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NSC/4539
2 February 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Sig. Cino MADDALENA, Via Entracque, 7, TORINO.

1. With reference to your letter dated 25th January 1945, it is regretted that it is not possible to accept your offer.

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

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G. Maddalena refers to his letter dated Dec. 22nd (received on Jan. 14th) in which he and two other sailors (piloti dei mezzi d'assalto della marina di guerra repubblicana) asked to enlist in the U.S. Navy and become American citizens.

They haven't yet received any answer.

Immediately

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Sig. Ammiraglio
Ellery Stone

Capo della Commissione Alleata
in Italia.

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Torino, 25-1-1946

Ammiraglio
Ellery Stone
Capo della Commissione Alleata
in Italia -
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Sig. Ammiraglio,

abbia la bontà di scusarmi se insisto a scriverLe anche a nome dei miei due compagni.

Con lettera inviataLe nu mese fa, le spiegavo la nostra qualità di ex-piloti dei mezzi d'assalto di Superficie della Marina da Guerra Repubblicana e la nostra intenzione di entrare a far parte della Marina degli Stati Uniti

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sia in qualità di istruttori di piloti di mezzi d'assalto, sia per essere impiegati in un eventuale futuro impiego bellico, con il desiderio di acquistare la cittadinanza americana. - Ci sentiremmo onorati di mettere il nostro modesto contributo a disposizione della più potente marina del mondo e Le saremmo infinitamente grati se vorrà cortesemente farci pervenire un cenno di risposta anche se, dio non voglia!, esso sarà sfavorevole. - Tanti saluti. -

Maddalena Gino
Via Entracque, 1
TORINO

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WITHDRAWAL OF THE FRENCH NAVAL MISSION IN ITALY

Captain Heron de Villefosse, French Representative
letter 3095/27 dated 2 December 1946

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The Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station.

For information.

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

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From: Capt. Heron de Villefosse,
French Representative to the A.C.
To : Chief, Navy Sub Commission
Date: 2nd December 1946
Ref.: 3095/27

Subject: Withdrawal of the French Naval Mission in Italy

I have the honour of informing you that the French Naval Mission in Italy headed by Commander Douet, and which was stationed at Genoa, ceased to exist on the 25th November, 1946.

The Naval constructor officer Pinault will remain for a time at Genoa to ~~deal with pending details.~~ liquidate outstanding matters.

(Signed) Commander YBERT
Naval Assistant to the French Representative

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NAVY SUB-COMMISSION
HQ. AC.

Date: 7 May 1946

Ltr.Ref.,Date & Subject:

Pub; S/C ltr. AC/14057/PS of 6 May.

Illegal Immigration - Tripoli

(X) ACTION / (/) INFO	INITIAL	DATE
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DATE: 1 May 1946
FROM: NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, HQ. AC.
TO : FOTALI, ROME.

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HQ. AC.

Date: 24 August 1946

Ltr.Ref.,Date & Subject

Captured Enemy Materials Br., AFHQ, ltr. CEM/74/1520, dated 23 Aug. 1946

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: CSO (NSC)	:	::		:::
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: COMMUNICATIONS	:	::		:::
: ALL HANDS	:	::		:::

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DATE: 29 August 1946
FROM: NAVY SUB-COMMISSION HQ AC
TO : FO LI ROME

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W. C. Chapin
for Chief, Navy S/C.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C.
Date: 8th January 1947
Ref.: B.188

Subject: Report on a motoring incident on the 8th January 1947

Enclosed is a report made by the Assistant to the Minister of Marine regarding a motoring incident, in which he was concerned, and which took place this morning 8th instant, with a British military motorcyclist.

From an examination of the report and from verifications which were made, it is considered that an incident of such small importance and which has had no consequences, may be considered closed.

The report is, nevertheless, forwarded to the Navy Sub Commission for information.

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CHIEF OF CABINET

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The Senior Officer, Assistant to the Minister of Marine.

Rome 8th January 1947

This morning, 8th January 1947, at 08,40, I was concerned in an insignificant motoring accident in Via Flaminia, outside the entrance to the Ministry of Marine, and which it is my duty to report for information.

I was travelling in the Minister's car, numbered Rome 96650, from my home and, as I was already late, and as the car had to pick up the Minister's private secretary, who lived in the city centre, I told the driver to stop without taking me to the main entrance, in order to save time.

The driver stopped slowly, having raised the turn indicator for a right-hand turn, but neither he nor I saw, in the driving mirror, the approach of a British despatch-rider who, probably because of the frozen snow, which prevented him from stopping or turning in time, collided lightly against the left rear wheel and fell over.

Turning round, and seeing that the motor cyclist had got to his feet unhurt, I got out and told the driver to proceed to the corner of the square, so as not to impede traffic entering the Ministry and as I did not require the use of the car.

While I was getting out, the despatch-rider picked up his machine, started off immediately and rode as far as the car, where a Polish jeep had also stopped. I reached my car in time to overhear the following sentence : "It is not only the Allies who run over people. I need no witnesses of the flight of the car. The British Court will deal with that".

The D.R. then took the car's number and proceeded on his business.

I state in advance that in this case the Italian vehicle neither collided with nor ran over anybody; the car did not make off, as I had got out, but I did not consider it best to enter into discussion with an Allied soldier owing to language difficulty and not wishing to draw curiosity or a crowd.

The British motorcycle had no number-plate. The Minister's car received no damage, not even scratched paintwork. The same applies to the British motorcycle, which was still in excellent condition and was able to start off immediately, as stated above. The rider sustained no damage either to himself or to his uniform.

The Senior Officer
Assistant to the Minister of Marine
(Signed) Lt.Cdr.Camillo Cuzzi.

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Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

Roma 8 gennaio 1947

Al NAVY SUB COMMISSION

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. V — B. 188 *Allegati*

ARGOMENTO: Rapporto circa incidente automobilistico dell'8/1/47.

Si trasmette un rapporto compilato dall'Ufficiale Superiore Addetto al Signor Ministro della Marina Militare circa un incidente automobilistico occorso allo stesso, stamani 8 corrente, con un motociclista militare inglese.

Dall'esame del rapporto e degli accertamenti prontamente e rigorosamente eseguiti, si ritiene che l'incidente di così lieve portata e che non ha avuta alcuna conseguenza, possa ritenersi chiuso.

Si trasmette comunque il rapporto in parola per opportuna conoscenza di codesta Navy Sub Commission.

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

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L'UFFICIALE SUPERIORE
ADDETTO A S. E. IL MINISTRO DELLA MARINA

Roma, 8 gennaio 1947

Stamani, 8 gennaio 1947, alle ore 8.40, in via Flaminia, all'altezza dell'ingresso del Ministero della Marina Militare, ho avuto un insignificante incidente automobilistico che segnalo per dovere d'ufficio e per opportuna conoscenza.

Sull'autovettura del Signor Ministro, con targa ROMA 96650, proveniente dalla mia abitazione, essendo in notevole ritardo sull'orario d'ufficio, e dovendo la macchina proseguire per ritirare il Segretario Particolare del Ministro, abitante al centro della città, ho ordinato all'autista di fermare senza portarmi all'ingresso principale per non perdere tempo.

L'autista, azionata la freccia per indicare una accostata sulla destra, ha fermato lentamente: nello specchietto non ha visto, come non ho visto, un motociclista militare inglese sopraggiungente che, forse a causa della neve ghiacciata, che gli ha impedito di fermare o di accostare, ha urtato leggermente contro la ruota sinistra posteriore, cadendo a terra.

Voltatomi, e visto che il motociclista si era alzato in perfette condizioni, non richiedenti assolutamente l'eventuale impiego della macchina sul posto, per non intralciare il traffico di accesso al Ministero, sono sceso di macchina mentre ho ordinato all'autista di proseguire fino all'angolo della piazza.

Mentre scendevo il motociclista, rialzata la macchina, la metteva subito in moto e raggiungeva l'autovettura alla quale si era avvicinata una jeep polacca.

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Ho raggiunto la mia automobile nel momento in cui il motociclista proferiva la seguente frase: "non sono solo gli alleati che mettono sotto la gente. Non ho bisogno di testimoni nella fuga dell'automobile. Ci penserà il tribunale inglese."

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Preso il numero della macchina, il motociclista ha proseguito per i fatti suoi.

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Premesso che nel caso la macchina italiana non ha investito e tanto meno ha messo sotto persone; che la macchina non è fuggita in quanto ne sono sceso io sul posto, non ho ritenuto opportuno entrare in discussione con un soldato alleato per difficoltà di lingua e per non sollevare curiosità e assembramento.

La motocicletta inglese non aveva targa.

L'autovettura del Signor Ministro non ha riportato alcun danno, neppure graffiature di vernice. Altrettanto dicasi della motocicletta inglese, rimasta in piena efficienza, tanto da rimettersi in moto con la massima prontezza, come sopra detto.

Il motociclista alleato non ha riportato alcun danno alla persona e alla divisa.

L'Ufficiale Superiore
Addetto al Ministro della Marina Mil.
Capitano di Corvetta
(Camillo Curzi)

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NSC/5837
7 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission .
To: Air Forces Sub-Commission.

Subject: Methods of Selection of Officers for Retention on Active Service.

References: (a) Air Forces Sub-Commission ltr. AFSC/36/7/ORG of 21 December 1946.

1. The Navy Sub-Commission has received the complete and detailed information furnished in Appendix A to reference (a). It is noted however, that the Appendix A in question does not give any information on the selection of officers senior in grade.

2. It would be appreciated if the Air Forces Sub-Commission could supply additional information concerning the methods and regulations governing the selection of senior grade officers.

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

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MSC/ 5839
6 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The United States Naval Attache',
American Embassy, Rome.

Subject: Italian Board for Selection of Officers for Retention in the Italian Navy, Request for information on.

Reference: (a) Naval Attache' ltr. A8-2 serial 192 of 26 November 1946.

Enclosure: (A) Disposizioni legislative sull'avanzamento degli ufficiali dei Corpi militari della Regia Marina e leggi complementari of 1942.
(B) Riforma del Consiglio superiore di Marina of April 1945.
(C) Conditions and Procedure governing the Selection of Officer to Permanent commission in the Italian military Air Force.

1. In accordance with the request contained in reference (a) enclosures (A) (B) and (C) are forwarded herewith.

2. Enclosures (A) and (B) represent the material available at the moment concerning officers of the Italian Navy. At the moment the rules embodied in these enclosures are undergoing revision.

3. It is to be noted that there are three Commissions, as follows, that meet once a year in the Ministry of Marine governing the selection of Italian Naval Officers of different grades:

Commissione Suprema	-	Ammiraglio di Squadra.
Commissione Straordinaria	-	Capitano di Fregata to Ammiraglio di Divisione.
Commissione Ordinanza	-	Guardia Marina to Capitano di Fregata.

The number of members constituting each commission varies but follows the general principals of our own selection boards whereby members are senior in rank and for the various corps a minority of members are nominated from the corps concerned.

4. The Air Forces Sub-Commission has been asked to secure additional

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information governing the selection of officers of senior grade, not included in enclosure (C).

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

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FROM :- AIR POWERS SUB COMMISSION, A.C. ROOM.

TO :- NAVY SUB-COMMISSION
Copy to NAVAL ATTACHE AMERICAN EMBASSY.

DATE :- 21st DECEMBER, 1946

REF. :- APSC/360/7/Gen.

SELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR TERRITORY OCCUPATIONS I.A.P.

1. Reference your letter NSC 1735 dated 5th December 1946.

2. The information requested is enclosed See Appendix A.

3. Any further information desired may be obtained from this Headquarters.

A.T. SALTER, W/CMDR.
POWER WING GENERAL
DIRECTOR
AIR POWERS SUB COMMISSION.

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NSC/5735
5 December 1946

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

Subject: Italian Board for Selection of Officers for Retention in Italian Air Force

1. The American Naval Attache has requested that the Navy Sub-Commission provide information concerning the organization and plans regarding the methods and requirements for the selection of officers in the Italian Air Force for retention on active service.

2. It would be appreciated if the Air Force Sub-Commission could secure this information for the Navy Sub-Commission in order that it be transmitted to the Naval Attache.

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

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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS
"ALUSNA ROME"

AMERICAN EMBASSY
OFFICE OF THE NAVAL ATTACHÉ
ROME

A8-2
Serial 192

26 November 1946.

From: U.S. Naval Attache, Rome.
To : Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, Rome.

Subject: Italian Board for Selection of Officers for Retention in the Italian Navy, Request for Information on.

1. It is requested that the Ministry of the Marine and the Ministry of Aeronautics be requested to furnish the organization, and plans now available to them regarding the methods and requirements for selection of officers of their respective organizations for retention on active service.

O. B. PARKER,
By direction.

NAVY SUB-COMMISSION
11-30-46

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Italian Military Affairs Section
Land Forces Sub Section

Tel: 489081
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11 Feb 47

IMAS (Navy Sub Section)
IMAS (Air Forces Sub Section)

SUBJECT: Italian Armed Forces personnel in Zone "A" of VENEZIA GIULIA.

Ref our letter No.54 A, dated 4 Feb 47, addid to Italian Ministry of War, copies to you for information.

Copies of 2 letters from Ministry of War (No.202025/11, dated 4 Feb 47 and 202834/11, dated 6 Feb 47 or the subject under reference are attached for your information.

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W. D. Haley Major
Major General,
Director.

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FROM : Ministry of War

TO : M.M.I.A.

REF : 202834/II

DATE : 6 February 1947

SUBJECT : Personnel of the Italian Armed Forces in Zone "A" of Venezia Giulia.

Further to letters 232654/II, 200740/II and 202025/II of 23 December 1946, 12 January last and 4th inst respectively; in reply to letter 54 A of 4th inst, relative to the subject in question.

1. Instructions already issued to Udine Military Territorial Command for the immediate withdrawal of officers and NCOs on active service in Zone "A" of Venezia Giulia have been confirmed today.

The officers and NCOs of this category who will remain on the spot for the functioning of the Italian Military offices, will immediately be transferred to the release category.

2. As stated in letter 202025/II of 4th inst, the delay in the carrying out of the instructions previously issued is due to the need to effect an accurate selection of the personnel to be left on the spot and the difficulty for Udine Military Territorial Command to carry out the instructions in the area of Zone "A" of Venezia Giulia.

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Sgd. SUPINO
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Allied Force Headquarters
Italian Military Affairs Section
Land Forces Sub Section

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4 Feb 47.

Ministry of War.

SUBJECT: Italian Armed Forces personnel in Zone "A" of VENEZIA GIULIA

1. Please refer to my letters No. 028 A dated 3 Dec 46 and 028 A dated 7 Jan 47, in which the instructions of the Supreme Allied Commander for the withdrawal of Service personnel in Zone "A" were passed to you for action.

2. Allied Force H.Q. have been informed that these instructions have not yet been obeyed and now request that:-

(a) immediate action be taken to :-

Withdraw all personnel now on the Active List in Zone "A" of VENEZIA GIULIA forthwith,
OR To strike them off the Active List,
OR To disarm them.

(b) An immediate report be rendered as to why such action has been delayed.

3. You are requested to comply with the above instructions without delay and further to report to this Mission as soon as the instructions have been complied with.

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W.K. Bailey Colonel
Major General,
Director.

Copy to:- I.M.A.S. (Navy Sub Section) ref this H.Q.file No.028 A which was passed to you for information on 24 Jan,47.

I.M.A.S. (Air Forces Sub Section) ref your letter No. AFSC/360/CMM, dated 3 Jan,47, added Italian Air Ministry. copy to this H.Q.(IMIA).

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TRANSLATION

FROM : Ministry of War

REF : 202025/II

TO : MMIA

DATE : 4/2/47

SUBJECT : Italian military personnel in Venezia Giulia.

Further to letter 200740/II dated 12 inst. regarding the a/m subject.

1. The Udine Military Territorial Command has informed us that, possibly, during the first days of February, they will forward proposals and lists of military personnel, as requested by you with letter 023 A dated 3/12/46.

The delay in due to the necessity of having to carry out an accurate selection of the personnel to be left there.

2. From the agreements made between the Military Territorial Command of Udine and the Allied Authorities, the a/m Military Territorial Command has obtained the impression that the question of limiting the number of military personnel in Trieste to 10 officers and 25 NCOs has been overcome.

Infact, during the meeting held in December 1946, the American Colonel Beard of AMG Finance, ordered that an estimate (for the year 1947) of the expenses for the personnel in all the civilian and military offices in the area, be made. All the personnel under the command of the AMG (in reserve or released) and of the military offices has been included in said estimate and up to the present moment no objections have been made.

3. Further information will be forwarded as soon as the lists, mentioned in para 1 above, arrive.

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NSC/5892
22 January 1947

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

Subject: Italian Navy Personnel in Venezia Giulia.

1. The Navy Sub-Commission has been informed by General Headquarters Central Mediterranean Forces that it is considered that essential welfare work for the Italian Navy in Zone "A" of Venezia Giulia can reasonably be undertaken by a total of four officers and ten enlisted men.

2. It is requested that steps be taken to nominate the requisite number of personnel as suggested in paragraph 1 above. This action will be in conformity with the similar steps now being taken by the War Ministry and Air Ministry.

E. W. ROBIE,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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From : Staff Officer (Intelligence), Rome
Offices of Flag Officer, Liaison, Italy.

Date : 25th April, 1947. Ref:625/2/2.C.

To : Captain Leopold CASELLI, Via Fratelli Manfredi, 1 - Reggio Emilia.

EXPLOSIVE CUTTER INVENTION.

With reference to your letter dated 13th January 1947, and to paragraph 1 of Navy Sub-Commission, H.Q.A.C., letter No. NSC/5911 dated 30th January 1947, I am directed to inform you that details of your explosive cutter have been submitted to the British Admiralty for scrutiny by the appropriate technical department, and it has been found not to possess any advantage over cutters of similar type already in service.

2. The Admiralty express thanks for your offer of this device, and for the descriptive brochure which is returned to you herewith.

Lieutenant Commander R.N.V.R.
Staff Officer (Intelligence), Rome.

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Copy to:- Italian Naval Branch, A.F.H.Q.

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NSC/5911
30 January 1947.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Captain Leopoldo CASELLI.

Subject: Explosive Cutters.

Reference: (a) Your ltr. of 13 January, 1947.

1. The information concerning the subject cutters enclosed with reference (a) has been forwarded to the appropriate British and American Naval authorities for such action as may be deemed appropriate.

2. It is pointed out that inasmuch as a decision in regard to these matters must be made in the United States and Great Britain an immediate decision can hardly be expected.

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

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NSC/5900
24 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Staff Officer, Intelligence (F.O.L.I.)

Subject: Explosive Cutters.

Enclosure: (A) Copy of ltr. from Captain Caselli and attached brochures.

1. Enclosure (A), received by the Navy Sub-Commission, is forwarded herewith for information and appropriate action.

H. W. ZIROLI,
[illegible], U. S. [illegible],
FOR:

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

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S I R

I, who take the liberty to apply to you , am Captain Leopoldo Caselli ,formerly Commander of italian battle=ship "ANDREA DORIA" , during last world war .

In anticipation of drastic reduction in staff to be carried out in our Navy,I resigned my commission some months ago , waiving ~~his~~ all claims to my advancement to the degree of rear-admiral.

Unnapily our nation is not in a position to grant resigning officers such ~~a fain~~ fine treatment as would allow them a decent ~~train~~ way of living.

Therefore, having no personal property,I am bound to avail myself of all possible resources with a view to finding a solution to the perplexing problem of living .

I beg to enclose herein ,some descriptive hints of a technical device of my own invention which I protected with patent in Italy and which I think may advantageously be used in the U.S. war Navy.

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I would beg you kindly to further on such descriptions to the Navy Department ,with your personal recommendation that what I have said ~~might~~ be examined, in view of a possible purchase of patent.

Should the inspection turn out favourably I should be ready to deliver a specimen of my device, along with all building drawings ,

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against payment of what amount may be agreed upon .

All trial of the device in question, attented by American Naval Au=
thorities, might be carried out with the laboratory charged with the
building of device itself.

I appeal to the renewed feeling of friendship between the United
States and Italy and to the traditional feeling of comradeship joi=
ning seamen all through the world, to obtain from you all possible
support in securing for my invention a fair examination.

Trusting you won turn a deaf ear upon my S.O.S. I beg to tender the
expression of my personal regard

yours

Capt. L. Castelli

Reggio Emilia — Via Fratelli Manfredi N°I

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EXSPLOSIVE CUTTERS

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The cutters are invaluable in emergencies to the personnel of naval and merchant vessels in the bows or the stern while handling ships to enter or leave harbour, especially in bad weather.

The following situations can be dangerous for ships under certain circumstances and, anyhow, they are always liables to cause great loss of time and consequently they represent a financial loss to merchant vessels:

a) - Failure to unshackle chain cable.
b) - Steel cable running foul on deck.
c) - Anchor fouling a steel or chain cable while under weigh.
d) - Steel cable fouling propeller.
Etc.

The use of these cutters in similar cases can solve many precarious situations with great advantage to everybody concerned.

The use of these cutters is, moreover, advisable for harbour fire stations, fire floats and salvage ships in various cases such as urgent severing of moorings of vessels on fire alongside quays or jetties, severing of tow cables, davit falls etc.

These cutters can also be usefully employed in the severing of submarine telegraph cables under repair in unfavourable weather conditions They can also be employed by divers working on or near sunken wrecks.

These explosive cutters are patented in Italy (patent number 395.853) by Captain Leopoldo Caselli who is represented by General in Reserve Alessandro Blanchi of via Paola, 24 Roma.

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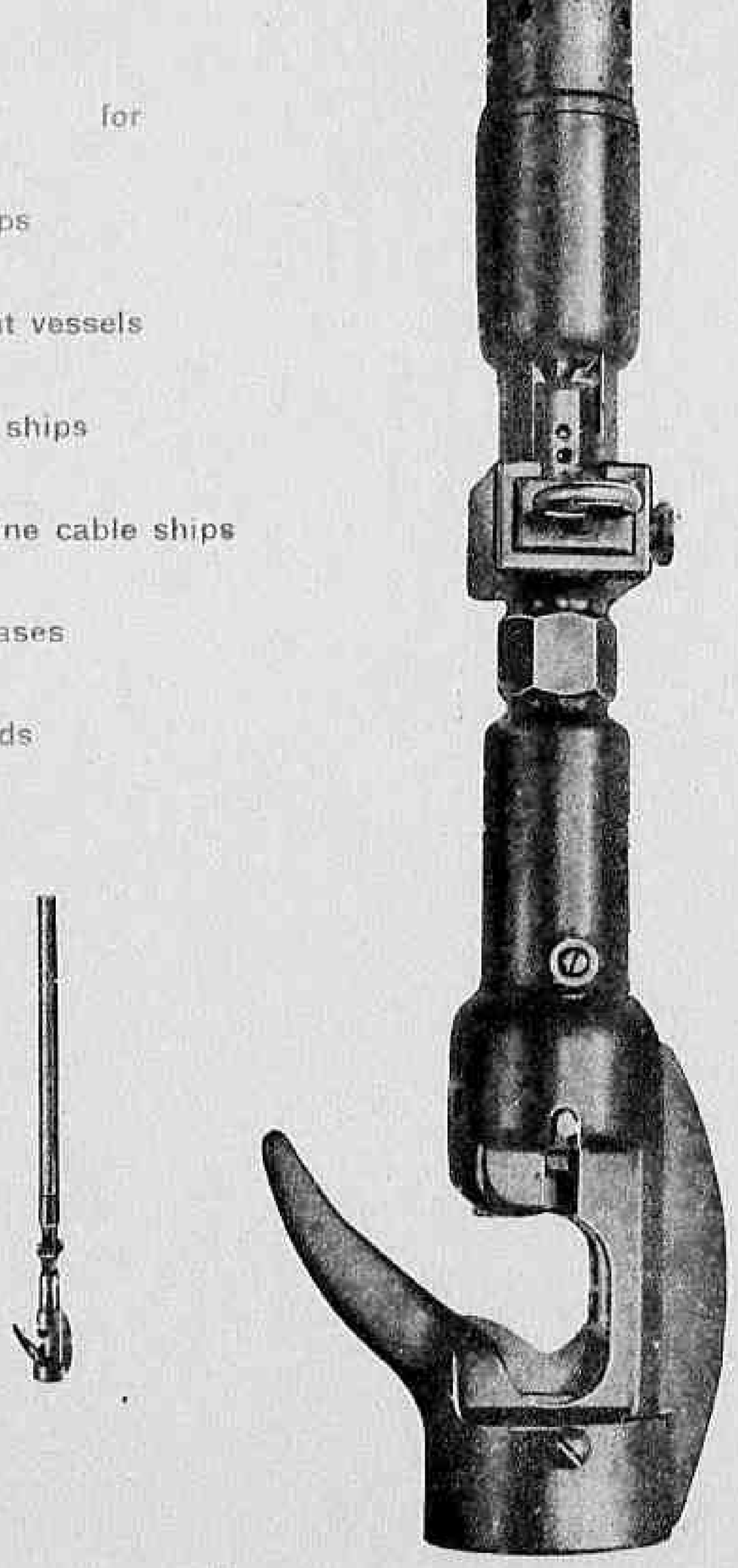
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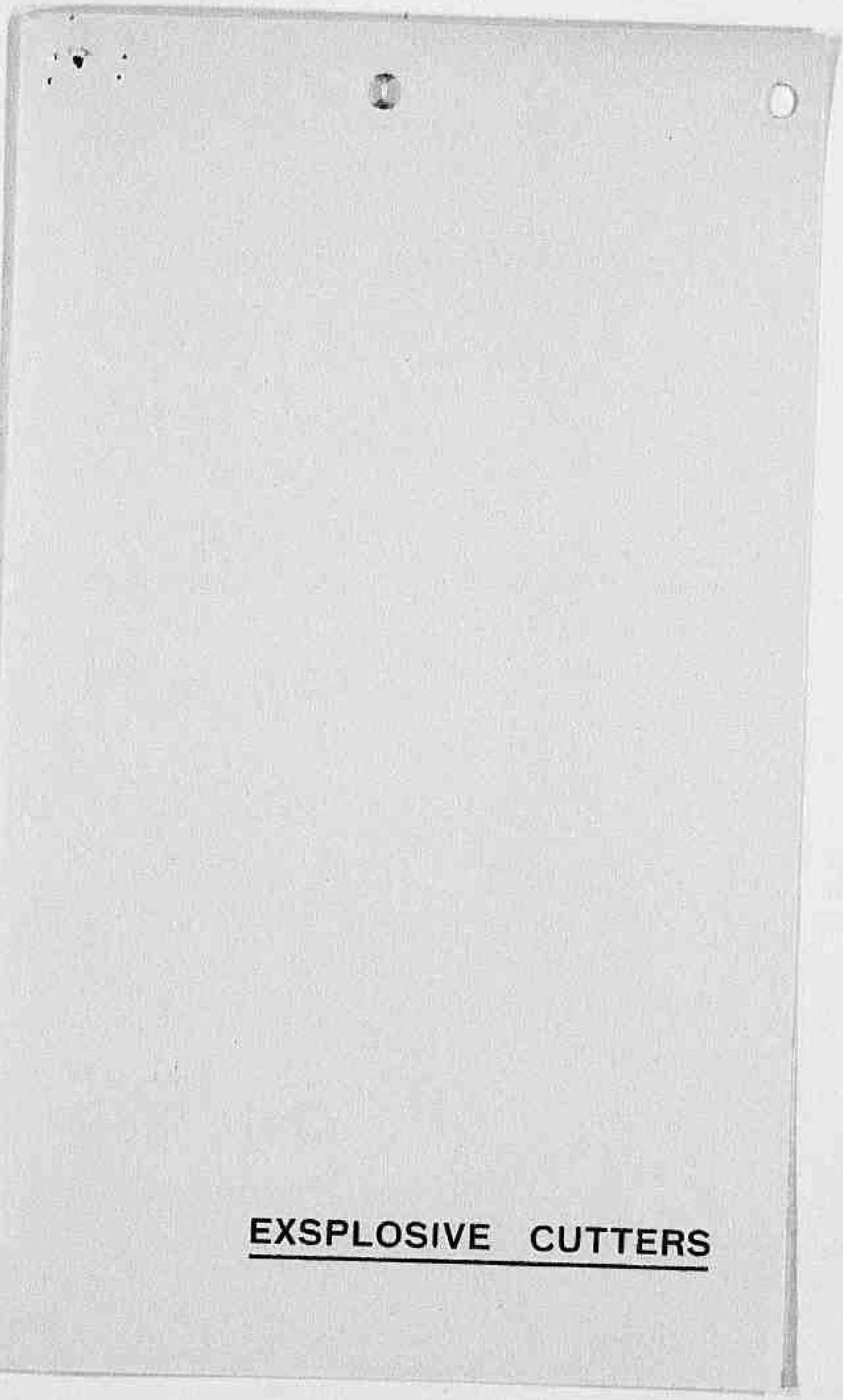
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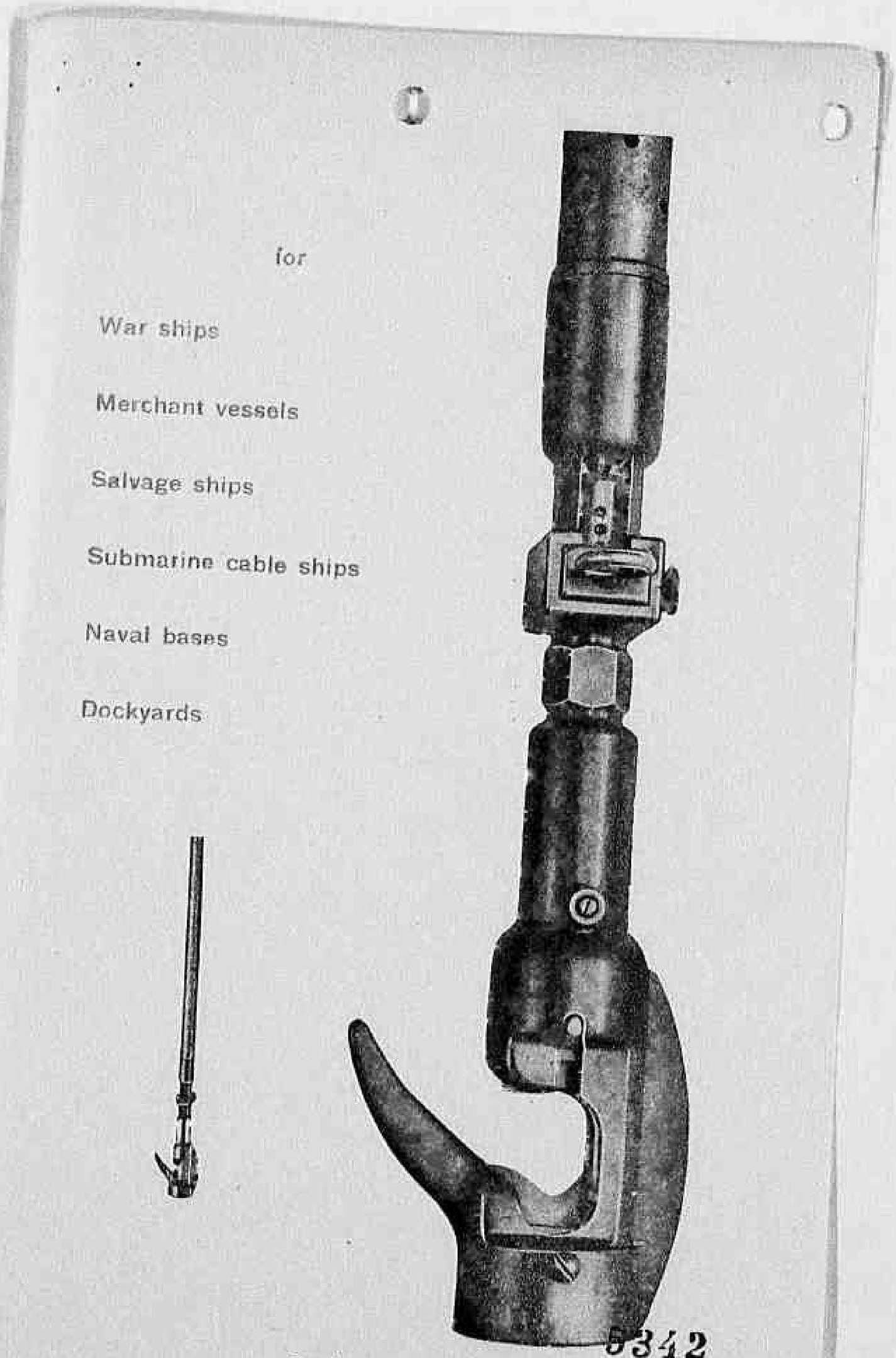
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for the istantaneous severing of wire cables

This explosive cutter consists of a cylinder having at its base a cutter blade. Inside this cylinder is a movable piston attached to a second cutter blade.

The top of the cylinder carries a chamber containing a rifle cartridge case and equipped with breech block and firing pin.

When the cutter is activated the piston is kept in position by a series of stops. The gas pressure generated by the charge pushes down the piston violently and the two blades perform the operation of severing the wire.

The recoil from the firing of the charge is negligible and does not affect in any way the operator.

The noise produced by the discharge is wery slight.

This cutter functions regularly also under water up to a depth of over 30 metres.

These cutters are of 3 sizes:

a) **SMALL SIZE CUTTER** (phot. 1)

The cutter is attached to a long iron tube or handle about 2 metres long inside which runs a wire that works the firing device.

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The charge consists of a 6,5 mm. rifle cartridge case capable of severing wire cables up to the diametre of about 23 mm. The weight including the tubular handle is about 9 Kg.

This size is particularly suitable for cutting wires in shallow waters from a boat. To this end the cylinder is furnished with a hook in order to catch hold of the wire, placing it inside a special groove where it is going to be severed.

The severing of wire cables is possible up to any angle not greater than about 50 degrees.

This pattern is also supplied with a handle made of insulating material for the severing of large electrical cables of overhead lines.

The cutter is also equipped with a short handle about 40 cm. long for normal use.

b) **MEDIUM SIZE CUTTER** (phot. 2)

This device is fixed vertically on a wooden block or it can be used by carrying it in the hand by means of an appropriate handle.

In the first case it is useful for severing wire cables placed horizontally very near the supporting surface. In the second case it is used to sever wires in any position including the vertical.

It is charged with an 8 mm. machine gun cartridge case and is capable of cutting wires up the diametre of about 40 mm. The weight is about 15 Kg.

c) **LARGE SIZE CUTTER** (phot. 3)

It is similar to the preceeding one and is employed in the same way.

The charge is a 13,2 mm. machine gun cartridge case. It can be used for severing the largest mooring or towing cables up to the diametre of about 63 mm. The weight is about 30 Kg.

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These cutters can be usefully employed as follows:

a) For istantaneous severing of paravane cables of destroyers in order to restore their freedom of manoeuvering in the event of sighting the enemy and in particular a submarine (for destroyers): . . . . . **SMALL SIZE**

b) For emergency severing of moorings in order to get away from the quay or jetty in case of fire on board (for Dockyards, Naval Bases, Fire Stations): . . . . . **MEDIUM AND LARGE SIZE**

c) For urgent severing of moorings of naval vessels in various emergencies (for naval vesseles): . . . . . **MEDIUM AND LARGE SIZE**

d) For severing of net defence and wire booms in war operations (for assault craft etc.): . . . . . **SMALL AND MEDIUM SIZE**

e) For severing mine moorings in minesweeping operations: **SMALL SIZE**

f) For severing of wire cables in emergencies: in particular wire fouling propeller or anchor, wires running foul on deck etc. (for any type of naval or merchant vessel): . . . . . **SMALL AND MEDIUM SIZE**

g) For severing of wire cables on the upper works of ships or on sunken wrecks in the course of salvage operations (for Dockyards, Naval Bases, Salvage Ships): . . . . . **MEDIUM AND LARGE SIZE**

h) For severing of wire cables in workshops in order to speed up the work (for Dokyards and Shipyards): . . . **MEDIUM AND LARGE SIZE**

i) For severing of large diametre electrical cables on land (for Fire Stations, Sappers etc.): . . . . . **SMALL SIZE (Special)**

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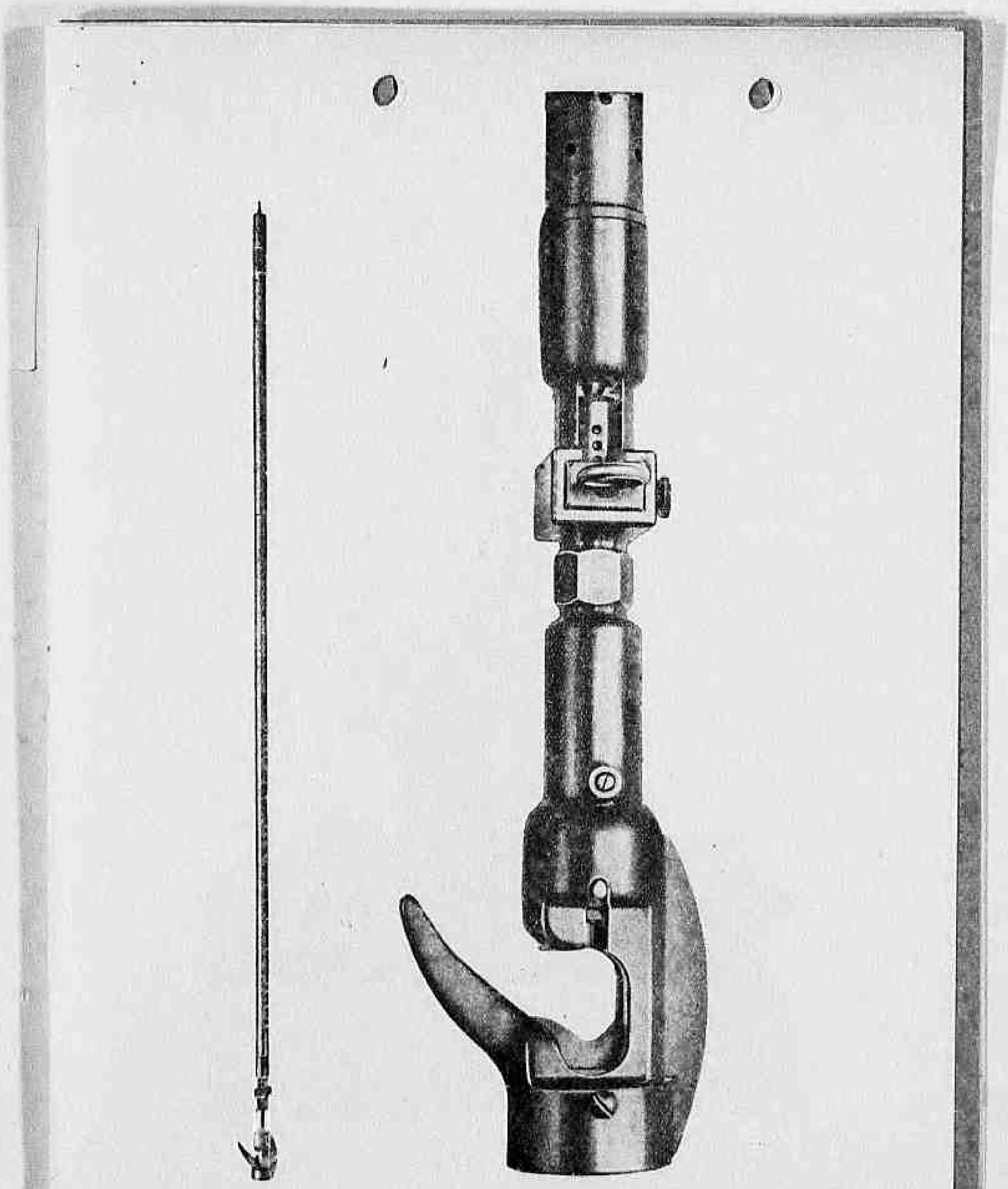
l) For severing of submarine telegraph cables in order to facilitate repairs and replacements especially in bad weather conditions (for submarine cable ships): . . . . . **MEDIUM AND SMALL SIZE**

N. B. - These cutters can also be employed to sever chain cables and iron rods in cases of emergencies.

The chain cable of a 6 ton anchor was instantaneously severed by a large size cutter.

Patented in Italy by Captain Leopoldo CASELLI
Represented by General (ret) Alessandro BLANCHI - Via Paola 24, Roma
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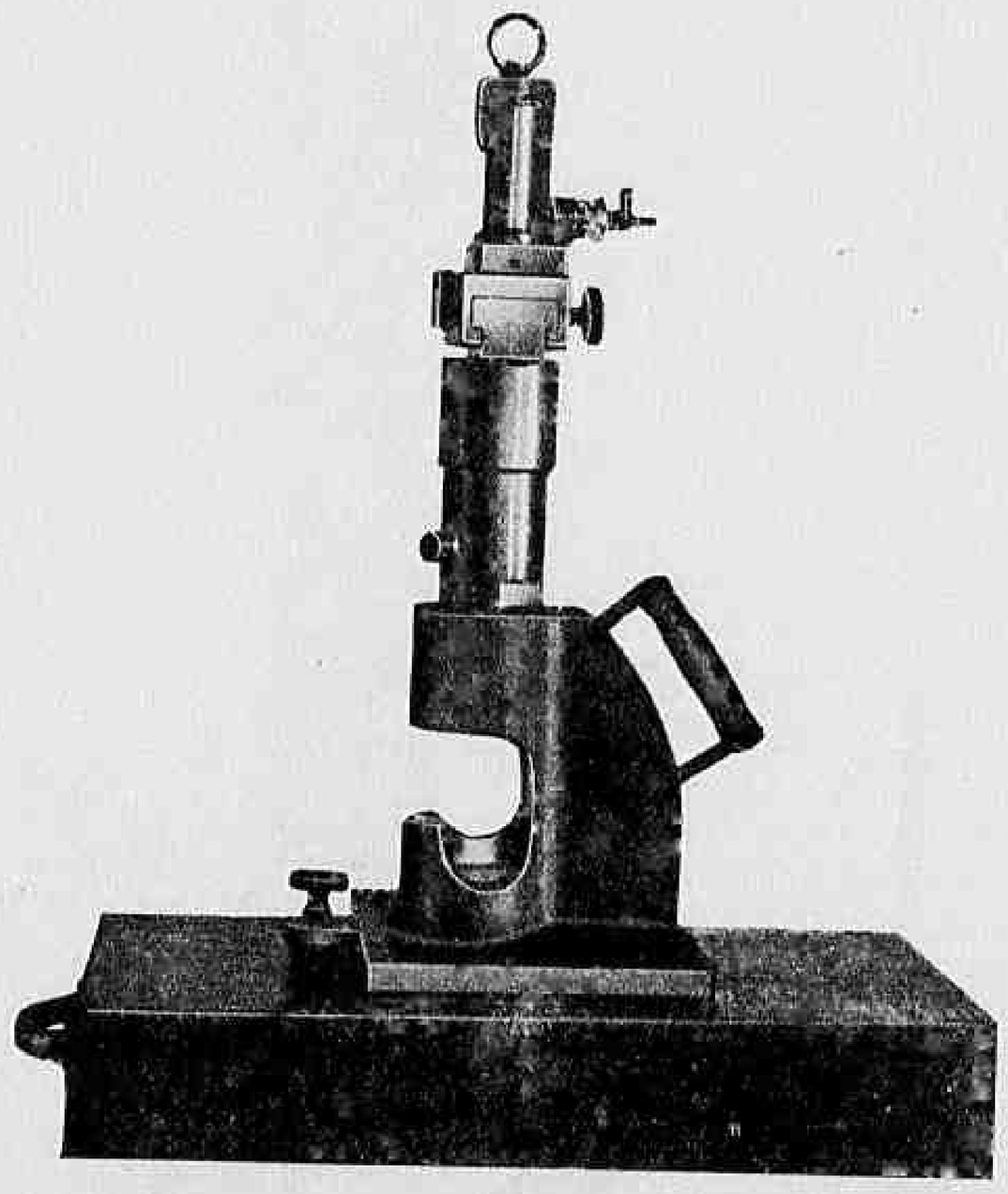
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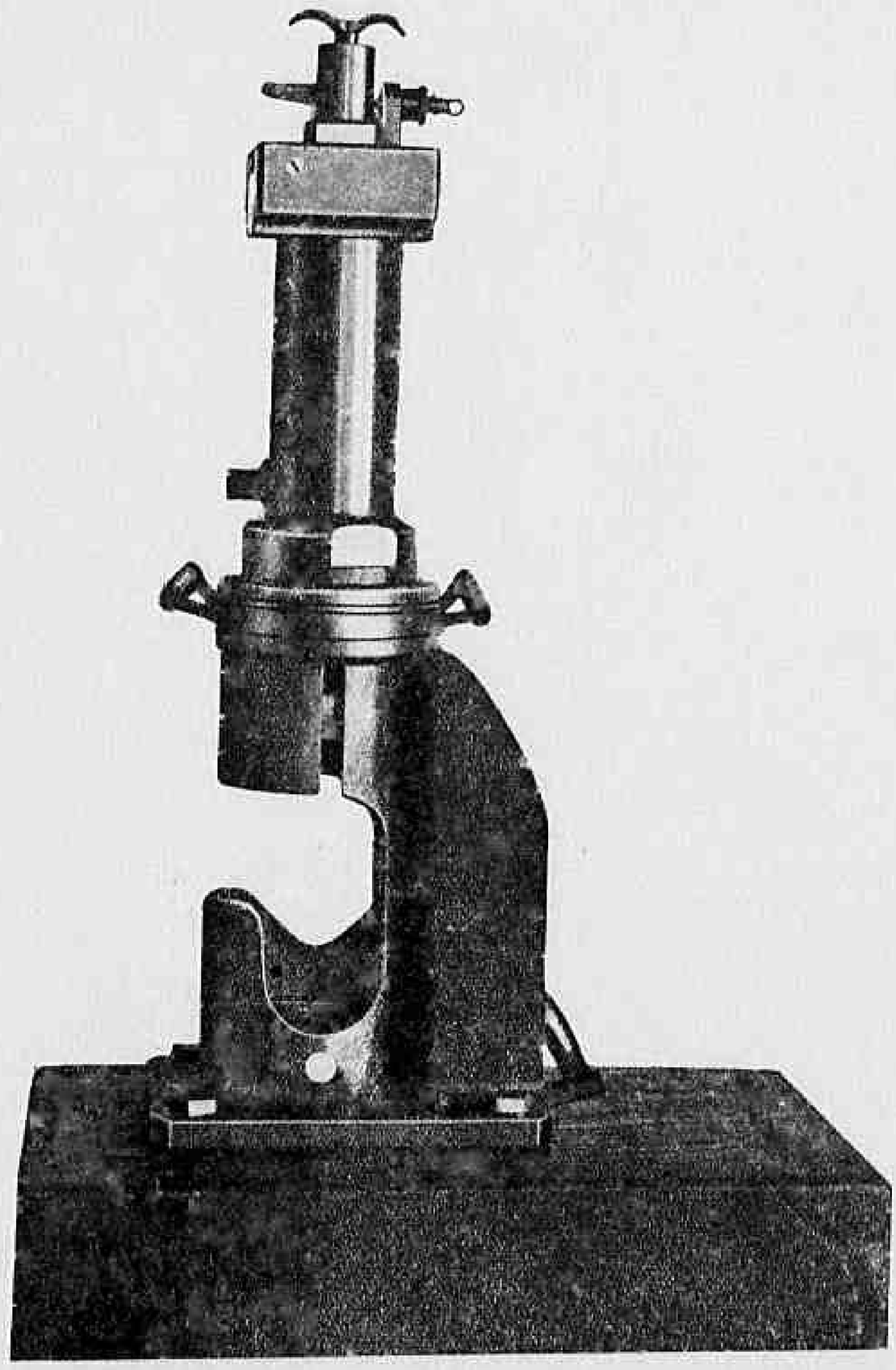
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21 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Comandante Giuseppe LA BELLA, Via Dora No. 1, Rome.

Subject: M.F.V.'s in Safe-Keeping of Naples Harbor Office.

Reference: (a) Comandante Giuseppe LA BELLA's ltr. dated 10 January 1947.

1. The Navy Sub-Commission regrets to inform Comandante Giuseppe LA BELLA that all the M.F.V.'s referred to in reference (a) are now at Malta being operated by the British Navy, and it is not therefore expected that they will be put up for sale.

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

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From: Cdr. Giuseppe LA BELLA - Rome
To : N.S.C.
Date: 10th January 1947

I understand that in the port of Naples there are 9 M.F.V.s bearing following numbers : 33 - 54 - 61 - 68 - 77 - 90 - 105 - 129 - 132; they are of wooden construction and are equipped with a 90 H.P. engine.

The above craft are in the safe keeping of the Naples Harbour Office and it appears that they will not be ceded to the A.R.A.R. but are under the control of the Navy Sub Commission.

If the above information is correct, the Navy Sub Commission is requested to indicate whether it would consider selling the craft to Italian civilians, as the undersigned is particularly interested in purchasing the M.F.V.s as a whole.

In attendance of your reply I am,

Yours truly,

Giuseppe LA BELLA.

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COMANDANTE GIUSEPPE LA BELLA
Via Dora N. 1 - Tel 865-745
ROMA

Roma, li 10 gennaio 1947

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Reparto Materiale Navale
ROMA

Mi,risulta che nel Porto di Napoli esistono N. 9 imbarcazioni tipo M.F.V. portanti i seguenti numeri: 33/54/61/68/77/90/105/129/132; costruiti in legno, stazzanti circa 40 tonn; e forniti di un motore da 90 H.P.

Il suddetto materiale è affidato in custodia alla Capitaneria di Porto di Napoli; Sembra inoltre che non sarà ceduto all'A.R.A.R. e che al presente dipende da codesta Commissione Alleata;

Se le suddette notizie sono esatte, pregasi voler indicare se codesta Commissione Alleata sarebbe disposta a venderle a civili italiani, dato che lo scrivente sarebbe particolarmente interessato nell'acquisto in blocco del suddetto materiale;

In attesa di una Vs/ gentile risposta distintamente Vi salutiamo;

Giuseppe La Bella

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - H.Q. - A.C.
Date: 31st August 1946
Ref.: 14315/2

Subject: Sub/Lieut. (Harbourmaster)Virgilio TOMMASI

With reference to your letter NSC/5330 of 30th July 1946 we inform you as follows :

1. Sub/Lieut. (Harbourmaster) Virgilio TOMMASI has been subjected to a routine disciplinary inquiry for acts verified during his appointment on the Island of Lampedusa.

2. The Naval Command of Sicily, after having carried out an inquiry, proposed that TOMMASI should be subjected to disciplinary action.

3. The appropriate department of the Ministry of Marine having made certain that the proceedings had not been settled by law, sent all the information to the Naval Command of Sicily for the completion of the inquest.

4. It is not considered that the disciplinary action has been instigated by order of the Allied Authorities.

5. At present TOMMASI is on leave at Trieste awaiting decisions which will be communicated to the N.S.C. as requested in paragraph 2 of your letter in question.

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Roma, 31 AGO 1946

Ministero della Marina
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Prot. N° 14315/2 Allegati

To: NAVY SUB COMMISSION
HEADQUARTERS, A.C.

ARGOMENTO: S.Tenente di Porto TOMMASI Virgilio.

Con riferimento alla vostra lettera NSC/5330 del 30 Luglio 1946 si comunica quanto segue:

1. Il S.Tenente di Porto TOMMASI Virgilio risulta sottoposto a regolare inchiesta disciplinare per fatti verificatisi durante la sua destinazione nell'Isola di Lampedusa.

2. Il Comando Marina Sicilia, dopo aver svolta una inchiesta, propose che il TOMMASI fosse sottoposto a consiglio di disciplina.

3. Il competente ufficio di questo Ministero, avendo rilevato che l'istruttoria non era stata espletata a norma di legge, ha inviato tutti gli atti al Comando Marina Sicilia per il completamento dell'inchiesta.

4. Si esclude che il provvedimento disciplinare in corso sia stato iniziato per ordine delle Autorità Alleate.

5. Attualmente il TOMMASI risulta in licenza a Trieste in attesa di superiori disposizioni che vi saranno comunicate come richiesto nel paragrafo 2 della vostra lettera in riferimento.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G.MARINI

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NSC/5330
30 July 1946

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

Subject: Sub-Lieutenant Virgilio Tomasi - case of.

Enclosure: (A) Letter from Captain CAG MOORE (73643), 56 Div. Stn Officers' Mess, Trieste, CMF.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded for what ever action is deemed appropriate.

2. It is requested that the Navy Sub-Commission be informed of the action taken in this case.

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
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REFERENCE : 13C/AMG/64.

SUBJECT : Alleged victimization.

TO : HQ AC
(Naval Sub-Commission)

1. Enclosed please find a letter - self-explanatory - regarding a Sub-Lieut VIRGILIO TOMASI, fu Alfonso, of the Italian Navy.

2. If the facts are as stated, it would appear that your sub-commission could intervene in the interests of justice.

For the Senior Civil Affairs Officer :

W. DRUMMOND YOUNG
Major, R.A.
SO II (CA) G-II

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CONFIDENTIAL

73643 Captain CAG Moore
56 Div Stn Officers' Mess
Trieste CMF

18 Jul 46

Dear Major Drummond-Young,

I am writing to you about a certain Sub-Lieut Virgilio Tomasi fu Alfonso of the Italian Navy at present residing at his home, Via Fabio Severo 49, Trieste.

As briefly as possible the story is as follows. This officer before the war was employed by the Lloyd Triestino Shipping Company and used to Captain one of their liners. During the war he was given an emergency commission and posted to the Island of Lampedusa. Shortly after his arrival the island surrendered to the British forces and he was made a prisoner of war. About June 1943 he was detailed by the C.A.O. on the advice of the former Italian N.O.I.C, to command the local C.C.R.R. The Marerciallo of C.C.R.R. had refused to carry on his duties under the occupation. Presently the island was abandoned by the British forces after the armistice an agreement was made with the Italian Naval authorities to the effect that they might appoint a harbour master together with a small staff to look after the port. The island itself remained under Allied Military Government with a resident C.A.O. Once again Tomasi was detailed by his superior to take over this job on the grounds that he could speak a little English and had always managed to get on well with the Allied authorities. He was also told to show considerable tact when dealing with us. He remained in this job until March 1946 and during this time he was of considerable value and assistance to the various C.A.Os. I myself was C.A.O. Lampedusa from May 45 until Jan 46, when the island was handed back to the Italian authorities. My predecessor Major A Watts recommended him very highly to me. He also had earned considerable praise from high ranking Naval and Air Force officers in Malta for his conduct and assistance when a York aircraft crashed in the sea off Lampedusa on 1 February 1945. During my period of duty I personally had found him always a very reliable and trustworthy individual content to occupy himself with his own job in the port without trying to over-intrude himself with my own office.

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This officer has now approached me and asked for my assistance. It appears that since 6 March 1946 he has been on leave in Trieste and placed at the disposition of the "Commando Marina della Sicilia Marisicilia a Messina". During this time he has received no pay and when he took the matter up with the Italian admiralty was informed that he was still to remain at the disposition of the Naval Command, Messina. A friend of his, a deputy to the Italian government, has made some enquiries on his behalf and now informs him that he has been accused by an anonymous letter of having bought captured enemy war material from the AMG of Lampedusa and sold it

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before my time but I consider it unlikely that he has bought anything. My personal opinion is that this officer is being victimised for political reasons. Therefore, I would be glad if this case could be referred to the appropriate Italian authorities with a request that either some definate charge is brought against him or else that he be reinstated in his normal duties. Although invariably very correct in his attitude he has throughout the last three years been of considerable assistance to the Allied authorities and a loyal collaborator; consequently in his present troubles I feel that he merits any help that we may be able to give him.

As a lastword I would also like to add that he has been passed over for any promotion. If you could do anything to assist him to obtain some sort of satisfaction from the Italian naval authorities I am sure he would be most grateful.

Yours sincerely,

C.J. Moore.
Captain

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To Major W. Drummond-Young.
HQ. A.M.G.
13 Corps

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub Commission APO 394.

NSC/5172.
20th June, 1946.

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

Subject : Summary of Royal Legislative Decree No. 394 of 14th May, 1946.

The attached summarised version of Royal Legislative Decree No. 394 of 14th May 1946 is forwarded for information with particular reference to Article 5 which appears to be an attempt to compensate Italian Officers for the termination of their careers in the Navy which in some cases will presumably be a result of the reduction of the Italian Fleet by the terms of the Peace Treaty.

(Sgd) G. A. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION,
FOR CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

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Summarised version of :

Royal Legislative Decree No.324 of 14th May 1946.

Retirement and reluction to reserve of General and Flag Officers, and Senior Officers, in regular service with the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

Having taken into consideration past enactments as well as the deliberations of the Council of Ministers, upon the proposal of the Ministers of War, Marine and Air, in agreement with the Minister of the Treasury :

WE HAVE APPROVED AND DO PROMULGATE AS FOLLOWS :

Art. 1

Until legislation be enacted to determine the numbers of Flag Officers and Senior Officers in regular service with the Army, Navy and Air Force, officers of these ranks may be transferred to the reserve limbo, in accordance with current regulations in each Service, by Royal Decree upon proposal of the appropriate Minister, the conditions for this are as follows, while the measure of its application will be determined by future Decrees.

Art. 2

Transfer can be effected by decision of the authorities or upon request of the officer concerned. In general the first to be transferred will be those who have incurred disciplinary action for their actions after 8th September 1943 - although they may have been screened.

Requests are to reach the Ministry to which the officer is subordinate within 3 months of the promulgation of this Decree. In the cases of P.O.W. and internees the period is to be counted from the date of their re-entry into Italy.

Art. 3

The transfer to reserve or "ausiliaria" of Generals or Generals nominated for the command of Army or Army Corps, and equivalent ranks in the Navy and Air Force, is effected by Royal Decree based upon the deliberations of the Council of Ministers, upon the proposal of the Minister concerned, having heard the opinion of a competent committee appointed by him.

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Art. 4

For the purposes of transfer to reserve or "ausiliaria" Generals of Divisional or Brigade rank, and equivalent ranks in the Army, Navy and Air Force, as well as senior officers are valued by the promise which they show of continuing their career in a particularly distinguished manner or, should they have reached the final rank of their category, of discharging their further duties in a particularly eminent manner.

This evaluation is done by the committees with the assistance of the entries appearing in the Service papers of the officers concerned, together with any information and reports which they consider desirable to request.

Judgement is given initially :

a) by the Central Advancement Committee (vide Law 570 of 9th May 1940)
Generals of Division or Brigade rank, equivalent ranks, Colonels in the Army.

By the Naval Advancement Committee (v. Decree 1493 of 1st August 1936)
Senior Rear Admirals and equivalent ranks.

by the Supreme Advancement Committee (idem)
Rear-Admirals, Captains, Commanders and equivalent Naval ranks.

by the Superior Advancement Committee (v. Law decree No.314 of 28.1.1935)
Air Force Generals of Divisional or Brigade rank, equivalent ranks, Air Force Colonels;

b) by one or more committees nominated by the Minister of War and consisting a General Officer as President, and four Generals of Brigade rank or colonels as members.
Majors and Lieutenant Colonels in the Army.

by the military Advancement Committee (v. Decree 1493 of 1st August 1936)
Lieutenant Commander and equivalent Naval ranks.

by a committee nominated by the Minister of Air (formed as for Army)
Air Force majors and Lieutenant-Colonels.

The Ministers of War and Air will give instructions for the organization and co-ordination of the committees established under sub-para (b) of the third paragraph (for Majors and Lt.Colonels); their decisions will be by majority vote.

The final decision will be given by the appropriate Ministry.

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Arte. 2

Officers placed on the reserve strength on the basis of this decree have the right in respect of the rank held at the time of their transfer to :

a) financial treatment as laid down for officers placed on the reserve list upon reaching the age limits (v. Law No.369 of 9th May 1940)

b) to count, for the purposes of pension, five years in excess of the period actually served.

c) to a monthly allowance which, when added to the amounts in paras. (a) and (b) above, will afford them income equivalent to that due to them as basic pay, military indemnity, and cost-of-living bonus, until they reach the retiring age for the rank with which they ceased to serve - but in no case is this period to exceed 2 years; the allowance to be reduced after the said retiring age to give them four-fifths of the aforesaid total for a further period of 3 years.

For this purpose basic pay and military indemnity will be computed at the rate current at the time of their transfer to reserve, while the cost-of-living bonus will be subject to variations dependent upon the cost of living.

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Arte. 6

Officers relieved of duties owing to infirmities obtained while on active service who are transferred to reserve by authority of this decree may elect to receive for a maximum period of 3 years from the date of their release from duty the financial treatment which would have been due to them had they remained in their former status.

Arte. 7

Until the new officers' complements are established vacancies caused by the retirement of officers in accordance with this decree will not be filled by promotions from junior ranks.

Arte. 8

This decree has no application in the following cases until action pending has been completed :

a) where an officer is awaiting trial, where a disciplinary enquiry has been ordered, where penal processes have been initiated, or where he has been suspended from duty.

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b) where it is proposed that an officer's service be terminated in accordance with art.36 of Law 369 (9.5.1940) or arts.33 and 34 bis of Law 397 (11.3.36).

c) where an officer's actions at the September 1943 and afterwards are the subject of an investigation, or where an officer is being tried under the operative provisions; in the latter case art.6 of Legislative Decree No.179 of 22.4.45 is applicable.

Art. 9

The present decree will be applied to ex-P.O.W. and internees upon return to Italy and after their status has been determined from an examination of their comportment.

Art.10

Regulations for the re-employment of these officers in other state Departments will be established by Royal Decree. In the event of their being re-employed they will not be allowed to receive both the monthly allotment in art.5 (c) above and the remuneration relative to their new position.

Art.11

The treatment laid down in Art.5 also applies to categories and ranks in which promotion has been suspended by the Ministries of Air and War under Legislative Decrees No.570 (5.10.44) and 2121 (10.12.34), subsequently transferred to the reserve list having reached the age of retirement, after 8th September 1943 and before the date upon which the respective yearly or six-monthly advancement tables were formed.

The same treatment may be afforded to Rear-Admirals, Captains, Commanders and Lt.Cdrs. and equivalent ranks in the Navy, who have been placed on the list of officers available for appointment or additional to complement for the purpose of exclusion from promotion after 1st April 1944, as well as Air Force Officers granted special leave after 8th September 1943.

In calculating the remuneration under art.5 (a) of officers considered in this article, reference is to be made to the military indemnity and cost-of-living bonus at the date of this decree, except in the latter case for modifications relative to changes in the cost of living.

Art.12

Provisions in respect of junior Army, Navy and Air Force officers will be established by future decrees. We order that after attachment of the Seal of State the present decree be entered in the Official Record of Laws and Decrees of Italy, obliging all persons to enforce its observance as a law of the State.

Rome, 14th May 1946.

Sgd. UMBERTO

Sgd. DE GASPERI

Sgd. TOGLIATTI

Sgd. GASPAROTTO

Sgd. SFORZA

Sgd. GRONCHI

Sgd. SCOCCIMARRO

Sgd. PIETRO NENNI

Sgd. MANCINI

Sgd. CHIOSTERGI

Sgd. TUPINI

Sgd. GULLO

Sgd. MARCHESI

Sgd. PIETRO CAMPILLI

Sgd. ROMITA

Sgd. ARATA

Sgd. MARTINO

Sgd. CEVOLOTTO

Sgd. CARONIA

Sgd. MOLE

Sgd. TARCHIANI

Sgd. CASTELLARIN

Sgd. ANGELINI

Sgd. CAPPA

Sgd. CAMPILLI

Sgd. MARCHES

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Allegato al foglio d'ordini del 6 giugno 1946

UMBERTO II
RE D'ITALIA

REGIO DECRETO LEGISLATIVO 14 maggio 1946, n. 384.

Collocamento nella riserva o nell'ausiliaria di ufficiali generali e superiori in servizio permanente effettivo dell'Esercito, della Marina e dell'Aeronautica.

Visto il R. decreto legislativo 10 maggio 1946, n. 262;

Vista la legge 9 maggio 1940, n. 369, sullo stato degli ufficiali del R. Esercito e successive modificazioni;

Vista la legge 9 maggio 1940, n. 370, sull'avanzamento degli ufficiali del R. Esercito e successive modificazioni;

Vista la legge 11 marzo 1926, n. 397, sullo stato degli ufficiali della R. Marina e dell'Aeronautica e successive modificazioni;

Visto il testo unico approvato con R. decreto 1° agosto 1936, numero 1495, sull'avanzamento degli ufficali della R. Marina e successive modificazioni;

Visto il R. decreto-legge 26 gennaio 1935, n. 314, sul reclutamento e l'avanzamento degli ufficiali dell'Aeronautica e successive modificazioni;

Visto l'art. 4 del decreto-legge Luogotenenziale 25 giugno 1944, n. 151;

Visto il decreto legislativo Luogotenenziale 1° febbraio 1945, n. 58;

Vista la deliberazione del Consiglio dei Ministri;

Sulla proposta dei Ministri per la Guerra, per la Marina e per la Aeronautica, d'intesa con il Ministro per il Tesoro;

ABBIAMO SANZIONATO E PROMULGHIAMO QUANTO SEGUE:

Art. 1.

Nell'attesa che vengano emanate disposizioni legislative per la sistemazione degli organici degli ufficiali dell'Esercito, della Marina e dell'Aeronautica, gli ufficiali generali, colonnelli, tenenti colonnelli e maggiori in servizio permanente dell'Esercito, e gradi corrispondenti del servizio permanente effettivo della Marina e dell'Aeronautica, possono, con R. decreto, su proposta del Ministro competente, essere collocati, a seconda delle disposizioni vigenti per ciascuna Forza armata, nella riserva od in ausiliaria, con le norme stabilite dai seguenti articoli e nella misura che sarà indicata per ciascun grado e ruolo con Regi decreti da emanarsi su proposta del Ministro competente, d'intesa con il Ministro per il Tesoro.

Art. 2.

Il collocamento nella riserva od in ausiliaria può essere effettuato su domanda degli interessati o di autorità. D'autorità saranno di massima collocati per prima nella riserva od in ausiliaria coloro i quali, pur essendo stati discriminati, hanno riportato sanzioni disciplinari per il loro comportamento dopo l'8 settembre 1943

Le domande dovranno pervenire al Ministero dal quale l'ufficiale dipende entro il termine di tre mesi dalla data di entrata in vigore del presente decreto. Tale termine decorre per i prigionieri e gli internati dalla data del rientro in Patria.

Art. 3.

Il collocamento nella riserva od in ausiliaria d'autorità per i generali di armata o designati per il comando d'armata e di corpo d'armata,

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e gradi corrispondenti della Marina e dell'Aeronautica, è effettuato con R. decreto in base a deliberazione del Consiglio dei Ministri, su proposta del Ministro competente, sentito il parere di un'apposita commissione da lui nominata.

Art. 4.

I generali di divisione e di brigata, e gradi corrispondenti dell'Esercito, della Marina e dell'Aeronautica, nonchè gli ufficiali superiori, ai fini del collocamento nella riserva od in ausiliaria di autorità, sono valutati sulla base dell'affidamento da essi dato di percorrere in modo particolarmente distinto l'ulteriore carriera, ovvero, se abbiano già conseguito il grado finale della carriera, di disimpegnare in modo particolarmente distinto l'ulteriore servizio.

Detta valutazione è effettuata dalle commissioni sulla scorta del libretto o delle pratiche personali degli ufficiali interessati, quali risultano allo stato degli atti, nonchè delle informazioni e rapporti che le commissioni stesse riterranno di chiedere.

Il giudizio di primo grado è devoluto:

a) alla Commissione centrale di avanzamento, di cui alla legge 9 maggio 1940, n. 370 e successive modificazioni, per i generali di divisione o di brigata, e gradi corrispondenti, e per i colonnelli dello Esercito; alla Commissione speciale di avanzamento ovvero alla Commissione suprema di avanzamento, di cui al testo unico approvato con R. decreto 1° agosto 1936, n. 1493 e successive modificazioni, a seconda che trattasi di ammiragli di divisione e gradi corrispondenti, o di contrammiragli o capitani di vascello o capitani di fregata, e gradi corrispondenti della Marina; alla Commissione superiore di avanzamento di cui al R. decreto-legge 28 gennaio 1935, n. 314, e successive modificazioni, per i generali di divisione o di brigata aerea, e gradi corrispondenti, e per i colonnelli dell'Aeronautica;

b) ad una o più commissioni nominate dal Ministro per la Guerra, per i maggiori e i tenenti colonnelli dell'Esercito e formate da un ufficiale generale, presidente, e da quattro generali di brigata o colonnelli, membri; alla Commissione ordinaria di avanzamento, di cui al testo unico approvato con R. decreto 1° agosto 1936, n. 1493, e successive modificazioni, per i capitani di corvetta, e gradi corrispondenti della Marina; ad una Commissione nominata dal Ministro per l'aeronautica, per i maggiori e i tenenti colonnelli dell'Aeronautica, e formata da un ufficiale generale, presidente, e da quattro generali o colonnelli membri.

I Ministri per la Guerra e per l'Aeronautica daranno tutte le norme necessarie per l'organizzazione ed il coordinamento delle commissioni prevedute dal terzo comma, lettera b), per i tenenti colonnelli ed i maggiori. Le deliberazioni delle commissioni predette sono adottate a maggioranza di voti.

Il giudizio decisivo è pronunciato dal Ministro competente.

Art. 5.

Gli ufficiali dell'Esercito, della Marina e dell'Aeronautica, collocati nella riserva od in ausiliaria in base al presente decreto, hanno diritto in relazione al grado rivestito all'atto di detto collocamento:

a) al trattamento economico previsto per gli ufficiali collocati nella riserva per età in base alla legge 9 maggio 1940, n. 369, e successive modificazioni;

b) al computo, ai fini della liquidazione della pensione, di un periodo di cinque anni in aggiunta al servizio effettivamente prestato;

c) ad un assegno mensile che, aggiunto al trattamento di cui alle precedenti lettere a) e b), faccia corrispondere, per un periodo sino al raggiungimento del limite di età prescritto per il grado con cui lasciarono il servizio permanente e comunque per non oltre due anni, il trattamento stesso a quello loro spettante a titolo di stipendio, indennità militare e

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indennità di caro vita, e che per il rimanente periodo fino a tre anni dopo il raggiungimento del limite di età suddetto, faccia corrispondere il trattamento medesimo ai 4/5 di quello innanzi specificato. A tal fine lo stipendio e la indennità militare si considerano nella misura in vigore all'atto del collocamento nella riserva o in ausiliaria mentre per l'indennità di caro vita si terrà conto delle successive variazioni dipendenti dal costo della vita.

Ai soli effetti dell'applicazione della norma contenuta nella lettera c) ai maggiori, ai tenenti colonnelli e ai colonnelli delle varie armi e del Corpo automobilistico dell'esercito non trasferiti nei ruoli di mobilitazione, nonchè ai maggiori e ai tenenti colonnelli delle Armi e del Corpo medesimi riassunti in servizio quali mutilati e invalidi di guerra; agli ufficiali di vascello del ruolo Comandi navali ed agli ufficiali del Genio navale del ruolo direzione; ai maggiori, tenenti colonnelli e colonnelli dell'Arma aeronautica, del ruolo naviganti, si applicano i limiti di età stabiliti dalle disposizioni vigenti rispettivamente per gli ufficiali di pari grado dell'Esercito appartenenti ai ruoli di mobilitazione, per gli ufficiali di vascello del ruolo Comandi marittimi e del Genio navale del ruolo servizi, e per gli ufficiali dell'Arma aeronautica, ruolo servizi.

Art. 6.

Gli ufficiali in aspettativa per infermità provenienti da cause di servizio collocati nella riserva od in ausiliaria, in applicazione del presente decreto, hanno diritto, per il periodo massimo di tre anni a decorrere dalla data di collocamento in aspettativa per le infermità stesse, di optare per il trattamento economico che sarebbe loro spettato se fossero rimasti nella precedente posizione di aspettativa per infermità.

Art. 7.

Fino a quando non saranno fissati i nuovi organici, le vacanze che verranno a formarsi, nei ruoli e gradi degli ufficiali dell'Esercito, della Marina e dell'Aeronautica per effetto dei collocamenti nella riserva od in ausiliaria disposti in applicazione del presente decreto, non saranno ricoperte con promozioni dai gradi inferiori.

Art. 8.

Le disposizioni del presente decreto non si applicano:

a) all'ufficiale in attesa di giudizio o per il quale sia ordinata formale inchiesta disciplinare oppure iniziata azione penale, ovvero che sia sospeso dall'impiego, sino a quando non siano definiti i procedimenti disciplinari e penali o sia cessata la sospensione dall'impiego;

b) all'ufficiale proposto per la cessazione dal servizio permanente in base all'art. 36 della legge 9 maggio 1940, n. 369, ovvero in base agli articoli 38 e 38-bis della legge 11 marzo 1926, n. 397, e successive modificazioni, sino a quando non sia definita la sua posizione di stato;

c) all'ufficiale che sia sottoposto all'esame per il suo comportamento all'atto e dopo l'8 settembre 1943 ovvero all'ufficiale sottoposto al giudizio di epurazione, sino a quando non siano definite le rispettive posizioni di stato.

Resta fermo per l'ufficiale sottoposto a giudizio di epurazione quanto disposto nell'art. 6 del decreto legislativo Luogotenenziale 22 aprile 1945, n. 179, circa il collocamento a riposo del personale di ufficio o su domanda.

Art. 9.

Le norme del presente decreto si applicheranno agli ufficiali prigionieri od internati, man mano che essi rientrino in Patria e dopo che sia stata definita la posizione di stato in relazione all'esame del loro comportamento.

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Art. 10.

Con Regi decreti saranno emanate le norme atte a disciplinare l'utilizzazione in altre Amministrazioni pubbliche degli ufficiali collocati nella riserva od in ausiliaria ai sensi del presente decreto.

Gli ufficiali predetti, con precedenza di quelli collocati nella riserva od in ausiliaria a domanda, potranno concorrere alla formazione di appositi ruoli di personale civile da costituire presso determinati Enti delle rispettive Amministrazioni militari qualora tale costituzione dovesse essere attuata in relazione alla futura riorganizzazione e sistemazione dell'Esercito, della Marina e dell'Aeronautica.

Nel caso di reimpiego sarà escluso il cumulo delle retribuzioni inerenti alla nuova occupazione con l'assegno mensile di cui all'art. 5, lettera c), del presente decreto.

Art. 11.

Il trattamento previsto dall'art. 5 è corrisposto, a decorrere dalla data di entrata in vigore del presente decreto, anche agli appartenenti a ruoli e gradi per i quali i Ministri per la Guerra e per l'Aeronautica si siano avvalsi della facoltà di sospendere le promozioni conferita loro dall'art. 11 del decreto legislatvo Luogotenenziale 5 ottobre 1944, n. 378 e dal R. decreto-legge 10 dicembre 1934, n. 2121 e successive proroghe, e collocati nella riserva o in ausiliaria per limiti di età da una data posteriore all'8 settembre 1943 ed anteriore a quella in cui si faccia o si sia fatto luogo alla formazione dei rispettivi quadri di avanzamento annuali o semestrali.

Detto trattamento può essere corrisposto a domanda, a decorrere dalla data di entrata in vigore del presente decreto, ai contrammiragli, capitani di vascello, capitani di fregata e capitani di corvetta, e gradi corrispondenti della Marina, collocati a disposizione o fuori organico per esclusione dall'avanzamento da una data posteriore al 1° aprile 1944, nonchè agli ufficiali dell'Aeronautica collocati in congedo speciale dall'8 settembre 1943.

Per gli ufficiali di cui al presente articolo nel calcolo del trattamento previsto dalla lettera c) dell'art. 5, si tiene conto dello stipendio, dell'indennità militare e dell'indennità di caro vita in vigore alla data di pubblicazione del presente decreto, salve, per quanto concerne l'indennità di caro vita, le successive variazioni dipendenti dal costo della vita.

Art. 12.

Con successivi decreti, da emanarsi su proposta dei Ministri competenti, d'intesa con il Ministro per il Tesoro, sarà provveduto per quanto riguarda gli ufficiali inferiori dell'Esercito, della Marina e dell'Aeronautica.

Ordiniamo che il presente decreto, munito del sigillo dello Stato, sia inserto nella Raccolta ufficiale delle leggi e dei decreti del Regno d'Italia, mandando a chiunque spetti di osservarlo e di farlo osservare come legge dello Stato.

Dato a Roma, addì 14 maggio 1946

UMBERTO

DE GASPERRI - BROSIO - DE COURTEN - CEVOLOTTO - CORBINO

Visto, *il Guardasigilli:* TOGLIATTI

Registrato alla Corte dei conti, addì 28 maggio 1946

Atti del Governo, registro n. 10, foglio n. 130 - FRASCA

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NSC/5031
15 May 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Commander U.S. Naval Forces, MEDITERRANEAN.

Subject: Italian Government Permits.

Enclosures: (A) Ministry of Foreign Trade letter 23018/222/2/9 of 2 April 1946.
(B) Office of Foreign Liquidation letter 1st End. FRF/fm, dated 9 May 1946.

1. Enclosures (A) and (B) are forwarded for information and any action deemed necessary.

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

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15 MAY 1946
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Unclassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. T25020

NSC/4932 1st Ind. FRF/fm
HEADQUARTERS, MEDITERRANEAN THEATER FIELD COMMISSIONER, OFFICE OF THE FOREIGN LIQUIDATION COMMISSIONER, APO 512, U. S. ARMY, 9 May 1946.

TO: Headquarters Allied Commission, Navy Sub-Commission APO 394.

1. After inspection of the letter addressed to Mr Charles Livengood, Commercial Counsellor to U. S. Embassy from Ministry of Foreign Trade it appears that this was a sale by the Service direct.

2. The items mentioned were never declared as surplus to OFLC. In fact one of the sales was made prior to the establishment of the Army-Navy Liquidation Commission (which was later designated OFLC) in the MTO.

FOR THE ACTING FIELD COMMISSIONER:

FRANCIS R. FLEMING,
Major, Infantry,
Chief, O. F. D.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
NAVY SUB-COMMISSION APO 394

NSC/4932
23 April 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Office of Foreign Liquidation Commission, Rome.

Subject: Italian Government Permits.

Reference: (a) Ministry of Foreign Trade letter 23018/222/2/9 of 2 April 1946.

1. Reference (a) is attached for information and any action considered necessary.

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

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NSC/4932
23 April 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Office of Foreign Liquidation Commission, Rome.

Subject: Italian Government Permits.

Reference: (a) Ministry of Foreign Trade letter 23018/222/2/9 of 2 April 1946.

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

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Office of Political Adviser (A)

April 4, 1946

MEMORANDUM TO: U.S. Member, Naval S/C

SUBJECT : Purchases of Equipment from the U.S. Naval Base in Palermo

A copy of a letter from the Ministry of Foreign Trade to the Embassy, on the atove subject, is attached for your information.

J. Wesley Jones
J. Wesley Jones
Political Adviser (A)

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IL MINISTERO

PER IL COMMERCIO CON L'ESTERO

Q. V.

2 April 1946

Al Signor CARLO LIVENGOOD
Consigliere Commerciale presse
L'Ambasciata degli Stati Uniti
ROMA

Pret. n. 23018/222/2/9

Sole in questi giorni e pervenuta notizia che la ditta Ferrara Vincenzo di Palermo, in data 23 agosto 1945, has acquistato dal Comando della Base Navale degli Stati Uniti di Palermo, gli scafi della ex motozattera 906 per il prezzo di Lit. 7.200.000 e che, analogamente, la ditta A. Lupo Rairondo di Palermo, ha acquistato in data 26 giugno 1944 3 tanks sempre dal Comando della base navale degli Stati Uniti di Palermo per il prezzo globale di Lit. 3.000.930.

E' da tener presente che, in armonia alle disposizioni valutarie vigenti nel Regno, i predetti acquirenti, prima di eseguire un acquisto di naviglio estero e prima di mettere a disposizione dei beneficiari l'importo in lire corrispondente, avrebbero dovuto chiedere regolare autorizzazione da parte delle competenti autorità italiane.

Malgrado questo non sia stato fatto, per ragioni di correntezza nei riguardi delle Autorità americane interessate alla transazione ed anche per ragioni d'ordine pratico, questo Ministero si limiera a diffidare le ditte acquirenti, per il tramite della Banca d'Italia di Palermo, e non effetuare altre operazioni del genere senza regolare autorizzazione.

D'Altra parte si desidera pregarLa di portare a conoscenza dei Comandi Americani interessa i che sarebbe molto gradito se, per eventuali operazioni del genere da svolgersi in futuro, potessero accertarsi che l'acquirente italiano e in possesso della regola e autorizzazione governativa.

IL MINISTRO

signed: BRACCI

Cr/c

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From: MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN TRADE
To : Mr.Charles LIVINGOOD
Commercial Counsellor to the U.S. Embassy - ROME
Date: 2nd April 1946
Ref.: 23016/222/2/9

We have only recently received information that, on 23rd August 1945, the Ferrara Vincenzo Firm of Palermo purchased from the United States Naval Base in Palermo, the hulls of the ex-landing craft 306 for the sum of Lit. 7.200.000 and that, at the same time, the (A.Lupo Salvardo) Firm of Palermo, purchased on 25th June 1946 3 tanks from the same United States Naval Base of Palermo for the total sum of Lit. 3.000.930.

It must be understood, that in accordance with the valuation orders in force in the Realm, the above purchasers, should have applied for the usual permit from the competent Italian authorities, before purchasing foreign shipping and before placing the corresponding amount in lire at the disposal of the beneficiaries.

Although this has not been done, and in order to bring the transaction to the notice of the interested American Authorities and also to put the matter in order, this Ministry will limit itself to warn the purchasing firms through the Bank of Italy, in Palermo, not to carry out transactions of this sort without the proper permit.

It is also requested that you will inform the American Authorities concerned that we would appreciate, if they would ascertain that the Italian purchaser is in possession of the proper government permit in future transactions of this sort.

THE MINISTER
(Sgd) BRACCI

AAV/P.
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213/1.2.2 Translation

IL PRESIDENTE
DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

Roma, 9 April 1946.

Dear Admiral,

I hasten to assure you that your suggestions as contained in letter No. 637/4/ S.C. dated 21.3.1946 for a rapid reorganization of the Italian land and air Armed Forces, have been sent by me to the competent Administration, so as they will be quickly and attentively examined, and consequent measures taken.

As soon as possible I will communicate on the subject.

Please accept my cordial salutations

/s/ De Gasperi

(AB)

Admiral Ellery W. STONE
Chief Commissioner, A.C.

ROME

A.C. DIST - 11 April

Action: A.C.
Info: C.S.
Navy
Land Forces S/C
Air Forces S/C

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DRAFT.

SUBJECT:- Reorganisation of the Ministries of War and Air.

Naval Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.
(N.S.I.A.)
C/6
14 March 1945.

Executive Commissioner,
Allied Commission.

Further to the above and your recent talks with Brig. HOLMES-

1. I attach a suggested DRAFT of a letter to be sent by Chief Commissioner to the Prime Minister.

2. I feel that we should:-

(a) Explain why we have not proposed this re-organisation before and why we do so now. Then the proposal will not come as a "minister bomb-shell".

(b) Explain why it is so necessary and that the British C.O.S. and U.S. F.B. are doing the same. That will "save face" for them.

(c) Take a firm line and say it must be done now. Otherwise they may stall and procrastinate, fearing the political implications and the wrecking of such a major change now.

3. The less we say here in change, in the answer is to start the exploration within Army and Air Ministries. Later, in the course of discussion, we can see whether it is possible or advisable to consider a combined supply service for all three service Ministries, but there is no need to raise that aspect yet.

4. The above has been agreed by Air Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.

L. Browning

Major General,
N.S.I.A.

M/C

Copy to:- Naval Sub-Commission, A.C.
Air Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.

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DRAFT

SUBJECT:- Reorganisation of the Ministries of War and Air.

TO :- Prime Minister

1. (a) The evolution of the post-armistice ITALIAN Land Forces into their present form has been dictated largely by the sequence of events. Before the GERMAN surrender the primary requirement was to develop at speed ad hoc forces to take their part in the fighting against GERMANY. Since May 1945 the problem has been to demobilise the older classes and reorganise the Army on to a reduced peace basis.

(b) To avoid confusion, the pre-war set-up of the Ministry of War has been maintained to date.

2. (a) The crystallisation of the present "Interim" Army is now well advanced and the merging of this into the Peace Treaty Army should not present undue difficulty.

(b) The Ministry of War however remains organised on the traditional lines of the past and contains many features out of keeping with modern thought and developments, particularly in view of the changed circumstances of the ITALIAN Army both in respect of size and armament. I might mention that considerable re-organisation is due to take place both in the BRITISH War Office and the U.S. War Department.

3. (a) I feel strongly therefore that, in order to achieve economy and efficiency in ITALY's own interest, the time has now arrived when the organisation of the Ministry of War should be examined comprehensively.

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3. (b) I would suggest that the first step should be to appoint a strong committee within the War Ministry to examine, with the assistance of Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C. (MACA), its existing organisation and to make recommendations for such reorganisation as may be required.

4. Mutatis mutandis, the above remarks apply equally to the ITALIAN Air Ministry and I understand that a similar study, with the assistance of Air Forces Sub-Commission, A.C., is already in progress.

5. The exploration of this problem will take time and is urgent. I would therefore be glad to have your concurrence as soon as possible.

a/

Rear Admiral, USNR,
Chief Commissioner,
ALLIED COMMISSION.

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S-E-C-R-E-T

NSC/5243
5 July 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : A.C. of S. G-5, Allied Force Headquarters,
A.P.O. 512, % U.S. Army.

Subject: Anti-Allied Demonstrations.

1. With reference to your letter G-5: 943.44 dated 3rd July 1946 addressed to the Chief Commissioner and to telephonic conversation of today, it is confirmed that on the 6th of June 1946, the following message was sent to the Naval Liaison Officer to SACMED:

" Reduction of personnel at Venice has taken place as follows:- Base complement from 1800 to 1192 unattached personnel 1500 to 396 total reduction 1712 and further reduction in progress. This is however partially off set by the opening of the Petty Officers' Training Establishment resulting in an influx of 640 undergoing courses and 165 instructing and regulating staff".

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

(48)

cc: Ch. Commissioner, A.C.

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6 JUL 1946

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 943.44

3 July 1946

SUBJECT: Anti-Allied Demonstrations

TO : Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
APO 794.

Reference your 3221 of 23 May.

Please report what steps to reduce the Italian Naval Personnel in Venice have been taken. It is noted that full details were promised by the Minister by the 2 June 1946.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A. L. HAMBLEN
Colonel, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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CIPHERED (R) NLO SACMED

FOLI(O)
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SECRET

Your 041725 not to NLO SACMED.

(A) Reduction of personnel at Venice has taken plac as follows:- Base complement from 1800 to 1192 unattached personnel 1500 to 396 total reduction 1712 and further reduction in progress. This is however partially offset by the opening of the Petty Officers' Training Establishment resulting in an influx of 640 undergoing courses and 165 instructing and regulating staff.

(B) The minister states that he intends to effect an immediate reduction of 50 ratings per ship in the two LITTORIO's and carry out progressive reductions subsequently.

(C) It is not considered that the number of ships in commission is excessive in relation to the tasks to be performed observing that vessels are without exception in a bad state of repair and my Italian Fleet Fortnightly state tends to show a somewhat better state of affairs than that which actually exists.

DTG 061207 June

T/P N.CY 'V' CR 135 TOD 1613/06 3hrs 54mins WJCB 6.6.46.

REF:- What progress has been made

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S. 1320b.

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NAVAL MESSAGE.

For use in Signal Department only

Originators Instructions (Indication of Priority, Intercept Group, etc.)

Codress/Plaindress

No. of Groups

TO:

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

FROM:

ALCOM

WRITE ACROSS

MINISTER OF MARINE HAS GIVEN HIS ASSURANCE THAT MEASURES TO REDUCE ITALIAN NAVAL PERSONNEL IN VENICE ARE BEING TAKEN.

2. OWING TO ADMINISTRATIVE DIFFICULTIES IT IS NOT POSSIBLE AT PRESENT TO QUOTE FACTS AND FIGURES BUT MINISTER HAS PROMISED FULL DETAILS BY 2ND JUNE, 1946.

3. WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED.

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SECRET

HQ ALCOM ACSCC FROM ADMIRAL STONE 231150B MAY 1946

AFHQ

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SECRET

YOUR UNNUMBERED TWO ZERO ONE NINE FIVE ZERO BAKER CITE FHCEG PD
MINISTER OF MARINE ASSURED CINCMED AND CHIEF NAVY SUBCOMMISSION PERSONALLY YESTERDAY THAT MEASURES TO REDUCE ITALIAN NAVAL PERSONNEL IN VENICE ARE BEING TAKEN PD

PARA TWO PD OWING TO ADMINISTRATIVE DIFFICULTIES IT IS NOT POSSIBLE AT PRESENT TO QUOTE FACTS AND FIGURES BUT MINISTER HAS PROMISED FULL DETAILS BY JUNE SECOND ONE NINE FOUR SIX PD

PARA THREE PD WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED

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Chief Commissioner SECRET 5307

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ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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MAY 21 0600
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

CIPHER

Originator's Reference: FX 66492
Date/Time of Origin: 201950 B

Message Centre No: M/3154
Date Time Rec'd: MAY 21 1400
Precedence: IMPORTANT

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FHGEG

TO 13 CORPS

AICOM ROME

SECRET

SECRET

REFERENCE YOUR C-417 . THERE IS AS YET NO EVIDENCE TO SHOW THAT MINISTER OF MARINE IS NOT TAKING STEPS TO IMPLEMENT HIS PROMISES TO C IN C MED. IN VIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROBLEMS INVOLVED IT IS THEREFORE NOT CONSIDERED DESIRABLE TO HUSTLE HIM AT THIS STAGE. C IN C MED CONCURS.

2. AICOM IS BEING INSTRUCTED TO KEEP THIS HEADQUARTERS INFORMED OF WHAT IS BEING DONE.

3. APPROPRIATE ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY THIS HEADQUARTERS IN EVENT OF ANY UNDUE DELAY

INFO - ACTION

HEADQUARTERS
21 MAY 1946
A. C.

SECRET

& AC DIST

INFO:ACTION: CHIEF COMMISSIONER
INFO : EX COMMISSIONER
NAVY
FILE
SKELETON

CIPHER TELEGRAM

This message will not be distributed outside British or U.S. Government Departments or Headquarters nor discussed even in Cipher without being paraphrased. (Messages marked O.T.P. need not be paraphrased)

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TOP SECRET

AFHQ (R) ALCOM
CINC MED

MAIN 13 CORPS
151255

M/2997

TOPSECRET IMMEDIATE

Ref. ALLIED COMMISSION signal 3050 of 14th May.

1. Noted.

2. Request earliest information as to when these elements will be dispersed consider it of first importance that this action should be effective and be taken at once. Please state what precise reduction will be effected and when.

DTG 151255B

HAND P/L TOR 1100/16 22hrs 5mins WJCB 16.5.46.

REF:) Held by Admiral Warren

DIST:- O - 2, 6, log, NSC.

A.C. DIST:- Chief Commissioner, Exec Commissioner, Navy S/C, File 5305
Skeleton

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ALCOM ROME

H 3/81

AFTQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FTGEG
201950Z

UNNUMBERED

SECRET

Reference 13 CORPS 0-417 and our FX 66492 of today. Please find out reductions being made in the numbers of Italian naval personnel in Venice and programme for implementation of measures promised by Minister of Marine and keep this Headquarters informed. Realise administrative difficulties however and do not wish to hustle Minister of Marine at this stage.

DTG 201950B May

HAND P/L

TOR 1030/22 WJCB 22.5.46.

REF:- 0-417 - Request earliest information as to when these elements will be dispersed(TOPSEC DTG 151255 May)
FX66492 Not yet evidence to show Minister of Marine is not taking steps to implement promises to CINC MED.

DIST:- 0 - 2, 6, log.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 0 417
Date/Time of Origin: MAY 151255B

Message Centre No: H/2997
Date Time Rec'd: MAY 160900
Precedence: IMMEDIATE

FROM: MAIN 13 CORPS
TO : AFHQ
INFO: ALCOM C IN C MEDITERRANEAN

TOP SECRET

TOP SECRET.

REF ALLIED COMMISSION SIGNAL 3050 OF 14TH MAY.

1. NOTED.

2. REQUEST EARLIEST INFORMATION AS TO WHEN THESE ELEMENTS WILL BE DISPERSED CONSIDER IT OF FIRST IMPORTANCE THAT THIS ACTION SHOULD BE EFFECTIVE AND BE TAKEN AT ONCE. PLEASE STATE WHAT PRECISE REDUCTION WILL BE EFFECTED AND WHEN.

AC DIST

ACTION: CHIEF COMMISSIONER
INFO: EXEC COMMISSIONER
NAVY S/C
FILE
SKELETON

ACTION

TOP SECRET

HEADQUARTERS
16 MAY 1946
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DPSK

HQ ALCOM ACSCC FROM ADMIRAL STONE 141000B MAY 1946

AFHQ FOR SACMED

CINCMED GOC XIII CORPS

3050 TOP SECRET

YOUR FOX XRAY SIX SIX ZERO SEVEN NINE CITE FHGEG OF ELEVEN MAY AND OUR CONVERSATIONS IN ROME REFER PD

PARA ONE PD FOLLOWING IS COPY OF SIGNAL SENT BY MINISTER OF MARINE TO CINCMED THROUGH FOL THIRTEEN MAY COLON QUOTE I HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT ON THE NINTH INSTANT DURING AN ALLIED MILITARY CEREMONY AT VENICE CMA DEPLORABLE MANIFESTATIONS MADE BY A GROUP OF PEOPLE IN WHICH ALSO SAILORS OF THE ROGER NAVY WERE INCLUDED TOOK PLACE PD I KNOW THAT THE ADMIRAL IN COMMAND HAS ALREADY PRESENTED TO ADMIRAL KINAHAN HIS APOLOGIES FOR THE PART TAKEN IN THE INCIDENT BY THE PERSONNEL UNDER HIS COMMAND PD I WISH TO EXPRESS TO YOU MY DEEP REGRET FOR THE UNPLEASANT INCIDENT WHICH DOES NOT CORRESPOND TO THE FEELINGS OF THE ITALIAN ROYAL NAVY PERSONNEL TOWARDS THE ALLIES IN GENERAL AND THE PERSONNEL OF THE BRITISH ROYAL NAVY IN PARTICULAR PD I WISH ALSO TO ASSURE YOU THAT I HAVE ISSUED STRICT ORDERS FOR THE PUNISHMENT OF THOSE RESPONSIBLE CMA ALSO IN ORDER TO PREVENT THE REPETITION OF SIMILAR INCIDENTS PD I BEG YOU TO ACCEPT THE EXPRESSION OF MY BEST FEELINGS PD SIGNED DECOURTEN UNQUOTE PARA TWO PD MINISTER STATES HE ONLY HAS FIFTEEN HUNDRED NAVAL RATINGS AT VENICE WHO ARE NECESSARY IN CONNECTION WITH GENERAL MAINTENANCE AND INSTALLATIONS IN CONNECTION WITH OPERATION OF SHIPYARD WHICH WAS ORIGINALLY KEPT OPEN BY AMG TO REDUCE UNEMPLOYMENT PD

"OP" PRIORITY

Chief Commissioner

DPSK

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222 ELLERY W. STONE, Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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TOPSEC

3050 TOP SECRET

HE STATES THAT SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF THESE RATINGS ARE FROM VENEZIA GIULIA AND HAVE BEEN IRKED BY SEPARATION FROM THEIR FAMILIES AND TROUBLED OVER POLITICAL SITUATION GENERALLY PD IN VIEW OF INCIDENT HE INTENDS TO DISPERSE THEM TO OTHER STATIONS PD PARA THREE PD HE WAS MOST CONCERNED OVER INCIDENT AND SINCERELY REGRETFUL OF THIS AFFRONT TO ROGER MAN AND ALLIED FORCES

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Chief Commissioner

TOPSEC 5301

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ELLERY W. STONE, Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

TOP SECRET

11 June 46

BRITISH CIPHER MESSAGE. SIGS SERIAL NO. 2729.

IMMEDIATE. QVR1.

FROM. AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FHGEG.111600B.

TO.(ACTION).ALCOM ROME.

(INFO) C IN C MED, COMMANDER 13 CORPS.

FROM G5. FOR CHIEF COMMISSIONER FROM GENERAL MORGAN

TOP SECRET. FX 66079.

ONE. I AM DISTURBED BY A REPORT RECEIVED FROM GENERAL HARDING OF AN INCIDENT WHICH OCCURRED AT VENICE ON 9 MAY ON THE OCCASION OF THE BEATING OF RETREAT IN ST MARKS SQUARE BY THE BAND OF THE ROYAL MARINES. THE CEREMONY WHICH WAS ARRANGED IN AGREEMENT WITH THE LOCAL ITALIAN AUTHORITIES WAS ATTENDED BY ADMIRAL KINAHAN COMMANDING THE BRITISH 15TH CRUISER SQUADRON GENERAL HARDING ADMIRAL NOMISDE POLLONE ITALIAN NAVY AND THE PREFECT OF VENICE.

TWO. THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXTRACT FROM GENERAL HARDINGS ACCOUNT OF THE INCIDENT. QUOTE. WHEN THE BAND FIRST MARCHED ON TO THE SQUARE THERE WAS SOME WHISTLING SHOUTING AND SINGING FROM ONE SECTION OF THE CROWD WHICH WAS OBVIOUSLY LED BY A GROUP OF ITALIAN SAILORS IN UNIFORM. THIS INCREASED AS THE PROCEEDINGS CONTINUED AND 2 OR 3 ITALIAN FLAGS CARRIED BY ITALIAN NAVAL PERSONNEL AND CIVILIANS APPEARED AND WERE MARCHED ALONG THE BACK OF THE CROWD ON THE FAR SIDE OF THE SQUARE. TOWARDS THE END OF THE CEREMONY ONE OF THESE PARTIES BROKE THROUGH THE ROPE CORDON ROUND THE BOTTOM END OF THE SQUARE AND JOINED BY SOME OF THE CROWD ADVANCED TOWARDS THE BAND. FORTUNATELY THE CEREMONY ENDED AND THE BAND MARCHED OFF WITHOUT ACTUALLY COMING INTO CONTACT WITH THE UNRULY PORTION OF THE CROWD BUT ONE SECTION OF THE CROWD LED BY A SMALL PARTY OF ITALIAN SAILORS WAVING AN ITALIAN FLAG SURGED ROUND THE PLACE WHERE I AND THE OTHER SENIOR OFFICERS WERE STANDING TO WATCH THE BAND MOVE OFF. AT MY REQUEST THE ITALIAN ADMIRAL MOUNTED A CHAIR AND SPOKE TO THEM AND WE MOVED AWAY WITHOUT INTERFERENCE ESCORTED BY BRITISH NAVAL AND MILITARY PERSONNEL.

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WHICH OCCURRED AT VENICE ON 9 MAY ON THE OCCASION OF THE BEATING OF RETREAT IN ST MARKS SQUARE BY THE BAND OF THE ROYAL MARINES. THE CEREMONY WHICH WAS ARRANGED IN AGREEMENT WITH THE LOCAL ITALIAN AUTHORITIES WAS ATTENDED BY ADMIRAL KINAHAN COMMANDING THE BRITISH 15TH CRUISER SQUADRON GENERAL HARDING ADMIRAL NOMISDE POLLONE ITALIAN NAVY AND THE PREFECT OF VENICE.

TWO. THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXTRACT FROM GENERAL HARDINGS ACCOUNT OF THE INCIDENT. QUOTE. WHEN THE BAND FIRST MARCHED ON TO THE SQUARE THERE WAS SOME WHISTLING SHOUTING AND SINGING FROM ONE SECTION OF THE CROWD WHICH WAS OBVIOUSLY LED BY A GROUP OF ITALIAN SAILORS IN UNIFORM. THIS INCREASED AS THE PROCEEDINGS CONTINUED AND 2 OR 3 ITALIAN FLAGS CARRIED BY ITALIAN NAVAL PERSONNEL AND CIVILIANS APPEARED AND WERE MARCHED ALONG THE BACK OF THE CROWD ON THE FAR SIDE OF THE SQUARE. TOWARDS THE END OF THE CEREMONY ONE OF THESE PARTIES BROKE THROUGH THE ROPE CORDON ROUND THE BOTTOM END OF THE SQUARE AND JOINED BY SOME OF THE CROWD ADVANCED TOWARDS THE BAND. FORTUNATELY THE CEREMONY ENDED AND THE BAND MARCHED OFF WITHOUT ACTUALLY COMING INTO CONTACT WITH THE UNRULY PORTION OF THE CROWD BUT ONE SECTION OF THE CROWD LED BY A SMALL PARTY OF ITALIAN SAILORS WAVING AN ITALIAN FLAG SURGED ROUND THE PLACE WHERE I AND THE OTHER SENIOR OFFICERS WERE STANDING TO WATCH THE BAND MOVE OFF. AT MY REQUEST THE ITALIAN ADMIRAL MOUNTED A CHAIR AND SPOKE TO THEM AND WE MOVED AWAY WITHOUT INTERFERENCE ESCORTED BY BRITISH NAVAL AND MILITARY PERSONNEL. RESPONSIBILITY FOR KEEPING THE GROUND CLEAR HAD BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE ITALIAN CIVIL AUTHORITIES. UNQUOTE.

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THREE. ADMIRAL NOMIS DE POLLONE IN A SUBSEQUENT INTERVIEW ATTRIBUTED THE INCIDENT TO EXCITEMENT RESULTING FROM THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

FOUR. IN ADDITION TO THIS INCIDENT I HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT OTHER MINOR DISTURBANCES CAUSED BY ITALIAN NAVAL PERSONNEL OCCURRED ON THE TWO PRECEDING DAYS.

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TOP SECRET

FIVE. THE PORT OF VENICE IS OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAINTENANCE OF THE ALLIED FORCES IN ITALY. I THEREFORE TAKE THE MOST SERIOUS VIEW OF THESE INCIDENTS WHICH I REGARD AS A THREAT TO THE SECURITY OF THE FORCES UNDER MY COMMAND. I AM MOREOVER NOT SATISFIED THAT THE ITALIAN LOCAL AUTHORITIES ARE AT PRESENT CAPABLE OF PREVENTING REPETITIONS OF SUCH INCIDENTS AS LONG AS CONSIDERABLE BODIES OF ITALIAN NAVAL PERSONNEL REMAIN IN THE AREA OF THE PORT. YOU WILL THEREFORE ARRANGE AN INTERVIEW WITH THE ITALIAN PRIME MINISTER WITHOUT DELAY AND WILL MAKE KNOWN TO HIM MY VIEWS AS EXPRESSED ABOVE. AT THE SAME TIME YOU WILL INFORM HIM IT IS MY DESIRE THAT THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT SHOULD ARRANGE FOR THE IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL FROM THE VENICE AREA OF ALL ITALIAN NAVAL UNITS WHICH ARE NOT ESSENTIAL TO ENABLE THE WORKING OF THE PORT TO CONTINUE. YOU WILL ALSO ASK FOR AN ASSURANCE FROM THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT THAT MEASURES WILL BE TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT NO FURTHER DISTURBANCES OCCUR LIKELY TO ENDANGER ALLIED INTERESTS IN THE VENICE AREA OR ELSEWHERE IN ITALY.

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TOPSECRET IMPORTANT

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2. Understand only Italian ships present are a destroyer and smaller craft all under repair.

3. Italian Commissioner EXCT and Italian admiral have visited me (one group) today Friday to apologise. Latter has stopped Italian naval leave today (two groups) unarmed.

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DTG 101625 May

T/P N.CY. 'KK' TOR 0911/10 TCO part 1 101619 GR 179 11.5.46.
TCO part 2 101625 GR 61

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ADMTY (R) CINCMED
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O.S. 15.
092347

CONFIDENTIAL IMMEDIATE

MEDITERRANEAN TEMPORARY MEMORANDUM 589.

Following brief report is made in case incident should be reported in Press.

2. During ceremony of beating the retreat by Royal Marine Band in St. Mark's Square, Venice, this evening, Thursday, small section of the crowd in which Italian naval ratings were prominent created a disturbance by shouting, whistling and waving Italian flags. After the ceremony these individuals closed in on the area reserved for British and Allied officers. Their attitude was noisy, but not violent. Those present in enclosure included GOC 13 Corps, F.O. 15th C.S., Brigadier commanding area, Italian Prefect and Italian Vice-Admiral.

3. Before arranging ceremony Italian civil and naval authorities had been consulted through local British naval authority and British military commander of the area and assurance given that ceremony would be welcomed.

DTG 092347B May

T/P P/L TOR 1463/12 WJCB 13.5.46.

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NSC/4801
27 March 1946.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Public Safety Sub-Commission, Security Division, Allied Commission.

Subject: UCCELLI Luigi.

1. Ministry of Marine's letter B.2700 dated 14th March 1946, addressed to Navy Sub-Commission in error, is forwarded.

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

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29 MAR 1946

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - H.Q. - A.C.
Date: 25th March 1946
Ref.: B.3206

Subject: UCCELLI Luigi

It is requested that you may arrange for my letter No.B.2700 of 14th March 1946, forwarded in error to the NAVY Sub Commission, to be passed to the undermentioned Authority :

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION - APO 394 PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION - SECURITY DIVISION.

CHIEF OF CABINET .

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Ministero della Marina
GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° B.3206 Allegati

ARGOMENTO: UCCELLI Luigi.

Roma, 25 MAR 1946 194.

Al NAVY SUB COMMISSION
HEADQUARTERS, A.C.

Si prega disporre perchè il foglio di questo U.G. nº B.2700 in data 14 Marzo 1946, trasmesso a codesta S.Commissione Navale erroneamente, venga fatto proseguire alla sottonotata Autorità:
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION - APO 394
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION - SECURITY DIVISION.

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G.MARINI

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COMMISSION ALLIEE
EN ITALIE

TRANSLATION

30 April 1946.

SPECIAL FLIGHTS - ITALIAN MILITARY AIRCRAFT PARIS-LONDON

Your letter AFSC/24/Air dated 4th March 1946 advises your intention of authorizing special flights of Italian Aircraft from Italy to London via France.

The point of view of the French Government is that it does not agree in principle to flights of Italian Aircraft over France and landings in French Airfields, but is prepared to give necessary permission on condition that a request is made for each flight which will be submitted to interested authorites.

Requests should be addressed to me and sufficient time allowed to obtain necessary clearances through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Paris.

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COMMISSION ALLIÉE
EN ITALIE

LE REPRÉSENTANT FRANÇAIS

N° 163

Rome, le 30 Avril 1946

Le Capitaine de Vaisseau HERON de VILLEFOSSE
Représentant Français à la Commission Alliée
en Italie

à

Air Forces Sub-Commission
ALLIED COMMISSION

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OBJET : Voyages spéciaux aviation militaire italienne PARIS LONDRES.

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Vous m'avez adressé, le 4 mars 1946, sous n° A F S C / 24/ Air, une lettre me faisant connaître votre intention d'autoriser, sous forme de "spécial fligths", des liaisons aériennes par appareils italiens entre l'Italie et LONDRES, avec escale en France.

Le point de vue du Gouvernement Français est que, bien qu'il soit défavorable au principe du survol de la France avec escales sur aérodromes français par avions italiens, il est prêt néanmoins à accorder les autorisations nécessaires à condition que chacun de ces vols fasse l'objet d'une demande d'autorisation qui sera soumise à l'examen des administrations centrales intéressées.

Cette demande devrait m'être adressée, dans chaque cas, et avec un préavis suffisant, pour que je puisse obtenir des Affaires Etrangères à PARIS les clearances nécessaires.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Maristat)
To : N.S.C. - Rome
Date: 24th July 1946
Ref.: 36812

Subject: Training flights for cadets of the Naval Academy

Reference is made to your letter NSC/5284 of 15th last.

1. The cadets of the third class at the Naval Academy have already made their training flights, which are the practical experience of their instruction on "Aviation" which is included in the corriculum, during the scholastic year 1945-46.

2. In January 1946 arrangements were made between the general staffs of the Navy and the Air Force for the provision of 4 training flights for each cadet in Cant. Z. 501 and R.S.14 aircraft.

Owing to the decrease, in the number of efficient aircraft, the cadets, in practice received only one flight, of an average length of 20 minutes, during the scholastic year.

3. The Naval General Staff has now approached the Air Force to arrange a programme of flights for the next scholastic year of 1946-47. To date no definite programme has been fixed.

for THE CHIEF OF NAVAL STAFF

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Stato Maggiore della R. Marina

Roma 24 LUG. 1946 19

Io Rep M.D.S. III Aviazione

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARISTAT - ROMA

Rif. N. 3681/2 . Allegati

A/LA NAVY SUB-COMMISSION

ROMA

ARGOMENTO Voli di addestramento degli Allievi dell'Accademia Navale.

Riferimento foglio NSC/5284 del I5 u.s.

I°) Gli Allievi della 3^ classe dell'Accademia Navale hanno già effettuato voli di addestramento - quali esercitazioni pratiche relative alla materia di insegnamento"Aeronautica",compresa nei programmi di studio - durante l'anno scolastico I945-46.

2°) Nel gennaio I946 sono stati presi accordi fra gli Stati Maggiori della Marina e dell'Aeronautica per l'esecuzione di 4 voli per ogni Allievo,su velivoli Cant.Z.50I ed R.S.I4.A causa della diminuzione del numero dei velivoli efficienti,gli Allievi hanno effettuato in pratica nell'anno scolastico un solo volo,della durata media di 20 minuti.

3°) Lo S.M.della Marina ha ora interessato lo S.M.dell'Aeronautica allo scopo di concordare un programma di voli per il prossimo anno scolastico I946-47.Fino a questo momento,nessun programma preciso è stato stabilito.

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IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

(E. ACCORRETTI)

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 825020

NSC/5284
15 July 1946

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

Subject: Training Flights of Naval Academy Cadets.

1. Information has been received that arrangements have been made for the training of Naval Cadets in aircraft and it is requested that the Navy Sub-Commission be informed as to the programmes arranged.

G. F. MENTZ,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR
COMMODORE, USN,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.
ACTING.

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15 JUL 1946

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

From : Air Forces Sub Commission, A.C., Rome.

To : Italian Air Ministry.

Date : 10th July, 1946.

Ref : AF30/30/Air.

TRAINING FLIGHTS OF NAVAL ACADEMY CADETS.

Referring to your letter 103114/C.P.12 a/2421 Coll. dated 5th July 1946 this Headquarters has no objection to land planes being used in substitution for seaplanes for the training of Naval Cadets.

2. Authority in principle is also given for the use of Pisa airfield but before any move takes place details of the number of personnel involved and facilities required are to be forwarded to this Headquarters who will then obtain final approval from the Officer Commanding the airfield.

L.E. JARMAN, C/C,
Air Vice-Marshal,
Director,
Air Forces Sub Commission.

Copy to : Naval Sub Commission, A.C.

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NSC/5525
10 October 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Allied Screening Commission - C.".F.
Corso d'Ittalia, 25, Rome.

Subject: Ugo Venturi, son of Dionisio,
Via Rei Gelli2, Pistoia.

1. Ministry of Marine letter No 15785 dated 28th September 1946 together with relative enclsure is forwarded.

W. F. BAHLMANN
Comdr., USNR
For REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : H.Q. - Allied Screening Commission - C.M.F.
per : Navy Sub Commission
Date: 25th September 1946
Ref.: 15765/2

Subject: Ugo Venturi, son of Dionisio, Via dei Belli 2, Pistoia

With reference to your letter No.ASC -5-4/45235/GS/ag/2 dated 16th September 1946, we enclose the only document which has been traced concerning the personal matter of the officer in question and relating to the assistance he gave to an Allied officer.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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HQ ALCOM ACSCC FROM ADMIRAL STONE 091900B MAY 1946

AFHQ FOR SACMED GEORGE FIVE UNCLE SUGAR POLAD BRITISH RESMIN

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SECRET

VICTOR EMANUEL ABDICATED AS KING ABOUT THIRTEEN HUNDRED BAKER TODAY PD HE LEAVES FOR EGYPT BY ITALIAN CRUISER WITH DESTROYER ESCORT AT NINETEEN HUNDRED BAKER TODAY PD ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL BE MADE BY ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD UMBERTO WILL ISSUE A PROCLAMATION TO THE PEOPLE WHICH INTER ALIA WILL CONFIRM HIS FORMER PLEDGE TO BE BOUND BY THE DECISION OF THE REFERENDUM ON JUNE SECOND

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ELLERY W. STONE, Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference F 73058
Date/Time of Origin : Nov. NFT

Message Centre No. H/7653
Date Time Rec'd: NOV.061100
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM : AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FHEEG

TO : AICOM ROME

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REUR 5363 U/C OF 1 NOV. CORRECTION NOTED. REFERRING TO YOUR 5609 OF 4 JUNE 46 AND ENCLOSURE CAN YOU SAY WHICH VOLANO HAS BEEN RETURNED PLEASE SEE SERIAL 13 AND 17.

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Navy Sub-commission, Rome, AC
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15 NOV 1946

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AFHQ

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ALTHOUGH NOT COMPLETELY RESTORED TO GOOD HEALTH GENERAL DEVOOGHEN HAS RETURNED TO HIS DUTIES ON A PART TIME BASIS AS CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ITALIAN NAVY

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BATTLE

Chief Commissioner

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KELLEY M. STONE
Rear Admiral, USN

JOHN H. BATES
Major AUS
ADJT

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From : Air Forces Sub Commission, Rome.
To : Italian Air Ministry.
Date : 20th March, 1946.
Ref : AFSC/47/Air.

S.ANDREA SEAPLANE BASE (VENICE)

1. In reply to your letter 201158/od.2/1061/Coll. dated 15th March 1946 please refer to the second paragraph of our letter of even reference dated 12th February 1946.

2. The question of establishing the Italian Air Force's right to reoccupy any part of S.Andrea on its being derequisitioned is one that should be taken up between the Italian Air Ministry and Italian Ministry of Marine. From the date of our above quoted letter it will be observed that a reasonable period of warning was given to allow for this matter being settled before completo evacuation by the Royal Navy took place.

3. This Sub Commission does not wish to interfere in Italian interministerial affairs, and will do so only if the circumstances of an interministerial deadlock are reported to it. Will you therefore endeavour in the first place to settle this matter with the other Ministry concerned without invoking our support.

4. The contents of your above quoted letter are being passed to the Navy Sub Commission for information.

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W.M. BIGDEE, W/Cdr,
Air Vice-Marshal,
Director,
Air Forces Sub Commission.

Copy to: Navy Sub Commission.
Plus copy of this Branch's letter (former reference)

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

From : I.A.F. Stato Maggiore.
To : A.F.S.C., Rome.
Date : 15th March, 1946.
Ref : 201158/od.2/1061/Coll.

S.ANDREA SEAPLANE BASE (VENICE).

With reference to your letters AFSC/47/Air dated 12th Feb. 1946 and AFSC/47/Air dated 28th Feb. 1946.

2. From our knowledge it results that:

(a) On the 2/8/23 the above mentioned seaplane base was handed over by the R.Navy to the I.A.F. Undersecretariat.

(b) The relative inventories (two volumes and five drawings) were given to the I.A.F. by the Technical Fiscal Office of Venice, technical organ of the Ministry of Finance.

3. From the above it is clear that the S.Andrea Seaplane base is the property of the I.A.F.

4. We therefore request your Sub Commission to take steps in order that, when the Experimental station of the Allied Navies evacuates the Seaplane Base in question, it be returned directly to the I.A.F., the legitimate proprietors.

The Chief of Staff.

translated by J. Bevacqua.

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Secretary.

For Admiral Warner.

NSC. PA.

Adl. Powell. 1/8

scorta la sovranità di se stesso.

L'Ufficio Studi dell'Accademia Navale

LIVORNO, 31 (notte)

L'Ufficio Studi dell'Accademia navale è tornato nella sede di Livorno da Brindisi ove si era trasferito dopo l'8 settembre del '43, col trasferimento del governo al Sud.

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Extract from "ITALIA NUOVA" dated 1st August, 1946 :-

"THE RESEARCH DEPT. OF THE NAVAL ACADEMY".

"LEGHORN. 31. (P.M.) -

The Research Department of the Naval Academy ("Ufficio Studi dell'Accademia Navale") has returned to Leghorn from Brindisi, having moved to the latter place after 8th September, 1943, when the Government was transferred to the South. "

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GGE/AP
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SUBJECT:- Requisition of Italian Telephone Circuit, Naples - Cape Miseno.

HQ NAPLES AREA
Auto: 15701
3/5/1D (G)

9 Sep 46

Office of the Flag Officer, Liaison,
Italy, Rome.

The Naval Liaison Officer to the
Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean.
The Navy Sub Commission A.C.
The Naval Officer-in-Charge, Naples.
G.H.Q. (for attention of CSO).
3 District (G) (your 377/G dated 3 Sep 46 refers).

Aug 46. Reference your letter No. F.O.L.I. 1085/20 dated 26

1. This matter has been investigated by higher authorities, and in view of the fact that two other circuits are available and could be used by the Italian Navy if desired, instructions have been given for the telephone to remain.

2. It is pointed out that in view of the large number of troops using Bathing Beach, and of the large amount of W.D. property kept by Welfare at Capo Miseno, it was considered absolutely essential to have telephone communication. This Beach is also situated in a very isolated locality and some form of protection was considered essential to the YWCA female Staff who actually live on this Beach.

3. Regarding para 2 (d) of your letter, the policy of this H.Q. has always been to reduce to the absolute minimum the requisitioning of any Italian property.

4. It is anticipated that this Bathing Beach, will close down at the end of this month, and the circuit now being used by the Military will be immediately returned to the Italian Navy.

E.B. Kinloch
Brig.
Comd.
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(ES KINLOCH)

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The Naval Officer-in-Charge, Naples.
G.H.Q. (for attention of CSO).
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Orig. Capt.
Comd
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(ES KIDLOCH)

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Office of the Flag Officer,
Liaison, Italy,
ROME.

26th August, 1946.

No. F.O.L.I. 1085/20.

THE COMMANDER, 56 AREA.
(Copies to:-
The Navy Sub Commission, Allied Commission.
The Naval Liaison Officer to
the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean.
The Naval Officer-in-Charge, Naples.
The Allied Force Headquarters (for Chief Signal Officer).)

REQUISITION OF ITALIAN NAVAL TELEPHONE CIRCUIT -
NAPLES/CAPE MISENO.

It is reported by the Italian Ministry of Marine that one of the two telephone circuits connecting the Italian Naval Commander-in-Chief at Naples with the armament depot at Cape Miseno has recently been requisitioned by you without previous notice. It is understood that the telephone now serves the Allied Forces bathing beach at Miseno.

2. If the facts stated above are true, it is requested that you will make arrangements for the immediate return of the telephone circuit to the Italian Navy, observing that :-

(a) It is inadmissable for any requisitioning of Italian Naval property or facilities to be undertaken without the prior approval of the Navy Sub Commission.

(b) The importance to the Italian Navy of the requisitioned telephone circuit is undeniable.

(c) It is the policy of the Allied Naval Commander-in-Chief to restore to the Italian Navy their former communication facilities wherever possible.

(d) It is understood that the overall allied policy is to 5277
reduce to absolute minimum the use of requisitioned telephone circuits and not to make any new requisitions except in the case of great military necessity.

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(Copies to:-
The Navy Sub Commission, Allied Commission,
The Naval Liaison Officer to
the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean.
The Naval Officer-in-Charge, Naples.
The Allied Force Headquarters (for Chief Signal Officer).)

REQUISITION OF ITALIAN NAVAL TELEPHONE CIRCUIT - NAPLES/CAPE MISENO.

It is reported by the Italian Ministry of Marine that one of the two telephone circuits connecting the Italian Naval Commander-in-Chief at Naples with the armament depot at Cape Miseno has recently been requisitioned by you without previous notice. It is understood that the telephone now serves the Allied Forces bathing beach at Miseno.

2. If the facts stated above are true, it is requested that you will make arrangements for the immediate return of the telephone circuit to the Italian Navy, observing that :-

(a) It is inadmissable for any requisitioning of Italian Naval property or facilities to be undertaken without the prior approval of the Navy Sub Commission.

(b) The importance to the Italian Navy of the requisitioned telephone circuit is undeniable.

(c) It is the policy of the Allied Naval Commander-in-Chief to restore to the Italian Navy their former communication facilities wherever possible.

(d) It is understood that the overall allied policy is to reduce to absolute minimum the use of requisitioned telephone circuits and not to make any new requisitions except in the case of great military necessity.

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3. It is requested that you will inform me of your action without delay.

REAR ADMIRAL.

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Office of the Flag Officer,
Liaison, Italy,
ROME.

16th March, 1946.

No. F.O.L.I. 6/52.

THE SECRETARIES TO:
THE VICE ADMIRAL, MALTA AND CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN.
THE FLAG OFFICER, GIBRALTAR AND MEDITERRANEAN APPROACHES.
THE FLAG OFFICER, LEVANT AND EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN.
THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, ALLIED COMMISSION.
THE NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION.
THE NAVAL OFFICER IN CHARGE, TRIESTE.
THE NAVAL OFFICER IN CHARGE, NAPLES AREA.
THE NAVAL OFFICER IN CHARGE, LEGHORN.
THE SENIOR NAVAL OFFICER, EASTERN SICILY.
THE RESIDENT NAVAL OFFICER, POLA.
THE RESIDENT NAVAL OFFICER, VENICE.
(Copy to each).
(Copies to:-
The Secretaries to:
The Commander in Chief, Mediterranean Station.
The Commander, United States Naval Forces, Mediterranean.
The Senior United States Naval Liaison Officer, Italy.)

ROYAL NAVY ADMINISTRATION IN ITALY.

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For "Naval Officer in Charge, Venice",

Read "Resident Naval Officer, Venice".

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No. F.O.L.I. 6/52.

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THE VICE ADMIRAL, MALTA AND CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN.
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ADMIRAL'S SECRETARY.

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NSC/5223
2 July 1946.

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

Subject: Request for work.

1. Copy of letter received from Orazio D'ANTONI, Messina is forwarded and it would be appreciated if his request could receive favourable consideration.

W. P. BAHLMANN
Comdr., USNR

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

3 JUL 1946

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

From : AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, A.C. ROME.

To : Italian Air Ministry.

Date : 31st October, 1946

Ref. : AF30/30/AIR

TRANSPORT WING

Reference your letter 105215/op 12a/3443 Coll., dated 1st October, 1946, and 103114/op. 12a/2421 Coll., dated 5th July.

It is regretted that permission to use Pisa airfield as a Base for training Italian Naval Cadets can not be given at this time due to a directive from higher authorities.

Any further information on the subject will be forwarded to you immediately.

(sgd) A.T. NEISS, Lt. A.C.
for AIR VICE MARSHAL
DIRECTOR
A.F.S.C.

Copy to: M.A.A.C. Secretariat
Navy Sub-Commission

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Navy : 12 NOV 1946

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

AC/14057/PS

Tel: 489081-365

15 June 1946

SUBJECT : Stowaways arriving at Port Said.

TO : Director of Public Safety,
Ministry of Interior.

1. Complaints have been received from the Egyptian police that 5 stowaways arrived in Port Said in the S/S ATTILIO REGOLO on 6th May and a further three in the MONTE CUCCOLI on the 30 March 1946.

2. The Ministry of Marine have been asked to take steps to prevent further cases of this nature. Forwarded for your information and such action as is possible to exercise strict supervision over the personnel in ships leaving Italy.

FJW:tm

F. K. J. BYK, Colonel
Acting Director.

Copy to: - Navy S/C
(your FCLI 1122/10 dated 13 June refers).

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NSC/4887
11 April 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Land forces Sub-Commission, Italian P.O.W. Division, Allied Commission.

Subject: Italian Nationals on Board the SS RODI.

Enclosure: (a) Italian Red Cross letter B/107599 of 27 March 1946.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith as it is felt that this matter does not come under the cognizance of the Navy Sub-Commission.

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REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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Navy

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 940.21 2 June 1946.

SUBJECT: Security - Venice Area.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
(Att: Chief Commissioner)
APO 794.

1. The Commander XIII Corps has expressed doubts as to the ability of the Italian civil authorities in Venice to maintain law and order in the city, particularly in connection with the protection of Allied personnel and installations. He reports that, from his observation, the training, administration and equipment of the police leave much to be desired.

2. While fully mindful of the many difficulties which beset the Italian Government in its efforts to build up a sufficient and efficient police body, the Supreme Allied Commander, because of the particular interest which the Allies have in Venice, is desirous that special attention be given to that city in the matter of security. He desires therefore that the Italian Prime Minister be informed by you of his concern, that he urges the Italian Government to investigate the situation, and that he relies upon it to take early action to remedy any defects brought to light in the Venice police agencies, to the end that security of Allied personnel and installations may be ensured.

3. Please report the outcome of your discussion with the Prime Minister.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

(32) IRN-12

(s) A.L. Hamblen
A. L. HAMBLEN
Brigadier General, GSC
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

Copy to:
Comd XIII Corps.

E< DISTRIBUTION: - 5 June
Action: [redacted]
" Civ. Affairs Sect.
Info: CG.
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MSC/5391
22 August 1946.

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

Subject: Correspondence - Forwarding of.

1. The attached letter received from Fernando FREDDI, Legnano, is forwarded for information and appropriate action.

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

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23 AUG 1946

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NSC/5439
10 September 1946

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

Subject: Forwarding of correspondence.

1. The attached letter addressed to the Supreme Allied Commander is forwarded for sympathetic consideration.

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

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16 SEP 1946

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From: Captain HERON DE VILLEFOSSE
French Representative on the Allied Commission
To : Rear Admiral WARREN, Chief of the Navy Sub Commission

Admiral,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter NSC/5766 of 12th December relative to the Civitavecchia incident. In appreciation of the apology offered by the Italian Minister of Marine, please accept my thanks for the efforts you so kindly made and for the solution which was reached in this matter.

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COMMISSION ALLIÉE
EN ITALIE

LE REPRÉSENTANT FRANÇAIS

N°3116/41

Rome, le 14 Décembre 1946

Le Capitaine de Vaisseau
Héron de Villefosse
Représentant Français à la
Commission Alliée

à

Monsieur le Contre-Amiral
Warren
Chef de la Navy Sub Commission

Amiral,

J'ai l'honneur de vous accuser réception de votre lettre NSC/5766 du 12 décembre relative à l'incident de Civita Vecchia. En appréciant la correction manifestée par le Ministère de la Marine italien, je vous prie d'agréer mes remerciements pour les démarches que vous avez bien voulu faire et la solution apportée à cette affaire.

Ldt Villefosse

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 5 25720

NBC/5766
12 December 1946

From: Rear Admiral G.L. Warren, Chief of Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Captain Heron de Villefosse, French Representative to the Allied Commission.

Subject: Assault on French Ratings at Civitavecchia.

1. In reply to your letter No. 3045 of 23rd October, 1946, the Italian naval authorities after extensive inquiries have not been able to trace the persons responsible for the incident reported by you, but they assure me that they will punish the culprits if they are found and state that orders are being issued to prevent similar incidents in the future. At the same time, the Ministry of Marine has asked me to convey to you their sincere regrets at what appears to have been a very cowardly attack.

2. It has, however, been emphasised by the Ministry that the incident does not seem to have been reported at the time to any local Italian officer or official at Civitavecchia, all of who deny any knowledge of the affair, and that this has rendered the search for the culprits extremely difficult.

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

13 DEC 1946

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From: Ministry of Marine - Chief of Cabinet to the Minister of Marine
To : Rear Admiral G.L. WARREN - Chief Navy Sub Commission, A.C.
Date: 18th November 1946
Ref.: 3434/c.g.

Dear Admiral,

To facilitate the task of the Navy Sub Commission, I have permitted myself to answer officially your letter 5632 in order myself to assume the responsibility of dealing with Commander BLOUET's letter, which the Italian Navy would have had to reject.

I hope you will allow me to note that Cdr. BLOUET had already signalled that 3 French sailors had been attacked by 43 Italians: an objective fact to which - as such - I could have no objection, and which by itself clearly explains the situation. It is therefore unnecessary to comment on the "cowardice" of the attack, especially as from the facts, including those supplied by BLOUET, it is difficult to understand how such a complex incident (which culminated in the mere loss of a cap) could actually have happened, if it did really take place.

Regarding the particular request from Captain De Villefosse, I do not consider it necessary to give orders "to assure that French Naval personnel receive the same respect as the naval personnel of the other Allies", because the Italian Navy has never made any such distinction.

I hope, Sir, that you will forgive me for the disturbance which I have involuntarily caused you. Personally I consider that - if something really did happen and if the cap was not lost in who knows what adventurous circumstances, it must have been a very minor incident which I sincerely hope will cause nobody any ill-will. I desire to inform you, nevertheless, that it is our intention to do our utmost to prevent the slightest incident and that we will punish with the greatest severity anyone who contravenes this order.

Yours sincerely,

G. MARINI
Captain, Italian Navy.

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Ministero della Marina
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
DEL MINISTRO PER LA MARINA

3434/c.g.

Roma, li 18 Novembre 1946

Gent.mo Sig. Ammiraglio,

Per agevolare il compito della N.S.C. mi sono permesso di rispondere in via ufficiosa alla Sua lettera 5632, in modo da addossare sulla mia persona la responsabilità di accogliere la lettera del Comandante BLOUET, che la Marina Italiana non avrebbe potuto che respingere.

Mi permetta infatti di notare che il Comandante BLOUET aveva già segnalato che 3 marinai francesi erano stati assaliti e colpiti da 43 italiani: dato di fatto obiettivo, al quale - come tale - non avrei nulla da obiettare, e che di per sè rende chiaramente la situazione. Inutile quindi il commento nel quale si vuol ribadire la "vigliaccheria" dell'attacco, tanto più che l'insieme degli elementi - compresi quelli forniti dal BLOUET - lascia molto perplessi sul come un cosi complesso incidente (conclusosi con la sola perdita di un berretto) possa essersi realmente svolto, nel caso che realmente esso abbia avuto luogo.

In merito alla particolare richiesta del Comandante de VILLEFOSSE, non ritengo sia il caso di dare ordini"per assicurare che il personale navale francese riceva lo stesso

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Rear Admiral G.L. WARREN
Chief Navy Sub-Commission, A.C.

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rispetto che è dato al personale navale degli altri alleati" in quanto la Marina Italiana non ha mai fatto alcuna differenza in proposito.

La prego, Sig. Ammiraglio, di voler perdonare il disturbo che involontariamente Le ho arrecato. Personalmente ritengo che - se qualcosa è avvenuto e se il berretto non fu perduto chi sa mai in quale circostanza avventurosa - deve comunque trattarsi di un incidente di modestissime proporzioni che spero vivamente non debba lasciare in nessuno alcun rancore. Desidero nondimeno confermarLe che è nostro intendimento prevenire ed evitare anche ogni minimo incidente e che è nostro fermo proposito di punire con la massima severità chiunque venisse meno a tali direttive.

Con i sensi della mia più devota osservanza.

Sinceramente Suo

(Capitano di Vascello)

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From: Ministry of Marine - Chief of Cabinet to the Minister of Marine
To : Rear Admiral G.L. WARREN - Chief Navy Sub Commission, A.C.
Date: 18th November 1946
Ref.: 3432/c.g.

Dear Admiral,

The incident reported by Commander BLOUET is sincerely to be deplored, and in the event that it did actually happen, the Italian Navy, through me, begs you to inform Captain De VILLEFOSSE of our sincere regrets and assure him that every effort will continue to be made to punish the culprits and prevent any similar incidents.

It is also my duty to inform you that the facts resulting from the inquest which we held, are the following :

- the "TIGRE" arrived at Civitavecchia on the 20th, at 1530 hrs., and departed on the 24th, at 1300 hrs.

- on the 21st or the 22nd, that is, after the incident which apparently took place on the evening of the arrival, Commander BLOUET visited the Harbourmaster's Office to return the arrival visit and thank the Authorities for courtesies received; he asked for permission to use the telephone, which was immediately placed at his disposal. He made no mention of the incident.

- there were further cordial meetings, and on the 23rd, a Lieutenant from the "TIGRE" visited the Harbourmaster's Office to arrange for pilots and a tug, and to give his thanks for the assistance given. He was informed that an urgent signal had arrived from Rome, deferring the departure of the "TIGRE" to the next day, to await the arrival of the Inspector General LAY. Even on these occasions, no mention was made of the incident by any of the officers.

- these facts gravely prejudice the possibility of confirming the truth of the events and inflict punishment which - as regards the Italian sailors, should their guilt be proved - I assure you would be very severe.

- the harbour is approached through entrances guarded by "Carabinieri" and Finance Guards; they deny that anything abnormal had occurred in the vicinity of the port.

- the Harbourmaster, who approached the local Authorities, confirms that nobody was aware of any incidents which had taken place during the stay of the "TIGRE" at Civitavecchia.

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- the Captain of the Civitavecchia "Carabinieri" Station, who commands all police and public order services in the town, absolutely denies the possibility of the assembly of about forty people in the town without his knowledge; he adds that, should it be certain that anything did taken place, it could only have been in an isolated place, and in the form practically of an individual incident.

I will not fail, Sir, to inform you of any further news which may come to my knowledge, but, owing to the above circumstances, I consider that further details can only be obtained from an inquiry carried out in common, and interrogating on the spot the 3 French sailors, mentioned in Commander BLOUET's report and the Italian Authorities and sailors of Civitavecchia. The Italian Navy is anxious that this inquiry should take place, and would be grateful if you could make it possible; I am aware, on the other hand, of the difficulties, now that the opportunity has been lost, of making investigations while the "TIGRE" was in Civitavecchia, by an immediate and direct intervention of the local Military Authorities.

Yours sincerely,

G. MARINI
Captain, Italian Navy.

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Ministero della Marina

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
DEL MINISTRO PER LA MARINA

Roma, li 18 Novembre 1946

3432/c.g.

Gent.mo Sig. Ammiraglio,

L'incidente segnalato dal Comandante BLOUET non può essere che vivamente deplorato, e nell'eventualità che esso abbia avuto realmente luogo la Marina Italiana, per mio mezzo, La prega di rappresentare al Comandante de VILLEFOSSE il nostro più vivo rincrescimento e l'assicurazione che sarà ovunque continuata severamente ogni nostra azione intesa a punire ed a prevenire incidenti del genere.

Peraltro, mi faccio un dovere di informarLa che i dati di fatto risultanti dall'inchiesta da noi eseguita sono i seguenti:

- il TIGRE arrivò a Civitavecchia il giorno 20 alle ore 15,30 e ripartì il 24 alle ore 13.

- il giorno 21 od il 22, e cioè dopo dell'incidente che sarebbe occorso la sera stessa dell'arrivo, il Comandante BLOUET si recò in Capitaneria per restituire la visita d'arrivo e ringraziare delle cortesie ricevute; chiese di poter usare il telefono che gli fu messo subito a disposizione. Non fece alcun cenno dell'incidente;

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- a parte la possibilità e la cordialità degli altri incontri, un Tenente di Vascello del TIGRE si recò il gior= no 23 al Comando della Capitaneria per richiedere piloti e rimorchiatore e ringraziare dell'assistenza avuta. Fu infor= mato che era pervenuta una urgente comunicazione da Roma in base alla quale il TIGRE doveva rimandare la partenza al giorno successivo, come in realtà avvenne, per attendere l'arrivo dell'Ispettore Generale LAY. Anche in queste occa= sioni nessun Ufficiale del TIGRE fece alcun cenno dell'inci= dente;

- tali omissioni pregiudicano gravemente la possibilità di accertare la realtà dei fatti e di infliggere le conseguen= ti punizioni che - per quanto riguarda i marinai italiani ed ove risultasse una loro colpa - assicuro sarebbero severissi= me.

- Al porto si accede attraverso varchi sorvegliati da Carabinieri e Guardie di Finanza; essi escludono nettamente che nelle vicinanze del porto si sia verificato alcunchè di anormale;

- il Comandante del Porto, che ha preso contatto con le varie Autorità locali, conferma che nessuno ha saputo di in= cidenti occorsi durante la permanenza del TIGRE a Civitavec= chia;

- il Capitano della Stazione Carabinieri di Civitavec= chia, cui fanno capo tutti i servizi di sorveglianza e di or= dine pubblico della città, esclude nel modo più assoluto che

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in città abbia potuto aver luogo un assembramento di una quarantina di persone perchè egli ne sarebbe venuto certamente a conoscenza; aggiunge che, se risulta certo che qualcosa è realmente avvenuto, ciò può essere accaduto soltanto in località isolata, sotto forma di incidente praticamente individuale.

Non mancherò, Sig. Ammiraglio, di comunicarLe ogni altra notizia che possa venire a nostra conoscenza, ma - date le circostanze sopra accennate - ritengo che maggiori precisazioni possano solo ottenersi a seguito di un'inchiesta eseguita in comune, interrogando sul posto i 3 marinai francesi di cui al rapporto del Comandante BLOUET, e le Autorità italiane ed i marinai di Civitavecchia. La Marina Italiana sarebbe ansiosa di effettuare una tale inchiesta, e Le sarebbe grata se Lei potesse renderla possibile; mi rendo conto d'altra parte della difficoltà della cosa, ormai che è sfuggita l'occasione di espletare immediatamente le indagini durante la permanenza del TIGRE a Civitavecchia, a seguito di un pronto e diretto intervento presso l'autorità militare locale.

Voglia gradire, Sig. Ammiraglio, i sensi della mia rispettosa osservanza.

Rear Admiral C.L. WARREN
Chief Navy Sub-Commission, A.C.

(Capitano di Vascello)

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From: The Chief of Cabinet of the Minister of Marine
Date: 15th November 1946
Ref.: 3428/c.g.

Dear Admiral,

Commander Blouet's letter was delivered to the Italian Navy on the 13th instant and therefore I had not yet seen it by yesterday's meeting (Oct. 14th) at the Navy Sub Commission.

The words used by Commander Blouet compel me to prepare an exact and detailed reply and I therefore hope that you will excuse me if, contrarily to my promise of yesterday, I am unable to send you the expected answer immediately.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) G. MARINI

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Navy Sub-commission, Hq. AC
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Ministero della Marina
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
DEL MINISTRO PER LA MARINA

Roma, 15 Novembre 1946

Prot.n.3428/c.g.

Gent.mo Sig. Ammiraglio,

La lettera del Comandante BLOUET è stata consegnata alla Marina Italiana il 13 u.s. cosicchè nella seduta di ieri 14 presso la N.S.C. non ne avevo preso ancora visione.

Le parole impiegate dal Comandante BLOUET mi inducono a preparare una risposta più precisa e circostanziata e La prego quindi di volermi scusare se, contrariamente alla promessa ieri fattaLe, non posso inviarLe subito l'attesa risposta.

Con molti devoti ossequi

Cinnamuccio Saro

Rear Admiral G.L. WARREN
Chief Navy Sub-Commission, A.C.

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NSC/5632
8 November 1946

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

Subject: Assault on French Ratings at Civitavecchia.

1. The enclosed letter, which has been referred to me by the French Representative to the Allied Comission, describing an incident at Civitavecchia on the night 20th/21st October, in which French and Italian naval ratings are alleged to have been involved, is forwarded with the request that you will carry out an investigation and forward your report to me in due course.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

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

12 NOV 1946

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From: Captain HERON DE VILLEFOSSE,
French Representative to the Allied Commission
To : Rear Admiral WARREN, Chief of the Navy Sub Commission
Date: 23rd October 1946
Ref.: 3045

Subject: Assault on French Ratings at Civitavecchia

I have the honour to forward to you the attached report, requesting you to call upon the competent Italian naval authorities to hold an enquiry, to take disciplinary action against those responsible, and to give the orders necessary to prevent a recurrence of similar incidents, in other words to ensure that French naval personnel receive the same respect that is given to naval personnel of the other Allies.

I have spoken to the Commanding Officer of the "Tigre" personally on this subject, and he has confirmed that his ratings were in no way responsible for this incident.

HERON DE VILLEFOSSE.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the French Representative
A P O 394

Rome, le 23 Octobre 1946

No. 3045

Le Capitaine de Vaisseau
HERON de VILLEFOSSE
Representant Francais a la
Commission Alliee

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Monsieur le Contre-Amiral
WARREN
Chef de la Navy S/C
Commission Alliee

O b j e t : Aggression de marins francais a CIVITAVECCHIA

P.Jointe : Un rapport

J'ai l'honneur de vous transmettre le rapport ci-joint en vous demandant de bien vouloir prier les autorites navales italiennes qualifiées de faire une enquête, d'infliger des sanctions aux coupables, et de donner des instructions pour éviter le retour de semblables incidents, en d'autres termes pour que les marins francais soient respectes au même titre que les autres marins alliés.

J'ai vu personnellement le Commandant du "Tigre" à ce sujet et il M'a confirme que ses hommes n'etaient nullement responsables dans cette affaire.

Cap V. Heron

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French Navy
Destroyer "TIGRE"

From: The Commanding Officer of the Destroyer "TIGRE" at Civitavecchia
To : The Head of the (French) Naval Mission in Rome
Date: 22nd October 1946

Subject: Assault on French Ratings at Civitavecchia

Sir,

I have the honour to report that three French Ratings of the"Tigre" were attacked on the night of the 20th/21st October, while they returning on board at about 2130.

These three ratings were approached in the town by four Italian ratings who addressed them in particularly discourteous terms. The as they made their way towards the harbour, they were followed by these same ratings who quickly gathered about forty civilians encountered on the way.

Nothing happened while pursuers and pursued remained in the populated and illuminated part of the town, but as they neared the harbour, where the darkness was complete, the three French ratings were set upon and struck, one of them having his cap seized.

Without stressing the obviously hostile character of such behaviour, I can but point out the cowardly character of such an attack of forty against three.

Nevertheless in all impartiality I must report that after the attack of which they were the victims, the three French ratings were assisted by two Italian ratings who took them back to their ship.

From the investigation which I carried out at once, I concluded that the French ratings can be charged with no act of provocation.

Signed
J. BLOUET.

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Bord, CIVITA-VECCHIA, le 22/10/46

MARINE NATIONALE
C.T. "TIGRE"

LE Capitaine de Vaisseau KLOUET
Commandant le Contre-Torpilleur "TIGRE"

à

Monsieur le Capitaine de Vaisseau
Chef de la Mission Navale à ROME.

-:-

OBJET : Agression de marins français à CIVITA VECCHIA.

-:-:-

Commandant,

J'ai l'honneur de vous rendre compte que 3 marins français du "TIGRE" ont été attaqués dans la nuit du 20 au 21 octobre 1946 alors qu'ils rentraient à bord vers les 21 h 30.

Ces 3 marins furent accostés en ville par 4 marins italiens qui les interpellèrent en termes particulièrement discourtois, puis comme ils se dirigeaient vers le port, ils furent suivis par ces mêmes marins qui rassemblèrent rapidement une quarantaine de civils rencontrés en route.

Rien ne se passa tant que poursuivis et poursuivants demeurèrent dans les quartiers fréquentés et éclairés, mais en approchant du port où l'obscurité est totale, les 3 marins français furent assaillis, frappés et l'un d'eux se vit arracher son bonnet.

Sans insister sur le caractère évidemment inamical d'une telle attitude, je ne saurais trop faire remarquer le caractère de lâcheté que présente une telle agression à quarante contre trois.

Par contre, je tiens à signaler en toute impartialité qu'après l'agression dont ils avaient été victimes, les 3 marins français furent secourus par deux marins italiens qui les conduisirent jusqu'à bord.

De l'enquête que j'ai faite aussitôt il résulte qu'aucun acte de provocation ne peut être imputé à l'encontre des marins français.

Destinataire :
C.V. Chef Mission Navale
française à Rome.
Copie

J. Klouet

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File No.

U. S. NAVAL DETACHMENT
NAPLES, ITALY

11:jrg

2 September 1946.

From: Commanding Officer.
To : Allied Commission, Rome, Italy.
(Attention: Claims Section).

Subject: Accident Report involving injury to Italian Personnel.

Enclosure: (A) Investigation memo serial - dated 8 August 1946.
(B) Medical Department Memo - dated 13 August 1946. "Injury to Ferro, Nunzio."

1. Attention is invited to enclosures (A) and (B), forwarded herewith.

By direction of the Commanding Officer.

J. W. GROESCH,
Lt(jg), USNR.
Ass't. to C.O.

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File No.

U. S. NAVAL DETACHMENT
NAPLES, ITALY

31 August 1946

Statement

I undersigned Ferro Nunzia of Vincenzo age 68 living in Naples on Via Giuseppe Piazzi No.38.

States what is below. The on the date of July 29 about 2400 hours while coming out of my home I was looking for one of my nephews Reached near Vicolo Sacramento a Foria. I was hit by a Allied Jeep the driver stopped and put me on the vehicle and after they passed me onto a civilian vehicle to take me to the Hospital. The vehicle that hit me was coming out of a Building entrance.

Signed by.

Ferro Nunzia

Translated by. Quintoni, Saverio
Civilian Police Sgt.

Hospital Statement

Hospital, Incurabile.
This statement is made out in reference of above named woman.

(1) A fracture starting above the elbow and ending below the elbow.
(2) There are numerous brusies and scratches about the arms and face and body.
(3) She was shocked by the injury at the time or arrival at the Hospital.

Translated by.
Quintoni Saverio
Civialian Police Sgt.

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File No.

U. S. NAVAL DETACHMENT
NAPLES, ITALY

11:jrg

13 August 1946.

Memorandum for: Investigating Officer.

Subject: Injury to Ferro, Nunzio (an elderly woman) result of jeep accident 29 July 1946.

1. Ferro, Nunizo was purportedly injured as a result of a jeep accident on 29 July 1946. The driver of this vehicle was supposedly LINDSEY, A.L., StMlc, USN.

2. August 12th the undersigned visited Ferro, Nunzio in Hospidale Incurable where she is hospitalized. The following information was obtained:

A. Arm had been in cast since shortly after the accident but was not in cast at time of interview.
B. Cast was to be reapplied 8-13-46.
C. Hospital X-ray report revealed fractures of the humerous near the elbow and fractures of the radius and ulna near the elbow.

3. It is the impression of the undersigned that the union of the fractures will require about two months or more in healing and due to age of patient the possibility of time element may be longer with doubtful results.

s/ R. J. PEARE
Lieut., MC, USN.

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File No.

U. S. NAVAL DETACHMENT
NAPLES, ITALY

11Jrg

8 August 1946.

M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M

From: Investigation Officer.
To : The Commanding Officer.

Subject: LINDSEY, A.L. StMlc, 279 74 12, USN - Jeep Accident involving.

Reference: (a) NavDet ltr P16-3/00 Serial 427 dated 15 July 1946.

Enclosure: (A) Statement of Injuries to FERRO, Nunzio.
(B) Statement of FERRO, Nunzio.
(C) Translation of (A) and (B).

1. In accordance reference (a), subject accident was investigated.

2. While waiting for the driver of Jeep NTP 39, 29 July 1946 about 2330 near via Giuseppe Piazzi No.38, LINDSEY, A.L. Stmlc started the jeep and rammed it into a stone wall, in reverse. The stone wall was approximately 40 feet from the initial starting point. LINDSEY struck a civilian. LINDSEY did not possess a Naval Detachment drivers license.

3. Attention is invited to enclosures (A), (B) and (C).

4. It is recommended LINDSEY be brought to trial for unauthorized use of a government vehicle, operating a motor vehicle without a drivers license, and reckless driving.

Respectfully,

J. W. GROESCH.

cc ALLIED COMMISSION (W/O ENC A,B)

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From:- Mediterranean Allied Air Committee Secretariat.

To:- ~~Air Forces Sub Commission, Allied Commission, ROME.~~

Date:- 20th June, 1946.

Ref:- MAAC/4018/AFALS.

REDEPLOYMENT OF BRITISH UNITS - FACILITIES FOR DETACHMENT.

Please refer to your letter AFSC/24/AIR dated 6th June, 1946. The answers to your queries are as follows:-

(i) The supply of petrol, medical supplies, and ground facilities for M.T. would not present any difficulty as this scheme is already in operation by R.A.F. Units in Milan and Venice Lido.

(ii) The Army already have a scheme whereby pay can be drawn through Italian Banks, and this Secretariat can make the necessary arrangements to apply this scheme to R.A.F. personnel if an when required.

(iii) Regarding rations, fresh meat, vegetables, etc. can be purchased out of imprest, and arrangements made for tinned rations and N.A.A.F.I. to be supplied monthly.

2. It is agreed that mail should be transported by Italian Military Air Courier to out stations.

Maxwell Fisher.

(MAXWELL FISHER)
Wing Commander
Secretary to
MEDITERRANEAN ALLIED AIR COMMITTEE.

Copy to: ~~Headquarters, Allied Commission.~~
~~M.M.I.A.~~
Navy Sub Commission.

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SECRET

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

TO : M.A.A.C. SECRETARIAT, AIR HEADQUARTERS, ITALY, C.M.F.

DATE : 6th JUNE, 1946.

REF. : AFSC/24/AIR.

RELIEF CREWS OF BRITISH UNITS PROCEEDING FOR REPATRIATION.

Owing to the withdrawal of Allied Service personnel, closing down of Units etc, outstations are bound to have difficulties with regard to supplies, maintenance, rations, pay etc.

2. The Italian Air Ministry have been approached unofficially about supplying rations petrol, medical supplies, and facilities for maintaining M.T. vehicles and supplying accommodation; in their opinion there would be no difficulty.

3. It is suggested that R.A.F. detachments should ultimately be attached to Italian Air Force Units for all purposes with the exception of pay which may be solved through Italian Banks, and R.A.O.C., which could be distributed periodically from central stores. Mail could be transported by Italian Military Air Courier and be collected at Italian Air Packing Centres.

4. These problems will have to be solved in the immediate future, your views and guidance as to how to overcome such difficulties, how rations etc. if we draw from the Italian Air Force are to be paid for, and any alternative suggestions would be appreciated.

A.C. HEARD, AVM.
FOR AIR VICE MARSHAL
DIRECTOR
AIR FORCES SUB COMMISSION.

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[redacted] ALLIED TROOPS IN ENEMY COUNTRIES AND [redacted]
DETACHMENTS.

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2. The Italian Air Ministry have been approached unofficially about supplying rations petrol, medical supplies, and facilities for maintaining R.A.F. vehicles and supplying accomodations in their opinion there would be no difficulty.

3. It is suggested that R.A.F. detachments should ultimately be attached to Italian Air Force Units for all purposes with the exception of pay which may be solved through Italian Banks, and R.A.F.Z., which could be distributed periodically from central stores. Mail could be transported by Italian Military Air Courier and be collected at Italian Air Booking Centres.

4. These problems will have to be solved in the immediate future, your views and guidance as to how to overcome such difficulties, how rations etc. if we draw from the Italian Air Force are to be paid for, and any alternative suggestions would be appreciated.

A.C. [redacted], W/CDR.
PSO AIR VICE MARSHAL
COMMANDER
AIR FORCES IN [redacted]

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COPY TO : HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION.
" " : M.M.I.A.
" " : NAVY SUB COMMISSION.

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Office of the Flag Officer
Liaison, Italy,
ROME.

19th March, 1946.

F.O.L.I.1070/12.

To : THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
MEDITERRANEAN STATION.

(Copy to : The Navy Sub Commission,
Headquarters Allied Commission, Rome.)

Italian Experiment on Skin Friction.

The attached records of model experiments carried out at the ROME and LA SPEZIA Tanks on the Italian Banana Ship P.A.M.B. - model C.182A, and also the official results of speed trials at sea with the motor vessels PAMB I - II - III and IV, are forwarded with reference to Mediterranean Station letter Med.45/429/4/1 dated 17th December, 1945.

2. It is requested that acknowledgement may be made by return of the attached receipt form.

Allied Forces

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REAR ADMIRAL.

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station.
17th December, 1945.

Med.45/429/4/1.
THE FLAG OFFICER, ITALY AND LIAISON.
(Copy to:
The Navy Sub Commission, Headquarters,
Allied Commission).

ITALIAN EXPERIMENTS ON SKIN FRICTION

The attached copy of a semi-official letter to the Fleet Naval Constructor Officer from the Superintendent, Admiralty Experiment Works, Haslar, is forwarded for information.

2. It is requested that enquiries be made whether the experiments outlined in paragraph 2 were in fact carried out, and if so whether records of these experiments are available.

3. Any information which can be obtained on this subject should be forwarded to the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.

(Sgd.) H. A. PACKER

for ADMIRAL

Enclosure:

The Superintendent, Admiralty Experiment Works, Haslar's letter dated 29th November, 1945.

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Copy.

Admiralty Experiment Works,
Haslar, Gosport,
Hants.

Ref.No. 2330/45. 29th November, 1945.

Dear Smithers,

Following on an International Tank Superintendents Conference in Berlin in 1937 arrangements were made for the tanks represented which included Haslar for a series of experiments to be carried out, the results for which were to be considered at another Conference to be held in Rome in October 1939. The latter conference did not take place.

2. Part of the programme consisted of model experiments on an Italian banana ship. The model was known in Italy as model C.122 and the ships I believe as R.A.M.B.1 - 4. Leading particulars are 368.4-ft. B.P. x 47.83-ft x 18.25 ft. x 5118 tons. A separate model was made by each tank to scale of about 1/20th full size and tested at 3 specified displacements corresponding to 5118, 4382 and 3968 respectively, over a speed range corresponding to 16 to 22 knots.

3. The object of these experiments was to assist in deciding on skin friction coefficients by comparing models and ships.

4. Most of the English Tanks concerned, have completed the experiments and the results are now being considered by the Propulsion Sub-Committee of the British Shipbuilding Research Association of which I am a Member.

5. A further aspect of the investigation was to compare the model experiments from the various tanks with the results of the speed trials. The latter were carried out in Italy. The Propulsion Sub-Committee requested me to make enquiries as to whether the speed trial results are available and can be forwarded. D.N.C. has approved that I write to you to ask if you would be good enough to contact the Superintendent of the Rome Tank concerning this and forward ship results and report to be with any relevant model comparisons for onward transmission to the Committee.

6. If you can do this it would be greatly appreciated. You may care to note that at the time of my visit to the Rome Tank in August last Signor De Santis was the Superintendent. Lt.Col. Delle Gaudio Novale Dotto Ing. D. Goldsborgo was the Constructive Officer at the Italian Ministry of Marine who accompanied me on my visit to the Rome Tank on the instructions of General Viterbo D.I.N., the Italian Director of Naval Construction.

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Thanking you in anticipation and with apologies for adding to your labours.

Kind regards,
Yours sincerely.

Sgd. R.N.L. Cain.

Constr. Captain D.W. Waldram, R.C.N.C.
Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station,
Allied Force Headquarters.

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13 March 1946.

Mr. Salvatore Cangiuzza,
Principal of the Institute,
R. Instituto Tecnico Nautico,
Duca Degli Abruzzi, CATANIA.

Dear Sir,

Receipt of your letter is acknowledged and its contents carefully studied. I am sure that the work you are doing is very important. Further, I agree with you that youth must be trained and sympathize with your problem. Unfortunately, the means to gratify your request are not at hand due to disposal and liquidation of American equipment in Italy.

With kind regards, I am,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE,
Rear Admiral, USNR,
Chief Commissioner.

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R. ISTITUTO TECNICO NAUTICO
"DUCA DEGLI ABRUZZI"
CATANIA

Catania, 14 January 1946 · Anno

N. di protocollo 169 Allegati

Risposta al foglio N del

ARGOMENTO: Subject: - Request of a craft.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY ADMIRAL STONE,
CHIEF OF THE ALLIED COMMISSION,
ROME

The Royal Technical Nautic Institute "Duca degli Abbruzzi" of Catania had before the war a rigging I should say a modest one for carrying out at sea pratical exercises for young Nautica Pupils. In fact the Institute owned three rowing-boats, one motor-boat and one steam-boat.

Such items though modest in tonnage, in the whole allowed the pupils to become proficient in rowing exercises, sailing, manoeuvres, and engines by internal combustion and by steam.

The war and the after-war have almost cancelled the Nautical activity of the young pupils, as all the means they had at their disposal were completely destroyed. In fact the three were destroyed by an Allied Air raid at the Catania Port, the motor-boat was requisitioned by the Allied Authorities at the moment of their getting possession of Catania Port and the steam-boat, already requisitioned by the Italian Naval Authorities, was sunk out of Augusta Port.

It is true that during last school-year, the Commando of the Italian Royal Navy endowed the Institute with a rowing-boat; but that is a too limited means with which only a part of the rowing exercises can take place as the boat can't hold all the pupils of one classe only.

For all that has been above said, we make a heartily request to Your Excellency as the liberality that much distinquishes the Generous American Nation is well known and that sense of great interest always shown by the Allied Nations for Young Italian Generations, to whom no blame can be given for the misfortunes that have befallen on our Fatherland. We ask that the Technical Nautic Institute of Catania is to endowed with a craft of a congrous tonnage, with steam motor for the propulsion, and of a motor by internal combustion as an accessory on board, such craft could given, withdrawing it from the Naval means obtained as a booty of war which owing to their conditions should be sent to be demolished. To the Institute

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such a gift would have a great value for the aim we prefixed.

The fact that the Allied Commission is worthily presided by an Admiral of the Glorious American Navy, is for us a lawful reasons to hope that the present request, made only in the interest of the Young Nautic Pupils of Catania, will be benevolently examined and taken into consideration by Thi High Allied Commission.

With kind regards.

Ing. Salvatore Ganguzza

(Ing. Salvatore Ganguzza)
Principal of the Institute.

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NSC/5780
18 December 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The French Representative on the Allied Commission.

Subject: Pending Questions.

Reference: (a) French Representative ltr. 616 of 11 December 1946.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5766 of 12 December 1946.

1. Reference (a) has been received and the contents noted.

2. It is observed that an answer to the assault on the French Ratings at Civitavecchia was furnished by reference (b).

3. The matter of the Italian Navy Estimates is under investigation and an answer will be furnished in due course.

4. A reply to the question of the recall of Italian Petty Officers will be furnished shortly.

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

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From: Capt. Heron de Villefosse,
French Representative on the Allied Commission
To : Chief of Navy Sub Commission
Date: 11th December 1946
Ref.: 616

Subject: Pending Questions

I have the honour of reminding you of a number of questions which have been the subject of the following letters of mine :

1. No.3045, dated 23rd October 1946.
On the subject of the assault on French naval personnel at Civitavecchia.

2. No.592 dated 29th November 1946 on the subject of the increase of the Italian Naval Estimates.

I should be obliged if a written answer could be given to these questions, to which must be added another on the subject of the recall of Petty Officers. I must emphasize, at the instigation of the French Government, the importance, from the French point of view, which has been attached to the abnormal increase of the estimates and the substantial recall of Petty Officers.

(Signed) HERON DE VILLEFOSSE

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COMMISSION ALLIÉE
EN ITALIE

LE REPRÉSENTANT FRANÇAIS

N° 616

Rome, le 11 DECEMBRE 1946

Le Capitaine de Vaisseau HERON De VILLEFOSSE
Représentant Français à la Commission Alliée
en Italie

à

Monsieur le CONTRE-AMIRAL
Chef de la Navy Sub Commission
Allied Commission

O b j e t : Questions en cours .

J'ai l'honneur de vous rappeler un certain nombre de questions qui ont fait l'objet de mes lettres ci-après:

I) N° 3045 du 23 Octobre 1946.
au sujet de l'agression de marins français à Civittavechia.
2) N° 592 du 29 Novembre 1946 sur l'augmentation du budget de la Marine Italienne.

Je vous serais reconnaissant de bien vouloir m'adresser une réponse écrite à ces questions à laquelle vient s'ajouter celle posée par ma lettre n° 617 sur le rappel des sous-officiers . Je me permets à ce sujet d'attirer votre attention, par ordre de mon Gouvernement, sur l'importance qui du point de vue français est attachée à l'augmentation anormale du budget et au rappel massif de sous-officiers./.

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NSC/5805
27 December 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Air Headquarters, R.A.F. Italy, C.M.F.

Subject: Italian Meteorological Station Pantelleria.

Reference: (a) Air Headquarters, R.A.F. Italy, C.M.F. ltr. AHQI/1101/7/MET dated 4 November 1946.

1. A reply has now been received from Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean regarding the proposed Meteorological Station. A copy is enclosed.

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

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station.
7th December, 1946.

Med.46/1353/9/1
NAVY SUB COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION,
ROME.

ITALIAN METEOROLOGICAL STATION -
PANTELLARIA

Introduction of Italian Air Force Personnel into Pantellaria for a permanent purpose, as opposed to an authorised visit for some temporary purpose is regarded as incompatible with the principle in the Combined Chiefs of Staff directive that the island is to be entirely demilitarised, and it is regretted that the project at enclosure (A) of your letter No. NSC/5664 dated 19th November, 1946 cannot be entertained. As previously stated, there would be no objection to the erection of a meteorological reporting station in Pantellaria should civilian personnel subsequently become available. From the Naval point of view, however, a station in Lampedusa would be preferable, but this would likewise have to be civilian manned.

A. Willis.
ADMIRAL

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NSC/564
19 November 1946

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

Subject: Italian Meteorological Station - Pantellaria.

Enclosure: (A) Copy of Air Headquarters, R.A.F. Italy, C.M.F. ltr. AHQI/1101/7/MET. of 4 November 1946.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith for the sympathetic consideration of the Commander-in-Chief.

2. The Navy Sub-Commission has been informed that inasmuch as the Italian Meteorological Service cannot afford to pay civilian wages, all their personnel are service personnel. For that reason no civilian personnel are available for the duties in question.

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

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From:- Director, Air Forces Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, ROME.

To :- Director, Navy Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, ROME.

Date:- 7th November, 1946.

Ref :- 1157/18/1/MET.

ITALIAN METEOROLOGICAL STATION - PANTELLARIA.

Please see the attached letter from Air Headquarters, Italy to Caserta which was written on my initiative.

2. I would be very grateful if you could oil the wheels by writing to the C-in-C. Med. because it has been arranged with M.A.A.C. Caserta that they will put the case to the C-in-C. Med. for decision. C-in-C. Med. may say "Why can't Italian civilian meteorological personnel be made available"; the answer is that the Italian meteorlogical personnel are all service personnel because they cannot afford to pay the higher civilian wages. It is proposed to supply rations, mail etc., together with that of the light-house keepers as soon as they are established on Pantellaria.

I.E. BRODIE,
AIR VICE MARSHAL,
DIRECTOR,
AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION.

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Navy Sub-commission, Hq. AC
8 NOV 1946

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C O P Y .

From:- Air Headquarters, R.A.F. Italy, C.M.F.

To :- M.A.A.C., Air Headquarters (Rear), R.A.F., Italy.

Date:- 4th November, 1946.

Ref :- AHQI/1101/7/MET.

ITALIAN METEOROLOGICAL - PANTELLARIA.

A request has been received from the Italian Meteorological Service through the Director of the Air Forces Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, Rome, for Italian Air Force personnel to be sent to PANTELLARIA to open up a Meteorological Reporting Station there.

2. Under the terms of the Armistice, no Italian military personnel are allowed in de-militarised zones. No Italian civilian meteorological personnel are available and it has been suggested that Italian Air Force personnel might be allowed to go to PANTELLARIA in civilian clothes, whilst retaining their military pay, etc.

3. PANTELLARIA is a particularly important Meteorological Reporting Station. It is a key position for MALTA where the forecasters would be greatly assisted by reports from PANTELLARIA. Forecasts of weather at MALTA are required for the Air Forces, Civil Aviation and for Naval Operations.

4. It is therefore recommended that approval should be given for I.A.F. personnel to be used as suggested.

(SGD) N.V. MORTON, G/CAPT.,
SENIOR AIR STAFF OFFICER,
AIR HEADQUARTERS,
ROYAL AIR FORCE, ITALY.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - H.Q. - A.C.
Date: 9th January 1947
Ref.: 178/2

Subject: P.O.Writer Armando MONTESARCHIO, off. No.45057

1. The above Petty Officer appears to be embarked on the SS. "Anna Capano".

2. As the man is a volunteer Petty Officer on a ship not requisitioned by the Italian Navy, but directly under the orders of the Allied Command in Italy, and for which no Italian Naval complement is provided, you are requested to approach the competent Authority for the withdrawal of P.O.Writer Montesarchio.

3. The above Petty Officer is to report to the C.E.M.M. Depot at Naples.

4. Your communications on the subject are awaited.

by direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

Further correspondence in NSS files. — IRN-12/N.

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Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 178/2 *Allegati*

Roma 9 Gennaio 1947

Al NAVY SUB COMMISSION
HEADQUARTERS, A.C.

ARGOMENTO: 2° Capo Furiere MONTESARCHIO Armando, matr. 45057.-

1. Il Sottufficiale in argomento risulta tuttora imbarcato sul piroscafo "ANNA CAPANO".

2. Poichè trattasi di Sottufficiale volontario su Unità non requisita dalla Marina Militare, alle dirette dipendenze del Comando Alleato in Italia e per cui non è prevista alcuna assegnazione di personale della Marina, si prega voler interessare le competenti Autorità affinchè provvedano allo sbarco del 2°Capo Furiere MONTESARCHIO.

3. Il predetto Sottufficiale dovrà raggiungere il Deposito C.E.M.M. di Napoli.

4. Si rimane in attesa di cortesi comunicazioni al riguardo.

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

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

From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - H.Q. - A.C.
Date: 9th January 1946
Ref.: 173/2

Subject: P.O.Writer Arcando MONTESARCHIO, off. No.45057

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by direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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MINISTERO DELLA DIFESA - MARINA -
Ministero della Marina Militare
GABINETTO

Mod. 39

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Roma, - 1 MAR. 1947 194

Prot. N. 4370/2 Allegati ;

Al NAVAL SUB SECTION
I.M.A.S.

OGGETTO: 2° Capo Fur. MONTESARCHIO Armando, matr. 45057

Si prega codesta Naval Sub Section voler dare cortese riscontro al foglio di questo Ministero n° 178/2 in data 10 gennaio 1947.-

Si fa presente che lo sbarco dal Piroscafo "ANNA CAPANO" del MONTESARCHIO è ora divenuto urgente dovendo egli frequentare un corso di perfezionamento per l'avanzamento al grado superiore.-

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

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NSC/5813
30 December 1946

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

Subject: Launching of Motorboat CUORGESU in Pozzallo.

1. The Navy Sub-Commission has been informed that a tug or dredger is essential to aid in the launching of the motorboat CUORGESU, owned by Armatore Pipitone of POZZALLO, at present prevented by sandbanking.

2. It is requested that whatever action is deemed appropriate will be taken in this case and that the Navy Sub-Commission will be kept informed.

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

30 DEC 1946

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TRANSLATION

23 December, 1946.

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IMPLORE INTERVENTION OF YOUR EXCELLENCY WITH MINISTER ALDISIO OR BRITISH ROYAL NAVY IN ORDER THAT A TOWING-BOAT OR DREDGER IS MADE AVAILABLE IN ORDER TO FACILITATE WITHIN A HALF-DAY THE LAUNCHING OF MOTORBOAT CUORGEGU WHICH IS BLOCKED DUE TO SANDBANKING.

ARMATORE PIPITONE.

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NSC/5565
25 October 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: The Chief of Naval Personnel.

Subject: Number of U.S. Naval and Merchant Marine Personnel Buried in U.S. Military Cemeteries.

Enclosure: (A) Copy of ltr. from American Graves Registration Service, Separate Zone Command, MTOUSA, dated 5 August 1946.

1. Enclosure (A), listing U.S. Military Cemeteries where U.S. Naval and Merchant Marine personnel are buried respectively showing number at each, is forwarded for information.

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COMMODORE USN,
ACTING CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

Copy to:
ALUSNA, Rome.
ComNavMed.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER SEPARATE ZONE COMMAND MTOUSA
APO 794
US ARMY

5 August 1946 FES/vw

SUBJECT: Information

TO : Navy Sub-Commission, Allied Commission
APO 794, Rome
Attention: Commodore H. W. Ziroli

1. The following is a complete breakdown of cemeteries containing U. S. Navy and U. S. Merchant Marine buried in U. S. Military Cemeteries throughout the theater.

CEMETERY	NO. OF NAVY DECEASED	NO. OF MERCHANT MARINE
Athens, Greece	1	2
Bari, Italy	30	25
Bastia, Corsica	10	0
Cagliari, Sardinia	6	1
Castelfiorentino, Italy	0	2
Caronia, Sicily	4	0
Gela, Sicily	21	2
Licata, Sicily	23	0
Mirandola, Italy	0	2
Mt. Soprano, Italy	71	3
Naples, Italy	73	24
Nettuno, Italy	42	3
Palermo, Sicily	95	3
Vada, Italy	1	4
TOTAL	377	71

F. E. Scott

F. E. SCOTT
Lt. Col., QMC
Commanding

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BRITISH CIPHER MESSAGE SIGG SERIAL 1719 ROUTINE

FROM .SCAO AMG 13 CORPS 2010008 SECRET

TO RNO VENICE

INFO FREEDOMCITE FHGBI 86 AREA NOICTRIESTE ALCOM

MAIN 13 CORPS

8/208.SECRET.

REF MAIN 03 CORPS SIGNAL I(B)860 DATED 18 JUNE.NO OBJECTION

ROUTINE

CIPHER TELEGRAM
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C-INCMED (R) MAIN 13 CORPS
AMG 13 CORPS
86 AREA
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ALCOM

ADVQ SIGMED SACMED CITE EYGOT
201622
FX 68004

SECRET

Subject is security check unauthorised craft GEORGIA AREA. 13 CORPS 1(B) 860 of 18th June refers.

1. If you have no objection propose to authorise air patrols requested by para 1 reference signal.

2. If you (concur?) in need for sea patrols requested by para 2 reference signal request you issue orders necessary to effect.

DTG 201622 JUNE

H/H P/L TOR 1130/21 WUCS 21.6.46.

REF:- As above.

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FREEDOM CITE FIGHT ALC 13 CORPS(PERSONAL for SCAO) 86 AREA
NOIC TRIESTE RNO VENICE ALCOM

MAIN 13 CORPS
182100
1442

SECRET

1(B)/860. Subject is security check unauthorised craft CHIOGGIA area.

1. RNO VENICE has received request from ITI Admiral Venice for permission for ITI Air Force to carry out recce in Northern Adriatic at dawn and sunset between ITI Coast and Central Adriatic to check all unauthorised craft. Consider this would be helpful provided aircraft do not (R) NOT fly further East than M1 (R) M1 MASTING nor further North than M6 NORTHING. If you have no objections please signal permission direct R.N.O. 86 AREA please coord with RNO PSS and ITI Admiral final arrangements for interception and search especially with view to interrupting arms traffic resultant from aircraft reports if permission granted.

2. It has been agreed by NOIC TRIESTE that Naval patrols off CHIOGGIA Area are necessary for same purpose but NOIC points out that ITI Authorities know what is going on and must for the most part be interested in stopping this traffic. Request therefore matter be taken up through ALCOM to persuade ITI Govt to instruct their Navy to carry out these patrols at once first submitting their plans to RNO and 86 AREA VENICE for approval.

DTG 182100 June 5222

K/M P/L TOR P.M. 19th WJCH 20.6.46.

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ALCOM HQ ACPSF 1 July 1946

BEMA TRIPOLI

3962 SECRET

SUBJECT IS ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION PD
PARA ONE PD REFERENCE YOUR BAKER MIKE ABLE TARE SLANT ONE NINE EIGHT SIX DATED TWO EIGHT JUNE FORTY SIX PD
PARA TWO PD INFORMATION ON THIS SUBJECT RECEIVED FROM NAVY SUB COMMISSION WHO HAVE INFORMED MINISTER OF MARINE PD
PARA THREE PD THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SECURITY MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR HAS ALSO BEEN INFORMED BY THIS SUB COMMISSION AND ACTION REQUESTED TO EXERCISE STRICT SUPERVISION OWER PERSONNEL IN SHIPS LEAVING ITALY PD

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NAVY S/C

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PUBLIC SAFETY S/C

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F.J. WILSON LT.COLONEL

NICHOLAS PIOMBINO
CWO USA 5221
Asst Adjutant

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BEMA TRIPOLI

PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION ALCOM

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FURTHER TO THIS HQ SIGNAL OF 21 EVERY INDICATION THAT IMMACOLATA CARRIED ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS WHO ARRIVED THIS TERRITORY 11 JUNE FURTHER ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS REPORTED PREPARING COME ON INVIDATA OR IMMACORASA FROM SYRACUSE. PLEASE INFORM IF ITALIAN AUTHORITIES ARE TAKING ACTION. ESSENTIAL STOP ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION TO TRIPOLITANIA.

AC DIST

ACTION: PUBLIC SAFETY 2

INFO : CHIEF COMMR

FILE

SKELETON

Navy S-C. ✓

SECRET

WAR DEPARTMENT
JUN 1946

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N.S.C.

MINISTRY OF MARINE (MARINA)

Unclassified

No. 6964g. The following signal has been received from the Captain of the Port of Savona and is passed to you for information. Signal begins:- No. 6493 of 19th June. Further to my signal 6484 of 18th inst. Panamanian M/V MEANHARINOIS sailed yesterday evening empty for Port Said put in without permission last night at the isolated wharf near Cape Vado, despite action of police forces it embarked 1200 Jewish passengers coming from N. Italy. At 0900 hours this morning and despite police guard and orders not to sail the hawsers were cut and the vessel put to sea without permission. Signal ends.

----------201100 June----------

T/P ITALIAN P/L TOR 20th FAC.D. 21/6
Dist. 0-5 10 Img 4. N.S.C. P.O. EDNICOTT.

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FRA JARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
OUTGOING MESSAGE.

FROM ACPSF HQ ALOCM

TO (FOR ACTION) G-5 AFHQ.

20 June 1946.

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CONFIDENTIAL.

SUBJECT IS ILLEGAL EMIGRATION ED

PARA ONE ED FOLLOWING INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM PUBLIC SAFETY LIAISON OFFICER CMA GENOA ED

PARA TWO ED AT ABOUT ZERO ONE ZERO ZERO HOURS ONE NINE JUNE ONE THREE ZERO ZERO JEWS ARRIVED AT VADO LIGURE CMA SAVONA CMA IN CIVILIAN TRANSPORT CMA WITHOUT PASSPORTS CMA AND EMBARKED ON SUGAR ED SUGAR ED BANALENTE BUHARINOIS CMA BELIEVED PANAMA REGISTERATION ED

PARA THREE ED THE ITALIAN AUTHORITIES BOARDED VESSEL AND GAVE INSTRUCTIONS THE SHIP WAS NOT TO SAIL ED

PARA FOUR ED MR ED JIG ED FOX ED STONE CMA AMERICAN CORRESPONDENT AND SERENI CMA AIDA INTERPRETER CMA OF ROME CMA WHO WERE WITH THE PARTY WERE NOT ALLOWED BY THE ITALIAN AUTHORITIES TO EMBARK ED

PARA FIVE ED THE SHIP SAILED WITHOUT PERMISSION AT ZERO NINE TWO ZERO HOURS CMA ONE NINE ED DESTINATION BELIEVED PALESTINE ED

PARA SIX ED MR ED STONE DID NOT SAIL AND HAS SINCE LEFT SAVONA CMA BELIEVED FOR MILAN ED HE WAS NOT DETAINED ED AMERICAN CONSUL CMA GENOA CMA INFORMED BY PUBLIC SAFETY LIAISON OFFICER CMA GENOA ED

PARA SEVEN ED NUMBER THREE DISTRICT INFORMED BY FOX ED SUGAR ED SUGAR ED

PRIORITY.
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION.
(SGD) M.CARR BRIGADIER, VP CA SECTION.

NICHOLAS PIOMBINO
CWO USA
ASST. ADJUTANT.

Internal Dist.
Chief Commissioner.
Executive Commissioner.
Navy S/C.
D.P. & R. S/C.
Poland (A)
Poland (B)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478427

19 June 1946

AC/14363/PS

SUBJECT : Illegal Emigration.

TO : VP. CA. Section.

1. The following information was received at 1100 hrs, 19 June 1946, by 'phone, from the Public Safety Officer Genoa Liaison Group.

2. At about 0400 hrs 19th June 1946, 1,300 Jews arrived at Vado Ligure, Province of Savona, in civilian transport (point of departure not known) and boarded the SS BANDEIRANTE BURARINOS, which was lying off shore.

3. The Italian Police, suspecting illegal immigration, boarded the vessel and gave orders the ship was not to sail, however, at 0920 hrs, the ship sailed, believed for Palestine.
It is believed she bears a Panama Registration.

4. P.S.S. has informed No. 3 District. Cable follows.
No further information available.

E. J. Peake
E. J. PEAKE, Colonel
Acting Director.

EJP/ac

Copy: - ~~Chief Commissioner~~
- ~~Executive Commissioner~~
- Navy C/O
- ~~Army C/O~~

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel: 489081-365

AC/14057/PS

18 June 1946

SUBJECT : Illegal immigration - Tripoli.

TO : Director of Public Safety,
Ministry of Interior.

1. On afternoon of 11th June 1946, 140 illegal immigrants landed West of TRIPOLI from a vessel believed to be the IMMACOLATA from Syracuse. The vessel is believed to have returned to Syracuse.

2. The Ministry of Marine have been asked to take steps to prevent further cases of this nature.

Forwarded for your information and such action as is possible to exercise strict supervision over the personnel in ships leaving Italy.

E. J. DYE, Colonel
Acting Director.

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Copy to:- Navy Sub-Commission,
(Your copy cable 13 June refers).

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/2811
2 July 1945

SECRET

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

Subject: Increase in Carabinieri.

1. The comments contained in paragraph three of Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, secret letter MED.45/00180/31 of 27 June 1945 are concurred in. However, in order to co-operate fully, there is no objection to the inclusion of these personnel in the Italian Navy ceiling, especially on account of the small numbers involved. It is assumed that this action is not contrary to the principle established by the Combined Chiefs of Staff that only effective members of the Italian Navy shall be included in the authorised ceiling of 75,000 for the Italian Navy.

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC,
for CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

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15 JUL 1945

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SECRET

Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean,
Allied Force Headquarters.
27th June, 1945.

MED.45/00180/31.
THE HEAD OF THE NAVY SUB COMMISSION, HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED COMMISSION, ROME.

INCREASE IN CARABINIERI.

With reference to your letter NSC/2415 dated 18th May 1945, information has been received from the Army Authorities at Allied Force Headquarters that as it would make for simplicity in accounting if all 10,000 carabinieri were held against the BR-ITI army commitments, adjustments have been made accordingly in the combat troops reinforcement holdings to accommodate the whole figure.

2. At the same time they ask for naval agreement to accept into the present Italian Navy ceiling of 75,000, Italian prisoner of war co-operator units at present employed by the Royal Navy.

3. The Prisoner of War status will be removed from the Italian Prisoner of War co-operator companies on the 1st July. The proposal was made that those co-operators working for the Royal Navy should thereupon assume the status of members of the Italian Navy. The Commander-in-Chief objected to this on the grounds that all except for a very small number indeed had formerly been members of the Italian Army and it would be most inappropriate for them to be arbitrarily created sailors, and so far as is known they will now become members of the Italian Army.

4. The fact remains that they are employed for Naval purposes and it is therefore desired to meet the wishes expressed by the Army in paragraph 2. Your views are requested. The total number involved is 570.

5. For information, there are at present three Naval (IWT) Port Operating Companies employed by the British Army and held against the Italian Army ceiling. The number involved here is 636.

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H. B. Hall

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ALLIED COMMISSION, ROME.

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M. B. Hallig

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub Commission APO 394

NSC/2415.
18th May, 1945.

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

Subject: Increase in Carabinieri.

References:-
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4. Without entering into the merits of whether the strength of the Italian Navy can be reduced it is desired to emphasise that from a political point of view and as a matter of prestige, the reduction of the Italian Navy personnel without a proportionate reduction in the Italian Army and Air Forces, is not concurred in. While as indicated in reference (d) the Italian Navy has an excess of personnel, this condition also undoubtedly obtains for the other Italian armed services, particularly since the termination of hostilities in Europe.

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(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

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FOR CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean,
Allied Force Headquarters.
5th May, 1945

MED.45/00180/31.
THE NAVY SUB-COMMISSION.
(Copy to:- G-3)

INCREASE IN CARABINIERI.

The attached correspondence is forwarded for your early remarks.

for ADMIRAL

Enclosures:

Ministry of Marine's letter No.SM.26/R.P. of 2nd January, 1945
and Minute II thereto.
G-3's Route Slip and the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's reply.

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SECRET INFO ROUTING SLIP
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

DATE 28 April 1945

FILE REF: ASD/922.2/7

SUBJECT: Increase in CARABINIERI

1.	G-3	C-in-C MED.	28 Apr.	1. Reference is made to the attached copy of War Office cable 88443 IM 3 of 25 Apr 45.

2. The Allied Commission has requested that the manpower ceiling of the carabinieri police force in Italy be increased from 55,000 to 65,000. Application has been made to the Combined Chiefs of Staff, who have decided that no increase in the Italian Army ration commitment can be accepted.

3. Bids for Italian Army units now exceed the available manpower ceiling allotted by the Combined Chiefs of Staff. Investigation is being made to determine whether some of the existing or projected units can be surrendered in favour of the carabinieri.

4. It would be appreciated if you would review the present BR-ITI commitment of 75,000 within the Italian Navy to determine whether it would be possible to transfer a proportion of the allotted manpower ceiling to meet part of the demand for an increase in Carabinieri. May the matter please be treated as urgent so that a fully representative reply may be sent to the War Office.

Encls: Copy of MC In 17497 - 26 April 1945.

(signed) JAMES P. SMITH
Lieut. Colonel, G.S.C.,
Executive Officer.
DANIEL NOCE,
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Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3.

JNG/vp/Org-A.

(copy to Navy Sub-Commission) 5th May 1945

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COMMODORE ADMINISTRATION ON STAFF OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF, MEDITERRANEAN

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PRIORITY

FROM: TROOPERS

TO: AFHQ

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2. May we have your comments earliest on feasibility of this. We understand that you are unable to make 6th Italian Gruppe operational because equipment allotted has been given to other requirements. Will it be possible to equip Carabinieri from British resources?

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I.R.N. PERSONNEL STRENGTH AS AT 20th DECEMBER 1944.

Officers	5610	
C.R.E.M. Personnel	63657	
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	(Ashore	38727

C.R.E.M. Personnel Ashore is subdivided as follows :-

-Cs-in-C. - Naval Commands - Base Commands
- Harbour Defence Tug Services 5965

-Dockyards - Workshops - Technical Offices
- Salvage Groups 3179

-Naval Police - Jails - Naval Courts - "Defascistization"
Personnel 680

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- W/T. Branch 2502

-Captaincies of the Port 1385

-I.R.N. Depots and Detachments 2172

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M/Sweeping (including Base in the Levant) 1191

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Ministry of Marine 1557

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EMPLOYMENT OF ITALIAN ROYAL NAVY PERSONNEL.

(Ministry of Marine's letter No.SM.26/R.P. of 2nd January, 1945.)

II.

No.L.312/2.

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,
MEDITERRANEAN STATION.
(Copy to:- Flag Officer Northern Area, Mediterranean.)

Forwarded with reference to my letter No.L.312/2 of 30th October, 1944.

2. The most practical method of putting paragraphs 4 to 6 of Minute I into effect would be the formation of a certain number of trained Port Units composed of Italian naval personnel. Such Units would be composed of stevedoring, port maintenance and construction companies and would be held ready to move into any port as soon as the operational situation allowed. The training of these units could be carried out in non-operational ports such as Civitavecchia where the shortage of labour is acute.

3. It is requested that early consideration be given to these proposals. If approved in principle Flag Officer Taranto, Adriatic and Liaison, Italy, Rome in conjunction with Transportation Increment C.M.F., will work out the necessary details with the Ministry of Marine and submit them for final approval.

(signed) C.Chann

ROME
24th January, 1945.

for REAR ADMIRAL.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE, (Maristat)
To: F.O.L.I. - Rome.
Date: 2/1/45
Ref: SM.26/R.P.

SECRET

Subject: Employment of I.R.N. Personnel.

1. The disbandment of coastal defence Batteries and I.R.N. Ack-ack sites has prominently brought forward the problem of the future employment of this personnel, a matter which has been left to I.R.N.'s discretion.

2. The present position of I.R.N. personnel is as set out in attached statement.

Without a doubt I.R.N. has a higher percentage of shore-based personnel than other Navies; but this is due, apart from difficulties caused by the present Italian situation, which obliges I.R.N. to undertake auxiliary services ashore normally entrusted to other organisations, but also to considerable work ashore for the Allies at their request, as for example the steadily increasing volume of work in connection with port traffic. There is also the "San Marco" Regiment which also makes its contribution as a front-line force.

3. Not too much importance should be placed on the fact that a large percentage of I.R.N. personnel is shore-based due to the special circumstances as just mentioned: the essential point is that every effort be made to use this personnel to the best advantage, and this is the directive I intend to follow, with which you are already in agreement.

4. This being the case, the disbanded personnel in question, in my opinion, could be used to increase I.R.N.'s contribution to port works and traffic, assuming a greater responsibility in connection with the organisation of port services, which it could undertake without the need of extra instruction.

5. In regard to the above, I feel that I.R.N. personnel could be more efficiently and usefully used to undertake port duties than to carry out the proposal to transfer them to the Army.

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6. Finally, to bring the matter to a practical footing, I propose that I.R.N. should have the onus of port traffic, doing away with every contribution from the Italian Army at Taranto, Brindisi, Bari, Ancona, Cagliari, Augusta and eventually other ports, as found necessary and in accordance with personnel available.

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(Sgd) CHIEF OF STAFF.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
FOOD & AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

AGR/320.1.1

6 December 1945

SUBJECT: Purchase of German Fishing Boats

TO : Ministry of Agriculture
Ufficio Centrale Delle Pesce

1. Reference is made to your letter N.9216 dated 26 November 1945, subject as above.

2. The attached copy of another letter in reply to another inquiry regarding the purchase of these boats is attached for your information.

3. Action is being taken to confirm the availability, and to determine the conditions of purchase, etc. Further information will be notified to you as soon as received.

JAMES M. MERRITT
Director

Distribution:
AFHQ G-5 Section
Navy Sub-Commission
Economic Section - Supply Group -

Enclosure
As above

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APO 394
FOOD & AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

AGR/ 502.1.1 4 December 1945

SUBJECT: Purchase of Fishing Boats in Germany

TO : Mr. Giovanni Zunini - Piazza Adriana,15 - Rome.

1. With reference to your letter of 8 November 1945, requesting that the AC investigate the practicability of your purchasing certain utdam-trawlers which are reported to be available at Bremerhaven and Wesermunde, the matter is being referred to the appropriate authorities for investigation.

2. Until such time as the availability of the boats is confirmed, the question of authorization for travel to Germany, purchase of the trawlers with Italian funds, etc., must be held in abeyance. Further information will be notified to you when received.

JAMES M. MERRITT
Director

Distribution:
AFHQ G-5 Section
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Economic Section - Supply Group -
Ministry of Agriculture
(Uff.Centrale della Pesca)

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office of the Assistant Chief,
Intelligence,
Allied Force Headquarters.
20th May, 1945.

NAVAG/0160/13.

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

ITALIAN NAVY DISPOSAL - ARTICLE 30.

It is requested that you will take steps to ensure the implementation of the proposals in paragraph 4 of the Navy Sub-Commission's memorandum of 16th May 1945. Orders should be passed to the Ministry of Marine through the Flag Officer, Taranto, Adriatic and Libian, Italy (Rear) or the Head of the Navy Sub-Commission as applicable.

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H. A. PACKER.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/2392
10 May 1945.

FILE

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

Subject: Italian Navy Commands - Orders to.

1. The Italian Ministry of Marine has indicated to the Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. AC, that a greater degree of cooperation and efficiency could be achieved with Allied Naval Commands and orders carried out more expeditiously if the Ministry could be kept fully informed as to the orders which are issued to subordinate Italian Navy Commands.

2. Under the present arrangements the Flag Officer Taranto Adriatic and Liaison, Italy, is the medium through which all matters between Allied Naval authorities and the Ministry of Marine, in connection with the operation of the Italian Fleet, are to be conducted. As a matter of expediency, however, orders are generally issued direct to local Italian Commands by Flag Officer Taranto Adriatic and Liaison, Italy, and Flag Officer Northern Area, Mediterranean, for the Adriatic and Ligurian - Tyrrhenian Sea areas respectively, and to a lesser degree, by local Allied Commands, instead of through the Ministry of Marine. In matters relating to the administration of the Italian Navy, all orders are issued by the Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. AC, direct to the Ministry of Marine for transmittal to subordinate Italian Navy Commands.

3. In many instances the Ministry of Marine is wholly unaware of orders or instructions which are issued, and while the reasons are fully understood and no objections are raised, it is evident that the Ministry is unable to implement the orders issued. Likewise, the subordinate Italian Navy Commands are hesitant to act with knowledge that the Ministry of Marine is not fully informed. It is not felt that the Italian Navy communication system is sufficiently well organized at present to ensure rapid and accurate information being given to the Ministry by local Italian Commands on the subject of instructions they may have received from Allied Naval authorities. This situation is particularly applicable to port operations and directives which are issued when ports are returned to Italian Navy control and has been accentuated since the transfer of the Ministry of Marine from Taranto to Rome. It will be aggravated now that North Italy has been liberated.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/2392
10 May 1945.

Subject: Italian Navy Commands - Orders to.

4. In view of the above, it is submitted for your consideration that when orders relating to policy or instructions which are not of a routine nature, are issued by Allied Naval authorities to Italian Navy Commands, the Ministry of Marine be furnished with a copy direct or through either the Flag Officer Taranto Adriatic and Liaison, Italy, (Rome) or the Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. AC. If these recommendations are approved, it is requested that all Allied Naval authorities be informed accordingly.

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

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7 APRILE 1945.

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ISPEZIONE AL PORTO DI SALERNO FATTA DAL TENENTE COLONNELLO DI PORTO ROMANO MANFREDI IL 4 APRILE 1945.-

1. - Il Genio Civile sta provvedendo al restauro del ciglio della banchina di levante, sconvolto per fatti di guerra. I lavori dureranno qualche mese.

La banchina di ponente ed il molo foraneo presentano danni relativamente lievi, che non ostacolano il traffico.

Si attende tuttora l'arrivo della draga per l'escavazione del canale di accesso al porto e del ciglio della banchina di levante, dove la sabbia affiora a guisa di spiaggetta.

Il porto di Salerno é da considerarsi in normale efficienza, dal punto di vista tecnico, appena eseguiti i lavori in corso e il progettato dragaggio.

Vi é intensa attività di cantieri navali per costruzione e riparazione di piccole unità (galleggianti da carico, pescherecci, rimorchiatori, piccoli velieri).

Quattro cantieri sono in porto ed altri sulla spiaggia di levante.

2. - Attualmente l'unica Autorità che sovraintende al movimento del porto di Salerno é la Capitaneria, la quale assolve regolarmente i compiti di istituto. Comandante é il Tenente Colonnello di porto GIUSTI Rinaldo.

Sembra che analoga sia anche la situazione nei porti di Castellammare di Stabia e di Torre Annunziata. 5197

Ogni settimana i comandanti dei tre detti porti si riuniscono a Castellammare di Stabia in una Commissione alla quale partecipano agenti marittimi e un rappresentante del Ministry War Transport.

IL TEN. COLONNELLO DI PORTO
Capo Ufficio

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Sono state comunicate al Ministero, dopo parecchio tempo, dai Comandi Marina o dalle Capitanerie di Porto, disposizioni e provvedimenti organizzativi emanate od attuate dalle locali Autorità Alleate senza che il Ministero nè fosse stato tempestivamente informato a mezzo della C.A. per poter coordinare le disposizioni con quelle date direttamente dal Governo Italiano e con i provvedimenti già attuati in altri porti.

Poichè da tali iniziative locali possono derivare disservizi, si ritiene opportuno che ogni richiesta o comunicazione circa la riorganizzazione dei porti sia rivolta ~~a Marisicat~~ al Ministero della Marina a mezzo della C.A., in modo che per evidenti ragioni di uniformità e di coordinamento parta dal Ministero ogni disposizione per le dipendenti Autorità periferiche.

Si notano i seguenti rilievi:

1. - A Civitavecchia, pur dopo la consegna del porto al Governo Italiano funziona un Comitato, del quale si ignora la costituzione e gli scopi, il quale ha avanzato direttamente richieste di lavori all'ufficiale destinato alle operazioni ricuperi. (Allegato 1)

- a Piombino si é costituito un Comitato di gestione del Porto, presieduto da un rappresentante del British Ministry of War Transport con scopo e funzioni che appaiono in contrasto con l'organizzazione di quel porto. (Allegato 2)

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2. - I porti di Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia e Torre Annunziata sono passati di fatto all'Amministrazione Italiana senza che ne sia pervenuta comunicazione a ~~Marisicat~~ Ministero della Marina a mezzo dell'A.C. (Allegato 3)

3. - La Commissione Alleata in Sardegna ha ceduto direttamente a quel Comando Marina i suoi compiti per la compilazione dei rapporti giornalieri sulla situazione del porto e la partenza delle Navi, senza che siano state predisposte dal Ministero, d'accordo con la C.A. le modalità per la trasmissione delle notizie. (Allegato 4)

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4. - Il Commissario regionale della Commissione Alleata della Sardegna ha invitato il Comando Marina di Cagliari ad assumere la gestione del porto di S.Antioco nominando Comandante del Porto l'ufficiale di Vascello del locale Maritraf; nomina in contrasto con la legislazione italiana che riserva tale carica agli ufficiali delle Capitanerie di Porto. (Allegato 5)

5. - F.O.T.A. Taranto ha comunicato direttamente a Marina Taranto, senza che il Ministero ne fosse stato ~~comunque~~ informato, che tutti i servizi dei porti di Brindisi e Bari, compresi quelli delle Capitanerie devono passare alla R.Marina, rimanendo il N.O.I.C. a Bari. (Allegato 6).

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CONCLUSIONE - Si interessa la S.Commissione Navale perché sia rivolta alle Autorità periferiche una raccomandazione di far giungere i loro desiderata al Ministero della Marina per il tramite della S.Commissione Navale stessa, specie quando trattasi di questioni di carattere generale. Solo così il Ministero della Marina potrà svolgere la sua funzione di coordinamento ed emanare tutte le disposizioni necessarie per soddisfare le richieste delle Autorità periferiche.

In the past, Italian Naval Commands and Capitanerie di Porto have reported organizational instructions issued by local Allied Authorities. The Ministry had never been informed of the issuing of such instructions through proper A.C. channels, and was therefore not in a position to carry out its necessary coordinating activities. Such local initiatives can cause great confusion, it is therefore proposed that every request concerning port reorganization be referred to the Ministry of Marine through proper A.C. channels.

The following particular cases are brought to your attention:

1. In Civitavecchia, after the port had been turned over to the Italian Government, there is a Committee which has made requests directly to the Salvage Officer. The Ministry knows nothing of the existence of this Committee (Enclosure 1).

- In Piombino a Port Committee, has been organized under the Presidency of a British Ministry of War Transport representative.

The functions of such a Committee appear to be in contrast with the organization in the port (Enclosure 2).

2. The ports of Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia and Torre Annunziata have been turned over to the Italian Government without the Ministry's having been informed through A.C. channels (Enclosure 3).

3. The A.C. in Sardinia has turned over to the Italian Naval Authorities the duties of making out daily reports on the port situation and sailings. The procedure for the forwarding of these reports had never been agreed upon between the Ministry and the A.C. (Enclosure 4).

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5. F.O.T.A. informed the Military Marittime Command in Taranto directly, that all the the port services in Brindisi & Bari, including the Capitanerie di Porto, were to be turned over to the Italian R.Navy, leaving

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a N.O.I.C. in Bari. The Ministry was not informed of this at all. (Enclosure o).

IN CONCLUSION it is requested that the Navy Sub Commission advise all authorities to inform the Ministry of what their requirements are ~~thrux~~ through A.C. channels, especially when questions which can concern the general organization are concerned.This is the only way in which the Ministry can properly carry out its coordinating activities and issue proper instructions that can satisfy all requests coming from non central Authorities.

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Ministero della Marina

MESSAGGIO SEGRETO IN ARRIVO

Tipografia Tiburtina – 330.000 Ord. 139 – 15-9-1943

Ordine	Prot. di centrale	Preambolo	Parole	Provenienza	Via	Decifrato da:
	23929	1119	91	CAGLIARI	MADDALENA	IANNO'

Presentato	Ricevuto	Inizio decifr.	Fine decifr.	Distribuito	Copiato da:
220031	1/4/45	1940	1900	080004	CASSANI

Qualifica: URGENTISSIMO

MARISTAT = MARINERCANT

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MARINA CAGLIARI 66244 Dest.Maristat et p.c. Marinercant Marisardegna Da domani Commissione Alleata Sardegna cesserà funzionare suoi compiti anche relativi operazioni importazioni esportazioni via mare rilevati da Commissariato alt Secondo ordini pervenuti N.L.O. Cagliari da Comando Capo Mediterraneo at partire giorno 10 Aprile questo Comando dovrebbe avocare a sè compilazione et trasmissione via radio at Autorità Alleate interessate rapporti giornalieri situazione porto et partenza piroscafi alt Presente messaggio continua

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Numero Telefono: ... Mod. 170 - 13-8-1942

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	23930	1120	31	CAGLIARI	MADDALENA	IANNO'

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MARINA CAGLIARI 66244 Seguito messaggio stesso numero di protocollo parte seconda Dest.Maristat p.c. Marimercant Pregasi interessare F.O.T.A.L.I. Roma perchè venga tempestivamente comunicato onda da usarsi cifrario da impiegare et autorizzazione usare locale radio trasmittente fine messaggio

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REGIA MARINA
Comando Marina Civitavecchia

C.Vecchia, 29.3.1945

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AL MARISTAT - ROMA

Prot. 1291 All.1

Oggetto: Lavori di ricostruzione nel porto di Civitavecchia.

Si trasmette l'unita lettera dell'Ufficio del Comitato per i lavori del Porto significando che i lavori per il recupero dei relitti nel porto non si possono compiere causa la mancanza del pontone adatto a tale scopo.-

f.to IL CAPITANO DI FREGATA
Comandante
Giuseppe Vocaturo

COPIA

29th March, 1945

To: Officer-in-Charge of Salvage Operations, Italian Ministry of Marine
ROME

From: The Office of the Port Working Committee, Civitavecchia.

Subject: Port Re-Construction and Salvage of Wrecks.

At a meeting of the Civitavecchia Port Working Committee held on the 26th March, 1945, plans for work on port re-construction which it is proposed shall be put into effect over a period of three months commencing Ist April, were discussed and it was established that the removal of certain wrecks lying in the port was a matter closely related to the carrying-out of the above-mentioned project.

It is requested therefore, by this Port Working Committee, that consideration should be given and action taken by you, as Officer-in-Charge of Salvage Operations to remove all wrecks which might hinder present and future plans for the re-habilitation of the port of Civitavecchia. It is suggested that you consult with Genio Civile, which firm has been entrusted with the work of re-construction, the order of priority to be given to the clearance of all wrecks.

Yours faithfully

E.W. Taylor
for Port Working Committee, Civitavecchia

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VERBALE DI ADUNANZA TENUTA A POIMBINO IL GIORNO 23.2.1945 IN MERITO ALLA PROSSIMA RIAPERTURA DEL PORTO DI PORTOVECCHIO.

Il giorno 23 Febbraio 1945 nei locali di Maridist Piombino si è riunita una Commissione composta di:

Mr. TAYLOR	British Ministry of War Transport - Presidente.
T.V.ZANELLI	N.O.I.C.- Piombino.
Cap.BAGNUS	Comandante del Porto.
Ing.PAMPANA	Rappresentante dell'ILVA.
Ing.BERNABEI	Rappresentante della Soc.An.MAGONA D'ITALIA.
Sig;MIELE	Capo del Corpo Piloti di Piombino.
Sig;DITEL	Pilota del porto di Piombino.
G.M.PICCOLOMINI	Interprete e Segretario.

i quali dopo la discussione sui singoli sottocitati argomenti si sono trovati d'accordo nello stabilire quanto risulta a fianco di ciascuno segnato.

1. - Costituire un Comitato di gestione del porto, che dovrebbe riunirsi una volta iniziato il lavoro di scarico una volta la settimana, per prendere decisioni e risolvere difficoltà che eventualmente sorgessero. Detto Comitato deve essere l'unica Autorità in materia e composto come segue:

-Mr. TAYLOR	Presidente
-T.V.ZANELLI	Membro
-Cap.BAGNUS	Membro
Un rappresentante dell'A.C. con funzioni consultive	
Sig. MIELE e Sig. DITEL, due rappresentanti rispettivamente della Magona d'Italia e dell'Ilva.	
G.M.PICCOLOMINI	Come interprete e movimento navi.

2. - Movimento navi- Le navi che debbono recarsi a Piombino per effettuare scarico di merci potranno essere chiamate con uno dei seguenti modi e preferibilmente con quello che all'atto pratico si dimostrerà più celere e sicuro:
   a) - Sui canali r.t. della R.M. indirizzando il segnale al N.C.S.O. della località in cui il bastimento si trova, al NOIC ed all'ufficiale di collegamento italiano;
   b) - Tramite telefono;
   c) - Telegrafo (se si tratti di località collegata con questa sede)
   d) - In ogni caso e per conoscenza al NOIC di Livorno.

3. - Ormeggio - Possono attualmente trovare ormeggio nel porto di Piombino lungo la banchina:
   a) - l"Liberty" testata lato Nord pontile Ilva.
   b) - l "Coaster" innesto con la banchina lato sud pontile Ilva; detti ormeggi non sono sicuri con vento o risacca.

4. - Acque - Attualmente vi è la più assoluta deficienza d'acqua.
   Punti di presa: a) - a 100 metri dal Pontile Elba (5 tonn.orarie)
   b) - sul pontile Ilva 1 conduttura (pronta fra 10 giorni) che può fornire a regime normale 15 tonn.or.)

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5. - Corrente elettrica per l'illuminazione del porto. Soggiace all'erogazione di corrente da parte delle Centrali di Larderello. Sul pontile ILVA

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è in corso una sistemazione di 200 m.(S.A.Maremmana) con 8 pali capaci ciascuna di 4 semiriflettori. Detta linea e relative sistemazioni saranno pronte fra due o tre giorni.

6. - Mano d'opera. La S.A.ILVA procurerà la mano d'opera, purchè con 4 giorni di preavviso da impiegare in tre turni di otto ore lavorative ciascuna. Come contratto lavorativo (in attesa che sia approvato dalla A.C. Roma il contratto generale di lavoro per contratti di lavoro concernenti la War Shipping Administration) verrà adottato, previo esame delle parti interessate, quello in vigore a Civitavecchia.

7. - Materiale da scarico. Verranno impiegati i bighi e i paranchi di bordo. Per quanto riguarda il materiale di stivaggio (pali,sacchi,ceste ecc.) esso verrà provveduto dalla A.C. su dettagliata lista che verrà presentata dalla S.A.ILVA che rimarrà responsabile del materiale consegnatole .

8. - Bettoline. Non vi sono bettoline da poter adoperare. D'altra parte si prevede che non si presenti l'occasione di farlo dato che i piroscafi verranno ormeggiati alla banchina.

9. - Ricostruzione del porto. La S.A.ILVA provvede per la riattivazione del suo pontile, per conto del Ministero della Marina, che poi rimborserà a detta Società le spese sostenute.

10. - Ferrivie lungo le banchine. Le ferrovie sul pontile ILVA sono pronte ed allacciate con le FF.SS.. Sul pontile ILVA sono stati sistemati 4 binari e e nelle immediate vicinanze una zona di parcheggio che può accogliere il numero dei vagoni necessari al deflusso dei carri carichi. Occorrerebbno però 10 giorni per piccole rifiniture alla zona di parcheggio.

11. - Conclusioni. Il porto è da considerarsi pronto ad accogliere l"Liberty" ed l "Coaster": manca solo il materiale di scarico. La mano d'opera può essere procurata a sufficienza con 4 o 5 giorni di preavviso sulla data di arrivo del primo piroscafo. L'illuminazione del porto può considerarsi pronta anch'essa considerando il fatto che l'inizio dei lavori di scarico non è previsto che per i primi del mese venturo.

F.to	Taylor	Presidente
"	A.Zanelli	Membro
"	F.Bagnus	Membro
"	Pampana	per la Soc.Ilva
"	Bernabei	per la Soc.Magona d'Italia
"	Miele e Ditel	piloti porto di Piombino

per copia conforme
IL CAPITANO DI PORTO
Comandante
f.to(Francesco Bagnus)

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COMANDO MARINA CAGLIARI

Cagliari, li 21/3/1945

Prot.n. 5723

MARISTAT ROMA
ALCC COMMISSARIO CAGLIARI
MARISARDEGNA MADDALENA
MARIMERCANT ROMA
Tramite: MARISARDEGNA MADDALENA

ARGOMENTO: Porto di S.Antioco.-

1. - Da vario tempo questo Comando aveva la sensazione che il porto di S.Antioco non funzionasse come avrebbe potuto e ciò per una deficiente organizzazione dovuta ad un complesso di cause originate soprattutto da uno scarso coordinamento di tutti gli enti interessati nell'organizzazione stessa.

2. - In relazione a questo stato di cose fu effettuato, d'accordo con le locali autorità Alleate, un sopraluogo in detto porto in occasione del quale si è avuto modo di appurare che i disservizi verificatisi dipendevano dalla mancanza di un diretto responsabile e coordinatore di tutta l'organizzazione portuale, la quale, per non ben precisate ragioni, praticamente era in mano al personale civile della Società Carbosarda.

3. - Dopo aver discusso le possibili soluzioni del problema, interessando anche la Commissione Alleata Carbonia, il Commissario Regionale della Commissione Alleata della Sardegna, invitava questo Comando ad assumere anche la gestione del Porto di S.Antioco, nominando Comandante del Porto il Comandante della locale Maritraf.

4. - Questo Comando, convinto dell'opportunità di tale provvedimento nell'interesse generale dell'andamenyo delle operazioni portuali, tenendo presente che questa nuova prova di fiducia non potrà che risolversi in un aumento di prestigio della R.Marina nei confronti degli Alleati, e che tale provvedimento è in armonia con le disposizioni di gestione da parte della R.Marina di porti dove esista un'autorità costituita della R.Marina stessa, ha aderito a tale richiesta.

5. - Si allega, per Maristat, Marisardegna e Marimercant copia della lettera consegnata al Comandante di Maritraf S.Antioco e Comandante del porto con le istruzioni relative.

IL COMANDANTE
Capitano di Fregata
F/to Luigi BORGHI

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[redacted] ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub Commission AFO [illegible]

NAV/2263.
21st May, 1945.

FILE

From : Navy Sub Commission, No. 1, Allied Commission, Military of Italian, Rome.

To :

Subject: Leave to Italian Naval Navy Personnel.

Italian Naval personnel may now be sent on leave with properly authorised leave passes and identity documents, up to the Security Control Line which is as follows :-

River [illegible] mouth to next river crossing at [illegible] thence to road [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible], thence due North to Austrian border.

2. Leave will not be permitted East of this line, now within the prohibited Frontier zone which is a belt 25 kilometres wide along the French, Swiss and Austrian Frontiers.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION.

(Copies to :- Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.
Flag Officer, Taranto, Adriatic and Liaison, Italy.
Flag Officer, Northern Area, Mediterranean.
Naval Officer in Charge, Genoa.
Naval Officer in Charge, Venice.
Naval Officer in Charge, Savona.)

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FROM 15TH ARMY GROUP

NAVY SUB COMMISSION ROME.

CONFIDENTIAL.

WITH REFERENCE TO FM A(PS) 51 SIGM L 061740 B MAY FROM 15TH ARMY GROUP TO MMLA IT IS PRESUMED THAT ITALIAN NAVAL PERSONNEL ENJOY PRIVILEGE. PLEASE CONFIRM.

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We grant a short leave of 15 days to Chief Writer 1st Class CONTU RAIMONDO Naval N°5241 for the purpose of proceeding to LA SPEZIA as he has to go there to collect his family and bring them back to ROME.

M.M.I.A. have authorised leave for Military personnel for LA SPZIA (tele 39598 dated 10.5.45 Ministry of Marine ROME) without permission from Allied Authorities.

Rome, 12.5.45

PANICALI

From: Ministry of Marine

To : All Base Commands.

In compliance with orders issued by M.M.I.A. you are authorised to grant leave, without visa from Allied Authorities to military personnel for the towns or places South of the following line SPEZIA PONTREMOLI PARMA CASAL MAGGIORE and South of river PO arrangements have been made with the Italian territorial Commands to facilitate transport.

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Signed 0617 hrs 8 May from 15th Army Gp. to MMIA. Gen 11551 to RNLO confirmed 11825.

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MINISTERO DELLA MARINA
MESSAGGIO IN CHIARO IN PARTENZA

UFFICIO : Gabinetto A.S. *Roma, li* 10/5/1945

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ARRIVO TELEGRAFO

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NAVE CESARE PER MF.MM.
MARIDIFAR TARANTO
MARIDIFART NAPOLI
MARISICILIA MESSINA
MARISARDEGNA LA MADDALENA
MARICENTRO ROMA

Marina 30598 In accordo con U.N.C.I.A. sono autorizzate licenze senza riposo senza necessità visti alleati al personale militare per località at Levante linea Spezia - Pontremoli - Parma - Casal Maggiore et sud corso Po alt Siano presi accordi con Autorità Militari territoriali italiane per facilitazioni trasporti alt.

MINISTERO DELLA MARINA
Ufficio del Segretario Generale

P. C. C.

IL TENENTE DI VASCELLO
AIUTANTE DI BANDIERA
(Filippo Paricali)

MINISTERO MARINA - Ufficio del Segretario Generale

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

TENTH ENDORSEMENT to:
Hq., AMG, Genoa Province
ltr. of 21 July 1945.

NSC/8540
13 September 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Civil Affairs Section, Hq. Allied Commission.

Subject: Telegram 423124 of De Courten 1200 17.

1. Returned.

2. The Navy Sub-Commission has ascertained that signal number 423124 from the Italian Merchant Marine concern only those Italian Provinces which have been turned over to the Italian Government and that it was not intended to be sent to those provinces still under Allied Military Government control. As the Ministry of Marine has determined that all cognizant authorities have been informed of the terms of the dispatch, it is considered that the matter now may be considered closed.

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

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Me-morandum for Lieutenant Wotherspoon.

Signal no. 423124 from the Italian Merchant Marine concerned only those Italian Provinces which have been liberated and turned over subsequently to the Italian Authorities.

It has already been sent to the Captaincies of the Ports concerned.

On the other hand the above signal is not to be sent to those Provinces under A.M.G. control. In consequence the N.S.C. may consider the matter closed.-

sgd. Luigi BARONI
Commander I.R.N.

Rome, 12th September 1945.

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MINISTERO MARINA - GABINETTO - UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTO

PRO-MEMORIA Lt. WOTHERSPOON

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Il telegramma n.423124 della Marina Mercantile interessava solo le Provincie Italiane liberate e successivamente passate all'Amministrazione Italiana.

Esso è gia stato trasmesso direttamente alle Capitanerie interessate.

Detto telegramma non deve invece essere inviato alle Provincie sotto l'A.M.G.- Pertanto la N.S.C. può considerare chiusa la pratica.

Roma, li 12 Settembre 1945

IL CAPITANO DI FREGATA
(Luigi BARONI)

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

FOURTH ENDORSEMENT to:
Hq., AMG, Genoa Province
ltr. of 21 July 1945.

NSC/3237
13 August 1945.

FILE

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Civil Affairs Section, Hq. Allied Commission.

Subject: Telegram 423124 of De Courten 1200 17.

1. Returned.

2. The Navy Sub-Commission has been informed by the Ministry of Marine Liaison Officer that a thorough search of the communication files of the Ministry of Marine has failed to reveal any record of the telegram quoted in the basic correspondence.

3. Nor has it been possible to trace in the Ministry of Marine any orders which have been issued on the subject of probationary and mobilized civilians.

4. In view of the reference to the Ministry of the Treasury in the telegram, it is suggested that all papers be referred to the Finance Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, for investigation.

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

SECOND ENDORSEMENT to:
Hq. AMG, Genoa Province
ltr. of 21st July 1945.

NSC/3087
30 July 1945.

FILE

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Civil Affairs Section, Allied Commission.

Subject: Telegram 423124 of De Courten 1200 17.

1. Returned.

2. The basic correspondence was forwarded to the Navy Sub-Commission for identification by a penciled note from the Civil Affairs Section.

3. As the telegram referred to in the basic correspondence appears to have been signed by Admiral De Courten, the Minister of Marine, it seems to refer to a matter of Italian Navy administration; however, prior to bringing the question to the attention of the Ministry of Marine, it is requested that the Navy Sub-Commission be informed as to the exact regulations which may have been violated as well as the proper procedure for the Ministry of Marine to follow in the future in promulgating such instructions.

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

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31 JUL 1945

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
GENOA PROVINCE

ERM/mb

A.P.O. 394

Genoa 21st July 1945.

Subject: Telegram 423124 of De Courten 1200 17.

To : Regional Commissioner
Liguria Region

1. Could the following telegram be referred to HQ. AC. for clarification :-

"As per order from the Ministry of the Treasury
"on the 31st of July all the probationary and mo-
"bilized civilians working in the Compartment are
"to be discharged. Order given to all Maritime
"Compartments in the kingdom."

Our position is that such communications should come through AMG. channels.

2. Our action was to suspend the order, pending clarification.

s/s EUGENE R. McPHEE
Lt. Colonel Ord.
Provincial Commissioner.

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Ref: Lig/HQ/103 1st Ind.
HEADQUARTERS, LIGURIA REGION, AMG, APO 394, 23 July 1945.
TO: Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394, Attention: Civil Affairs Section.

For comment as requested in basic communication.

For the Regional Commissioner:

/s/ DAVID PASQUESI
WOJG, USA
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/4290.
21 December 1945.

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

Subject: Correspondence - Transmission of.

1. Correspondence received from the Capitaneria di Porto, Trieste, is forwarded.

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

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
13 CORPS

M.Q.N.Y.

TELEPHONE No.: 29794 Ex.10

Date 17 Dec 45

REFERENCE No.: 130/AMG/72/1/91.

SUBJECT : Transmission of Correspondence.

TO : H.Q. A.C.

1. Herewith correspondence from the Capitaneria di Portp for onward transmission to the Ministero della Marina (Direzione Generale della Marina Mercantile).

For the Senior Civil Affairs Officer :

WDY/rp

W. DRUMMOND YOUNG
Capt, RA,
SO. III (CA)

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT 13 CORPS 20 DEC 1945

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DATE: 14.7.45
FROM: FOTALI, ROME.
TO : NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, HQ. AC.

FORWARDED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

REAR ADMIRAL.

Office of the Commandor-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station,
Allied Force Headquarters.
10th July 1945

No. 3110 Med. 45/0060/42
THE SECRETARY OF THE ADMIRALTY
(Copy to: The Flag officer Taranto Adriatic and
Liaison Italy (Rome))

EXPRESO - AMERICA - EUROPA COMPANY ORGANISATION
OF FOOD PARCELS SERVICE TO ITALY

N.T.

Be pleased to inform Their Lordships that although there are no operational objections to the scheme outlined in Admiralty Letter M. 00336/45 dated 10th May, 1945, the question has been referred to Allied Force Headquarters for their views. A copy of their reply is attached.

2. It will be noted that in their opinion the application of the Expreso - America - Europa Company should be submitted in far greater detail through diplomatic channels.

H. A. PACKER.
for A D M I R A L

Enclosure

AFHQ letter No. G-5:3/11.16-4
dated 28th June, 1945

(11) IRN-17

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
Date 14 July
No 30
ROME

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Office of Flag Officer,
Northern Area,
Mediterranean.

At NAPLES. 15th May, 1945.

No. FONAM. 893-25.
THE CHIEF OF STAFF TO THE
ROYAL ITALIAN NAVAL COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,
LOWER TYRRHENIAN.
(Copy to: The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean (For the Naval Control Service Officer, Mediterranean),
The Flag Officer Liaison Italy, Rome).

TENENTE DI VASCELLO CALVELLO GIUSEPPE.

With reference to your letter 15250/Z dated 13th April, 1945 (copies enclosed for the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, and the Flag Officer Liaison Italy, Rome), you are requested to inform the Ministry of Marine that, in view of this Officer's declared inability to carry out the duties assigned to him, the Naval Control Service Officer, Mediterranean, has decided that he has no further employment for him.

2. You are further requested to draw the attention of the Minister to the considerable inconvenience caused to the Allied Naval Authorities concerned.

3. With regard to paragraph 2 of your letter under reference, you are requested to note that Italian Naval Officers assigned to the Naval Control Service at Naples are appointed there solely for training, after which they are designated for an Italian Port by the Naval Control Service Officer, Mediterranean. There is no requirement in Naples for an Italian Naval Control Service Officer on the Staff.

4. It has been decided to replace Lieutenant Calvello by one of the Officers already allocated by the Ministry of Marine for Naval Control Service duties, and now awaiting appointment at Taranto.

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
Date 21 May.
No 11
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ROME

Signed : J. A. V. MORSE 5174

REAR ADMIRAL.

DATE: 21st May, 1945
FROM: FOITALI ROME

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Control Service Officer, Mediterranean)
The Flag Officer Liaison Italy, Rome).

TENENTE DI VASCELLO CALVELLO GUISEPPE.

With reference to your letter 15280/Z dated 13th April, 1945 (copies enclosed for the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, and the Flag Officer Liaison Italy, Rome), you are requested to inform the Ministry of Marine that, in view of this Officer's declared inability to carry out the duties assigned to him, the Naval Control Service Officer, Mediterranean, has decided that he has no further employment for him.

2. You are further requested to draw the attention of the Minister to the considerable inconvenience caused to the Allied Naval Authorities concerned.

3. With regard to paragraph 2 of your letter under reference, you are requested to note that Italian Naval Officers assigned to the Naval Control Service at Naples are appointed there solely for training, after which they are designated for an Italian Port by the Naval Control Service Officer, Mediterranean. There is no requirement in Naples for an Italian Naval Control Service Officer on the Staff.

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FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
Date 21 May.
No 11
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ROME

Signed : J. A. V. MORSE 5174

REAR ADMIRAL

DATE: 21st May, 1945
FROM: FOTALI ROME.
TO : NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, HQ. AC.

FORWARDED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION.

by REAR ADMIRAL

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The following is a translation of the Chief of Staff to the Royal Italian Naval Commander-in-Chief, Lower Tyrrhenian's letter No. 15280/Z dated 13th April, 1945, to the Flag Officer, Northern Area Mediterranean :-

"1. Having been acquainted of his approaching transfer to La Maddalena, on Naval Control Service, the Officer in question has informed these Headquarters that on proved family grounds his leaving Naples would be very prejudicial to him, and that he would be obliged to request the Ministry of Marine to be dismissed.

2. As it is believed that the Officer has proved especially competent in his present appointment and that his services might still be useful at Naples, please consider the possibility to retain him here, seconding some other Officer to La Maddalena."

(Signed) Marino Iannucci.

CHIEF OF STAFF.

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8 June 1945.

From: Senior U.S. Naval Liaison Officer, Italy.
To : Commander, U.S. Naval Forces,
Northwest African Waters.

Subject: Aerial Torpedo Sighting Device.

Reference: (a) CNO Sc. ltr. ser. 008047, dtd. 3 Feb. 1945 to COMNALUBLO, Italy; Subj: Tentative Plan for the Exploitation of Italian Naval Material and Personnel to the Benefit of the United States Navy.

Enclosure: (A) Monograph and designs of subject device.

1. Enclosure (A) which has been forwarded to this command by the Florence representative is a monograph and designs of subject device, invented by Colonel Antonio Petroni, formerly of Armi-Navle R.I.N. All tests on it were suspended after the Italian Armistice in September 1943. It is used for launching torpedoes from planes at high altitude and is a great improvement over the previous Italian models.

2. It is requested that the Joint Document Section make microfilm and disseminate this monograph to Director of Naval Intelligence, Washington, D. C. and Admiralty (N.I.D.), London, England.

S. T. COLEMAN,
By direction.

cc: NavTecMisEu
NIU(AdvRome) } 1cys
AirSub-Comm, ACHQ, Rome Encl.(A)

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Subject: Disbandment of AA & CD Units, SARDINIA.

LAND FORCES SUB COM A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E

AIIO/I3

18 May 45.

To : MMIA LO SARDINIA.

1. Attached herewith is copy of letter NSC/2400 of II May from Navy Sub-Commission furnishing approval to retain a total of 20 personnel for maintenance and guard of equipment as requested in your cable Y 349.

2. Please pass this information on to Naval authorities for execution of final disbanding and transfer of personnel to units designated by the Ministry of Navy as per paragraphs 3 of letter NSC/2051 of 7 April, copy of which is attached hereto for your information and guidance.

Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to: Navy Sub-Commission, HQ. AC.

Encl.

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NSC, A.C. FOIL (2)

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THE SUBMISSION FORWARDED UNDER YOUR LETTER NO. NSC/4247 DATED 15TH DECEMBER '45 IS APPROVED.

.....101518A JANUARY.....

REF. INSTITUTION OF THE OFFICE OF C IN C OF THE M M DEPT UPPER TYRRHENIAN

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/4247.
15 December 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Flag Officer Italy and Liaison.

Subject: Institution of the Office of C-in-C of the M.M. Department of the Upper Tyrrhenian.

1. Copy of Ministry of Marine's letter S.14853 dated 6 December 1945 is forwarded.

2. It is requested that the Navy Sub-Commission may be informed whether there are any objections to the re-establishment of the appointment of Commander-in-Chief, Upper Tyrrhenian.

H. 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. T25020

From : MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - H.Q. - A.C.
Date : 6th December, 1945.
Ref. : B.14853.

Subject : Institution of the Office of C-in-C of the M.M. Department of the Upper Tyrrhenian.

You are informed that it is this Ministry's intention to re-establish the office of the Naval C. in C. Upper Tyrrhenian with headquarters at La Spezia with effect from 15th December, 1945.

2. The institution of this command does not involve any increase in the present services, but is intended in the first place to facilitate the disciplinary and penal procedure which otherwise becomes the responsibility of Maridipart Naples.

3. For the present and in the absence of an Admiral appointed for the Command, the M.M. Commandant La Spezia - Admiral Francesco MAUGERI - will exercise the functions of the Commander-in-Chief.

CHIEF OF CABINET.

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Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA-ROMA

Prot. N.° B. 168533 Allegati

Roma, - 6 DIC. 1945

Al NAVY SUB-COMMISSION
HEADQUARTERS, A.C.

ARGOMENTO: Istituzione del Comando in Capo del Dipartimento M.M. dell'Alto Tirreno.-

1. Si informa che con la data del 15 dicembre p.v.è intenzione di questo Ministero ripristinare il Comando in Capo Militare Marittimo dell'Alto Tirreno con sede a La Spezia.

2. La istituzione di tale Comando non comporta un aumento dei servizi attualmente esistenti, ma è intesa principalmente a facilitare lo svolgimento delle pratiche disciplinari e penali che diversamente sono devolute alla competenza di Maridipart Napoli.

3. In mancanza dell'Ammiraglio titolare, il Comandante Militare Marittimo di La Spezia, Ammiraglio Francesco MAUGERI, eserciterà, ad interim, le funzioni di Comandante in Capo.-

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C.di V. G.MARINI

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 17502

Prot. N. D. 165° 2 Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Istituzione del Comando in Capo del Dipartimento M.M. dell'Alto Tirreno.-

1. Si informa che con la data del 15 dicembre p.v.è intenzione di questo Ministero ripristinare il Comando in Capo Militare Marittimo dell'Alto Tirreno con sede a La Spezia.

2. La istituzione di tale Comando non comporta un aumento dei servizi attualmente esistenti,ma è intesa principalmente a facilitare lo svolgimento delle pratiche disciplinari e penali che diversamente sono devolute alla competenza di Maridipart Napoli.

3. In mancanza dell'Ammiraglio titolare,il Comandante Militare Marittimo di La Spezia,Ammiraglio Francesco MAUGERI, eserciterà,ad interim,le funzioni di Comandante in Capo.-

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C.di V. G.MARINI

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HEAD QUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub Comission APO 394.

NSC/4301.
22nd December, 1945.

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

Subject : Locomotive 801-004 property of Italian Royal Navy.

With reference to Ministry of Marine's letter 21/27011 dated 2nd December 1945, the Transportation and Shipping Sub Comission of the Allied Comission, Rail Division, have, under cover of their letter AC/372/TR.4 dated 17th December, 1945, instructed the Italian State Railways to make the necessary arrangements in order to effect the return of the locomotive in question to the Italian Royal Navy at Taranto.

(Sgd) C. E. WARDEN
REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION.

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TRANSPORTATION & SHIPPING SUB-COMMISSION, MC
(ALLIED FORCES)
c/o Transportation (Br) Main
G.H.Q.

17 December 45

Tel: 84323
Ref: MC/572/Tn 4

SUBJECT : Loco 801-004 property of Italian Royal Navy.

TO : Italian State Railway
Building.

1. Locomotive 801-004 property of the Italian Royal Navy is located at Torre Annunziata.

2. Kindly arrange for locomotive to be returned to owner at Turento without delay advising when accomplished.

P. G. MAYBERY
MAJOR T.C.
for Director

Copy to: Navy Sub-Commission MMC/4206
Chief Mech.Section - Bldg. Major Barnes

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TRANSPORTATION & SHIPPING SUB-COMMISSION, AC
(RAIL DIVISION)
c/o Transportation (Dr) Main
C.M.F.

Tel: 843238
Ref: AC/372/Tn 4

11 December 45

SUBJECT : Loco 801.004 property of Italian Royal Navy.

TO : DMRS - Bldg.

1. Note copy of attached letter from the Italian Ministry of Marine regarding above locomotive.

2. Is it agreeable with MRS to return the locomotive to the owner.

For the Chief Commissioner :

P.G.MATSON, Major T.C.

Copy to: Navy Sub-Commission NSC/4206.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/4206.
10 December 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Transportation Sub-Commission, Allied Commission.

Subject: Locomotive 801.004 property of the Italian Royal Navy requisitioned by the Allied Authorities.

Enclosure: (A) Ministry of Marine (Maristat) ltr. SM/27011 dated 2 December 1945.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded for information and appropriate action.

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

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COPY

FROM: MINISTRY OF MARINE (maristat)
To : N.S.C.
Date : 2nd December, 1945
Ref. : SM/27011

Subject : Locomotive 801.004 property of the IRN requisitioned by the Allied Authorities

On 14th November, 1944 the above locomotive, belonging to the Taranto Naval Dockyard (Munitions Directorate), was requisitioned by the Allied Authorities while it was being used by the State Railways after completion of repairs at the Pietrarsa Workshop; it was allocated by the American Command to a private firm which operates the quarries at S.Maria La Bruna(Torre Annunziata).

The State Railways Dept. at Naples, upon application of the Directorate of Munitions for the return of the locomotive, gave notice that correspondence was being exchanged upon the subject with the Ministry of Transport (State Railways Haulage Section) which, in turn, was to take the matter up with the Military Railway Service.

In view of the I.R.N.'s need to have this locomotive returned to it at the earliest possible, and in order to prevent its being maltreated or damaged, it is requested that the Navy Sub-Commission may approach the Military Railway Service directly in order that it may order the restitution of the locomotive to the Taranto Dockyard.

for CHIEF OF STAFF.

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Roma, 2 ~~Novembre~~ Dicembre 1945

STATO MAGGIORE DELLA R. MARINA

REPARTO M.D.S. = B.D.

Prot. N. M 27011 Allegati

Indir. telegr.: MARISTAT

ALIA NAVY SUB COMMISSION

ROMA

Argomento: Locomotiva 801.004 di proprietà della R.Marina requisita dalle Autorità Alleate.=

Il giorno I4 Novembre I944 la locomotiva in argomento, appartenente alla Direzione del Munizionamento del R.Arsenale M.M. di Taranto, è stata requisita da Autorità Alleate mentre si trovava al servizio delle Ferrovie dello Stato, dopo aver ultimato le riparazioni effettuate presso le Officine di Pietrarsa, ed assegnata dal Comando Americano ad una ditta privata che gestisce le cave di S.Maria La Bruna (Torre Annunziata).

Il Compartimento delle FF.SS. di Napoli, interessato dalla predetta Direzione del Munizionamento per riavere la locomotiva, ha informato di aver iniziato la pratica del caso col Ministero dei Trasporti (Servizio Trazione FF.SS.) che dovrebbe a sua volta interessarne il Military Railway Service.

Considerata la necessità per la R.Marina di riottenere al più presto la locomotiva in questione, ed allo scopo di evitare che essa subisca manomissioni o danneggiamenti, si prega codesta Navy Sub Commission di voler interessare direttamente il Military Railway Service affinchè ne disponga la restituzione al R.Arsenale di Taranto.=

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3005
21 July 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Senior U. S. Naval Liaison Officer, ITALY.

Subject: American Naval Publications.

Enclosure: (A) Ministry of Marine ltr. 13816/2 of 19 July 1945.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith for appropriate action.

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

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - Rome
Date: 19 July '45
Ref.: 13816/2

Subject: American Naval Publications.

It would be appreciated if could supply the following publication :-

"Nautical Almanac and American Ephemeris for the year 1946" published by U.S. Naval Observatory and sold by the Superintendednt of Documents Washington D.C.

CHIEF OF CABINET

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18 September 1946

Sign. Francesco FAVAZZA,
Via Ciucca 26,
Terrasini
P.Palermo.

With reference to your letter of the 9th Sept 1946 addressed to the American Naval Command, Palermo, it is regretted that it is impossible to make use of your service.

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

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To the Allied Commission - Palermo

The undersigned Favazza Francesco di Salvatore e di De Mercurio Rosaleo born the 29-10-1909 at Terrasini, wishes to volounteer at the Navy or Merchant Marine.

With best regards,

Favazza Francesco

Via Ciucca No26, Terrasini

Palermo

Terrasini 9-9-1946.

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Napoli 2/c

Al Comando Alleato Americano

Palermo

Il Sottoscritto Favarotta Francesco
di Salvatore e di De Mercurio Rosolea
nato il 28- ~~1907~~ 10- 1909 a Terrasini
Prega Codesto comando di Volerlo
ammettere nei Vostri Ruoli come
Volontario nella Marina da guerra
o mercantile.

Con Speranza
esistente salute
Favarotta Francesco
Via Lucca #26 Terrasini
(P. Palermo)

Terrasini 9- 9- 1946

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3421
30 August 1945.

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From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Vittorio FILIPPONI, Via Termoli 16, Casacalenda (Campobasso).

1. With reference to your letter dated 14th August 1945 addressed to U. S. Naval Headquarters, Taranto, whilst thanking you for the offer it is regretted that there is no opportunity of making use of your services.

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

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R E S U M E'

TO : U.S. Naval Headquarters, Taranto.

Cox'n (1st Class) FILIPPONI Vittorio, born 1901, discharged from I.N.M. on 30.6.45 after 25 years service with excellent records of seamanship and discipline desires to serve in the U.S.Navy or Mercantile Marine, in command of a small vessel (motor-boat, minesweeper, tanker, tug, etc.).

Address : FILIPPONI Vittorio,
Via Termoli 16,
(Campobasso) CASACALENDA.

Casacalende, 14th August, 1945

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Al Comando Marina Americano
Taranto

Il sottoscritto Filipponi Vittorio fu Francesco, classe 1901, congedatosi dalla R. Marina italiana il 30 giugno 1945 in qualità di 1° Nocchiere, chiede ed ambisce di prestare servizio nella marina americana, regia o mercantile, quale comandante di piccola unità (Motoscafo, dragamine, cisterna o rimorchiatore) servizio già disimpegnato ottimamente, sia in disciplina che in marinaresca, durante 25 anni di navigazione.

Se codesto Onorevole Comando ritenesse opportuno dare esito favorevole a questa domanda, il sottoscritto rimarrebbe in attesa di essere chiamato riservandosi di fornire i documenti all'atto della presentazione.
Resta intanto in attesa di un gentile sollecito riscontro.

Distintamente

Filipponi Vittorio
Via Termoli 16
(Campobasso) Casacalenda

Casacalenda, 14 Agosto, 1945

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3043
24 July 1945.

FILE

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Senior U. S. Naval Liaison Officer, ITALY.

Subject: Request to join U. S. Navy.

Enclosure: (A) Renzo BODO, I.R.N. ltr. of 16 July 1945.

1. Forwarded for appropriate action.

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

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ALLIED NAVY SUB-COMMISSION HQ
FILE
25 JUL 1945
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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 785020

Vercelli, 16th July, 1945.

It is requested that you will please inform me with regard to the following :

Is it possible for me:
to join the U.S.N. ?

To embark on battleships or other types of War Ships ?

I am an I.R.N. rating - 1921 Cl. - I have served in the I.R.N. for 4 years as a P.O.Writer, acting as a Ships Writer.

Sir, will you excuse the nature of my request, should it not conform with U.S. Naval regulations.

Renzo BODO
address:
Intendenza di Finanza
Ufficio del Tesoro

VERCELLI

Rear Admiral
Ellery STONE
of U.S. Navy.

KCL/P.

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NSO/5076
27 May 1946.

Sig. BORGO, Pietro
Via Damiano Chiesa, No. 19,
Lonigo, VICENZA.

With reference to your letter of 3rd May 1946 addressed to Admiral Stone, it is pointed out that unless you are a citizen of the United States of America you cannot be accepted for service in the United States Navy.

Should you desire to offer your services to the United States Merchant Navy, an application should be made to the War Shipping Administration, Via Lucullo 6, Rome or Via Roma, Naples.

H. W. ZIHOLI,
Commodore, U.S. Navy.

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. T 25020

To : Admiral STONE

Lonigo, 3rd May 1946

I, undermentioned Borgo Pietro, born in Lonigo on 1929, having already made numerous requests to Allied Commands, and especially to the American Command in Venice, to be accepted for service on some American warship or transport, but, as my request has never been heeded, I would like to ask you for written permission to present to the American Command in Venice, together with other necessary documents which I already possess.

Borgo Pietro

Via Damiano Chiesa, No.19
Lonigo
VICENZA.

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Navy s/c

Lonigo 3.5.46.

A S.E. Stone;

Il sottoscritto Borgo Pietro di Paolo, e Negretto Almerina, nato a Lonigo nel 1929, avendo già molte volte presentato domanda a parecchi Comandi Alleati e più particolarmente al Comando Americano di Venezia, per prendere servizio su qualche unità da guerra o da trasporto americana, e la mia domanda non essendo mai stata accettata, prego l'Eccellenza Vostra di procurarmi un permesso scritto, affinchè possa presentarlo al Comando Americano di Venezia, assieme a tutti gli altri documenti necessari già in mio possesso.

Certo, della Sua gentilezza e buon cuore, con deferenza La saluto e ringrazio.

Borgo Pietro.

Via Damiano Chiesa - 19 - Lonigo.

(Vicenza)

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3161
6 August 1945.

FILE

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Allied Force Headquarters, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Reference: (a) A.F.H.Q., Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, ltr. GBI.389.450 of 17 July 1945.

1. In reply to reference (a), the Ministry of Marine has informed the Navy Sub-Commission that Jewish Naval Schools have never existed in Italy.

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

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NAVY SUB-COMMISSION ALLIED COMMISSION
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7 AUG 1945

Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 125020

From : MINISTRY OF MARINE.

To : N.S.C. - Rome.

Date : 31st July, 1945.

Ref. : 14858/2

Subject : Jewish Naval Schools in Italy.

With reference to your letter 850/3007 dated 21st July, 1945, you are informed that Jewish Naval Schools have never existed in Italy.

THE CHIEF OF CABINET.

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Roma, 31 LUG 1945 194

Ministero della Marina
GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 14858/2 Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Scuole Navali Ebraiche in Italia.

At Navy Sub-Commission
Headquarters, A.C.

Con riferimento al vostro foglio NSC/3007 in data 21 Luglio 1945, si comunica che non sono mai esistite in Italia Scuole Navali Ebraiche.

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

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3007
21 July 1945.

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

Subject: Jewish Naval School in Italy.

FILE

1. The Navy Sub-Commission has been asked to make inquiries about the possible existence and location of a Jewish Naval School in Italy.

2. It would be appreciated if the Ministry of Marine could furnish the information asked for in paragraph one, or if anything of that nature exists in Italy.

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

NAVY SUB-COMMISSION - HQ. ALLIED COMMISSION
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
APO 512, U.S. Army

GBI.389.450.

17 July, 1945.

SUBJECT: Jewish Naval School in Italy.

TO : Allied Commission,
Naval Sub-Commission.

1. This office has been asked to make enquiries about the existence and location of a "Jewish Naval School" in Italy.

2. It would be appreciated if the Italian Naval authorities could be asked whether anything of that nature exists in Italy and if the reply is in the affirmative, that this office may be informed of its location.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2:

S. Daly Lewis
lieut.

+ G. EYRES MONSELL,
Lt. Colonel, G.S.
G-2 (CI) Section.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/2414
15 May 1945.

FILE

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

Subject: Service Certificates of Italian Seamen.

1. The enclosed service certificates of the following Italian seamen have been received from the Postal and Telegraph Censorship and are returned to the Ministry of Marine for disposition:

2° Capo Cannoniere Paolo TALIA.
Sergente Cannoniere Giuseppe SCULLI.
Sergente Cannoniere Raffaele FRASCIELLO.

H. W. ZIROLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
for
REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

NAVY SUB-COMMISSION - ALLIED COMMISSION
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15 MAY 1945

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OFFICE OF S.O.(I) ROME
c/o S.B.H.O.
NAVAL SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION HEADQUARTERS
ROME - C.M.F.

REF.RM.2/6/120 11th May, 1945.

FROM : Staff Officer (Intelligence) Rome.

DATE : 11th May, 1945. REF.RM.2/6/120

TO : HEAD OF NAVAL SUB COMMISSION - ROME.

REFERENCE SHEET II

It is requested that the enclosed Service Certificates of Italian Seamen be returned to the Ministry of Marine.

COMMANDER, R.N.
Staff Officer (Intelligence) Rome.

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REFERENCE SHEET.

ADMIRALTY.

From Director of Naval Intelligence, Admiralty, S.W.1.

To S.C. (I) Rome.

Dated 2nd April, 1945

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The enclosed three Service Certificates of Italian Seamen:-

2° Capo Cannoniere Paolo TALIA.
Sergente Cannoniere Giuseppe SCULLI
Sergente Cannoniere Raffaele FRASCIELLO

have been received from the Postal and Telegraph Censorship.

2. It is suggested that they should be handed to the Italian Authorities collaborating.

P. Hunter.

for Director of Naval Intelligence.


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