yugoslav Maritime Inspectorate of Fiume.

3. Of the above-mentioned ships, as already communicated by the letter 1501/UT of 26th April, the "Romano B.", "Remo", "Nicoletta" and "Ardito Pescatore" have entered Chioggia again, having managed to escape from Parenzo on 14th April last.

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By Direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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*Ministero della Marina*

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*Roma* 1 3 MAG 1949

*Alla* COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

- Sottocommissione Navale -

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

*Prot. N°* 1712/UT. *Allegati*

ARGOMENTO: Fermo motovelieri italiani da parte dagli jugoslavi.

Si fa seguito ai telegrammi di questo Ministero 22129 e 45521 rispettivamente del 24 marzo e 15 aprile u.s. nonchè ai fogli 1501/UT del 26 aprile e 1573/UT del 4 maggio c.a.

1) - Da notizie ulteriormente pervenute risulta che i motovelieri italiani fermati dalle autorità jugoslave dal 4 al 7 marzo in seguito alla requisizione da parte delle autorità alleate di Venezia del motoveliero Zvir delle matricole di Fiume, sono i seguenti:

- M/v. ERNESTO LEONE delle matricole di Portoempedocle, fermato a Parenzo.
- " ROMANO B. delle matricole di Chioggia, fermato a Parenzo
- " ARDITO PESCATORE delle matric. di Chioggia, fermato a Parenzo
- " REMO delle matricole di Chioggia, fermato a Parenzo
- " NICOLETTA delle matricole di Chioggia, fermato a Parenzo
- " DIVINA MADRE delle matricole di Ravenna, fermato a Parenzo
- " FLORIDO delle matricole di Ravenna, fermato a Parenzo
- " GIUSEPPE F. delle matricole di Ravenna, fermato a Rovigno
- " NUOVA PROVVIDENZA delle matr. di Venezia, fermato a Fiume
- " VOLANO delle matricole di Comacchio, fermato a Arsia
- " LIBERTA' E ANTONIO M. delle matr. diComacchio, fermat. a Fianona

A queste unità devesi aggiungere il motoveliero SALVINO, delle matricole di Chioggia, fermato a Lussinpiccolo il 14 aprile scorso. 4824

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2) - Il "Nuova Provvidenza", "Volano" e "Libertà e Antonio M." furono obbligati a scaricare la merce (legname e carbone) destinata a Venezia e vennero adibiti a trasporto di carbone dall'Arsia a Fiume per conto dell'Ispettorato Marittimo jugoslavo di Fiume.

3) - Delle predette unità, come già comunicato con foglio 1501/UT del 26 aprile, il "Romano B.", "Remo", "Nicoletta" e "Ardito Pescatore" sono rientrati a Chioggia essendo riusciti a fuggire da Parenzo il 14 aprile scorso.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 918.30

9 May 1946

SUBJECT: Seizure of Italian Craft.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
APO 394

1. Reference MCC/4786 of 25 March 46 and further to our 561.4 IBI of 2 April 46 above subject.

2. The Italian schooners Ernesto Leoni, Romanov (2) and Ardito Pescatore and the ship Nicoletta are in the vicinity of Venice and free of Jugoslav control. The ship Divina Madre is believed to be in the vicinity of Venice, confirmation will be supplied at a future date if you so desire.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

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

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Ref: 5609/156/50

7 May 1946

My dear Sir Noel,

The seizure of Italian vessels by the Yugoslav authorities is reaching large proportions.

I have already advised you on two occasions since March 23 under this reference of the seizure of a total of 13 Italian craft and I have now been informed by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs that according to information received from the Prefetto of Venice, the Yugoslav Maritime Inspectorate of Fiume has instructed all Harbour Masters Offices to seize all Italian ships lying at anchor or sailing in the waters of the B Zone Istrian coast.

It appears that these instructions were issued as a retaliation measure for the requisition by the Allies in Venice early in March of the motor-schooner SVIR belonging to the Fiume Maritime Division, which was sent to Venice by Yugoslav authorities with a cargo of coal.

As a result of these instructions the following Italian motor-schooners have been seized and their crews held aboard:

- "NUOVA PROVVIDENZA" of Venice Maritime Division seized in Fiume;
- "VOLANTO" of Comacchio Maritime Division seized in Arsia;
- "[illegible]' E ANGHIO M." of Comacchio Maritime Division seized in Fiume.

The cargo of these ships (firewood and coal) was unloaded and the ships have been used for transport of coal from Arsia to Fiume on account of the Yugoslav Maritime Inspectorate of Fiume.

The following vessels have also been seized:

- "GIUSEPPE" of Comacchio, empty, seized in Rovigno;
- "FLORIDO" of Ravenna, cargo of salt, bound to Venice, seized in Parenzo;
- "DIVINA MADRE" of Ravenna, cargo of coal, bound to Venice, seized in Parenzo;
- "NICOLETTA" of Chioggia, cargo of cement, bound to Chioggia, seized in Parenzo;
- "ARDITO PESCATORE" of Chioggia, cargo of silicate bound to Venice, seized in Parenzo;
- "ROMANO B" of Chioggia, cargo of firewood, bound to Chioggia, seized in Parenzo;
- "REMO" of Chioggia, cargo of firewood, bound to Chioggia, seized in Parenzo;
- "MARINELLO SICILIANO" cargo of wine, bound to Venice, seized in Parenzo;

- Two wherries and one tow-boat, cargo of coal bound to Venice, seized in Arsia.

The two wherries have been used for transport of coal on account of Yugoslav authorities between Arsia and Fiume.

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It appears that the a/m Yugoslav authorities have stated that they are going to set free the a/m Italian vessels only when the Allied authorities release the motor-schooner ZVIR.

As will be seen from the a/q extract from the minutes of a meeting held at 10.30 hours on 5 April 1946 in Economic Section on Shipping (Joint Economic Committee), the ZVIR is not only de-requisitioned but the Slav authorities in Venezia Giulia are aware of this fact:

"The Yugoslavs asked for further information on:

ZVIR
LABOR

which ships, they stated, were being prevented by the Allies from returning to Zone B.

Major COOPER replied that both ZVIR and LABOR had been engaged on taking coal from ARSA to VENICE. The coal had been impounded by Italian Government authorities. The ships, however, were released immediately.

The ZVIR and LABOR were both inspected by an R.A.S.C. Water Transport Coy. in VENICE and the ZVIR was requisitioned, without the knowledge of A.M.G. As a result of action by A.M.G. with the military authorities, the ZVIR was released, is now in BARI, and the Captain of the ship is free to sail wherever he wishes.

The LABOR is undergoing repair in VENICE, but is free to sail wherever the Captain wishes.

Therefore it will be seen that neither the ZVIR nor the LABOR are in any way under the control of the Allies and are free to return to Zone B".

May the Foreign Office please be asked to instruct their Embassy in Belgrade to take up this matter as it is causing grave concern in this country.

Very truly yours,

W. S. LUSH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Sir Noel Charles, Bt., KBE.,
British Ambassador,
Rome.
Copy to:Mr. David McKay, Chargé d'Affairs ad interim, American Embassy, Rome.
" " :Navy Sub-Commission, A.C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 5609/154/MC

7 May 1946.

SUBJECT: Seizure of Italian Craft by Yugoslavs.

TO : G-5 Section,
A.F.H.Q.

Reference your letter No. G-5: 561.6 MAI dated 2 April 1946, I enclose a copy of memorandum No. 6/1883/795 dated 27 April from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

As will be seen from paragraph 5, these latest seizures are a consequence of the requisition by the Allied authorities of the Slav vessel ZVIR or SVIR.

The w/q extract from the minutes of a meeting held at 10.30 hours on 5 April 1946 in Economic Section on Shipping (Joint Economic Committee) is given to show that not only is the ZVIR de-requisitioned but that the Slav authorities in Venezia Giulia are aware of this fact:

"The Yugoslavs asked for further information on

ZVIR
LABOR

which ships, they stated, were being prevented by the Allies from returning to Zone B.

Major COOPER replied that both ZVIR and LABOR had been engaged on taking coal from AUSO to VENICE. The coal had been impounded by Italian Government authorities. The ships, however, were released immediately.

The ZVIR and LABOR were both inspected by an R.A.S.C. Water Transport Coy. in VENICE and the ZVIR was requisitioned, without the knowledge of A.M.G. As a result of action by A.M.G. with the military authorities, the ZVIR was released, is now in BARI, and the Captain of the ship is free to sail wherever he wishes.

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Therefore it will be seen that neither the ZVIR nor the LABOR are in any way under the control of the Allies and are free to return to Zone B ".

For the Chief Commissioner:

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copies to:- Poland 'A'
Poland 'B'
— Navy Sub-Commission —

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From : MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date : 4th ~~March~~, 1946
Ref. : 1573 /UT

NARA

Subject: Italian Schooners detained by Jugoslav Authorities.

Further to signal 45521 and letter 1501/UT, of 16th and 26th April respectively, information recently received indicates that Jugoslav authorities have detained,

Schooner "FLORIDO" on 7th March at Parenzo

Schooner "SALVINO" on 14th March at Lussinpiccolo.

CHEF DE CABINET
(Sgd) G. Marini.

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MINISTERO DELLA MARINA

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Indirizzo telegrafico: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N. 1573/UT Allegati .....

Roma, 4 MAG. 1946

Al COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Navale -

ARGOMENTO: Motovelieri italiani fermati dalle autorità jugoslave.

A seguito del telegramma 45521 e della lettera 1501/UT rispettivamente del 16 e 26 aprile, si comunica che da notizie recentemente pervenute risulta che le autorità jugoslave hanno fermato:

- M/v FLORIDO il 7 marzo u.s. a Parenzo
- M/v SALVINO il 14 aprile a Lussinpiccolo.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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# HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 5609/148/EC

1 May 1946.

SUBJECT: Seizure of Italian Boats by Yugoslavs.

TO :- Navy Sub-Commission,
A.C.

The attached copy of minutes of a meeting of The Joint Economic Committee are forwarded.

As you will see, para 3 deals with the ZVIR and LABOR.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Alan J. Kennedy Capt

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to:- Polad 'A'
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SUBJECT: Seizure by Regular Authorities of Italian vessels.

1. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs has to inform the Allied Commission that, according to information received from Prefecture of Venice, the Regular Maritime Inspectorate of Piano has instructed all Harbour Master Offices to seize all Italian ships lying at anchor or sailing in the waters of the 3 zone Istrian coast.

2. It appears that these instructions were issued as a retaliation measure for the seizure by the Allied Command in Venice early in March of the motor-schooner "IRIS" belonging to the Piano Maritime Division, which was sent to Venice by Regular Authorities with a cargo of coal.

3. As a result of these instructions the following Italian motor-schooners have been seized and their crews held aboard:

- "SANTA MADDALENA" of Venice Maritime Division seized in Piano;
- "PEACE" of Comacchio Maritime Division seized in Ancona;
- "LIBERTA' E AVVENIRE II" of Comacchio Maritime Division seized in Piano.

The cargo of these ships (firewood and coal) was unloaded and the ships have been used for transport of coal from Ancona to Piano on account of the Regular Maritime Inspectorate of Piano.

4. The following vessels have also been seized:

- "GIORGINO" of Comacchio, empty, seized in Sevigno;
- "MARIDO" of Rovigno, cargo of salt bound to Venice, seized in Rovigno;
- "SANTA LUCIA" of Rovigno, cargo of coal bound to Venice, seized in Rovigno;
- "SANTA LUCIA" of Rovigno, cargo of coal bound to Venice, seized in Rovigno;
- "FRANCESCA" of Chioggia, cargo of cement bound to Chioggia, seized in Rovigno;
- "ANGELO CUSTODE" of Chioggia, cargo of oil-cake bound to Venice, seized in Rovigno
- "ELIO II" of Chioggia, cargo of firewood bound to Chioggia, seized in Rovigno;
- "ELIO" of Chioggia, cargo of firewood bound to Chioggia, seized in Rovigno;
- "SALVATORE SECONDO" cargo of wine bound to Venice, seized in Rovigno;

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- Gio Guerrino and one Turkish cargo of coal bound to Venice, passed in Jersey.

Two vessels have been used for transport of coal on account of Egyptian difficulties between Arabs and Turks.

5. It appears that the Egyptian authorities have intimated that they are going to set free the 4/5 Italian vessels only when the Allied authorities will have released the ex-Italian ship and she will have reached Piraeus.

6. Allied vessels in Trieste and Pola are already infected of this epidemic malaria, which, besides the damage caused, has created a panic of mines among Italians whose transferable value to the owners of the ships vessels.

7. The Minister for Foreign Affairs, in view of the serious situation which the arbitrary action of the Egyptian Maritime Transportation of Piraeus has created, would be grateful to the Allied Commission if they could take the proper steps with the Egyptian authorities for the release of the 4/5 Italian vessels and crews.

Monday, April 22nd, 1946.

Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 785020

From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 26th April 1946
Ref.: 1301/61

Subject: Motor-schooner "LABOR"

Reference letter M30/4367 dated 8th instant.

From information duly received it is now known that the motor-schooner "LABOR" is now in Venice and that she has not been requisitioned nor detained by the Allied Authorities.

You are also informed that the undermentioned schooners, which left Pola on 4th March and were stopped and detained at Parenzo, by the Jugoslav authorities, managed to escape and have arrived in Venice :

- ROMANO P. - Chioggia
- REMO - Chioggia
- VITTORIA - Chioggia
- ANGELO FRASCATO - Chioggia

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
Date 30 APR 1946
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GABINETTO

**Ufficio Trattati**

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

*Prot. N°* 1501/UT *Allegati*

*Roma,* 26 APR 1945

*Alla* COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Navale

ARGOMENTO: Motoveliero "LABOR".-

Riferimento foglio NSC/4867 dell' 8 c.m.

Da notizie successivamente ricevute risulta che il motoveliero "LABOR" si trova tuttora a Venezia e che non è stato requisito nè trattenuto dalle Autorità Alleate.

Si comunica inoltre che i sottonotati motovelieri, partiti da Pola il 4 marzo e che erano stati fermati e trattenuti a Parenzo dalle Autorità jugoslave sono riusciti a fuggire e sono giunti a Venezia:

- ROMANO B. di Chioggia
- REMO " "
- NICOLETTA " "
- ARDITO PESCATORE di Chioggia.-

d'ordine 4812
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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MINISTRY OF MARINE

Marina 45521. Reference this Ministry's (3323) of the 18th March. Jugo Slavs have not yet released detained submarine. It is requested that the Allied Commission will use every possible influence to secure their release.

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NSC/4867
8 April 1946.

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

Subject: Further Information on Requisitioning of the Italian Ship LABOR - request for.

Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine dispatch 180803 of March 1946.

1. It has come to the attention of the Navy Sub-Commission that Allied Force Headquarters has no record of the alleged requisitioning of the LABOR by Allied authorities.

2. It is therefore requested that all details in the possession of the Ministry of Marine in regard to the requisitioning of the LABOR be furnished the Navy Sub-Commission.

G. F. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR
REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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8 APR 1946

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DATE: 13/4/46
FROM: FLAG OFFICER [illegible] LIAISON.
TO : NAVY SUB-COMMI[illegible] HQ. AC.
FORWARDED FOR [illegible] PRIATE ACTION

[illegible] Crawford
for REAR ADMIRAL.

BNR BELGRADE
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SECRET IMPORTANT

Following is a repetition of NOIC TRIESTE's 031424B addressed BNR BELGRADE begins:-

Your 031555A March (to NOIC TRIESTE only).

Port Captain Trieste reports following schooners seized in PARENZO in Zone B.

| NAME | PORT OF REGISTRATION | TRAVELLING FROM |
|---|---|---|
| NICOLETTA(F) | CHIOGGIA | POLA |
| DIVINA MADRE | PORTO GARIBALDI | ARSA(ZoneB) |
| (ARDITO?) PASCATORE | CHIOGGIA | POLA |
| R(?)MANARD | CHIOGGIA | PARENZO |
| REMO(?) | CHIOGGIA | PARENZO |
| ERNESTO LEONE | TRAPANI(Sicily) | MARSALA |

2. All submissions were details derived from VENICE.

3. Now (nominates?) Allied-Yugoslav Economics Committee AMG 13 Corps informed of all reports up to seemingly improper seizures of Italian craft ENDS. Malta please pass to Trieste.

DMG 051630 April

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 561.6 NEI

2 April 1946

SUBJECT: Seizure of Italian Craft.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
APO 394.

Reference NSC/4766 dated 25 March 1946.

1. Schooner ZUIR was recently requisitioned by Allied Authorities and is about to be released.

2. There is no record at this Headquarters of the requisition or use of the schooner LABOR by Allied Authorities. Any additional information pertaining to the alleged requisition of the ship, LABOR would be appreciated.

3. Information as to the seizure of the Italian ships is being requested and you will be advised.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A. L. HAMBLEN
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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Ref: NSC/4786

25 March 1946.

SUBJECT: Seizure of Italian Fishing Craft.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters.

1. Enclosures (A) and (B) are forwarded for information.

2. Confirmation is requested of the alleged requisition of the Jugoslav schooners at Venice by Allied Authorities.

3. It is requested that the incidents be examined from a military standpoint as well as from an economic standpoint.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner.

Enclosure (A) Copy Allied Commission ltr. of 23 March 1946 to the American Embassy.
(B) Copy Allied Commission ltr. of 23 March 1946 to the British Embassy.

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INCIDENTS INVOLVING THE SEIZURE OF ITALIAN VESSELS BY YUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES

1. On 26 November 1945 the Ministry of Marine reported that:

a) The M.F.V. "DELFINO" left Molfetta on 25th May last for deep-sea fishing and nothing has been heard from her since. It is believed that the members of the crew were at Teodo at the end of October.

b) The M.F.V. "SAN NICOLA" left Bari on 25th May last for deep-sea fishing and nothing has been heard from her since. It is believed that the members of the crew were at Teodo at the end of October.

c) The M.F.V. "SAN MICHELE ARCANGELO", while fishing about 5 miles north of Pelagosa Island on 29th May last, was chased and machine-gunned by a Jugoslav motor-launch which came from Cazza Island. The M.F.V. took refuge in flight, abandoning its nets at sea.

d) The M.F.V. "NUOVA MARIA" sailed from Molfetta on 30th May last to fish and nothing has been heard from her since. It is believed that the members of the crew were at Teodo at the end of October.

e) The M.F.V. "SANTA TERESA" at about 0400 on 17th June last was fishing to the south of Pelagosa Island, with navigating lights properly lit, when it was machine-gunned, captured, and taken to Split, where the crew was taken off and interned in a concentration camp. On 31st October the crew returned to Italy in the American S.S."ELBRIDGE GERRY". The capture of the vessel was reported by Headquarters, 3rd Brigade, 1st Div. K.N.O.J., SPLIT on 16 October 1945.

There is the reason to believe that the M.F.V.'s "DELFINO", "SAN NICOLA", "NUOVA MARIA", abovementioned, were taken prisoner by Jugoslav craft.

2. The M.F.V. GIORGIO II fishing near Premuda Island on 9 October 1945 was seized by the Jugoslavs and taken to Split. The crew was subsequently returned to Italy by the American S.S."ELBRIDGE GERRY". The M.F.V. GIORGIO II was fitted for use as a coastal patrol vessel. The capture of the vessel was reported by Headquarters, 3rd Brigade, 1st Div. K.N.O.J., SPLIT on 16 October 1945.

3. On 18 March the Ministry of Marine informed the Allied Commission that the following vessels had been seized:

(a) Schooner ERNESTO LEONI
(b) Schooner ROMANO Z
(c) Schooner ARDITO PESCATORE.

4. The above cited cases are specific, many others exist.

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23 March 1946.

His Excellency
The Right Honorable
Sir Noel Charles, K.C.M.G., M.C.,
British Ambassador, Rome.

My dear Mr. Ambassador:

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I strongly recommend that adequate steps be taken to insure the release of the above mentioned vessels to their Italian owners and to prevent further arbitrary seizure of Italian fishing vessels and other craft.

Very truly yours,

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ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner.

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Charge' d'Affaires,
American Embassy, Rome.

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20th March 1946.

To: Naval Sub-Commission.
Attention: Captain Wentz.

Ref: 5609/EC.

With reference to the attached telegram, this matter was discussed at the Chief Commissioner's Political meeting this morning. It was decided that as this matter appeared to be a Venezia Giulia matter and, therefore, an Allied Commitment, it was one which should be referred to the U.K. and U.S.Embassies for action through diplomatic channels.

AFHQ should also be given the information contained in the attached telegram and be informed as to the way in which it was being handled. I feel we should also ask AFHQ whether the two schooners referred to had been requisitioned recently at Venice, and whether these schooners were registered at Fiume and Parenzo.

for Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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No. 33129.
We are advised that the Jugoslav Authorities have detained a number of Italian schooners at Parenzo, including :-
Schooner, ERNESTO LEONI - 64 tons gross - registered at Porto Empedocle.
Schooner ROMANO Z. - 16 tons gross - registered at Chioggia.
And Schooner ARDITO PESCATORE - 33 tons gross - also registered at Chioggia.
It appears that holding of these schooners relates to the requisitioning of schooners ZUIR, registered at Fiume, and LABOR, registered at Pirano. These were requisitioned recently at Venice, by the Allied Authorities. It is requested that the Allied Commission may take urgent action to effect release by Jugoslav authorities of the schooners which they have detained.

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NSC/4901
12 April 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Jugoslav Ships sunk in the harbor of Leghorn.

Reference: (a) Jugoslav Delegation letter Br.412/46 of 4 April 1946.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/4875 of 9 April 1946.

1. In reference (a) the Deputy Representative of Jugoslavia to the Advisory Council for Italy brought to the attention of the Navy Sub-Commission a report to the effect that Italian Maritime authorities decided to destroy certain salvagable vessels of Jugoslav ownership that at present act as a menace to Navigation in and about the Port of Leghorn.

2. The Navy Sub-Commission has taken this matter under investigation, as indicated in reference (b). It has been confirmed that no steps are being taken to blow up vessels sunk in and about Leghorn harbor.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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MARIL 4355. Reference your 0511713 April. Ministry of Marine having questioned Mercantile Marine, Ministry of Public Works and the Leghorn Salvage Office, confirms that no steps are being taken to blow up vessels sunk near the entrance to the harbour of Leghorn.

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MINISTRY OF MARITIME . From MEC.

An confirmed report has been received that ITALIAN Naval Authorities have issued orders for the blowing up of vessels and make the entrance to the Port of LEGHORN. It is requested that any information regarding this report be communicated to NAVY SUB-COMMISSION.

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NSC/4875
9 April 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Jugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy.

Subject: Jugoslav Ships Sunk in the Harbor of Leghorn.

Reference: (a) Jugoslav Delegation letter Br 412/46 of 4 April 1946.

1. The question of the destruction of the sunken Jugoslav ships that hinder navigation in and about the Port of Leghorn, as outlined in Reference (a), is under thorough investigation.

2. The Jugoslav Delegation is informed that no action will be taken in this matter by Italian authorities without prior authorization by the Navy Sub-Commission.

G. F. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR
REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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JUGOSLAV DELEGATION
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY
Br.412/46

4 April 1946

SUBJECT : S/S "JUGOSLAVIJA" Passangers steam-ship, sunk in the port of Leghorn - salvage.

TO: H.Q.A.C.
Navy Sub Commission.

1. Reference our letters Br.1554 of 13 Nov.45 and Br.225/46 of 16 Feb.46.

2. We have been informed that the Italian Maritime Authorities have decided to blow up with mines on first May all the vessels sunk around the entrance to the port of Leghorn because they are hindering the navigation.

3. Among the vessels in question there is also s/s JUGOSLAVIJA, Passangers steam-ship, tonnage 1275, owner "Jadranska Plovidba d.d." Sušak, the luxurious Yacht TIHA, tonnage 466, owner "Jugoslavenski Lloyd a.d."

4. Application is made herewith :

A. That this Delegation be informed urgently whether or not the a/m statement is official and authentical.

B. If so that blowing up of Jugoslav vessels be immediately prohibited.

C. Instead of destroying the ships in question, urgent measures for the salvage of those Jugoslav vessels should be taken in the port of Leghorn, as well as in other ports where those ships are sunk. This would be a duty of the Italian Maritime Authorities /see Para 1/. But in any case sufficient time must be left for saving of all Jugoslav ships.

5. It is obvious that blowing up of Jugoslav vessels in Italy would provoke resentment of the Jugoslav public opinion and that the responsability for further destroying of Jugoslav vessels should be charged to those authorities who would issue the order for blowing up.

We are informing Jugoslav Government about this.

We are convinced that the Allied Commission will take urgent measures that no new damnages be made to Jugoslavia and that all possible complications will be excluded in this way.

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DR. SLOVEN J. SMODLAKA,
Deputy Representative of Jugoslavia,
Advisory Council for Italy.

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