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NAVAL MESSAGE.

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Originators Instructions:
(Indication of Priority,
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CONFIDENTIAL/ROUTINE

Codress/Plaindress

No. of
Groups:

TO: VAM
FOWIT
FOTALI

(R) CINC MED

FROM: NAVAL
SUB-COMMISSION,
ACC

Write
Across

Refer	CINC MED	211206	XX	Request	5
you	signal	quarterly	requirements		10
caustic	soda.				15
					20
					25
					30
			W.W.W	1	35
			22/7	1/15	40
			6416		45
		Sent			50

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Date

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(FORM) W1. 32015/1 7. 120M Pairs 16' 42" H. & S. Ltd. 45212

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Originator's Instructions
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SECRET - IMPORTANT

Codress/Plaindress

No. of
Groups

TO:

MEBDO (NAPLES)

FROM:

SUSNOI

W R I T E	A C R O S S	FIFTEENTH AIR FORCE URGENTLY REQUIRES PRACTICE	5
		BOMBING TARGET VESSEL APPROXIMATELY 300 FEET LONG	10
		IN TARANTO AREA. DUMMY BOMBS WITH SMALL BLACK POWDER	15
		CHARGE WILL BE USED WHICH WOULD DAMAGE BUT NOT DESTROY	20
		VESSEL X ADVISE WHETHER SUITABLE HULK CAN BE MADE	25
		AVAILABLE AND TOWED TO TARANTO X	30
			35
			40
		6415	45
			50

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(CV211) Wt. 22315-107-1 120M Pads 10/42 B. & S. Ltd. 45-25

NAVAL MESSAGE

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Intercept Group, etc.)

IMPORTANT - RESTRICTED

Codress/Plaindress

No. of
Groups

TO:

ACC MAIN

FROM:

CONSON

A C C R O S S	YOUR NRS6742 AND 7063 ONLY RECEIVED TODAY XX	5
	HAD NOT BEEN RELAYED BY ACC TARANTO XX ITALIAN MINISTRY	10
	OF MARINE HAS ASSURED THAT TIRES WILL BE COLLECTED	15
	IMMEDIATELY XX CONSON CONFIRMS THAT THEY ARE STILL	20
W R I T E	URGENTLY REQUIRED.	25
		30
		35
		40
		45
	6414	50

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P.O.O.W.

Date

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(GV211) Wt. 22513:1997. 12001 Pads. 10/42. U. S. Ltd. 45-233.

NAVAL MESSAGE.

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

IMPORTANT - RESTRICTED

Codress/Plaindress

No. of
Groups

TO:

ACC MAIN

FROM:

CONSON

A C R O S S	YOUR NRSC742 AND 7063 ONLY RECEIVED TODAY XX	5
	HAD NOT BEEN RELAYED BY ACC TARANTO XX ITALIAN MINISTRY	10
	OF MARINE HAS ASSURED THAT TIRES WILL BE COLLECTED	15
	IMMEDIATELY XX CONSON CONFIRMS THAT THEY ARE STILL	20
	URGENTLY REQUIRED.	25
W R I T E		30
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Date

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MERM V MEAV NR 203 IMPORTANT

M A MJDT

FROM MJDT 031905

TO ACC TARANTO

GR 39 BT

REF NR 7063 (CONFIDENTIAL)

REFERENCE SIGNAL SIX SEVEN FOUR TWO OF TWENTY SIX
JUNE PD PAREN TO ACCC TARANTO FOR NAVAL SUB COMMISSION

FROM ACC MAIN PAREN PD REPLY BY RETURN

WHETHER TYRES ARE TO BE COLLECTED OR NOT

RPTNS 203 P 031905 39 7063

SENT RGE B+

(43)



*WFO I have told
the Italian
they will make
arrangements then at once*

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MEMO V 2042 IR 1 PSTY

FROM 1 OCT 201094E

TO AGS TAFANTO

OR 36 BT

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REF IR 2742 CONFIDENTIAL

REFERENCE THIS HEADQUARTERS SEVEN OCT ONE SEVEN SEVEN OCT ONE CA
OF THIRTY ONE MAY FOUR FOUR THE TIMES URGENTLY ASKED FOR BY YOU PD
PAPER TO AGS TAFANTO FOR NAVAL SUB COMMISSION FROM AGS TAFANTO PD
EXPLAIN WHY THEY HAVENOT BEEN COLLECTED PD
DO YOU STILL NEED PD REPLY BY RETURN BT

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SENT IR 1 262339Z FOR AR 110

5305
RPS

ARMY FORM 02186 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Srl. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNAL'S USE ONLY

FROM
(A)

Originator

Date-Time of Origin

OFFICE DATE STAMP.

For Action

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions - GR -

Originator's No.

P.S.B. - A - (5000 pads of 100) 12-42.

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN IF LIABLE TO BE INTERRUPTED OR TO ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
 BY ANY MEANS EXCEPT FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS. THIS MESSAGE DEGREE OF PRIORITY
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U. S. NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS

ORAN, ALGERIA

C. R. No. _____

OUTGOING MESSAGE

CLASSIFICATION : SECRET DATE : JUNE 9th, 1944

FROM : SUSNOJ

ACTION : COMNAVNAV

WRITE UP BY : A.C.C.

PRECEDENCE : ROUTINE

INFO :
CTG 80.4
FORCE 266
FOTALI
NAVPO BARI

FORTY TARGET CRAFT LOCATED AND SIGHTED
BY OFFICER REFERRED TO IN YOUR 051515
AT FIVE HUNDRED ADVANCE ORDNANCE DEPOT,
NUMBER ONE SUB DEPOT, BARI X MAJOR GIFFORD
BRITISH ARMY ONE HUNDRED ONE ROYAL TANK
REGIMENT COGNIZANT X FOR RELEASE AND
SHIPMENT NOTIFY NAVPO BARI WHO WILL ARRANGE X
ALL UNITS CONTACTED DESIRE NOTIFICATION
OF DISPOSITION X

COMDT
COMM
A.C.C.
FILE

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091109 June

(CIV 405) Wt. 31813 / 1101 JT M.P.H.

10/43. B. & S. Ltd. 51.7532

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ROUTINE

Codress, Plaindress

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TO:

ACC REAR

FROM:

CONSON

W R I T E	A C R O S S
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FOR HICKLEY X REFER YOUR 2917 X SQUADRON LEADER
MC GEACHY SIX SEVEN EMBARKATION UNIT RAF CMA
TARANTO NOW INFORMS THAT LORD STANSGATE SUITCASE
SENT TO UNITED KINGDOM ON TWENTY EIGHT MAY IN
ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED FROM AIR
MINISTRY LONDON X FOR FURTHER DETAILS SUGGEST YOU
CONTACT MC GEACHY DIRECT.

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Организатор

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Date:

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SECRET

WL 49,677/D8944 20,250M. H/43. C.D.A.S.Ltd.

NAVAL MESSAGE.

S. 1320d.

(Published May, 1930)
(Revised January, 1933)

From:

TO: SUSNOI Info C.T.G.80.4. Force 266,
P.O.T.A.L.I.

COMNAVRAW.

SECRET.

B.J. Unit 4 informs 40 Target craft never
received shipped via rail in 20 Crates from TARANTO,
to BARI marked for B.J. Unit C/o Force 265, approximately
10th April. Suggest Lieutenant W.F. WOTHERSPOON your
Command may advise. Request assist trace.

T.O.O.051515.R. June.

T.O.R.070325

Dist. SEC. A/SECOS. CNO. SSO. SGO. SOIT USNLI. NOIC. OST.

SEM TC BARI FOR FORCE 265.

T/P. X.3. WAS. LWH. 93 GROUPS.

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13 Enclaves born 102

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Royal Air Force

N.H. 20
ill take care of this.
w.w.w.
640 Ph. return.
Pj

(STA. 121/55)

45/243. Wt. 49,577/INB44. 7,500M. 4/43. C.B.A.S.Ltd.

SECRET**NAVAL MESSAGE.**S. 1320d.
(Established—May, 1930)
(Revised—January, 1933)

To:

FROM:

NAVPO BARI, (R) C.T.G.80.4 FORCE 256
S.U.S.N.O.I.
B.J.UNIT 4
SECRETCOMNAVNAV. **B**

EUSNOI's 091109 refers.

Desire 40 target craft be released
to Force 266 for shipment to B.J. Unit 4.

(2).

BARI pass to NAVPO and Force 256.

EABANTO pass to BJ Unit 4 and EUSNOI.T.O.O.102112.B. June.
T.O.R.11091F

Ref Target Craft.

Dist. SEC. A/SECS. CSO. SMO. SPO. SOI. UNILI. CST

Copies to BARI for NAVPO and BJ UNIT 4.

84. JJ. VE. LWH. 70 GROUPS.

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45 243. W. 49.077 18044. 7.500M. 4/45. C.B.A.S. 110.

SECRET**NAVAL MESSAGE.****S. 1320d.**(Established—May, 1930)
(Revised—January, 1933)**To:****FROM:**

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J. L. B.

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S. 1320b.

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NAVAL MESSAGE.

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CONFIDENTIAL

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TO: COMINCH

(R) ComNavNAW, Cinc MED, ComNOB-Bermuda

FROM:

SUSNOI

W R I T E A C C O U N T S	REFER COMNAVNAW CONFIDENTIAL SEVENTH ENDORSEMENT	5
	SERIAL 0797 OF 1 MAY TO COMINCH. ITALIAN MINISTER OF	10
	MARINE REQUESTS FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL SUMS IN DOLLARS	15
	PER MONTH BE PAID TO ITALIAN PERSONNEL ATTACHED TO	20
	SUBMARINES OPERATING UNDER U.S. CONTROL AT BERMUDA.	25
	OFFICERS 35, PETTY OFFICERS 5, LEADING HANDS AND OTHERS	30
	2. THESE PAYMENTS ARE TO BE USED SOLELY TO COVER MESS	35
EXPENSES AND LAUNDRY. RECOMMEND APPROVAL LETTER	40	
FOLLOWS.	45	
		50

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AIDAC, NOTWT
For Exercise).

IMPORTANT

INTERCEPT GROUP

TO:

ACC MAIN

FROM:

CONSON

FOR EXECUTIVE OFFICE XX REFER YOUR MEMO 680.34

CONSON REQUIRES SEVEN OFFICES IN ROME.

(R) {ACC REAR
COMMODORE PALMER}311149
May

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Date.

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S. 170b.

(GV180) Wt. 16539/17618 5.000 Pads. 7/42 B. & P. 4d. 61-9205.

NAVAL MESSAGE.

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1 Despatch File
1 Misc.Originators Instructions
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Intercept Group, etc.)

IMMEDIATE

Codress/Plaindress

No. of
Groups

TO:

ACC REAR

FROM:

COMSON

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SFOR COMMODORE PALMER & COMMANDER BUTLER WILL ARRIVE
AFTERNOON TWENTY FIFTH.W
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Receipt Despatch

Operator

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Date

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(GV27) WL 22315/D7907, 160M, Pad- 12, 42, R. & S. 1/2, 1/2, 1/2

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SERIAL #1.

Originators Instructions:
Indication of Priority,
Intercept Group, etc.

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Groups

TO:

FATIMA REAR

FROM:

FOTALI 14

Following for Commodore PALMER from

A ~~NAVY~~ CHIEF NAVYBOOM ~~SEND TO COMMODORE PALMER~~. REQUEST REPLYA
C
R
O
S
STO FOTALI SECRET LTR NO. 1027/58 OF 17 MARCH SUBJECT ITALIAN
NAVAL DESERTERS BE EXPEDITED IN ORDER THAT ITALIAN MINISTRY OF
MARINE MAY BE ADVISED.W
R
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WRITE UP BY: COMDR BUTLER/DEZ

TOO 24/1/35

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P.O.O.W.

Date

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NAVAL MESSAGE.

(UVE26) Wt. 22313/27 14 mds. 15/43, 11 1.01. 4-238

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only.Originators Instructions:
(Indication of Priority,
AIDAC, NOTWT
For Exercise).

INTERCEPT GROUP.

TO:

ACC REAR

FROM:

CONSON (15)

FOR COMMODORE PALMER. REFERENCE ACC REAR 071445 E
 April. REQUEST INFORMATION REGARDING STATUS OF TRAVEL
 AUTHORIZATION FOR MIMMO DONATO DI RAFFAELE x 211948

Ref 9. (Italian Technicians for Taranto. Projects of
 interest to Allied Naval Authorities).

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U. S. NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS
ORAN, ALGERIA

C. R. No. _____

INCOMING MESSAGE

CLASSIFICATION : RESTRICTEDDATE : MAY 4th, 1944

FROM :

COMNAVNAV

ACTION :

BUPERS

TIME RECEIVED : 0915 May 4th, 1944DECODE BY : RRB

INFO :

WRITE UP BY : RRB

CNO & SENUSNAVOF ITALY

PRECEDENCE : ROUTINE

CANCEL MY 021611 X ORIGINATOR COMNAVNAV X
BUPERS ACTION X CNO SENUSNAVOF ITALY FOR
INFO X LT COMDR MUSMANNO BEEN ORDERED U.S. X

REF: 021611 RECOMMEND AND NOMINATE LT COMDR
MUSMANNO FOR A.C.C. DUTY X

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U. S. NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS

ORAN, ALGERIA

C. R. No. _____

OUTGOING MESSAGE

CLASSIFICATION : CONFIDENTIAL DATE : MAY 3rd, 1944

FROM :

SENUSNAVOF ITALY

ACTION :

COMNAVMAW

INFO :

COMNAVDET NAPLES

WRITE UP BY : _____

PRECEDENCE :

IMMEDIATE

COMMODORE ZIROLI AND ENG. SALE PROCEEDING
 NAPLES AND SALERNO FOR DUTIES CONNECTION
 A.C.C. FOUR MAY X SENUSNAVOF ITALY SENDS COMNAVMAW
 AND INFO COMNAVDET NAPLES X RETURNING MAY
 SIX X

Comdt
 A.C.C. ✓
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 File

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(11/22/77) Wt. 22315, D7997, 160M Pads, 12/42, R. & W. Ltd. 45-232.

NAVAL MESSAGE.

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Originators Instructions (Indication of Priority, Intercept Group, etc.)		CONFIDENTIAL		Codress/Plaindress CODE	No of Groups
TO: FATIMA (HEAR)				FROM: FOTALI 14	
ACROSS	CAN APPROVAL FOR USE OF SHORT TITLE CONSON NOW BE PROMULGATED				5
	TO ALL CONCERNED PLEASE. MY 191253 APRIL REFERS.				10
	<i>Cancelled by</i>				15
					20
					25
WRITE	<i>FOTALI's Secy.</i>				30
					35
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(GV180) Wt. 16539/D7818. 500M Pads. 7/42 B. & S. Ltd. 51-5205.

NAVAL MESSAGE.

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onlySERIAL NUMBER 10Originators Instructions
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Intercept Group, etc.)

CONFIDENTIAL

Codress/Plaindress
CODENo. of
Groups

TO:

FATIMA REAR

FROM:
FOTALI 14

ACROSS	FOLLOWING FOR COMMODORE PALMER FROM CHIEF NAVSUBCOM. YOUR NUMBER			5
	2673 EXPECT COMDR BUTLER WILL RETURN SALENO ABOUT THREE MAY.			10
				15
				20
				25
WRITE				30
	ACC Serial			35
				40
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	6395			50

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S. 1320h.
(Established—October, 1915)

NAVAL MESSAGE

R.O.T.A.I.I.
To:

FROM FATIMA REAR from
NAVY signed
Macfarlane.

CONFIDENTIAL.

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Reference number 2673, When may I expect
Commander BUTLER back?

T.O.O.261450.B.April.
T.O.R.271400.

Diet. SEC. A/SEC. SEC.LI. CSO. SSC. SCI.USNLI.
SEM.ARMV SIGS. LWH.

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U. S. NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS

ORAN, ALGERIA

C. R. No. _____

OUTGOING MESSAGE

26 APRIL 1944

CLASSIFICATION :

CONFIDENTIAL

DATE :

FROM :

SPWISNAVOF

ACTION :

COMNAVNAV

INFO :

WRITE UP BY : COMDR BUTLER/DEZ

PRECEDENCE : PRIORITY

REFER YOUR SERIAL 0648 OF 11 APRIL and MY 191842 X ITALIAN MINISTER MARINE
 STRONGLY ADHERES TO PAY ADVANCES ESTABLISHED IN LETTER FORWARDED BY MY
 SECRET SERIAL 0028 OF 12 MARCH AS STATED YOUR 111449 TO COMINCH X ADVANCES
 ARE SUBSTANTIALLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY COMMOB BERMUDA
 282139 OF FEBRUARY TO COMINCH INFO COMNAVNAV BASED ON COST OF LIVING AT
 BERMUDA X IT IS EMPHASISED THAT PAYMENTS AUTHORIZED ARE ADVANCES OUT OF PAY
 TO MEET CURRENT EXPENSES AND DO NOT REPRESENT THE ACTUAL PAY SCALE OF THE
 PERSONNEL X LETTER FOLLOWS

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ACC Serial 6393
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U. S. NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS

ORAN, ALGERIA

C. R. No. _____

OUTGOING MESSAGE

CLASSIFICATION : CONFIDENTIALDATE : 23 April, 1944.

FROM :

~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
SEMUSNAVOFF ITALY

ACTION :

U.S. NAVDET NAPLES

INFO :

WRITE UP BY : _____

PRECEDENCE : _____

THIS REENCIPHERS FOTALI 181207 ACTION FATIMA (REAR) INFO CINCPED, FOMIT, COMNAVNAV,
 NLO, AAI QUOTE PROPOSE ASSUME DUTIES CHIEF NAVAL SUB COMMISSION A C C WEDNESDAY
 NINETEENTH COMMODORE H W ZIROLI USN DEPUTY CHIEF WILL CONTINUE OFFICES TARANTO
 WHILE COMMODORE I M PALMER DSC AS NAVAL REPRESENTATIVE WILL WORK ACC OFFICES
 SALERNO X REQUEST CORRESPONDENCE AND SIGNALS FOR THE NAVAL SUB COMMISSION BE
 ADDRESSED CHIEF NAVAL SUB COMMISSION NAVY HOUSE TARANTO AND NAVAL REPRESENTATIVE
 NAVAL SUB COMMISSION SALERNO X REQUEST YOU PROMULGATE ALL CONCERNED IF YOU
 CONCUR

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U. S. NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS

ORAN, ALGERIA

C. R. No. _____

OUTGOING MESSAGE

CLASSIFICATION : RESTRICTED DATE : APRIL 23rd, 1944

FROM :

SENUSNAVOF, ITALY

ACTION :

U.S. NAVDET NAPLES

INFO :

COMNAVNAV

WRITE UP BY : _____

PRECEDENCE : _____

THIS IS PART ONE SUSNOI 231014 ACTION CINCHED INFO COMNAVNAV
 FATIMA (REAR) QUOTE X MY 181297 SUBJECT APPROVAL BY YOU AND
 COMNAVNAV RECOMMEND MEMBERSHIP NAVAL SUB COMMISSION A C C
 BE AS FOLLOWS X CHIEF SUB COMMISSION REAR ADMIRAL MORGAN
 D S O DEPUTY CHIEF COMMODORE ZIROLI USN MEMBERS COMMODORE
 PALMER D S C WHO WILL BE REPRESENTATIVE SALERNO AND COMDR
 BUTLER USN WHO PERFORMS DUTIES SALERNO AND TARANTO X

TOO 231010

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U. S. NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS

ORAN, ALGERIA

C. R. No. _____

OUTGOING MESSAGE

CLASSIFICATION : RESTRICTED DATE : APRIL 23rd, 1944

FROM :

SENUSNAVOF, ITALY

ACTION :

U.S. NAVDET NAPLES

INFO :

COMNAVNAV

WRITE UP BY : _____

PRECEDENCE : PK

PART 2 SUSNOI 231014 COMNAVDET INFO X RECOMMEND CAPT GROWTH
 COMDR BONNEY RN AND CAPT HILBERT USN BE RELEASED FROM THEIR
 APPOINTMENTS NAVAL SUB COMMISSION AS THEY ARE NOW PERFORMING
 OTHER DUTIES AND ARE NOT AVAILABLE A C C WORK X ADDITIONAL
 OFFICERS REQUIRED ROUTINE DUTIES WILL BE PROVIDED BY FOTALI
 OR SUSNOI AND NEED NOT BE MEMBERS OF COMMISSION X SUSNOI
 CONCURS X UNQUOTE X END X

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U. S. NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS
ORAN, ALGERIA

C. R. No. _____

OUTGOING MESSAGE

CLASSIFICATION : CONFIDENTIAL

DATE : 22 APRIL 1944

FROM :

SEMSNAVOFF, ITALY

ACTION :

COMNAVNAV

INFO :

WRITE UP BY : CDR BUTLER/DEZ

PRECEDENCE : IMPORTANT

AFHQ CONF LTR 20 MARCH SUBJECT ORGANIZATION NAVAL SUB COMMISSION ACC WAS
MADE EFFECTIVE 19 APRIL X UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH FOTALI MATTERS RELATING TO ITALIAN
NAVY AS CONCERN ACC WILL BE HANDLED DIRECTLY BY SUSNOI IN HIS CAPACITY DEPUTY
CHIEF NAVAL SUB COMMISSION WITH REPRESENTATION IN HEADQUARTERS ACC AT SALERNO X
NEW ORGANIZATION WILL REQUIRE ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL X URGENTLY RECOMMEND CNO BE
REQUESTED BY DESPATCH TO DETAIL TO THIS OFFICE TWO OFFICERS TRAINED IN CIVIL
AFFAIRS NOT BELOW RANK SENIOR LIEUTENANT WITH PREVIOUS NAVAL EXPERIENCE AND
KNOWLEDGE ITALIAN PREFERRED X ALSO ONE YEOMAN QUALIFIED STENOGRAPHER X REFER

FOTALI 181207 AND 211902

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NAVAL MESSAGE.

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Originators Instructions (Indication of Priority, Intention Group, etc.)		SECRET		Codress/Plaintress		No. of Groups
TO: PATIMA (NEAR)				FROM: TOTAL 14		
ACROSS	ACTION WAR MATERIAL DISPOSAL SECTION INFO COMMODORE PALMER DSC.					5
	CINCHED REQUESTS THAT GREGAN DETE RADAR SET OF TYPE FITTED IN					10
	ITALIAN CRUISERS AND DESTROYERS BE REMOVED FROM ONE OF THESE SHIPS AND					15
	FORWARDED FOR URGENT RESEARCH PURPOSES IN UNITED KINGDOM. YOUR					20
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CLASSIFICATION: ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ DATE: April 19th, 1944

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Propose to assume duties of Chief of Naval Sub-Commission of the A.C.C. tomorrow Wednesday 19th April. Commodore H. J. Zirolli, U.S.N. as Deputy Chief will continue to have his offices in Taranto while Commodore I. K. Palmer D.S.C., as Naval Representative will work at A.C.C. Offices Salerno. Request correspondence and signals for the Naval Sub-Commission be addressed both to Chief of Naval Sub-Commission Navy House Taranto, and to Naval Representative of the Naval Sub-Commission, Salerno. Request you promulgate to all concerned, if you concur.

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My 181207 subject to approval by you and COMNAVNAV recommend membership
 NAVAL SUB COMMISSION ACC BE AS FOLLOWS. Chief of sub commission Rear Admiral
 MORGAN DSO Deputy Chief Commodore ZIROLI USN members Commodore PALMER
 DSC who will be representative at SALERNO and Commander BUTLER USN who will
 perform duties both at SALERNO and TERANTO. Recommend Captain CROWTHER RN
 Commander BONNEY RN and Captain HILBERT USN be released from their appointments
 with naval sub commission as these Officers are now performing other duties
 and are not available for ACC work. Additional Officers required for routine
 duties will be provided either by FOTALI or SUSNOI and need not be members of
 naval sub commission. SUSNOI concurs.

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

File No.
A10-1/NSC

Serial: 44

24 July 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Headquarters Allied Control Commission.
(Establishment Branch).

Subject: Establishment Memorandum No. 14 - Request for.

1. It is requested that this office be furnished two
(2) copies of subject Establishment Memorandum.

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

File No.
W-33/NSC

Serial 42 ¹²

19 July 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Headquarters AAI.

Subject: Motor Transport for Termoli Port Party.

1. The British Naval Port Party at Termoli has recently been replaced by an Italian Port Party. The latter have no transport and are seriously hampered thereby, as all rations and other essential stores have to be drawn from Bari. No transport for this purpose is available from British or Italian naval sources and it would be uneconomical to use sea transport for this purpose.

2. It would be appreciated, therefore, if one 5 ton truck could be made available for this duty.

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

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

19 July 1944.

MEMORANDUM FOR PROVINCIAL POLICE OFFICER, ACC. TARANTO.

1. It is requested that you issue appropriate travel passes to members of the Italian Navy who are in a leave status and who show evidence of complying with current travel regulations as laid down by the Allied Control Commission.

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

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File No.
F13/NSC

Serial 42.

17 July 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Legal Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
Subject: Allied authority over Italians who commit crimes against
Allied military personnel.

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

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

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NAVREP NSC Rome.

File No.
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Terento, Italy

13 July 1944.

Serial 39.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Transportation Sub-Commission, A. C. C. APO 394.
Subject: Tire Replacement, Italian Navy.
Reference: (a) ACC/TN/TP of 29 June 1944.

1. Reference (a) indicates that it will be possible, in the near future, to have tires re-treaded for requisitioned ACC vehicles and for essential civilian vehicles.

2. Due to the serious shortage of tires for Italian Navy transport, information is requested as to whether it will be possible to have such tires re-treaded under the procedure outlined in reference (a).

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

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NAVREF HSC Rome

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

File No.
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Serial: 80 230

7 July 1944

From: Naval Sub Commission, Allied Control Commission,
Command Section, Allied Control Commission.
To :
Subject: Purchase by Italian Armed Forces.
Reference: (a) Command Section A.C.C. Ltr. 23/3 of 21 May 44.
Enclosure: (A) Copy of Italian Minister of Marine Letter
28002/3 of 3 July 1944.

1. The Command Section A.C.C. in reference (a) recommended that the Italian Ministry of Marine be invited to set up a central purchasing board for the procurement of foodstuffs.

2. The plan was referred to the Minister on 12 June 44. Enclosure (A) in reply outlines in detail the procedure for the procurement of foodstuffs followed by the Italian Navy. Apparently the Ministry does not consider that a central purchasing board is desirable or feasible.

3. Until such time as it is clearly indicated that a direct advantage will inure to the Allied war effort, it is not recommended that the Italian Navy be induced to adopt the central purchasing plan.

H. ST. J. BRYNER,
Commander U.S. Navy,
for Chief, Naval Sub Commission,
A.C.C.

Copy to:
HQ AF (ref L/S/IR and 5 May)
Army Sub Com. ACC.
Air Force Sub Com. ACC.
Navy Sub Com. ACC.
Int A Com. Sub Com. ACC.

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From: Ministry of Marine (Cabinet)
 To: F O L I.
 Date: 3.7.44
 Ref.: 28053/8

Subject: Provisions for Italian Armed Forces.

Ref. Letter No. 1099/51 of 12th June last.

Component foodstuffs to the ration for Italian Servicemen, apart from those furnished by the Allies, and which must be procured from local sources, are as follows:-

Onions - Fresh and dried fruit with almond - Oil (olive) - Salt -
 Fresh Vegetables - Wine.

These provisions are supplied by the different Services to their personnel, and I.A.M. follows this procedure.

In regard to fresh fruit and vegetables, supplies are acquired by the Food Stores for all Departments, Commands and Ships attached to the Base. It is not possible to centralize these acquisitions elsewhere, due to their nature which necessarily indicates that they must be procured locally according to local supplies, the season and due to the impossibility of preserving them for transport over long distances.

Oil (olive) has been obtained from the collection centres, according to assignments from the Commissariat Dept. (Supplies Section). Now the allocations are to be made by the Allied Authorities; U.S.I.A. has been approached to ascertain which Allied Authority should arrange for providing I.A.M.

Salt is provided by the State Monopoly.

Wine supplies are taken care of by the Ministry thro' contractors who deliver to the principal Food Stores.

Also, although dried fruits with almond are generally purchased by the Ministry, the possibilities of obtaining supplies have been few to date and it has been necessary to substitute with dried figs, fruit pies, etc., and these also have been acquired by the Ministry or by the Commissariat Dept. or Sections when so charged by the Ministry.

The centralization of foodstuffs, therefore, is already in being insofar as is possible. A further centralization is not feasible, given moreover the well-known transport deficiencies.

It is not a fact that I.A.M. Commands purchase direct the above additional foodstuffs with a weekly assignment of L.5 per man.

The assignment to improve living conditions in I.A.M. is Lire 4 per day per man, and is used by each Mess to acquire additional food, to purchase condiments, tomato extract, various ingredients and any extra comfort, if possible, which are not included in the ration issue. These supplies cannot be centralized because the Messes purchase them day by day according to the menu and local supplies available.

Nevertheless, some articles which last longer and are easier to preserve such as vinegar, tomato extract, jams, etc. are likewise supplied by I.A.M. Food Stores in accordance with purchases authorized by the Ministry.

for THE MINISTER.

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ENCLOSURE (A)

File No.
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

Serial: 0037

13 July 1944.

S-E-C-R-E-T

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Headquarters No. 2 District, CMF.
Subject: Security - policy; Coast watching.
Reference: (a) Hq. No. 2 Dist 2022/6 GSI of 15 June 1944.
(b) Hq. No. 2 Dist CMF 2022/6 GSI of 24 April 1944.
Enclosure: (A) Italian Minister of Marine ltr 12845/s of 18 April 1944.

1. Reference (a) requests that an answer be given to reference (b).

2. Flag Officer Taranto and Adriatic Liaison, Italy (Fleet Base Security Officer) notified G-2 IB, No. 2 District of the contents of the Italian Minister of Marine's ltr of 18 April at the time of its receipt. A copy of the Minister's letter is forwarded as enclosure (A).

3. The Naval Sub-Commission has been informed by FOTALI that the Italian Navy is completely aware of the importance of coast watching and that the system is considered to be functioning in a most satisfactory manner.

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

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From: Ministry of Marine (Cabinet).
 Date: 12th April, 1944.
 To: F.O.L.I. TARANTO.
 No: 13845/1.

Subject: COAST WATCHING.

REFERENCE:

Reference P.A. 1140 dated 5th April, 1944.

1). According to the former organisation coastal watch was maintained by a section of the Italian Army, with coastal observation posts and mobile patrols, whilst covering parties were scattered through the neighbourhood ready to intervene in the case of an alarm.

The Italian Royal Navy completed this watch with signal stations and Naval observation stations linked one to another through the Naval commands.

2). While I have forwarded a copy of your letter to the Chief of General Staff of the Italian Army, I outline the present situation of the network of coastal communications so far as it pertains to the Italian Royal Navy.

a)- The network is only efficient for that sector of the coast between REGGIO CALABRIA and BARIETTA.

b)- Between BARIETTA and VIGOTTA the system has some interruptions which are being eliminated.

c)- Between VIGOTTA and PUNTA PERLA the network is still broken, nor has it been possible to put the work of repair in hand although the authority to do so was requested during December 1943 from the C.S.C. and Division via the Ministry of Communications. Furthermore, on the 18th January, 1944 precise details were requested by the Allied Control Commission, as the Commission maintained that the circuits in question were not indispensable.

Among the details furnished on the 23rd February it was specified that one of the duties of signal stations is that of coast watching.

d)- In the ILLIMO Area the network of communications is out of action for neither in this area has it been possible to obtain the authority for putting the work in hand.

e)- Along the TYRRHENIAN coast of CALABRIA the work of renovating the communications network is in progress but the work is pro-

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ceeding slowly through lack of materials required, already advised in our 10654 of the 24th March 1944 and in our 10683 of the 7th April.

f)- with regard to the SARDINIAN coasts we are not at present in a position to supply details concerning the communications network.

It is, however, intended to renew both the signal stations and the links between them.

g)- For the SARDINIAN coasts the system is efficient.

4). With reference to the signal stations I ought to point out that, even though the Italian Royal Navy has undertaken the re-commissioning of the Service signal stations and Lighthouse Services wherever possible, the following signal stations have been requisitioned by the Local Allied Authorities:- PUNTA PUNTA, TERNOLI, MONTE SARACERO (SANT'ANGELO), S. MICHELE, (SARL), and the Light of SANFEDERICA.

5). In conclusion, I consider it possible in a short while to renew the Observation and Coastal Communication network of the Italian Royal Navy; and to this end I have given orders to set in hand immediately the reorganisation of the signal stations and the repair of lines of communication, suspending the reductions which have been suggested for the recovery of personnel.

However it would be essential for you to advise the territorial limits in which the Italian Royal Navy can proceed with the re-commissioning of signal stations and the renewal of the communications network; and that future requisitions on the part of the Allied forces be carried out in agreement with the Ministry of Marine.

Signed - The Minister.

Pile No.
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

Serial: 0037

13 July 1944.

S-E-C-R-E-T

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Headquarters No. 2 District, CWP.

Subject: Security - Policy; Coast Watching.

Reference: (a) Hq. No. 2 Dist 2022/6 GSI of 13 June 1944.
(b) Hq. No. 2 Dist CWP 2022/6 GSI of 24 April 1944.

Enclosure: (A) Italian Minister of Marine ltr 12845/s of
12 April 1944.

1. Reference (a) requests that an answer be given to
reference (b).

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

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NAVREF H&C Rome
POTALI

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From: Ministry of Marine (Cabinet).
Date: 18th April, 1944.
To: F.O.L.I. TARANTO.
No: 12845/S.

Subject: COAST WATCHING.

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

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- b)- Between BARLETTA and VIESTI the system has some interruptions which are being eliminated.
- c)- Between VIESTI and PUNTA PERNA the network is still broken, nor has it been possible to put the work of repair in hand although the authority to do so was requested during December 1943 from the C.S.O. 2nd Division via the Ministry of Communications. Furthermore, on the 18th January, 1944 precise details were requested by the Allied Control Commission, as the Commission maintained that the circuits in question were not indispensable.

Among the details furnished on the 9th February it was specified that one of the duties of Signal Stations is that of Coast Watching.

- d)- In the NAPLES Area the network of communications is out of action for neither in this area has it been possible to obtain the authority for putting the work in hand.
- e)- Along the TYRRHENIAN Coast of CALABRIA the work of renovating the communications network is in progress but 6372 work is pro-

ceeding slowly through lack of materials required, already advised in our 10634 of the 24th March 1944 and in our 10583 of the 7th April.

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5). In conclusion, I consider it possible in a short while to renew the Observation and Coastal Communication network of the Italian Royal Navy; and to this end I have given orders to set in hand immediately the reorganisation of the signal stations and the repair of lines of communication, suspending the reductions which have been suggested for the recovery of personnel.

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Signed - The Minister.

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

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Serial 36

13 July 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To: Headquarters, Allied Armies in Italy.
Subject: GARGANO, Francesco, Ex-Fascist Officer.
Reference: (a) AAI/1402/5941(b) of 4 June 1944.
Enclosure: (A) Italian Minister of Marine letter No. 451/75
of 3 July 1944, copy.

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

B. V. ZINGOLI,
Commander, U. S. Navy,
For Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, A.C.C.

Copy to:
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Public Safety SC, ACC.
Sicily Region Hq.
(Ref Sicily Region Hq. Ltr
SC/000.1 of 22 May 44).
NAV RHP HSC, Rome.

SECRETC-C-P-Y

From: Ministry of Marine. Cabinet
Date: 5th July 1944. No. 461/P.S.
To : F.O.I.I.

GARGANO Francesco.

F.O.I.I.'s letters T. A. 1027/181 dated 3/6/44
and 1/7/44, refer.

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

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

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

For the MINISTER
ACCONNETTI.

(Enclosure (1)).

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
NAVY HOUSE, TARANTO, ITALY.

Serial: ()

9 July, 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : G-5 Section, AFHQ, APO 512.
Subject: Repatriation of Italian Merchant Seamen from United States.
References: (a) AFHQ MSG 014.33-20 of 7 May 1944. Same Subject.
(b) AFHQ G-5 ltr. 014.33-20 of 19 May 1944. Same Subject.

1. It is requested that the Naval Sub-Commission be forwarded a copy of the complete report regarding the twelve Italian Merchant Seamen who were repatriated from the United States and who arrived in Italy about the fifth of June on the S.S. A. P. HILL. The report is desired in order that the Italian Minister of Marine may be made fully cognizant of the circumstances.

H. St.J. BUTLER,
Commander, U. S. Navy,

for Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, A. C. C.

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

File No.
SI/NSC

Serial 55;

3 July 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Safety Sub-Commission, A.C.C.
Subject: Return of G.R. Boats.

1. With reference to your letter ACC/14012/15/PS of 30 June, neither the Flag Officer Taranto and Adriatic Liaison Italy, nor the Naval Sub-Commission has any objection to the return of the boats to the G.R. The Italian Minister of Marine will be so notified; however, no further action is contemplated as it is felt that the settlement should be made direct between the Guardia di Finanza and the Italian Navy.

E. ST. JOHN BUTLER,
Commander, U.S. NAVY,
for Deputy Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, ACC.

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File No.
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Tarento, Italy

Serial 32.

27 June 1944.

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

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

Subject: Status of schooners.

Enclosure: (A) BST, Italy ltr S/187/6 of 31 May 1944.
(B) HQ. AAI, COM ltr ST/1/7/3 of 25 May 1944,
and appendices 'A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E'.

1. Enclosed herewith are documents relative to Italian schooners presently under Royal Army Service Corps control.

2. Flag Officer Tarento and Adriatic Liaison, Italy, has requested that all papers be forwarded to the Legal Sub-Commission, A.C.C. for establishment of the hire status of each vessel.

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

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FROM: DIVISIONAL SEA TRANSPORT OFFICER, ITALY.
DATE: 31st May, 1944. Ref. S/187/6
TO : F. O. T. A. L. I.

SUBJECT: Schooners

The enclosed copy of a letter from D.D.S.T., H.Q. A.A.I., gives a list of various craft which are considered to be prizes of war, or whose status is in doubt.

It is requested that this list may be examined with a view to establishing the hire position of each vessel where applicable, on a definite basis, and that I may be informed of a decision regarding those of doubtful status.

S.O.S.C. to
D.S.T.O. ITALY

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RESTRICTED:H.Q. A.A.I., C.M.F.
5/17/44

25 May 44

SUBJECT: Schooners - Prizes of War.

R.S.T.O. (ITALY (2 copies))

Ref your 5/7/5 dated 2 May 44.

1. Information regarding schooners, operated by R.A.S.C., which are either considered to be prizes of war, or the status of which is in doubt, has been obtained from all available sources, and is forwarded herewith as requested.

Relative Documents Attached.S.S.T.O. SYRACUSE
letter dated 16
Aug 43.
(APPENDIX 'A')N.O.I.C. CROTONE
letter dated 23
Sept 43.
(APPENDIX 'B')2. (803) PADRE ETERNO ('Y' Motor Tpt Coy)

- (a) Taken over by 247 Motor Boat Coy from S.S.T.O. SYRACUSE, as prize vessel, 16 August 43.
- (b) Now manned by Italian Crew paid by RASC.
- (c) No arrangements made with owners.

3. (833) GILARDO; (845) MARIA; (847) MILINO
(809) SALONIA (full name understood to be
CARMELLO SALONIA) (All 'X' Motor Tpt Coy)

- (a) Taken over by N.O.I.C. CROTONE 23 Sept 43 for employment by 247 Motor Boat Coy.
- (b) GILARDO and MARIA manned by Italian Crew paid by RASC.
- MILINO manned by Italian Crew paid by RASC, until 14 Apr 44; manned by Partisan crew (unpaid) since that date.
- SALONIA manned by Yugoslav civilian crew paid by RASC, until 7 Apr 44; since that date manned by Partisan crew (unpaid).
- (c) No arrangements made with owners.

4. (805) RAIENA; (807) FR SAN GIUSEPPE.
(Both 'Y' Motor Tpt Coy).

- (a) Handed over by S.S.T.O. CATANIA to S.M. H.Q. No. 1 District (SICILY).

S.S.T.O. SICILY
letter dated 12
Nov 43
(APPENDIX 'C')

Relative Documents
Attached.

2. (803) PADRE MILANO ('Y' Motor Tpt Coy)

(a) Taken over by 247 Motor Boat Coy from S.S.T.O. SYRACUSE, as prize vessel, 16 August 43.

(b) Now manned by Italian Crew paid by RASC.

(c) No arrangements made with owners.

(833) GILANO; (845) MARIA; (847) MILINO
(809) SALONIA (full name understood to be CARLO SALONIA) (All 'X' Motor Tpt Coy)

(a) Taken over by N.O.I.C. CROTONE 23 Sept 43 for employment by 247 Motor Boat Coy.

(b) GILANO and MARIA manned by Italian Crews paid by RASC.

MILINO manned by Italian Crew paid by RASC, until 14 Apr 44; manned by Partisan crew (unpaid) since that date.

SALONIA manned by Yugoslav civilian crew paid by RASC, until 7 Apr 44; since that date manned by Partisan crew (unpaid).

(c) No arrangements made with owners.

(805) BALENA; (807) FR SAN GIUSEPPE.
(Both 'Y' Motor Tpt Coy).

(a) Handed over by S.S.T.O. CATANIA to S.M. H.Q. No. 1 District (SICILY), 12 Nov 43, as questionable prizes of war.

(b) Both vessels manned by Italian crews, paid by RASC.

(c) No arrangements made with owners.

(939) PITA ('Y' Motor Tpt Coy)

(a) Handed over to 247 Motor Boat Coy by S.T.O. AUGUSTA, 31 Aug. 43 as prize of war.

(b) Manned by Italian crew paid by RASC

(c) No arrangements made with owners.

S.S.T.O. SYRACUSE
Letter dated 16
Aug 43.
(APPENDIX 'A')

N.O.I.C. CROTONE
Letter dated 23
Sept 43.
(APPENDIX 'B')

S.S.T.O. SICILY
Letter dated 12
Nov 43.
(APPENDIX 'C')

N.O.I.C. AUGUSTA
Ltr dated 31
Aug 43 and S.S.T.O.
AUGUSTA letter
dated 31 Aug 43.
(APPENDIX 'D')

/contd.

Relative Documents
Attached.

D.D.S.T. No. 1
District letter
ST/10/513 dated
23 Nov 43, and U.S.
Naval Operating
Base letter, Serial
651, dated 7 Dec 43.
(APPROX '31).

6. (781) MARIETTA G. (247 Motor Boat Coy) and
(-) SAN ANTONIO (Y' Water Tpt Coy)

(a) Handed over to 247 Motor Boat Coy by
Commandant, Naval Operating Base, U.S.
Navy, PALERMO, 8 Sept 43. These
vessels were not taken over as Prizes
of war, but no proof of ownership has been
presented, nor have any payments been
made.

(b) MARIETTA G named by RASC personnel.
SAN ANTONIO named by Italian crew paid
by RASC.

7. The following vessels are also noted in view of their doubtful
status:-

(a) (725) ALBA (Y' Water Tpt Coy).

Taken over at ISCHIA 20 Dec 43. The crew of the vessel had
been imprisoned for looting A.M.G. Cargo; now named by
Italian crew paid by RASC.

(b) (99) GIORGINA (Y' Water Tpt Coy).

Taken over from Lieut M.S. TONY, U.S.M.R., 25 Dec 43, at
MESSINA. The original crew has been kept on board and paid
at a monthly rate.

(c) (853) SAN GEMMARO (Y' Water Tpt Coy)

Taken over at Palermo, 27 Dec 43. It is understood that
legal ownership was disputed in an Italian Court of law in
December 43, and that an award was made in favour of Sigona
and Porcella S/A.

8. It is requested that any decisions that may be made as to the status
of the above mentioned schooners should be communicated to this Directorate.

J. N. Raffe Major

f. Brigadier,
D.D.S.T.

(b) MARINETTA 6 manned by RASC personnel.
SAN ANTONIO manned by Italian crew paid
by RASC.

7. The following vessels are also noted in view of their doubtful status:-

(a) (725) ALMA (1X1 Water Tpt Coy).

Taken over at ISCHIA 30 Dec 43. The crew of the vessel had been imprisoned for looting A.M.G. Cargo; now manned by Italian crew paid by RASC.

(b) (99) CINCINNATI (1X1 Water Tpt Coy).

Taken over from Lieut M.B. TOMEY, U.S.N.R., 25 Dec 43, at MESSINA. The original crew has been kept on board and paid at a monthly rate.

(c) (853) SAN GUERRARO (1X1 Water Tpt Coy)

Taken over at Palermo, 27 Dec 43. It is understood that legal ownership was disputed in an Italian Court of law in December 43, and that an award was made in favour of Sigora and Porcella S/A.

8. It is requested that any decisions that may be made as to the status of the above mentioned schooners should be communicated to this Directorate.

J. W. Ruffe Major

f. Brigadier,
D.P.S.T.

C-0-P-X

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C O P Y,

APPENDIX 'A' TO H.Q. A.A.I. LETTER
ST/1/7/3 Dated 25 MAY 44

OFFICE OF THE SSO SYRACUSE

DATE: 16 AUGUST 1943.

Re Auxiliary schooner "PADRE ETTERNO" of 44.69 GRT 34.16 NRT of about 75 tons D.W. and registered at the port of SYRACUSE (certificate No. 413).

WHEREAS this vessel formerly owned by GIOVANNI PAJUNO was seized in PRIZE in the name of H.B. Majesty's Government upon the occupation of the port of SYRACUSE and now acting upon the instructions received by me delivery of the said vessel is being made to-day for operational purposes.

2. Attached is an inventory of vessels fittings at this date.

(SGD) ? ? ?

Commander R.W.R.
S.S.T.O. SYRACUSE.

Countersigned as having received delivery of the said vessel.

O.C. 247 Motor Boat Coy

E.N.A.F.

APPENDIX 'B' TO H.Q. A.A.I.
LETTERST/1/7/3 dated 25 MAY 44COPYNAVY HOUSE,
CROTONE.
23rd September, 1943.

I have been authorised by the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, and Flag Officer, Sicily to take over the schooners MARIA, MILANO, and CARMELO, now lying in CROTONE Harbour. It is hoped that the Italian Merchant Seamen who now man these craft will continue to do so.

2. It is the intention that these craft should be employed by 247 Motor Boat Coy RASC. Capt C.E.J. BERN will be in charge for sailing these craft from CROTONE.

(Sgt) - ROWLEY M. NICHOLL,
Commander, R.N.
Naval Officer-in-Charge.

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APPENDIX 'C' TO H.Q. A.A.I. LETTER
ST/1/7/3 dated 25 MAY 44

COPY

S & T HQ. No. 1 DISTRICT

DATE: 12 NOVEMBER, 1943.

FROM: SUPERINTENDING SEA TRANSPORT OFFICER, SICILY.

SUBJECT MARIA PORTO SALVO - PATRIARCA SAN GIUSEPPE - DALEMA.

In accordance with your request the above three Italian Schooners are handed over to you with present crews. Duplicate Articles and crew lists are attached.

The crews have been paid up to 31 Oct 43.

These vessels were found abandoned at MESSINA and have been operated as Prizes.

The status of these vessels is now, due to Italy's position, in some doubt but whether Prize of Requisition does not affect their operation.

(Sgd.) ? ?
Commander, R.N.
SSTO, SICILY

Copy to: NOIC MESSINA
PSTO Med
Nav & Tr MESSINA
Flag Officer Liaison, TARANTO
Claims & Hiring, CATANIA.

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APPENDIX 'D' TO H.Q. A.A.I. LETTER
ST/A/7/3/ dated 25 MAY 44

OFFICE OF THE NAVAL OFFICER IN
CHARGE - AUGUSTA

31 August, 1943.

COPY

Memorandum No. 1174/21

The Sea Transport Officer, AUGUSTA.

By virtue of the powers vested in me as Admiralty Marshal I have seized as Prize of War in the name of His Britannic Majesty's Government the schooners:

RITA
CARMEN

formerly in the possession of the Italian Government.

I hereby discharge these vessels into your control.

(Sgd) H.J. WAIGHT,
CAPTAIN, R.N.

Captain G.E.J. BERN, RA
247 Motor Boat Coy.

The schooners RITA and CARMEN are further transferred to you as representative of 247 Motor Boat Coy.

(Sgd) S.D. WASON,
Lieutenant-Commander, R.N.
Sea Transport Officer - AUGUSTA.

(Sgd) G.E.J. BERN, CAPT RA
247 Motor Boat Coy.

APPENDIX 'E' TO H.Q. A.A.I. LETTER
ST/17/3 dated 25 MAY 44

COPY

H. Q. No. 1 DISTRICT

ST BRANCH

SUBJECT: - Prize Craft.

ST/10/513
Tel Auto 15604
23 Nov 43

Commandante,
Naval Operating Base,
U. S. Navy
PALERMO

M.T. 93 MARIETTA G.
M.T. 94 GIANNINA

M.T. 95 MARIETTA DI POMPEI
M.T. 96 SAN ANTONIO

The above craft were handed over from you to Capt BENY of the 247 Motor Boat Coy RASC on 8 Sept 43. Would you please state whether these craft were seized as prize or requisitioned by you. If they were requisitioned is payment being made? If so to whom?

(Sgt) J. M. ARCHIBALD, Maj

for colonel,
Deputy Director of Supplies and Transport.

Intn Ed.

YTD/wdm

COPY:

NB/AL7-10

Serial: 651

U. S. NAVAL OPERATING BASE
Palermo-Sicily.

7 December, 1943.

From: Commandant

To: Deputy Director of Supplies and Transport, H.Q. No. 1 District;
ST Branch.

Subject: - Native Craft.

Reference: 9a - Letter of DNST dated 23 Nov 43 ST/10/513 Tel Auto 15604.

1. The native craft referred to in(a) were not seized as ⁶³⁵⁸6358 of war. As these craft belonged to private individuals, a verbal invitation had been extended the owners, through their masters, to present proof of ownership for requisitioning purposes. This was in accordance with instructions from higher authority.

Commandante,
Naval Operating Base,
U. S. Navy
PALERMO

W.T. 93 MARIETTA G.
W.T. 94 GIANNINA

W.T. 95 MATOMMA DI POMPEI
W.T. 96 SAN ANTONIO

The above craft were handed over from you to Capt DEWEY of the 247 Motor Boat Coy RASC on 8 Sept 43. Would you please state whether these craft were seized as prize or requisitioned by you. If they were requisitioned is payment being made? If so to whom?

(Sgt) J. M. ARCHIEALD, Med
for colonel,
Deputy Director of Supplies and Transport.

Inth Ed.

RHD/wdm

C O P Y:

HB/A17-10

U. S. NAVAL OPERATING BASE
Palermo-Sicily.

7 December, 1943.

Serial: 651

From: Commandant

To : Deputy Director of Supplies and Transport, C. No. 1 District;
ST Branch.

Subject: - Native Craft.

Reference: 9a - Letter of MIST dated 23 Nov 43 ST/IN/513 Tel Auto 15604.

1. The native craft referred to in(a) were not seized as ⁶³⁵⁸ war. As these craft belonged to private individuals, a verbal invitation had been extended the owners, through their masters, to present proof of ownership for requisitioning purposes. This was in accordance with instructions from higher authority.

2. When the craft were relinquished by this base, no proof of ownership had been presented, therefore no requisition forms were issued and no payment had been made.

(Sgt) L. TOUCHET, Jr.

File No.
AG/RSC

SENIOR U. S. NAVAL OFFICER, ITALY

Serial: 031

27 June 1944.

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

FROM: Senior U. S. Naval Officer, Italy.
To : Commanding Officer Beach Jumper Unit #4.
Subject: Communications.
Reference: (a) SUBHOF conf. ltr. serial 023, 11 June 1944,
File AG/RSC.
(b) FR. conf. ltr 13 June 1944, BJ4/AG-1.

1. Request made in paragraph 2 of reference (a) was for purpose of knowing what U.S. Navy codes to use in enciphering any future traffic for you.

2. Presumably your operational communications are prescribed by your current operational plans; any difficulties in routing or speed are FOYALI's responsibility.

3. You are doubtless aware of the British COM facilities for routing traffic from Bari to Naval Detachment, Naples, and FOYALI.

4. This office will, of course, be glad to encipher any messages from you in U.S. Navy systems consistent with the grade of security you impose as originator. Such traffic would have to come in plain language, since you do not hold U. S. Navy publications.

R. S. CRAIG,
By direction.

File No.
3JJ-55/NSC

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

Serial: 29

19 June 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Commanding Officer, ISSU-6, B.N.A.F.
Subject: Italian Ammunition, 7.65 mm.

1. With reference to your letter Q/3/310 of 4 June, the Naval Sub-Commission has been unable to locate any 7.65mm ammunition that is available for release from the Italian Navy. Further information is desired regarding the location and custody of the 100,000 rounds you mention.

2. This office has no record of having received WHIA message Q/204 of 1 June.

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

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File No.
S16/SEC

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

13 June 1944.

Serial: 0028.

SECRET

S-E-C-R-E-T

From:
To :

Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
Public Safety Sub-Commission, A.C.C.

Subject:

Italian Prison Camp at S. Domino. (TREMITY).

1. Copies of the Italian Minister of Marine's secret letters Nos. 10401/S and 21811/S of 24 March 1944 and 27 May 1944, respectively, are forwarded herewith.

2. Advice is requested as to whether the Public Safety Sub-Commission, A.C.C. has any information with regard to the possibility of authorizing the Minister of Marine to organize a concentration camp at S. Domino (TREMITY).

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

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File No.
816/NSC

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

Serial: 27

21 June 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Legal Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
Subject: Account for Alterations to Royal Navy Officers' Mess, Bari.
Enclosures: (A) Statement of Account from Italian contractor,
Dioguardia & Figlia, Bari.
(B) Copy Admiralty Fleet Order No. 1628/44.

1. Enclosure (A) is an Italian contractor's statement of account for alterations and modifications to a Royal Navy mess in Bari.

2. The Flag Officer, Taranto Adriatic and Liaison, Italy, has requested the Naval Sub-Commission to forward the account to the appropriate branch of the Allied Control Commission with a request that representations be made to the Italian Government for early payment of the contractor.

3. The Flag Officer, Taranto Adriatic and Liaison, Italy, bases his request on the following facts:

(a) In September, 1943, shortly after the occupation of the Port of Bari, the Naval Officer in Charge, R.N. Base, Bari, determined to start a mess for British officers. He selected a site in the Sala Guiseppeina, Cinema Dopolavoro. This site was private property and not occupied by the Italian Government.

(b) NOIC, Bari, then arranged for alterations to the premises through the Italian Commanding General, Bari, who he understood would authorize payment of the contractor by Italian authorities. NOIC, Bari, based his assumption solely upon the cooperation received from the Italian Army, as there was no written agreement in which the Italian Government agreed to pay for the alterations. The contracting firm, Dioguardia & Figlia completed the work in a satisfactory manner.

(c) The NOIC, Bari, who made the original arrangements has been transferred to other duty, however, the present NOIC has examined the statement and considers that the quantities are in proportion to the work done, although he feels that the prices are somewhat high. No estimate was demanded from the contractor prior to the order being placed.

(d) On 20 May, POTALI notified NOIC, Bari, that the contractor's statement would not be approved for payment by the Royal Navy. He stated that "the arrangements for the contract were made through the Italian Commanding General at Bari, it is his responsibility to arrange payment for this amount in accordance with the provisions of AFO 1628/44" (A copy of Admiralty Fleet Order 1628/44 is attached as enclosure (B)).

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

File No.
816/NBC

Serial: 27

22 June 1944.

Subject: Account for Alterations to Royal Navy Officers' Mess, Bari.

(e) Repeated efforts by MOIC, Bari, to extract payment or an admission of liability from local Italian officials have failed to produce any result.

4. It is requested that the Legal Sub-Commission review the facts as outlined above and if appropriate, submit the statement to proper Italian Government authorities for payment.

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

ADMIRALTY FLEET ORDER NO. 1628.

(W.G.F. 29/44 - 23 Mar. 1944).

SUPPLIES AND SERVICES FROM ITALY - ACCOUNTING.

Any payments made in Italy are made in Allied Military lira, which are obtainable either from the Army Authorities or direct from A.M.F.A. These lira have no backing in sterling or any other currency, and it is the eventual responsibility of the Italian Government to redeem them.

2. Financial relations with the Italian Government derive from the terms of the Armistice. These terms are implemented by the Allied Control Commission or the Allied Military Government, according to the area affected, and advice in doubtful cases should be sought from these bodies.

3. Under the Armistice, Allied Forces have a right to call upon the Italian Government to provide such resources and services as they require without payment, the Italian Government being left to make any necessary settlement with private firms or individuals upon whom they have had to call to meet any of the requirements in question. It is, however, recognized that direct orders are placed with private concerns in order to avoid the delay, economic dislocation and hardship to individuals which would be the result of a refusal to pay lira for the goods or services provided.

4. Normally, it will not be necessary to make any payments to Italian Naval or other Government organizations, or to public corporations. In the case of private individuals and firms, however, it will usually be found desirable to effect settlement locally in lira. Any payments so made should be brought to account in the usual way.

File No.
S16/NSC

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

Serial: 27

13 June 1944.

From: Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, A.C.C.
To : Regional Commissioner, Sicily Region Headquarters, A.C.C.
Subject: Italian Lighthouse Service.
Reference: (a) Sicily Region HQ. A.C.C. ltr RFC 829.12 of 11 May 1944.

1. The Regional Commissioner, Sicily Region HQ. A.C.C. in reference (a) reviewed the Italian lighthouse situation in Italy and recommended that the operation and supervision of the lighthouses could be handled in a more effective manner by the Navy than by the Allied Control Commission.
2. Normally the maintenance and operation of lighthouses and light facilities is not a responsibility of either the British or American Navies. Nevertheless it is essential that Allied Naval Commanders control the operation of Italian lighthouses in areas in their jurisdiction.
3. At the present time lighthouses on the Italian mainland are maintained and operated by the Italian Ministry of Marine through the Italian Naval Area Commanders who are responsible for carrying out the directions of the Allied Naval Commanders. As far as can be determined, there is no Allied Control Commission agency which is directly concerned with the operation and supervision of Italian lighthouses. The Ministry of Marine obtains Allied aid when necessary through the Flag Officer Taranto, Adriatic and Liaison, Italy, or the Naval Sub-Commission, A.C.C.
4. The Minister of Marine recently submitted a proposal for the re-organization of Naval services in Sicily under a Senior Italian Naval Officer, which included provisions for the operation of lighthouses and lights. The proposed organization was approved by Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, subject to certain restrictions and should now be in operation. With respect to lighthouses, the organization should be similar to that on the Italian mainland and the Italian authorities should carry out all directives issued by the Senior Naval Officer Eastern Sicily or the Commandant, Naval Operating Base, Palermo. Under this procedure there is no necessity for any direct supervision of Italian lighthouses by any Allied Control agency.
5. By copies of this letter, the Senior Naval Officer Eastern Sicily and the Commandant, Naval Operating Base, Palermo, are requested to comment as to whether the procedure outlined above is satisfactory.

Copy to:
SNOES
ComNOB-Palermo

REAR-ADMIRAL

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

File No.
18-2/NSC

Serial: 26

13 June 1944.

Commanding General,
52nd Area
Palazzo del Governo,
Taranto, Italy

Subject: Requisitioning Procedure.

1. The Italian Minister of Marine has requested that the procedure for the occupation and requisitioning of works, sites, etc., under the jurisdiction of Italian Naval authorities be clarified and proposes that the following method be adopted:

- Cancelled
Revised*
- (a) Occupation of Areas & Works belonging to the Royal Italian Navy. The request should be put forward to the local Anglo-American Authority who will make a decision in the matter, in collaboration with the Royal Italian Naval Authorities. In the case of disagreement, F.O.E.I. will intervene in collaboration with the Italian Ministry of Marine.
 - (b) Requisition of Industrial or Public Areas & Works: The request for requisition should be put forward to the Italian Naval Authorities in the Area who will refer the request to the appropriate Ministry. In cases of proved urgency, the Italian Naval Authorities will make direct dispositions, advising them forthwith to the Ministry concerned.
 - (c) Requisition of privately-owned Areas & Works: The requisition should be put forward through the Italian Requisitions Office, on the basis of the requests of the Anglo-American Authorities.

2. In order to insure that conflicting instructions are not issued to the Minister, information is requested as to the procedure and authority under which property is requisitioned in the 52nd Area and whether any instructions have been issued with respect to property under the jurisdiction of the Italian Navy.

H. ST. JOHN BUTLER,
Commander, U. S. Navy
for Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, ACC. 6356

File No.
SP/NSC

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

Serial: 24

12 June 1944.

From: Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Commandant, U. S. Naval Operating Base,
Oran, Algeria.
Subject: PAGANI, Rinaldo, W/T Operator.

1. With reference to your letter, serial No. 413 of May 3, 1944 to F.O.L.I., in a further effort to locate the subject named man, information is requested, if available, as to the name of the U. S. Liberty ship on which he was embarked for transportation to Italy and her destination.

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

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File No.
SN-33/N30

Serial: 22

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

11 June 1944

From: Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Commanding General, XV U. S. Army Air Force,
APO 520.

Subject: Fiat Shops in Bari, Via Garuba No. 8, de-requisitioning
of.

1. Enclosed herewith is a translation of a letter received from the Italian Director General Naval Arms and Armaments, Taranto, dated 6 June 1944, requesting that consideration be given to returning the Fiat shops in Bari, Via Garuba No. 8, to Italian control. In as much as the Italian Navy has urgent requirements for motor transport repair facilities, information is requested as to whether there is any possibility of returning the Fiat shops or any portion thereof to the owners in the near future.

2. The Italian Navy authorities will make available an officer for an inspection of the shops, if necessary.

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

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PRO MEMORIA

T-R-A-N-S-L-A-T-I-O-NREPAIR OF AUTO VEHICLES:

Before the Armistice the Royal Navy used for repair of auto-vehicles, in addition to the workshops in the Royal Arsenale of Taranto, also those of the Fiat and Alfa Romeo companies of Bari. At Taranto, as in other nearby centers, there only existed modest facilities not equipped for carrying out heavy work.

2. Meanwhile, on one hand, the work of repair has increased becoming more and more difficult due to lack of spare parts, and on the other the two shops of Fiat and Alfa Romeo have been requisitioned since last October, first by the XII A.F.S.C. and later by the XV A.F.S.C.

Lacking the use of the civil workshops, as much as the service of the shops of the Arsenal has been increased, it has not been possible to keep up with the work and the situation is getting gradually worse, so much so as to cause serious worry regarding maintenance of automobile services.

3. In view of what has been set forth above, you are requested to take under consideration our transport situation, and intervene with the XV American Air Corps to examine the possibility of de-requisitioning the shops mentioned above. As nearly all our vehicles are FIAT, it would be helpful if the Fiat shops in Bari, Via Caruba No. 3, could be de-requisitioned.

This shop consists of a building of three floors, above ground, connected by an elevator (the ground floor was used for receiving cars turned in for repairs and for delivery of those completed and for normal maintenance services such as washing, and greasing; the first floor for parking vehicles, and the second repair shops). In case the American Forces which are now using the shops cannot at present renounce its occupation, you are requested to examine the possibility of ceding to the Royal Navy at least a part of the building to equip for our work.

In this way we would be able to entrust, as in the past, to private industry of proven worth the ability, the execution of the more complex repairs (complete overhauls) improving the efficiency of the vehicles which are most indispensable.

If, as we hope, the American Authorities will favorably consider our automobile situation, you are requested to detail an officer, who together with one of ours, could contact the Command of the XV American Corps at Bari and negotiate locally, after having met at the Fiat Garage, regarding the possibility of meeting our request, at least the minimum of our absolute necessity.

Taranto, 6 June 1944.

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

File No.
SP/NSC

8 June 1944.

Serial 020

CONFIDENTIAL

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

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

Subject: Ex-Fascist Officer.

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

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

Copy to:
Public Safety SC

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File No.
SP-NSC

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

Serial: 15

8 June 1944.

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

Subject: Exemptions - Italian Army.

Reference: (a) Army SC ltr AQ/30 of 30 May 1944.

1. By copy of reference (a), the Navy Sub-Commission was requested to advise as to the availability of 40 shipwrights from the Italian Navy.

2. As all available Italian Navy shipwrights are required for dockyard work, they cannot be supplied at this time.

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

Copy to:
HQ. No. 2 Dist.
"X" Water Tpt Coy RASC.

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

File No.
P15-8/725

Serial 9014

6 June 1944.

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

Commanding General
Headquarters No. 2 District, CMB.
Sari, Italy.

Subject: Italian Naval Deserters.

1. With reference to my letter, serial 323 of 13 May 1944, enclosed herewith is a copy of the Italian Minister of Marine letter #334/72 of 13 May 1944 and a copy of the Commander-in-Chief, Maritime Department, Ionian and Lower Adriatic letter #2070/C.C. of 13 May 1944, both of which relate to Italian Naval Deserters to Jugo-Slav forces.

2. If any of the officers and men listed in the Minister's letter of 13 May 1944 can be located and are found to be under Allied control, it is requested that this office be informed and that they be held for delivery to Italian Naval authorities. If on the other hand the men are found to be under Jugo-Slav custody and control, it is not desired that any effort be made to return them to Italian Naval authorities, pending the establishment by higher authorities of a policy governing this situation.

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

Copy to:
Regional Commissioner,
Dist. #2, ACC.
Displaced Persons SC.ACC.

From: Ministry of Marine. Cabinet.
Date: 13th May, 1944
To : F.O.L.I. TARANTO.
No: 334/ F. S. Enclosures I.

C-O-P-Y

Subject: SECRET RECRUITING OF MILITARY PERSONNEL OF SLAV ORIGIN.

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

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

- 1). I take note of your assurances given on the subject in question, and of the difficulties which hinder a rapid and complete solution of the inconveniences complained of.
- 2). However, since we are dealing with a subject, the gravity of which profoundly affects the question of morale in the Italian Royal Navy; I deem it advisable to draw attention to the existence of MONOPOLI of another Yugoslav Centre for the clandestine gathering of Italian Service Personnel who are recruited as a result of active propaganda, chiefly in the towns of BRINDISI and TARANTO.
- 3). At the above-mentioned centre at MONOPOLI, amongst the ranks of the Partisans, there are at present about 200 men of the Italian Royal Navy, including 3 officers.
- 4). I attach a list giving the names of Service Personnel whose presence in the Partisan Recruiting Camp has been ascertained.
- 5). As already previously advised, I ask your intervention for the return to the Italian Authorities of the above-mentioned Service-men, who have absented themselves without leave and who are thus regarded as deserters.

Signed - The Minister.

(ENCLOSURE).

6343

From: Commander in Chief, Maritime Department of IONIAN and
LOWER ADRIATIC.
Date: 13th May, 1944.
To : Rear Admiral C. E. MORGAN, P.O.T.A. TARANTO.
No : 2070/C.C.

Subject: ITALIAN SERVICE PERSONNEL WHO HAVE GONE OVER TO
THE JUGOSLAV PARTISANS.

RESERVED. PERSONAL. URGENT.

Further to the facts already made known to you by my letter No. 222/C.C dated 21st January, 1944 regarding the clandestine recruiting of Italian Service-men of Slav origin, and with reference to your 0940/8 of 18th February, 1944, I enclose a report by the Royal Carabinieri Command of MONOPOLI, with the request that you take measures to stop the Yugoslav Partisans from secretly recruiting personnel of the Italian Armed Forces.

Signed,

A. DA ZARA

Senior Rear Admiral,
Commander in Chief.

(ENCLOSURE).

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

File No.
PL3/HSC

Serial: 13

7 June 1944.

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

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

1. Enclosed herewith is a copy of the Italian Commander-in-Chief, Maritime Department of Ionian and Lower Adriatic letter No. 28205/C.C. of 30 May 1944, with reference to the return of Italian Naval deserters who are under Allied jurisdiction.

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

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

Copy to:
NAV REP HSC-Salerno
POTALI

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

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

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

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

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

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

Signed - A. DA ZARA.

Admiral,

Commander in Chief.

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(ENCLOSURE).

File No.
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

Serial 0012

7 June 1944.

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

From: Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Chief Commissioner, A. C. C.
Subject: Italian Naval Deserters to Jugo-Slav Forces.

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

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

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

REAR-ADMIRAL.

Copy to:
NAVREP NSC-Salerno.

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

C-O-P-Y

Subject: SECRET RECRUITING OF MILITARY PERSONNEL OF SLAV ORIGIN

S E C R E T:

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

- 1). I take note of your assurances given on the subject in question, and of the difficulties which hinder a rapid and complete solution of the inconveniences complained of.
- 2). However, since we are dealing with a subject, the gravity of which profoundly affects the question of morale in the Italian Royal Navy; I deem it advisable to draw attention to the existence of MONOPOLI of another Yugoslav Centre of the clandestine gathering of Italian Service Personnel who are recruited as a result of active propaganda, chiefly in the towns of BRINDISI and TARANTO.
- 3). At the above-mentioned centre at MONOPOLI, amongst the ranks of the Partisans, there are at present about 200 men of the Italian Royal Navy, including 8 Officers.
- 4). I attach a list giving the names of Service Personnel whose presence in the Partisan Recruiting Camp has been ascertained.
- 5). As already previously advised, I ask your intervention for the return to the Italian Authorities of the above-mentioned Service-men, who have absented themselves without leave and who are thus regarded as deserters.

Signed - The Minister

(ENCLOSURE).

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LIST OF PERSONNEL OF ITALIAN ROYAL NAVY WHO AS A RESULT OF
ACTIVE PARTISAN PROPAGANDA, HAVE DESERTED AND TAKEN REFUGE
IN THE VARIOUS SLAV CONCENTRATION CAMPS.

<u>RANK</u>	<u>FULL NAME.</u>	
Sub Lieut. C.R.E.M.	CIANI	Ferdinando
Idg. Mechanic	SCOPAZZI	Vittorio
Sto.	CHERBAZ	Mario
"	COCOTTI	Olivio
"	VARESCO	Raffaele
"	MOCOLE	Leone
"	LUPPI	Italo
"	SALVARANTI	Mario
"	VENTURINI	Michele
Ord. Gunner	LUCCIN	Giulio
" "	GUIDI	Vittorio
" "	CERNIC	Albini
Idg Sto. O.	FRUSCA	Giuseppe
Electrician	PETTRIROSSI	Carlo
Gunner O.	GANDELLI	Paolo
Electrician	FONDA	Giorgio
Sto. O.	CHENDA	Alberto
Gunner O.	RIBARIC	Giordano.

(ENCLOSURE)

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C-O-P-Y:

From: Commander in Chief, Maritime Department of IONIAN and
LOWER ADRIATIC.
Date: 13th May, 1944.
To : Rear Admiral C. E. MORGAN, F.O.T.A. TARANTO.
No : 2070/C.C.

Subject: ITALIAN SERVICE PERSONNEL WHO HAVE GONE OVER TO
THE JUGOSLAV PARTISANS.

RESERVED. PERSONAL. URGENT.
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Further to the facts already made known to you by my letter No. 282/C.C dated 21st January, 1944 regarding the clandestine recruiting of Italian Service-men of Slav origin, and with reference to your 0940/5 of 18th February, 1944, I enclose a report by the Royal Carabinieri Command of MONOPOLI, with the request that you take measures to stop the Yugoslav Partisans from secretly recruiting personnel of the Italian Armed Forces.

Signed,

A. DA ZARA

Senior Rear Admiral
Commander in Chief

(ENCLOSURE).

TERRITORIAL COMPANY OF ROYAL CARABINEERS - BARI
MONOPOLI DETACHMENT.

No. 79/72

RESERVE. PERSONAL.

MONOPOLI, 7th May, 1944

Subject: ITALIAN SERVICE PERSONNEL DESERTED TO THE JUGOSLAV
PARTISANS.

To: Commander in Chief, Maritime Department of IONIAN and LOWER
ADRIATIC.
And to various Italian Authorities.

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On the 1st Ult. the Seaman TRAPPELLA, Ennio, born at
MESOLA, (Ferrara) on the 16th July, 1916, attached to BRINDISI
Division, S.A.C.A. Department, having recuperated in the Italian
Royal Naval Sick Bay at BRINDISI, was, by deceitful means induced
to leave the Sick Bay.

He was accompanied on board a ship belonging to the Jugo-
slav Partisans which was anchored in that port, by another sailor,
fair, of normal stature, a native of the TRIESTE Province doing
guard duties in the said Sick Bay.

On board the ship TRAPPELLA was offered a substantial meal
and furthermore was induced to drink a great deal of wine which made
him slightly intoxicated.

Towards midnight that same night 3 Partisans came aboard
and invited TRAPPELLA to accompany them on a motor trip. He accepted
the offer.

The fair sailor mentioned above, who cannot be identified,
also entered the car, which, as soon as it was clear of BRINDISI
made off towards MONOPOLI.

When they arrived at that place TRAPPELLA and the other
sailor were taken to the local PARTISAN COMMAND and imprisoned.

The following morning TRAPPELLA was taken before the C. O.
of the Partisans from whom he learned that he had been enrolled
among them and that in the course of a few days he would be sent
to JUGOSLAVIA. TRAPPELLA tried to make it understood that he had
been taken to the Partisan Command against his will but his pro-
tests only served to have him imprisoned again, whilst the other
sailor, who donned the Partisan uniform, was released.

TRAPPELLA declared that in the prison were four other
PARTISANS and the Infantryman PERUS, Mario, native of the Province
of GORIZIA, belonging to a Detachment stationed at BARI, who told
him that he had been brought to MONOPOLI under false pretences,
after having been made drunk at a public drinking place at BARI.

PERUS gave TRAPPELLA to understand that he, also had no
wish to remain with the Partisans.

Towards 1700 on the 6th instant, TRAPPELLA, seeing Chief
petty Officer VETTOR, Ugo of the Italian Royal Navy, 6835 in
the street, disclosed to him his position and begged him to

pass again later to receive a note to send to TRAPPELLA's Command.
This conversation was observed by two agents of the Partisan Police, and these warned the Political Commissioner who betook himself to the prison, administered a blow to TRAPPELLA and ordered his isolation in a collar.

Yesterday evening TRAPPELLA escaped from that place and called at the local office of the Italian Royal Navy which informed the C. O. of the Station in this Centre, who arranged to put the sailor in a place of safety in this Barracks, so that he might be escorted to BARI the following day.

What is revealed above sheds light on the methods employed by the Yugoslav Propaganda Agents to constrain Service-men of the Army and Navy to become enlisted in the Partisan Army, - methods which are contrary to International Law.

Consequently the immediate intervention of our Central Authorities and of the Allied Authorities is desirable for the speedy liberation of the Infantryman PERUS who is still in prison and who will be sent to Yugoslavia by the first passage, which should take place in the early days of the coming week; and for the release of other elements of our army enlisted in the ranks of the Partisans.

Signed - ANGELO MASSARO,

Sub-Lieutenant in Command.

File No.
31/980

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

Serial 011.

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6 June 1944.

From: Senior U. S. Naval Officer, Italy.
To : Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Fleet and Chief of Naval Operations.
Via : Commander U. S. Naval Forces, Northwest African Waters.
Subject: Italian submarines operating under U. S. control at Bermuda - Allowances for.
Reference: (a) SUSNOI secret serial 0080 of 18 March 1944 to COMINCH.
(b) COMNAVHAW confidential 7th endorsement, serial 0797 of 1 May 1944 to COMINCH.

1. The Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Fleet and Chief of Naval Operations was advised by reference (a) as to rates of pay advances established for personnel attached to Italian submarines operating under U. S. control at Bermuda. The rates established were confirmed by reference (b).

2. The Italian Minister of Marine on 29 May 1944, requested that in addition to pay advances previously authorized that the personnel of Italian submarines operating at Bermuda may receive the following sums per month, in dollars. These payments are understood to be used solely to cover mess expenses and laundry.

For each Officer: 35 dollars per month.
(Per ciascun Ufficiale: dollari mensili 35).

For each Petty Officer: 5 dollars per month.
(Per ciascun Sottufficiale: dollari mensili 5).

For each Mid. and others: 2 dollars per month.
(Per ciascun Sergente, Sottocapo e Comune: dollari mensili 2).

3. It is recommended that U. S. Naval Disbursing Officers authorized and directed to advance funds for the payment of the additional allowances which have been approved by the Italian Minister of Marine.

Copy to:
ACC
Buzanda
COMNAVHAW-Bermuda

R. W. AIROLI,
Commander, U. S. Navy
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File No.
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

Serial 10.

6 June 1944.

From: Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Public Safety Sub-Commission, A.C.C.
Subject: Guardia di Finanza Barracks at Catania - Return of.

1. With reference to your letter ACC/14012/2/PS of 28 April 1944, an investigation has been made to determine whether the barracks at Catania or a portion thereof, which were formerly occupied by the Guardia di Finanza may be returned to that organization.

2. It is regretted that there is no possibility at present of returning any portion of the barracks to the Guardia di Finanza.

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

Copy to:
NAVREP NSC-Salerno.

File No.
SL6/NAC

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

Serial 008.

5 June 1944.

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

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

Subject: Italian Prison Camp at S. Domino (TREMITI).

1. A duplicate copy of POTALI letter No. T.A. 1112/13 of 31 March 1944 forwarding a copy of the Minister's letter of 24 March 1944 is enclosed herewith.

2. The Minister on 27 May 1944 in his letter reference 21811/3, copy attached, again requests information in regard to the possibility of organizing a concentration camp for the imprisonment of offenders at S. Domino (TREMITI).

3. It is noted that paragraph 2 of the Minister's letter of 24 March 1944, advises that the Allied Control Commission has forbidden the transfer of detained persons to S. Domino, whereas his letter of 27 May 1944 refers to the organization of the camp.

4. Information is requested as to whether any action has been taken on paragraph 4 of the Minister's letter of 24 March 1944. If not, the matter should be reopened to determine whether there are any objections to the use of the camp at S. Domino for Italian prisoners and whether it is possible to transfer the prisoners to the Tremiti Islands.

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

Copy to:
POTALI

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

ITALIAN MILITARY PRISONS.
(MINISTER OF MARINE'S LETTER NO. 10401/3. OF 24TH MAR 1944.)

II.

No. T. A. 1112/13.

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.

Referred with reference to your signal No. 2455
of 10th March.

(Signed) C. E. MORGAN

REAR-ADMIRAL.

TARANTO.
31st March, 1944.

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C-O-P-Y

From: Ministry of Marine (Cabinet).
To : F O L I
Date: 27.5.44
Ref.: 21811/S

Subject: MILITARY PRISONS.

We shall be glad if you will kindly reply to letter No. 10401/S dated 24th March last in regard to the possibility of organizing a concentration camp for imprisonment of offenders at S. Domino (TREMITI).

for THE MINISTER.

DG.-)

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

From: Ministry of Marine . Cabinet .
Date: 24th March 1944. No: 10401/S.
To : F.O.L.I.

MILITARY PRISONS.

1. In your letter T. A. 1112/18 dated 11th March 1944, you asked that the 100 Naval Ratings detained at the Civil Prison of Brindisi, be transferred elsewhere as you have to use the building for your own needs.

2. Your request has been given due consideration and with it, the situation of the Royal Italian Naval prisons has been examined with the conclusion that the prison accomodation for Royal Italian Naval personnel is not sufficient to meet the requirements.

To remedy this deficiency, the Italian Navy has begun to prepare prison camps on the Tremiti Is., (San Domino) and at Spinazzola. But, the Allied Control Commission has forbidden the transfer of detained persons to San Domino, while the other camp at Spinazzola has been requisitioned.

3. In addition to this, Captain H. W. ALDEN, Prisons Superintendent, ACC Region II - Matera, recently asked the Military Maritime Command of Brindisi to transfer elsewhere 107 sailors under detention in the prisons of Lecce.

4. In view of the absolute lack of either suitable places, and as it is not possible to free the servicemen detained in the prisons of Brindisi and Lecce awaiting trial for serious crimes, it is requested that you may re-consider the possibility of sending prisoners to San Domino, which would be particularly suitable as a prison camp. Only in this manner would it be possible to adhere to your request and to leave at your complete disposal the prisons of Brindisi and Lecce.

for THE MINISTER
SANSONETTI.

J.A.R.B.

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File No.
SL6/W3C

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

Serial 7.

4 June 1944.

From: Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Naval Representative, Naval Sub-Commission, A.C.C.
Subject: Italian Lighthouse service - Control of.

1. Referring to paragraph 2 of your letter, reference 214/44 of 20 May 1944, please furnish this office with a copy of the letter of 10 March 1944 to Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, on the subject of Italian lighthouses.

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

H. St. J. BUTLER,
Commander, U. S. Navy,
By direction.

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File No.
18-2/WAC

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

Serial 6.

1 June 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Economic Section, Allied Control Commission, APO 394.
Subject: Materials, Work and Services rendered by IRM -
payment for.
Reference: (a) Economic Section ltr 13078/P of 26 May 1944.
(b) Naval Sub-Commission ltr 110-3/ACC. serial 244
of 13 May 1944.
Enclosure: (A) Copy of Italian Minister of Marine ltr to
FOLE 2.4.44 216/FO (and enclosure).

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith in accordance
with request contained in reference (a).

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

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File No.
A4-2/NSC

Serial 5.

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

30 May 1944.

FROM: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
TO : Resident Naval Officer, Catania.

Subject: Barracks GOLF.

Enclosure: (A) NSC ltr serial 219 of 16 May 1944.

1. A reply is requested to original of enclosure
(A), which was forwarded to you on 16 May 1944.

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

not sent

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File No.
A4-2/830

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

1 June 1944.

Serial 4.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Public Safety Sub-Commission, Allied Control
Commission.

Subject: Barracks GG VP, Sicily.

1. Reference is made to your AGC/14012/2P3 of 17 May, which was received this date. The Naval Sub-Commission on 16 May requested the Resident Naval Officer, Catania, to supply information regarding the possible return of subject barracks to GG VP. An effort will be made to expedite the reply and you will be informed immediately upon its receipt.

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

not sent

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File No.
P13/NSC

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

Serial No. 3

29 May 1944.

From: Chief Naval Sub-Commissioner, Allied Control
Commission.
To : General Officer Commanding, District No. 2, Bari.
Subject: Incident at Giovinazzo Railway Station.
Enclosure: (a) Copy of letter from Ministry of Marine, Cabinet,
No. 348/P.O. of 24 May 1944.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith.
2. It is requested that the Naval Sub-Commission be
advised of the action taken by Allied authorities in regard to
subject incident.

REAR-ADMIRAL.

Copy to:
FOTALI

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File No.
A14-7/HSC

Serial: 2

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

22 May 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Section.
To: Headquarters Allied Control Commission,
Office of the Secretary General, APO 334.

Subject: Execution of Document "D" for transfer of
Territory.

Reference: (a) Hq. ACC Memo SG 602.3 of 22 May 1944.
(b) ACC Rear ltr ACC/4140/L of 20 May 1944.
(c) AFHQ ltr NGS-327.4-2 of 3 May 1944.
(d) Legal SC, ACC ltr ACC/4140/L of 16 May 1944.

1. Reference (a) forwarded references (b), (c) and
(d) with the request that the Navy Sub-Commission comment regard-
ing paragraph 3a (1), Articles 1 and 2.

2. The Navy Sub-Commission has been unable to obtain
any information concerning Italian administrative implementation
of Document A on the subject of the United Nations right to use
facilities or to quarter troops. It is believed that no such
administrative instructions exist.

Copy to:
TOTALI
NAV REP Salerno.

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

File No.
894/H30

Serial: 1 ✓

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

27 May 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To: Industry and Commerce Sub-Commission, Allied
Control Commission.

Subject: Transfer of Archimede Pontoon from Catania to
Malta.

Reference: (a) AOC/5103/10 of 22 May 1944.

1. Reference (a) forwarded a letter from the Italian
Ship Salvage Committee regarding the transfer of subject pontoon
from Catania to Malta.

2. Flag Officer Taranto and Adriatic, Liaison Italy,
has recently informed the Italian Minister of Marine that due to
the need for the pontoon at Malta, it can not be allowed to remain
at Catania.

3. As POTALI has informed the Naval Sub-Commission
that this decision is final, no further action is contemplated.

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

File No.
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

Serial: (0077)

25 May 1944

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

From: Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To: Chief Commissioner, Allied Control Commission.
Subject: Conference with Italian Government.
Enclosure: (1) CINCPAC ltr HSD 829/4/18 of 24 March 1944.
(2) Industry & Commerce Sub-Com. ltr ACC/1111/10 of 31 March 1944. (Subject: Oxygen - Grotone Plant).

1. A copy of a letter dated 13 April 1944 from Marshal Badoglio, enclosing a summary of problems which the Italian Government desires to discuss with the Allied Control Commission, was forwarded to the Naval Sub-Commission, ACC by HQ. ACC., letter 80000.1 of 9 May 1944 for comment. The primary matter raised for consideration by the Naval Sub-Commission relates to the operation and use of shipbuilding and repair facilities formerly employed by the Italian Navy, as outlined under the heading "Industrial Recovery" on page 6 of the summary.

2. From a review of the arguments made that industrial plants should be returned to Italian control, it is quite apparent that the primary concern is to rehabilitate Italian industries, rather than to further the immediate war effort. This matter was previously raised by a report submitted by an Italian Committee of Experts which was referred to Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, for instructions. A copy of the policy established and directive issued by Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, for the utilization of Italian shipbuilding and repair facilities is attached hereto.

3. A specific request is made on page 6, paragraph 2 of the summary that at least one half of the repair facilities in the Taranto area be used for the repair of Italian Naval vessels. The present policy for the Naval Dockyard and Tosi Shipyard at Taranto is to employ 70% of the personnel on Allied ships and the remaining 30% on Italian ships. The Naval Dockyard is used wholly for ship repairs. The Tosi Shipyard is fully employed for repair and new construction work. It is operated under contracts between the Allies and the Italian owners. In this manner both yards are provided with employment and maintained in excellent operating condition. Under the policy established by the Combined Chiefs of Staff, Allied resources and facilities for the repair, overhaul and maintenance of combatant ships are to be devoted only to ships which will contribute immediately and profitably to the war effort. It is unfortunate that many Italian Naval vessels at the time of the Armistice were in such a condition that repairs are not warranted in the interest of the war effort or that the same status now obtains for these vessels, either due to the lack of modern armament or subsequent material failures. At the present time every available ship repair facility is being used for the

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

FILE NO.
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Serial: ()

25 May 1944.

S-3-C-R-3-T:

Subject: Conference with Italian Government.

best interests of the Allied war effort. The proposal that 50% of the repair facilities in the Tarento area be reserved for Italian Naval vessels is not worthy of serious consideration.

4. Additional points raised in the summary are discussed briefly below:

(a) All requests by company officials for access to documents needed for the settlement of legal and tax matters will receive every consideration when submitted through proper channels.

(b) The salvage of sunken ships is a responsibility of Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, in accordance with COMINT ltr No. 285 of 3 May 1944 to the Chief Commissioner AGO. Considerable progress has been made, however, in turning over Maritime services, particularly in Sicily, to Italian control. In this area the Italian Navy is performing essential services such as harbour clearance and mine sweeping.

(c) The Minister of Marine in January 1944 requested authority to obtain materials such as lime, cement and brick and complete the Dry Dock in Mar Grande at Tarento. The Minister was advised on 16 January 1944 that on account of the acute shortage of skilled labour and material the work was not justified. Moreover, there is no immediate need for such a large drydock, especially without elaborate repair facilities, including buildings and machine tools, which it would be practically impossible to procure in time to serve any use in the immediate future.

(d) There appears to be no objection to the establishment of collection centers for scrap material.

(e) The supply of fuel and power for the production of metal products can only be considered based on specific requests.

(f) The Minister of Marine on 27 November 1943, requested that transport be furnished for lumber from Calabria. The matter was the subject of lengthy correspondence terminating in a letter from the Italian Commander-in-Chief, London on 13 March 1944, stating that the transport was no longer necessary because the timber had been requisitioned by Allied authorities.

(g) The increase in production of bituminous material and the transport of manufactured goods are general subjects. It is recommended that the Italian Government submit details for consideration.

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File No.
A3-2

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

Serial: ()

25 May 1944.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Subject: Conference with Italian Government.

(h) Every effort is being made to obtain clothing for the Italian Navy. The Army Sub-Commission AGC., has been designated by No. 141 letter 5 May 1944 to the Chief Commissioner AGC., as responsible for the supervision and control of the supply of clothing for the Italian Armed Forces, including the Navy. Allied Force Headquarters recently made recommendations to the Combined Chiefs of Staff regarding the supply of clothes for the Navy. Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, has been advised by Flag Officer Taranto and Adriatic, Liaison Italy, that this procedure will result in considerable delay in the supply of clothing. For this reason it was recommended that the Army Sub-Commission continue to supply clothing to the Italian Navy for the present.

(1) The Minister of Marine on 15 January 1944, requested that material and equipment be provided for the manufacture of 40,000 pairs of shoes. This matter has been referred to the Admiralty, Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, and Flag Officer Eastern Italy. Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, was advised by Flag Officer Taranto and Adriatic Liaison, Italy on 21 March 1944, that no arrangements could be made for the repair of shoes due to lack of materials.

(3) The return of the Sotiere Meridionale plant at Naples to the Italian Navy is governed by the same principles enumerated in Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean letter RMD 829/4/18 of 24/3 attached, which establishes the policy that Italian ship repair facilities are reserved for Allied use until such times as a surplus exists. Attached hereto is a copy of Industry and Commerce Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission, letter reference AGC/5111/10 of 31 March 1944, in which it is proposed that this plant be used for the manufacture of oxygen.

5. The subject of Italian Naval deserters to Jugo-Slav forces has been referred by the Chief Commissioner, Allied Control Commission, to higher authorities for a statement of policy. In the interim, every effort is being made to discourage such practices. Individual reports of desertion are being investigated. If the deserters are found to be under Allied control, they will be returned to Italian authorities.

6. In conclusion, it is observed that practically all questions raised are of long standing and have either been acted upon or are of a continuing nature, involving supply and repair facilities.

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NAVAL SUP AGC - Salerno.
TOTAL.

REAR-ADMIRAL.

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

File No.
F13/acc

Serial: (258)

25 May 1944.

From:
To :

Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
Commodore Superintendent of the Dockyard,
Taranto Arsenal, Taranto.

Attention: Fuel Officer.

Subject: Alleged theft of coal at dockyard.

Enclosure: (A) HQ. No. 2 Dist. CMF Coal Section ltr of 1 May 1944
to NSC, ACC.
(B) HQ. No. 2 Dist. CMF ltr. C.2 of 22 May 1944.

1. Enclosures (A) and (B) are forwarded herewith.
2. Comments are desired in regard to the alleged theft of coal so that appropriate action may be taken.

Copy to:
Coal Section AFHQ
HQ No. 2 Dist CMF

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

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A.C.C. Naval Sub-Commission,
Allied Control Commission,
TARANTO.

HQ. No. 2 Dist. CMF,
Coal Section.

JWD/RS. 1 May 44

On a visit of the under-signed to Taranto on the 15th ultimo, it was reported to him (for your private guidance the informant was the Engineer of the Gas Works there) that in the ARSENALE there was a stock of some 700 tons of enemy coal which was being delivered out of the Arsenal under the Arsenal Authority control and through a Signor ZIGARI (or similar name) to civilian firms and/or individuals in Taranto. This informant stated, in fact, that some of this coal had been delivered to him for the equivalent in Gas coals.

It would be of interest to this Coal Section to receive further information regarding the above mentioned alleged stock, before making any decision as to what action, if any, might be considered advisable. It is possible that A.C.C. Naval Sub-Commission may be interested in the matter and/or in a position to give assistance in the effort to secure the desired information as above indicated, and this letter is therefore submitted to that end.

(signed)
J. W. DAVIES
Capt.,
for Lt. Col.,
Coal Section AFHQ
att HQ No. 2 Dist.

(ENCLOSURE (A)).

6316

Subject: Stock of coal in
Arsenale at Toronto

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Allied Control Commission,
Naval Sub-Commission,
Navy House, TORONTO.

Coal Section AFHQ,
att HQ No. 2 Dist.
C.M.F.

Ref: C.2. 22 May 44

Reference your JJ7/ACC of 15 May 44

Attached is copy of letter sent you on 1 May by Capt.
DAVIES, who has now gone to another area.

The stock that he writes of would appear to be a civ-
ilian stock, not that of the Royal Navy.

Further enquiries of the people he mentions might bring
more light on the matter.

/s/ R. BLACK

Capt. R.E.

(Enclosure (B)).

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File No.
44-1

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

24 May 1944.

Serial: () ✓

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From: Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Naval Representative, Naval Sub-Commission, ACC.

Subject: Italian Naval Vessels - Disposition of.

1. Referring to your letter of 17 May 1944, the Chief Commissioner, ACC, should be advised that a request has been received from Lieut. Comdr. K. K. GRISHCHINSKY, U.S.S.R. Navy, Assistant to the Soviet Representative on the Allied Control Commission, for data on the disposition and condition of Italian Naval Vessels under Allied Control.

2. The Commissioner should further be informed that the request has been approved verbally by the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, but that the Commissioner's approval is also desired to obviate the possibility that the Allied Control Commission may consider it inadvisable to furnish this data for political reasons, unless officially requested by the Soviet Government.

3. In any case, it may be necessary to withhold complete information for the time being on account of the operational nature of the disposition of the Italian Naval vessels.

REAR-ADMIRAL

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

File No:
JJ55

Serial: (257)

23 May 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Industry and Commerce Sub-Commission, A.C.C.

Subject: Shoes for Italian Naval Personnel - repair of.

1. Industry and Commerce Sub-Commission, A.C.C. letter reference ACC/5157/IC of 18 May 1944, advises that arrangements have been made for the repair of Army footwear to be issued on payment to civilians.

2. The Italian Navy is urgently in need of facilities for the repair of shoes to be used by Navy personnel. Information is requested as to whether the facilities available for the repair of Army footwear could be utilized by the Italian Navy for the repair of shoes.

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

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

File No.
P1/ACC

Serial 250. ✓

25 May 1944.

RECORD ENCLOSURE to
HQ 2675TH Reg. ACC
(Prev) ltr 210.451
of 19 May 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Headquarters 2675th Regiment Allied Control Commission,
(Provisional) AIC 394.

Subject: Status of Personnel.

1. Returned.
2. This Sub-Commission has no record of personnel mentioned in basic correspondence.

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

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

File No.
CM/ACC

25 May 1944.

Serial: (255)

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Industry and Commerce Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.

Subject: Steelworks in Italian Government Territory.

1. The Italian Minister of Marine has requested information from Flag Officer Liaison Italy as to whether Allied Authorities have any establishment working for the production of steel in Italian Government territory.

2. It is requested that the desired information be furnished to this Sub-Commission so that it may be communicated to the Minister of Marine.

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

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File No.
A7/ACC

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

Serial: (254)

24 May 1944.

Captain E. ABILEY,
Press Censor Liaison Officer No. 2 District.
Press and Radio Censorship Branch, A.F.H.Q.
C/o P.S.B. Unit No. 9, APC 512.

Subject: Military Censorship.

1. The Naval Sub-Commission, ACC, was advised by your letter of 15 May 1944 that all press releases by the Italian Ministry of Marine relating to operations must be cleared through Field Press Censorship Branch, C/o P.S.B. Naples, before publication.

2. Information is requested as to whether or not these instructions have been communicated to the Italian Ministry of Marine or whether it is desired that the Minister be advised by the Naval Sub-Commission, ACC. In the latter case, further data on the procedure to be followed for the release of statements is necessary in order properly to inform the Minister.

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

337/ACC

Serial: (210)

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

15 May, 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Headquarters No. 2 District, CMF, Coal Section. (Barr)
Subject: Taranto Arsenal, Coal Stock File.

1. In regard to your memorandum JWB/RS of 11 May, 1944, the Coal Section's letter dated 1 May has not been received.

2. However, this office has determined from the Royal Navy Fuel Officer at subject arsenal that as of the present date the supply of coal on the ground at the arsenal is 7,158 tons of "North Country". An additional unspecified amount is scheduled to be unloaded at the arsenal within the next few days.

3. This office will be glad to obtain further information when informed of your requirements.

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

H. St. J. BUTLER,
Commander, U. S. Navy,
By direction.

ACC Serial 416

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

L10-3/ACC

Serial: (*W.F.*)

18 May 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Chief Commissioner, Allied Control Commission.
Subject: Materials, Work and Services rendered by IRN - payment
for.

The attached scheme for accounting for supplies issued to the Allies has been submitted by the Minister of Marine. I would appreciate confirmation, that under the Armistice terms, no eventual payment to the Italian Government for services rendered is contemplated. If this is so, the Minister of Marine will be informed accordingly.

Rear-Admiral.

6308

File No.
ALO-1/ACC

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

Serial: (VY)

21 May 1944.

From: Deputy Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Chief, Sub-Commission for Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives.
Subject: Publications.

1. It is requested that this office be supplied with copies of all publications issued by the Sub-Commission for Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives. In this connection, it will be appreciated if copies of all publications thus far distributed, including "Lists of Protected Monuments Italy - 3 Regions of Lazio and Abruzzi-Molise", might be forwarded at this time.

H. W. BIRCH,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
Deputy Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, A.C.C.

6307

AC-2/ACC

Serial: (7-6)

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

16 May 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
to: Interior Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.

Subject: Morse Radio Interception Unit at Bari, Italy.

Reference: (a) Nav Sub-Com, ACC ltr. and. of 1 May 1944 to PWB/PWE
Bari Outpost ltr. of 21 April 1944 to F.O.T.I.I.I.

Enclosure: (4) Copy of Minister of Marine (Office of Press Propaganda)
ltr. of 10 May 1944.

1. Reference (a) requested the Interior Sub-Commission to determine the extent to which subject equipment is required by the Minister of Interior.
2. Enclosure (4) is forwarded for information and contains an alternate proposal of the Italian Office of Press and Propaganda regarding the supply of a radio telegraph interceptor net to PWB, Bari Outpost.
3. By copy of this letter PWB, Bari Outpost is requested to notify the Naval and Interior Sub-Commissions by dispatch as to the acceptability of the alternate proposal.

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

Copy to: (with Enc.)
PWB/PWE Bari Outpost
Commodore Palmer, ACC
Member, Nav-Sub-Com, ACC, Salerno.

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File No.
AG-2

SENIOR U. S. NAVAL OFFICER, ITALY

Serial: (✓✓✓)

21 May 1944.

From: Senior U. S. Naval Officer, Italy.
To : Commandant, Naval Operating Base, PALERMO, Sicily.
Subject: Lieutenant (junior grade) L. R. NATHAN, U. S. Naval Reserve,
Intelligence report by.
Reference: (a) Report of 8 February 1944, Subject: Moral Aboard the
RAIMONDE MONTENAPOLI, general observations on.

1. A copy of the referenced report was transmitted to this office by the Naval Intelligence Unit of Commander U. S. Naval Forces, North-west African Waters, with covering intelligence report, Serial 155-44 dated 23 February 1944. The observations of Lieutenant (junior grade) NATHAN concerning the morale, discipline and ability of Italian Naval personnel, based on his personal experiences as Communication Liaison Officer aboard the S. I. RAIMONDE MONTENAPOLI, have been most interesting and helpful to this command. His conclusions appear to be sound and largely supported by the reports of other Allied Intelligence and Liaison Officers.

2. As the only United States Naval Liaison Officer stationed on board an Italian war vessel in this theatre, Lieutenant (junior grade) NATHAN is in an unusually advantageous position from which to observe and report on the state of moral and efficiency of Italian Naval personnel. In view of the need of this office for every available source of intelligence information of this nature, it is recommended that Lieutenant (junior grade) NATHAN be directed to submit a further report at this time and that a copy of such report be transmitted to this command at the earliest date possible. It is further requested that additional reports be regularly submitted by this officer in order that a running account of conditions may be kept.

S. W. KIRCH,
Commodore, U. S. Navy.

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File No.
16

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

Serial: (240)

22 May 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Industry and Commerce, Allied Control Commission.
Subject: Release of leather.

1. Referring to your letter ACC/5300/7/10 of 17 May 1944, the prompt action taken in releasing 1 quintal of leather to the Italian Navy is noted. It is further stated that a bid will be made for the balance of 1 quintal at the next meeting of the appropriate committee. As the original request submitted by Form NAT No. 10 of 12 May 1944, was for ten quintal of leather, information is requested as to whether the remaining nine quintal can be obtained.

R. E. FINKEL,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
for Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, A. C. C.

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NAV REF NAV SUBCOM, ACC

File No.
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

Serial: (74/)

20 May 1944.

To: Regional Control and Military Government Section, A. C. C.
Regional Commissioner No. II District, A. C. C.
Mediterranean Shipping Board, Italy.

Subject: Port of CROTONE, - Report of Inspection of.

Enclosure: (A) Copy of subject report.
(B) Translation of ltr. of Captain of the Port, Crotone,
dated 12 May 1944.

1. Enclosures (A) and (B), submitted by the U. S. Navy Port Officer, Taranto, on shipping conditions at the port of CROTONE is forwarded herewith for information and such action as may be necessary.

2. Particular reference is made to the lack of adequate security measures resulting in pilferage to the cargoes of vessels unloading.

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

Copy to:
Lt. BUTTON,
ACC Port Auth. CROTONE
with enc.

B

UNITED STATES NAVY PORT OFFICE
TARANTO, ITALY

13 May 1944

From: U.S. Navy Port Officer, Taranto.
To : Senior U.S. Naval Officer, Italy.
Subject: Port of CROTONE, report of inspection of.
Reference: (a) Letter of Lieut. C. BUTTON, A.C.C. Port Authority
Crotone, dated 27 April, 1944.
Enclosure: (b) Verbal instructions from SUSNOI.
(A) Report of Inspection.
(B) Letter of Captain of Port, Crotone.
(C) Map of Port.
(D) Copy of Reference (a).

1. In accordance with reference (b) the undersigned officer proceeded to CROTONE, Italy on 11 May, 1944 to inspect the Port facilities and to ascertain the facts regarding the matters set forth in reference (a).

2. Enclosure (A) contains the recommendations of this office.

3. Enclosures (B) and (C) were furnished by the Captain of the Port at Crotone. Enclosure (B) has been translated and copies of the translation are attached to the enclosure.

4. It is desired to make special mention of the co-operation and courtesies extended by Captain VITALE, Captain of the Port, and Lieut. C. BUTTON during the visit to CROTONE.

J. N. LILLY,
Lieut. U.S.N.R.

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REPORT OF INSPECTION - PORT OF CROTONE, ITALY

May 11, 1944

1. Port Officials contacted.

Captain Giovanni VITALE, R.I.N., Captain of the Port.
Has adequate staff to handle local problems.

Lieut. C. BUTTON (British Army).
A.C.C. Port Authority and is in charge of discharging
and warehousing of cargo. Utilizes local labor.

Antonio TRICOLI.
W.S.A. representative at Crotone, whose immediate
superior has headquarters at Naples.

2. Port Capacity and facilities.

Three vessels at any one time. One carrying 7,000 tons, one 6,000
and one 5,000. In bad weather not more than two vessels.

One pier will handle vessel with 26½ foot draft; others not more
than 25 feet.

One 8 ton crane.

One small light railway with 27 cars (13 more cars are needed to
handle the discharging of two vessels efficiently).

DEFICIENCIES.

Insufficient information regarding arrival of vessels, cargo and draft.

Slings, 16 ft in length.

Canvas for slings.

Heavy line and cable.

Barges,

Tug

3. Port Traffic and Cargo.

All cargo is A.C.C. cargo. Eight vessels have discharged cargo in
Crotone since January 1944; Seven U.S. vessels, one British.

Average two per month; 8 to 10 days to discharge each vessel.

30,000 tons of wheat and flour have been discharged from said vessels.

Considerable lumber exported.

Potential problem in the use of the pier with deepest draft by lumber
and flour vessels.

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ENCLOSURE (A)

6301

REPORT OF INSPECTION - PORT OF CROTONE

11 May 1944

4. Security.

None - except local Italian Police.

(Average of 30 tons per vessel are reported to be lost to hold pilferage, etc.).

No Port Rules or Regulations, for civilians or military personnel.

No Curfew.

5. Recommendations.

1. Proper A.C.C. authority should be informed regarding the entire situation.

2. Italian authorities should be called upon to furnish necessary equipment to expedite unloading, particularly canvas, as none is available locally.

3. A set of Port Rules and Regulations should be prepared and distributed to masters of vessels upon arrival in port, and provisions made for enforcing same.

4. Steps should be taken to meet the security problem. This perhaps could be done by local authorities.

5. Captain of Port and A.C.C. Port Authorities should be furnished more complete information regarding vessels assigned to Crotone as to date of arrival, draft of vessel and cargo.

6. A priority schedule be worked out between the A.C.C. authorities and the U.S. Army Authorities (under whose supervision the exportation of lumber is accomplished) for the use of the pier having the deepest draft and best unloading facilities.

7. It was the opinion of Lieut. C. BUTTON that the use of the port for discharge of A.C.C. food supplies will continue and increase in the future. If this situation does materialize, it is recommended that some Allied Naval Authority be assigned to the Port of CROTONE.

J. N. LILLY,
Lieut. U.S.N.R.

ROYAL NAVY

CAPTAIN OF THE PORT'S OFFICE
CROTONE
Command Office.

No. 208/1, Enclosure 1.

Crotone, 12 May, 1944.

To Lieutenant Leely
U. S. Navy Port Officer,
Navy House, Taranto.

Subject: Discharge facilities for American motorships in the port of Crotone.

As is known, for several months American Motorships of the Liberty type have put into this port and discharge foodstuffs (grain, flour, condensed milk, etc.) for distribution to the civil population of Calabria.

The following motorships have regularly operated here: JOHN STEELE, JOHN SULLIVAN, LUCIUS Q. C. LAMAR, FELIX GRUNDY, ASA GRAY, EDWARD P. COSTIGAN.

This office provides for pilots, mooring and un-mooring, which are tied up alongside the piers in the New Port, the opening of which is protected by an anti-torpedo net.

The work of unloading of goods is carried out by militarized port workers serving under this office, the work of which is controlled by the Captain of the Port.

There are available 150 laborers who can simultaneously unload two ships fully loaded, alternating work shifts between night and day.

The details of the work itself, the tariffs for unloading, and movement of the goods have been arranged between this office and Lieutenant BURTON of the A. C. C.

The above mentioned officer has charge of the custody and distribution of the foodstuffs to the interior towns, under the Regional Office of the A. C. C. of Catanzaro.

In addition to the ships employed in providing foodstuffs, Allied ships come into this port and load lumber destined to the coal mines of S. Antiocho and Carbonia (Sardinia), controlled by the Mineral Service of the United States.

Captain Gilesby of the United States Military Engineers Superintends these operations in collaboration with this office which sees to the operation of the cranes, movement of railway cars and trucks which bring the lumber to the docks.

Proper provisions, arranged here with the representative of the "Shipping Board" make possible every assistance to the American ships and a local maritime agency which renders every possible assistance to them. (foodstuffs, water, sanitary aid for crews, etc.)

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To avoid thefts and pilfering, a continuous watch has been instituted on the ships, composed of Carabinieri and Finance Guards, assisted by sailors from this office.

In closing it is pointed out that the maximum depth of water in the port is about 30 feet and that 3 liberty type ships can lie alongside the docks simultaneously.

A sketch of the port is enclosed.

THE CAPTAIN OF THE PORT.

G. Battista Vitali.

PORTO DI CRISTONE

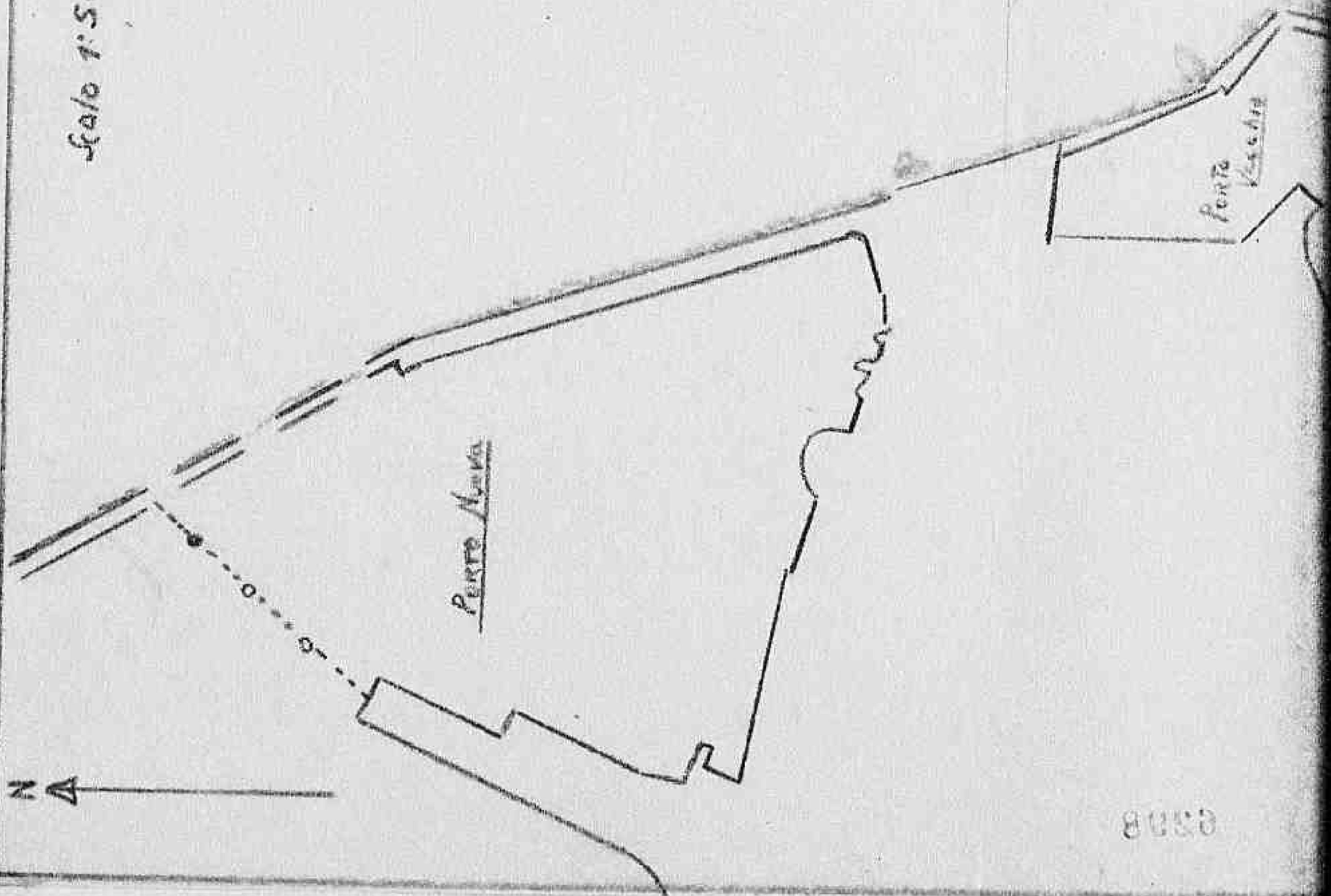
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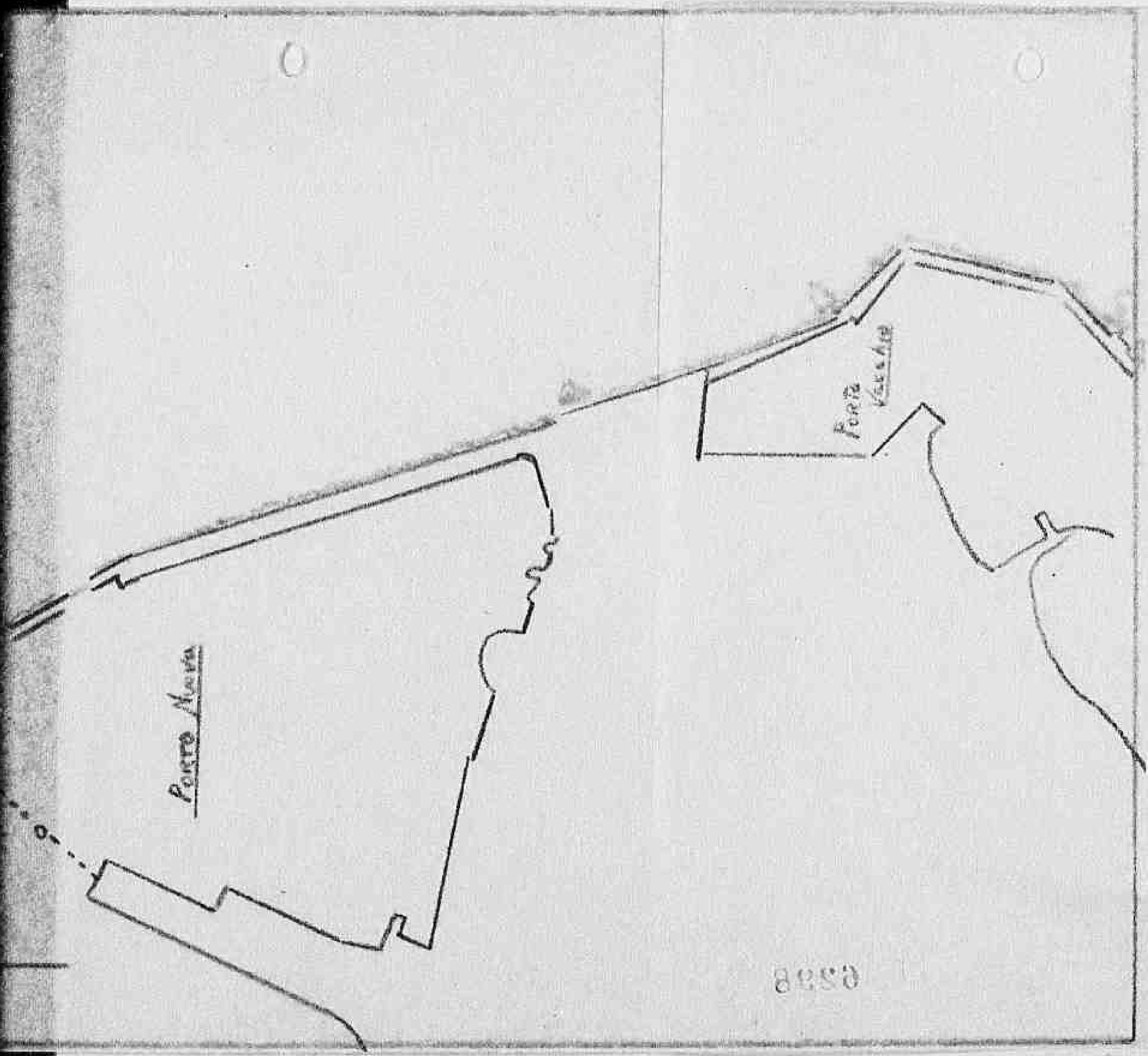
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ENCLOSURE (C)

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CIVILIAN SUPPLIES DIVISION
CROTONE

April 27, 1944

SUBJECT: PORT OF CROTONE.

To : Commodore, Navy House, Taranto.

Sir, I would like to bring to your attention a few of the facts concerning the port of Crotone.

(1) This port has accepted since January 8, Liberty boats and a number of British merchant vessels on behalf of ACC. At the port itself there is nothing available in the way of gear etc. for the discharge of these boats. Consequently, it is necessary for us to procure cordage from the boats for discharge. This is often the most difficult position as we are constantly informed by the chief mate the responsibility lies with the port authorities for supplying of offloading material.

(2) No Allied person appears to be directly responsible for the security and discipline of the above mentioned port. Naturally this leads to a certain amount of confusion among the parties concerned in loading and offloading boats. As the port appears to be used much more is it possible for some one to be invested with the authority for the enforcement of Allied discipline.

As this port appears to come under the jurisdiction of Taranto I sincerely hope my inquiry has come to the proper person concerned and regarding cordage etc. I am writing to your Commodore Maintenance. I am sir,

Yours sincerely,

/s/ C. HUTTON, Lt.
Lt. C. HUTTON,
ACC Port Authority, Crotone

ENCLOSURE (D)

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LA-IV/ACC

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

Serial (vv/)

16 May 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Section.
To : R. C. & M. G. Section, ACC.
Subject: Movement of Civilians.

1. It is requested that the Naval Sub-Commission, ACC, be furnished with a copy of your letter, reference 316/78/CA, referred to in your secret letter, reference /316/90/CA of 9 May 1944.

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

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SECRET

L12-1/ACC

Serial: (1064)

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Tarento, Italy~~SECRET~~

18 May 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Naval Representative, Naval Sub-Commission, ACC.
Subject: CO.GE.NA - Delegation of Authority for signing checks.

1. With reference to your secret dispatch No. 2737 of May, the Minister advises that General Carlo MATTEINI has been appointed Director General of the Italian Mercantile Marine. Instructions have been issued by the Ministry to General MATTEINI to clarify the procedure for the delegation of authority to signing checks for CO.GE.NA.

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

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ACTIVITIES FOR PERIOD 9 - 23 May 1944.

File No.
AIO-1/ACC

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

21 May 1944.

Serial: (235)

From: Deputy Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Chief, Sub-Commission for Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives.

Subject: Publications.

1. It is requested that this office be supplied with copies of all publications issued by the Sub-Commission for Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives. In this connection it will be appreciated if copies of all publications thus far distributed, including "Lists of Protected Monuments Italy - 3 Regions of Lazio and Abruzzi-Molise", might be forwarded at this time.

H. W. ZIROLLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
Deputy Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, A. C. C.

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File No.
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SENIOR U. S. NAVAL OFFICER, ITALY

Serial: (Y 34)

20 May 1944.

FIRST ENDORSEMENT to
US Port Officer ltr.
A.57/2 C.M.F. of 19
May 1944.

From: Senior U. S. Naval Officer, Italy.
To : Regional Control and Military Government Section, Allied
Control Commission.

Subject: Civilian Offenses - Sentence of Three Italian Civilians.

1. Forwarded in accordance with request contained in basic
correspondence.

H. W. ZINOLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy.

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SENIOR U. S. NAVAL OFFICER, ITALY

SUBJECT: - Civilian Offences.

A.57/2

US Port Officer.

SANSOLINO, Vito
CALABRESE, Giuseppe.
RUTA, Cosimo.

1. The above three civilians were arrested on 6 March on a charge of violation of American mails in this port.
2. A strong representation was made to the Italian authorities that the above offenders should be dealt with severely in view of the gravity and the prevalence of the offence in Italy.
3. They have now been tried and sentenced as follows:-

SANSOLINO (ajvenile) - 14 months imprisonment and 2000 lire fine.
CALABRESE - 18 months imprisonment (leniency due to his youth).
RUTA - 2 years imprisonment and 2000 lire fine.
4. The sentences have been published in the Italian press in accordance with a request from this HQ.
5. Will you please forward the above information to the relative branch of US Army HQ.

/s/ Thomas G. Robinson.
Lt Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G.
52 Area

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19 May 44
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION
Navy House, Taranto, Italy

Serial: (223)

19 May 1944.

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

Subject: Italian Naval Deserters.

1. The Italian Commander in Chief, Military Maritime Department, Ionian and Lower Adriatic, advises that early in April, 1944, the following named Italian Servicemen deserted from the Base Command of Gallipoli and sought refuge in the Slav Refugee Camp at S. Maria di Leuca (Lecce). It is further reported that after reaching the Slav Refugee Camp at Lecce, the men were transferred to Monopoli for passage to another destination.

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

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

BUTKOWICH, Luigi
CERNICH, Limeran
DEVATAN, Luigi
RUTAR, Marcello

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

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

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

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

Serial: (YVE) ✓

19 May 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Industry and Commerce S. C. Allied Control Commission,
A. P. O. No. 394.

Subject: Tire Repair Materials.

1. This Sub-Commission has received an urgent request from the Italian Minister of Marine for 50 kilograms of tire repair material.
2. In view of the increasingly critical shortage of tires available to the Italian Navy, it is felt that every effort should be made to facilitate the repair of those already issued to them.
3. Information is requested as to possible sources of tire repair material. It is noted that it is not listed as a controlled material in Appendix A to your letter ACC/5300/SC of 22 April 1944.

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

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

Serial (VV/)

18 May 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Section.
To : R. C. & M. G. Section, ACC.
Subject: Movement of Civilians.

1. It is requested that the Naval Sub-Commission, ACC, be furnished with a copy of your letter, reference 316/78/CA, referred to in your secret letter, reference /316/97/CA of 9 May 1944.

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

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

Serial: 211

18 May 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.

Subject: Yugoslav Wrens -- TOMASEO, SMIRNOVA, KURKHOVA
and SHARAYSKA.

Reference: (a) OPC/2/3 letter of 5 May 1944 to F.O.T.A.I.I.

1. Reference (a) informs Flag Officer Tarento and Adriatic Liaison, Italy that the Vice Admiral and District Security Officer at Malta do not wish to have Wrens of the Royal Yugoslav Navy proceed to Malta under any circumstances.

2. At present subject four Wrens are in Tarento. No means of getting food for them is now possible because Italian ration cards cannot be issued and 52nd Area Headquarters has forbidden by order the purchase of rations by Yugoslav nationals or of civilian food by the Armed Forces. Therefore it is necessary for them to obtain all of their food from the Black Market.

3. In view of the above circumstances and as subject women are performing no useful function it is considered desirable that the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission initiate action with a view of removing them to the Middle East.

H. G. ELSON,
Commander, U. S. Navy,
for Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, A. C. C.

Copy to:
F.O.T.A.I.I.
NavRep, ACC, Salerno.

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Serial: (0064)

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

19 May 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To: Naval Representative, Naval Sub-Commission, ACC.
Subject: CO.GS.NA - Delegation of Authority for signing checks.

1. With reference to your secret dispatch No. 2737 of May, the Minister advises that General Carlo MATTEINI has been appointed Director General of the Italian Mercantile Marine. Instructions have been issued by the Ministry to General MATTEINI to clarify the procedure for the delegation of authority to signing checks for CO.GS.NA.

N. W. ZIMMEL,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
for Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, A.C.C.

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A6-5/ACC

Serial: (VIS)

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

18 May, 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To: Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy.
Subject: Italian Army — Calling up Classes.

1. It is requested that copies of the following letters referred to in Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy letter AAI/3074/A(0) dated 11 May 1944 be furnished to the Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission:

HQ 3110/A(0) of 17 March 1944
HQ 3074/A(0) of 20 March 1944
HQ 3074/A(0) of 4 May 1944.

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

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION

Serial: (719) Navy House, Taranto, Italy

16 May, 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To: R.N.C. Catania.

Subject: Barracks - CG FT.

1. A recent communication from the Public Safety Sub-Commission, A. C. C. states that the occupation of the Barracks of the Guardia di Finanza is interfering with the efficient operation of that organization. It is stated that the work of the Guardia di Finanza is of considerable importance and that they are hampered while accommodated other than in their own quarters.

2. Information is requested as to the possibility of returning all or a portion of the barracks in the near future.

H. K. MINOLI,
Commander, U. S. Navy,
for Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, A. C. C.

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Serial (0068)

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

14 May, 1944.

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To: Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.

Subject: Interview with Major General L. Browning, C.B., C.B.E., K.C. - Director of Army Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.

1. I desire to report that on Thursday, May 11, I proceeded to Leghria (provincia di Lecce) to the Headquarters of the Army Sub-Commission to call formally on Major General L. Browning, Director of the Army Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission. Following the formal call we discussed pertinent mutual inter-service Allied Control Commission matters.

2. I explained to General Browning that I was representing you and was calling also on your behalf to establish much needed contact and collaboration between the Army and Navy Sub-Commissions. He expressed his thanks for the courtesy and was enthusiastic at this opportunity to establish closer relations between the two Sub-Commissions. He stated that it is his intention to call on you in Taranto at the first opportunity, but having just assumed his new duties, it has been necessary to absent himself for the necessary inspections, but will call as soon as possible. Present at the meeting was Colonel Kerr of the U.S. Army who is General Browning's Deputy and my counterpart in the Allied Control Commission.

3. In general the meeting was very satisfactory and fruitful. It was noted that they have the same general problems we have and their organization is remarkably parallel to ours in every respect.

4. The following points were brought up and discussed:

(A) TITLE OF ARMY SUB-COMMISSION.

The Army Sub-Commission was formerly the M.M.I.A.

Copy to: Commodore Palmer.

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A3-2 ACC

Serial (0062)

Subject: Interview with Major General L. Browning -
 Director of Army Sub-Commission, Allied
 Control Commission.

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(Military Mission to the Italian Army). As M.H.I.A. its status was similar to yours as P.O.L.I. in that it is under and responsible to General Alexander Commanding the Allied Armies in Italy (A.A.I.). M.H.I.A. is retained as the short title for the Army Sub-Commission. I informed him of our short title of CONSON.

(B) ITALIAN MILITARY DESERTERS IN YUGOSLAV REFUGEE CAMPS.

It was noted that the Italian Army had experienced similar difficulties with the Yugoslavs in their clandestine and subversive methods in enticing Italian military personnel into the Yugoslav Partisan Army units. General Browning stated that he had discussed the matter in detail with the Chief Commissioner of the A.C.C., General Macfarlane, along the lines indicated in our correspondence on this subject. We agreed to adopt the same procedure, stressing the fact that we must await final promulgation of orders from the Chief Commissioner after his consultation with the Political Section of the A.C.C. Meanwhile, we decided that it was necessary for us to present the matter to the A.C.C. Regional Commissioner for such action as he may desire to take towards the release of deserters from the Italian Army and Navy.

(C) CLOTHING AND SUPPLIES FOR THE ITALIAN NAVY.

It was stated that the previous directive issued to the Army Sub-Commission relative to supplying clothing to the Italians was not complete and required clarification. General Browning at first indicated that the Allied Navies should supply the Italian Navy with necessary clothing and shoes, but upon my explaining that such a procedure was impracticable because neither the British nor the U.S. Navy have facilities such as store-houses and repair and distribution centers, he withdrew his suggestion. It was definitely agreed that the responsibility for supplying the Italian Navy from one central agency, namely - the Army Sub-Commission, was most desirable. At this point Colonel Kerr presented a draft of an intended order from A.A.I. Headquarters indicating that this would be done in the immediate future.

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Serial (0061)

Subject: Interview with Major General L. Browning -
Director of Army Sub-Commission, Allied
Control Commission.

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I explained our plan of centralizing all requests for clothing and shoes in our office as a screening agency prior to submission to the Army Sub-Commission to insure proper distribution in proper quantities. The general stated that they would favorably consider furnishing the Italian Navy with cloth in bulk and the necessary means for manufacturing and repairing such as sewing machines, needles, buttons, etc. General Browning and I agreed that we should appoint a Liaison Officer from the Naval Sub-Commission to work out the details of problems that arise. They requested the appointment of a permanent Liaison Officer at their Headquarters but I represented that it would be much more satisfactory to establish liaison as circumstances require, since the distance to Legalle is sufficiently short to permit trips as necessary. I stated that work in connection with material would not be sufficient to warrant full-time presence of a naval officer. It was agreed to submit this proposition to you and make necessary recommendations.

(D) RATION FIGURES OF THE ITALIAN NAVY.

We discussed generally the method to be adopted and our policy in this connection. They were interested in the strength and distribution of the Italian Navy and whether it might be decreased. I gave them a general outline of the situation as it exists.

(E) ITALIAN NAVY TRANSPORTING TROOPS FROM SARDINIA.

General Browning brought up the matter of Italian lack of cooperation in transporting troops from Sardinia in Italian cruisers. He stated that from the reports he had received he was under the impression that the delays and alleged irregularities were due to the inefficiency of Admiral Nivonasi, Commanding the Italian Navy in Sardinia. I explained to him that he was misinformed because the routing of Italian men-of-war was handled entirely by the British and U.S. Navies under the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, and carefully pointed out that the allegations of the Allied Armies' representative were unfounded. He was pleased to have a clarification of the picture and stated that there was no inten-

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Serial (0062)

Subject: Interview with Major General L. Browning -
Director of Army Sub-Commission, Allied
Control Commission.

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tion on his part to criticize the Allied Navies' procedure and remained satisfied that he had been misinformed. He expressed great satisfaction in having more knowledge of the situation and considered the matter closed and will so indicate in the related correspondence.

5. The interview ended in complete accord that the meeting was beneficial and resulted in mutual understanding of each other's problems.

H. W. ZIRLEY,
Commodore, U.S. Navy,
Deputy Chief, Naval Sub-Commission
Allied Control Commission.

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Serial: (197)

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

13 May, 1944.

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Major General L. BROWNING, CB, CBE, MC, Director,
Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C.

Subject:

Cable Address, Headquarters, Naval Sub-Commission.

1. The Short Title cable address for Headquarters,
Naval Sub-Commission, A.C.C., Taranto is CONSON.

H. W. ZIMOLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
Deputy Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, A. C. C.

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Serial: (195)

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

11 May, 1944.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Legal Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
Subject: Motor Schooner "GEL FREDO".
Enclosure: (A) Italian Minister of Marine - Cabinet - letter of
1 April, 1944, same subject, and 5 relevant papers.

1. It is requested that the papers forwarded as Enclosure (A) be examined by the Legal Sub-Commission with a view to determining the rights of the owner of subject schooner under the rules of International law.

2. The return of all papers is desired together with the Sub-Commission's opinion.

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

Copy to:
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NavRep, NavSub-Com, ACC, Salerno.

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From: Ministry of Marine . Cabinet .
Date: 1st April 1944. No. 215/P.O.
To : F.O.I.I.

MOTOR SCHOONER "GIL FREDO"

Captain Rocco MULE owner and master of the motor schooner "GIL FREDO", has made a request, copy of which is attached, that the motor schooner which is his property be restored to him.

The change of flag of the schooner does not appear to be strictly regular as this craft cannot be considered as "War Booty", and especially as now that the various units at the service of the Anglo-American Authorities are regularly requisitioned, similar procedure should be adopted for the units seized by the Yugoslav representatives: I do not conceal my further disappointment that in addition to this, the name of the unit has been changed.

Meanwhile, I wish you to bring the matter to the notice of the persons responsible, in order to obtain the return of the motor schooner "GIL FREDO" to its legitimate owner, and the payment of the indemnities of requisition from 8th of August 1943 (date of requisition) to the date of the restitution of the unit.

I should be very grateful if you would inform me in which port the return of the vessel which was at MONOFI on 29th March 1944, may take place.

THE MINISTER.

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TO THE MINISTRY OF MARINE . CABINET .

TARANTO.

I, the undersigned, Master of the motor schooner "GIL FRIDO" registered at the Maritime Department of PORTO EMERICOLE under the No. 497 - gross tonnage : 66 - nett: 33 -, state that: -

On the 8th day of August 1943, the British Navy requisitioned the above mentioned motor schooner, sent myself and my crew ashore and hoisted the British Flag; up till now I have received no compensation from the Authorities.

In order to trace the said motor schooner, which was my means of livelihood, my family consisting of three junior sons, I proceeded to MONOPOLI where I found it under the Yugoslav Flag, manned by a Yugoslav crew and with the name changed to "ZARAT". From information obtained the motor schooner is at the service of the Yugoslav Partisans operating between MONOPOLI and YUGOSLAVIA.

I request that this Ministry may intervene and obtain for me the restitution of the motor schooner.

TARANTO, 31st March 1944.

(Sgd.) MULE' Rocco.

Present address:

VITTORIA Hotel -- Taranto.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

TO: SIGNOR MILE' ROCCO, SYRACUSE

FROM: LT. A. CALLEGOS,
R.N.V.R.

This is to certify that I am to-day taking delivery
from you of the Auxiliary Schooner "Gilfredo" in accordance with cer-
tificate from S.S.T.O. Syracuse dated 8th August 1943.

Claims for compensation will have to be put in by you to
the Claims Commission.

A. CALLEGOS

Lt. R.N.V.R.

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DETACHMENT UNIT

Date 10/8/1943

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

9th April, 1944.

no. t.a. 1023.

MINISTER OF MARINE,
MARISTAT, PALA ZO RESTA,
TARANTO.

MOTOR SCHOONER "GIL FREDO"

With reference to your letter No. 215/F.O. of 1st April, since Italy was still at war with Great Britain on 8th August, 1943, this vessel is considered to have been taken in prize and it is regretted that neither its return nor any question of compensation can be considered at present. The Allied Authorities are therefore entitled to employ the vessel as they see fit, making such changes of flag and name as are in the interests of the further prosecution of the war.

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

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From: Ministry of Marine (Cabinet)
To: F O I I
Date: 3.5.44
Ref.: 239/FO
Subject: M/Schooner "GILFREDO."

In reply to your letter No. 1023 dated 9th ult.

From documented information in this Ministry's possession, it appears that the M/Sch. GILFREDO on 10th August 1943 was taken over by Lt. A. Gallegos R.N.V.R. NOT under the heading of a capture but as a requisition.

There cannot be any doubts as the document handed to the owner of the vessel states:- "Claim for compensation will have to be put in by you to the Claims Commission."

It is observed, moreover, that the M/Sch. GILFREDO was employed exclusively in minor local navigation services. In accordance with Art. 3 of the 11th Hague Convention of 1907, which Great Britain signed and ratified, these types of vessels are exempt from seizure.

I shall be glad, therefore, if you will kindly re-examine the matter in the light of these new factors.

(Sgd.) THE MINISTER.

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

8th May, 1944.

NO. T.A. 1023/34.

MINISTER OF MARINE,
MARISTAT, PALAZZO RESTA,
TARANTO.

MOTOR SCHOONER "GIL FURBO".

With reference to your letter 239/F.O. of 3rd May, 1944,
this question has now been referred to the Allied Control Commission and
their decision will be communicated in due course.

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

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

Serial: (0061)

9 May, 1944.

FIRST ENDORSEMENT to
HQ AAI Secret ltr.
MAI/1402/2/GSI(b) of 3 May.

From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Flag Officer Taranto and Adriatic, Liaison Italy.
Subject: Subversive Activity in Italian Navy.

1. Forwarded requesting an appropriate investigation and information regarding evidence of subversive activities in the Italian Navy.

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

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Subject: Subversive Activity in Italian Navy.

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY.

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Navy Sub-Commission, A.C.C.

AAI/1402/2/GSI(b0).

3 May 44.

1. Information has been received that indicates that there may be a great deal of dissatisfaction among members of the Italian Navy. It has been reported that amongst deserters from BADOLIO's forces the Navy representation is very high. Generally the following reasons for desertion are given:-

- (a) Difficult conditions of living and working (bad food, hard duties).
- (b) Bad treatment by their own officers.
- (c) Home-sickness.
- (d) Political dissatisfaction.

2. Two deserters from BRINDISI, OLIVETTI Mario and RINALDO Alessandro gave information that indicates that there may be certain subversive influences amongst the ranks of Naval personnel. This may be the result of enemy inspired activity or local anti-Ally propaganda.

3. OLIVETTI and RINALDO both stated that a man living in BRINDISI, name unknown, who said he recently came from enemy territory, advises Naval personnel to desert to the enemy. OLIVETTI states that he was introduced to this man by a friend of his, CAMBIACIO, another sailor on Congedo provvisorio in BRINDISI who left there on or about 27 Mar 44 intending to cross over to enemy occupied ITALY.

O. and C. went together to a side-street in the old quarter of BRINDISI near the Palazzo delle R. Poste to meet this stranger who was in bed with malaria. His description is given as follows:-

"Age not more than 30; height uncertain, but between 1.65 and 1.75 m; light brown or mouse-coloured hair, not curly; long head; face was ruddy complexioned, but this may have been the effects of the fever; appeared to be well built. Spoke with a Piedmontese accent. Wore a green Italian Army shirt and a green pullover."

4. It is desired that an investigation be made to determine whether or not there is any evidence of any personalities engaged in subversive activities within the Italian Navy.

5. Kindly furnish this Headquarters a report of your findings.

/s/ D. Murrer, Cdr
Brigadier,

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Copy to: - Major DOTTI.

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WEEK ENDING 1 MAY 1944

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

Serial: ()

30 April 1944.

From: Naval Sub Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Labor Sub Commission, Allied Control Commission.

Subject: Increase in Food Ration to Italian Heavy Workers.

Reference: (a) Labor Sub Commission ltr. LAB 091.467 of 28 March 1944.

1. The Allied Force Local Resources (Italian) Board, Labour and Wages Control Committee on 3 April 1944 discussed reference (a) and recommended that certain amendments be made thereto.

2. Information is requested as to whether the amendments have been made and if so have extra rations been authorized and made effective for heavy workers. It is further requested that the Naval Sub Commission be kept advised as to the status of extra rations for Italian heavy workers.

H. M. KIMBLE,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
Deputy Chief, Naval Sub Commission, ACC.

Copy to:
Commodore Palmer, INO
Navtop, NavSubCom, ACC.

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Serial: ()

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

1 May 1944.

Minister of Marine,
MARISTAT, PALAZZO RESTA,
Taranto.

Sir:

It has come to the attention of this Sub-Commission that the Prisoner of War, Ciro PROVENZANO, referred to your letter No. 3261/S of 29 January 1944 to MARINA, Taranto, and repeated to Flag Officer Liaison, Italy, has not as yet been turned over to British Naval authorities at Taranto as was requested in Rear Admiral McGrigor's letter to you of 20 January 1944, No. T.A. 1027/67.

It is requested that you will direct the appropriate Italian authorities to take such action as may be necessary to assure that PROVENZANO is apprehended and delivered without further delay to the British Naval authorities at Taranto, and that this Sub-Commission may be informed of the present status of the matter as well as of such action as is taken to effect compliance with this request.

H. R. ZIROLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
Deputy Chief, Naval Sub Commission, ACC.

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

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Serial: (153)

30 April, 1944.

From: Naval Sub Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Deputy Chief Commissioner, Allied Control Commission.
Subject: Naval Sub Commission, Allied Control Commission -- membership of.
Enclosures: (1) Copy Conference restricted serial 2529 of 25 April 1944.
1. A copy of Enclosure (A) by which Captain William S. Gilbert, U. S. Navy was relieved from duty with the Allied Control Commission is forwarded herewith for information.

H. E. KINOH,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
Deputy Chief, Naval Sub Commission, ACC.

Copy to:
Commodore Palmer, ACC
Naval Sub Commission, ACC. (A).
C. D. Robert. Naples.

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Serial: (152)

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

1 May 1944.

FIRST MEMORANDUM to
FOR/POB Bari Outpost
Ltr. of 21 April 1944
to P.O.T.A.L.I.

From: Naval Sub Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To: Interior Sub Commission, Allied Control Commission.
Subject: Morse Radio Interception Unit at Bari, Italy.
Enclosure: (A) Copy Naval Sub Commission Ltr. Serial 123 of 21 April 1944.
(B) Original Chief Press Officer N.W. memo undated, received 30 April 1944 w/o translation.

1. Forwarded.
2. As indicated in Enclosure (A) the requisitioning of the Morse Radio Interception Unit at Bari, Italy requested in the Basis letter has been discussed with Captain Garofalo, Chief of the Press Office of the Italian Navy.
3. Enclosure (B) indicates that the Radio unit at Bari is operated by the Italian Navy for the Ministry of Interior and that the Navy has no requirement for the unit. It is requested that the matter be investigated to determine whether the equipment is actually required by the Ministry of Interior to such an extent that it should not be requisitioned. If not the Ministry of Marine will be requested by this office to deliver custody of the radio units to the Psychological Warfare Board, Bari Outpost.
4. The return of this correspondence is requested.

R. V. ZIMOLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
Deputy Chief, Naval Sub Commission, ACC.

Copy to:
P.O.B. Bari Outpost w/o Encl.
Commodore Palmer w/o Encl.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

A6-2/ACC

Serial: (13)

COMMODORE H. W. ZISOLI, U. S. NAVY
UNITED STATES NAVY MEMBER

24 April, 1944.

Capitano di Vascello Franco Garofalo, R.M.,
Gabinetto,
Capo Ufficio Stampa Della Reggia Marina,
PALAZZO RESTA,
Taranto.

Sir:

The Naval Sub Commission, Allied Control Commission
has been advised that the Italian Navy is operating at 19, Via
Nicoli dell'Arca, Bari, Italy, a high-speed Morse Radio Interception
Unit.

It is requested that you confer with me at your earliest
convenience with reference to purpose for the unit is operated in
order that I may be advised as to status of the equipment.

H. W. ZISOLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
Deputy Chief, Naval Sub-Commission, ACC.COPYCOPYCOPYENCLOSURE (A).

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M E M O R A N D U M

From: Captain F. Garofalo, R. M.
Chief of Press Office of the R.M.

For: Commodore H. W. ZIROLI, USN
Deputy Chief, Naval Sub-
Commission, A.C.C.

Referring to your letter A6-2/ACC Serial 123 of 24 April and to our conversation of the 26th --

(1) During December, 1943, on request of the Chief of the Press Office, Ministry of Interior, this office interested the competent authorities of the Ministry of Marine in the installation at Bari of some interceptors for press news. Some of these were of common telegraphic type, but one was a high speed Morse R.I. Unit. With these sets personnel were prepared for operating the plant.

(2) In February this year, installations completed, the interception station was turned over to the Press Office of Bari with a precise understanding, in writing, regarding questions of operation of the station and use of the news intercepted. It was particularly specified that the Navy "would assume no responsibility for news intercepted and published". It was naturally presumed that the Press Office would be properly authorized to use the station for picking up news and its broadcast.

(3) Recently the Press Office of the Ministry of Interior, transferred to Salerno, requested this office to transfer the interception sets from Bari to Salerno. To this request an official reply has not yet been given as it is my belief that the arrangements at Salerno do not permit the desired technical and disciplinary surveillance which might result in damaging a delicate and difficult situation.

(4) I confirm, however, that the Press Office of the Royal Navy neither uses the services of the station in question, nor in the present circumstances has any interest in its continued operation.

GAROFALO.

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ENCLOSURE (3)

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

Serial: 138

28 April, 1944.

The Minister of Marine,
MARISTAT,
Palazzo Reale,
Taranto.

Sir:

You are advised that the Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission has been transferred from Salerno to Taranto. The membership of the Commission is as follows:

Chief, Rear Admiral U.S. Morgan, D.S.O., Royal Navy
Deputy Chief, Commodore H. H. Zirilli, U. S. Navy
Member, Commodore J. E. Palmer, U.S.C., Royal Navy
Member, Commander H. St.J. Butler, U. S. Navy.

Commodore Palmer will remain at Salerno and act as my representative at the Allied Control Commission Headquarters. Commander Butler will perform duties both at Taranto and Salerno. It is requested that all correspondence relating to matters pertaining to the Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission be addressed as follows:

Chief of Naval Sub-Commission,
Allied Control Commission,
Navy House,
Taranto.

and that a copy be sent to:

Naval Representative,
Naval Sub-Commission,
Allied Control Commission,
Salerno.

REAR-ADMIRAL.

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Copy to:
Commodore Palmer
NavRep, NavSubCom, ACC

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

16 APRIL -- 25 APRIL

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116-4/AGO

SENIOR U. S. NAVAL OFFICER, ITALY

Serial: (036)

Navy 618

25 April, 1944

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6TH ENDORSEMENT to
 CominChon 7 Conf. ltr 116-4 Ser.
 036 dated 10 March, 1944.

From: Senior U. S. Naval Officer, Italy.
 To: Commander U. S. Naval Forces, Northwest African Waters.
 Subject: Pay for Personnel of Italian Submarines Operating under
 United States Control.
 Reference: (a) S.U.S.N.O.I. Secret serial 0038 of 12 March to CominCh
 via ComNavHAW copy to ComNAV Bermuda.
 (b) S.U.S.N.O.I. Conf. despatch 262600 of April to ComNavHAW.
 (c) F.O.T.A.L.I. Secret despatch 111705 of March to ComNavHAW.
 (d) ComNAV Bermuda Secret despatch 271738 of February to CominCh
 info ComNavHAW.
 Enclosure: (A) Copy S.U.S.N.O.I. Conf. ltr Serial 024 of 14 April 1944.
 (B) Copy Italian Ministry Marine ltr. Prt. No. 271/P.O. of
 25 April, 1944.

1. Returned.

2. The matter of pay advances for Italian personnel was referred to the Minister of Marine by Enclosure (A). In addition conferences have been held with Italian authorities. Final action was delayed on account of the absence of the Minister.

3. Enclosure (B) advises that the Minister desires that the rates of pay advances, established as stated in reference (a), be adhered to, at least for the present and not be changed in any case until after a proper trial period. ComNavHAW was advised accordingly by despatch in reference (b). The Minister further advises that instructions regarding pay were given direct to the Italian Submarine Command at Bermuda on 25 April 1944.

4. With reference to the basic correspondence the following facts were established by the investigation:

(a) The basic letter is dated 10 March, 1944. Senior U. S. Naval Officer, Italy by despatch on 11 March 1944 and letter on 12 March 1944, references (c) and (a) respectively, advised ComNavHAW as to rates of pay advances established for Italian Naval personnel.

(b) The rates of pay advances established are substantially in accordance with recommendations made by the Commandant, U.S. Naval Operating Base, Bermuda to CominCh on 28 February 1944, in reference (d), and are considered to be adequate.

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Subject: Pay for Personnel of Italian Submarines Operating under
United States Control.

(c) The pay advances authorized are payments on account of salary to meet current expenses based on cost of living. They are not extra allowances. The remainder of the individual's salary is either paid to dependents or credited to his account. The pay advances are equal to or less than the total salaries in all cases.

(d) Enclosures (A) and (B) reference (b) of the basic letter merely furnishes information as to the method of obtaining funds and supplies from Allied sources and does not authorize any stated rates of pay or advances.

(e) Enclosure (C) of the basic letter is not an authorized effective pay schedule. The Italian authorities state that there is no basis whatsoever for such a pay scale and, therefore, must be disregarded.

(f) With reference to paragraph 3 of the basic letter the Ministry of Marine advises that it is not customary for the Italian Navy to meet laundry expenses of the officers and men but that the officers are subsisted from the general mess. The fact that Italian officers at Bermuda are required to pay their own mess bills has been pointed out to Italian authorities and is a matter for their own readjustment.

(g) The Minister does not desire to change the present pay advances at least until after it has been demonstrated that they are inadequate particularly in view of the recommendations made by the Commandant, Naval Operating Base, Bermuda in reference (d).

(h) The present authorized rates of pay advances for personnel at Bermuda are defined as follows:

<u>Rank or Rating.</u>	<u>Amount pay month.</u>
Admirals and Captains	\$120.00
Commanders and Lieut. Comdr.	100.00
Lieutenants (Tenenti Vascello)	80.00
Junior Officers (Subalterni)	72.00
Ch. Warrant Officers (Capi di Prima classe) ..	60.00
Ch. Petty Officers (Sottoufficiali)	32.00
Petty Officers (Sergenti e Sottocapi)	20.00
Seamen (Comuni)	16.00

H.W. ZIROLI.

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SENIOR U. S. NAVAL OFFICER, ITALY

Serial (0052)

26 April, 1944.

SECRET

From: Senior U.S. Naval Officer, Italy.
To : Lieutenant Paul A. Alfieri, U.S.N.R., U.S. Naval Intelligence Officer.
Via : Commander Naval Operating Base, Cagliari.

Subject: Survey of Italian Command in Sardinia.

Reference: (a) U.S. Naval Intelligence Liaison Officer, FOWIT, report on survey of Italian Naval Command at La Maddalena dated 14 April, 1944.

1. It is noted that in reference report it is stated that the Italian Naval Command at La Maddalena consists of 3200 officers and men. It is not entirely clear whether the figures given in this total include the Italian naval personnel attached to Cagliari and other naval commands in Sardinia.

2. It is requested that a break-down of personnel, as given in reference (a), be made for the naval units in Cagliari.

3. The subject report has been most valuable in connection with analyzing and checking the distribution of Naval Personnel in shore establishments of the Italian Navy.

H. W. ZIROLL.

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A6-2/ACC

Serial: (122)

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

COMMODORE H. W. ZIROLI, U. S. NAVY
UNITED STATES NAVY MEMBER

24 April, 1944.

Capitano di Vascello Franco Garofalo, R.M.,
Gabinetto,
Capo Ufficio Stampa della Reggia Marina,
PALAZZO REALE,
Taranto.

Sir:

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has been advised that the Italian Navy is operating at 19, Via
Nicolo dall'Arca, Bari, Italy, a high-speed Morse Radio Interception
Unit.

It is requested that you confer with me at your earliest
convenience with reference to purpose for the unit is operated in
order that I may be advised as to status of the equipment.

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

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Serial: (117)

COMMODORE H. W. ZIROLI, U. S. NAVY
UNITED STATES NAVY MEMBER

Navy 618

21 April 1944.

From: Naval Sub Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers.
Subject: Articles of Clothing belonging to Officers, ex-P.O.W.
Enclosure: (A) Copy translation Italian Ministry of Marine letter
No. 256/F.O. of 16 April, 1944.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded for information.
2. The Regional Control and Military Government Section, Allied Control Commission has been requested in separate correspondence to promulgate appropriate instructions governing the issue of passes or permits to Italian Naval officers who have in their possession articles of clothing issued to them as prisoners of war, upon receipt of satisfactory evidence of ownership or right of custody.
3. It is recommended that in the future all Prisoner of War camps be directed to issue the necessary passes or permits to prisoners of war on discharge from prison camps.
4. For future reference it is requested that this office be furnished with data as to the location of prison camps at which Italian Navy personnel is detained and the approximate number of prisoners at each camp.

H. W. ZIROLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
Deputy Chief Naval Sub Commission, ACC.

Copy to: (less Enclosure)
RegCont & MilGovtSect, ACC
NavRep, NavSubCom, Salerno.

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ACC/JJ55

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Serial: (116)

COMMODORE H. W. ZIROLI, U. S. NAVY
UNITED STATES NAVY MEMBER

Navy 618

21 April 1944.

FIRST ENDORSEMENT to
Ministry of Marine ltr.
No. 256/P.O. of 16/4/44.

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

Subject: Articles of Clothing belonging to Officers, ex-P.O.W.

1. Forwarded.
2. It is requested that appropriate instructions be issued to all Region Hq. A.C.C. governing the issue of passes or permits to Italian Naval officers who have in their possession articles of clothing issued to them as Prisoners of War, upon receipt of satisfactory evidence of ownership or right of custody.
3. In order to reduce the number of passes to be issued to a minimum, A.F.H.C. will be requested in separate correspondence to furnish Prisoners of War with clothing passes on discharge from prison camps.
4. The return of papers is requested so that the Italian Ministry of Marine may be advised as to the action taken.

H. W. ZIROLI,
Deputy Chief, Commodore, U. S. Navy,
Naval Sub Commission, ACC.

Copy to:
NavRep, NavSubCom, Salerno.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

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COMMODORE H. W. ZIRHLI, U. S. NAVY
UNITED STATES NAVY MEMBER

Serial: (119)

Navy 618

20 APR 1944

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From: Naval Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Local Resources Section, Hq. A.A.I. (Adm. Sec.) C.M.F.
Subject: Local Resources Section Instructions and Minutes of
Meetings -- Copies of.
Reference: (a) A.A.I. Administrative Instruction No. 8 of 20 March
1944.

1. In accordance with recent directives the Naval Sub Commission, Allied Control Commission is established at Taranto with representation at the Rear Headquarters, A.C.C. Salerno. It is requested that copies of A.A.I. Administrative Instructions such as reference (a) and copies of the minutes of meetings of the various committees of the Allied Forces Local Resources Board be forwarded both to Taranto and Salerno addressed as follows:

Chief Naval Sub Commission, Allied Control Commission,
Navy House, Taranto

Naval Representative, Naval Sub Commission, Allied Control
Commission,
Rear Headquarters, A.C.C.,
A.P.O. 394.

H. W. ZIRHLI,
Commodore, U. S. Navy,
Deputy Chief Naval Sub Commission, ACC.

Copy to:
NavRep, NavSubCom, Salerno

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

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COMMODORE H. W. ZIROLI, U. S. NAVY
UNITED STATES NAVY MEMBER

Serial: (170)

Navy 618

20 April 1944.

From: Naval Sub Commission, Allied Control Commission.
To : Regional Control and Military Government Section,
Allied Control Commission.
Subject: Charts of Regional Organization, Allied Control Com-
mission.

1. It is requested that the Naval Sub Commission, A.C.C. which is now established at Taranto with a Naval Representative at Salerno be furnished with three (3) copies of a map of Italy showing the Regional Divisions, together with a copy of the latest organization directive for the Regional Control and Military Government Section, A.C.C.

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

Copy to:
NavRep, Naval Sub Com, Salerno.

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A2-11

SENIOR U. S. NAVAL OFFICER, ITALY

Serial: (115)

Navy 618

20 April, 1944.

From: Senior U. S. Naval Officer, Italy.
To : Local Resources Section, HQ AAI (Adm. Echelon) CMF.
Subject: Local Resources Section Instructions and Minutes —
distribution of.
Reference: (a) AAI Adm. Inst. No. 8 of 20 March 1944.
(b) Hq., AAI (Adm. Ech.) Local Resources Sect. CMF ltr.
Ref. 5/2/LR of 3 April 1944.
(c) Hq., AAI (Adm. Ech.) Local Resources Sect. CMF ltr.
Ref. 4/2/14 of 10 April 1944.

1. It is requested that this command be placed on the distribution list for AAI Administrative Instructions and minutes of the meetings of the various committees of the Local Resources Section such as references (a), (b) and (c). It is noted on page 3 of reference (a) that copies are available for distribution to other Boards and interested parties. If available a complete file of prior directives and minutes would be very useful.

2. As Senior U. S. Naval Officer, Italy (SUSNOI) I am responsible for coordinating the activities of the U. S. Navy ashore in Italy, Sicily and Sardinia with the H.Q. AFHQ (Adv. Adm. Ech.) and H.Q. AAI (Adm. Ech.). In this capacity it is essential that I be kept informed concerning current directives and developments.

H. W. ZIROLI.

Q.C.C.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
AFC 394

24 April 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 6)

APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF AND DEPUTY CHIEF OF NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION

The appointment of the following named officers to the Naval Sub-Commission is announced, effective 19 April 1944. Authority: Letter 20 March 1944, AFHQ, Chief of Staff, subject: "Naval Sub-Commission, ACC."

CHIEF

Rear Admiral C. B. MORGAN, D.S.O., R.N.

DEPUTY CHIEF

Commodore H. W. ZIMMEL, U.S. Navy.

By command of Lieutenant General HAZON MACFARLANE:

/s/ ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.G.D.
Secretary General

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SENIOR U. S. NAVAL OFFICER, ITALY

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Navy House, Taranto

Serial: (024)

14 April, 1944

CONFIDENTIAL

His Excellency, The Minister of Marine,
MARISTE, PALAZZO RESTA,
Taranto.

Sir:

In my letter of 3 March 1944 I informed you that the Navy Department had instructed the Commandant, United States Naval Operating Base, Bermuda to advance funds to Italian submarines operating in that area and requested your approval for increases in pay based on the cost of living at Bermuda.

Your letter of 11 March 1944 to Flag Officer Linson, Italy established rates of pay advances for Italian personnel removed in foreign ports. Prior to the receipt of this pay scale Bermuda on 10 March 1944 forwarded to the Navy Department, Washington, U. S. a copy of the Italian Chief of Naval Operations letter Prot. No. 1726 of 22 October 1943 together with pay schedule recently received from Italian Naval authorities at Bermuda. The latter pay scale is widely at variance both with the rates stated in my letter of 3 March 1944 and the rates established by your letter of 11 March 1944. The United States Naval authorities concerned concur in the view that adequate pay for Italian personnel serving on board vessels operating under United States control is essential to morale.

It is requested that the matter of pay advances be reconsidered and that I be advised whether the rates prescribed by your letter of 11 March 1944 are to be adhered to or modified taking into consideration the rates stated in the enclosure.

H. W. BISHOP,
Commodore, U. S. Navy.

Enclosure:

Copy Italian Chief of Naval Operations
Prot. No. 1726 of 22 October 1943
w/c Pay Schedule.

ACC Serial

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STATO MAGGIORE DELLA R. MARINA

XXI 11 22 Ottobre 1944

Proto n. 1726

ARGOMENTO: Rifornimento di valute e di generi alle Regie Navi ed al personale della R. Marina destinato nelle basi navali Alleate.

In seguito ad accordi intervenuti fra la R. Marina e le Marine Alleate sono state stabilite le seguenti modalità provvisorie nei riguardi dei rifornimenti di generi e di valuta alle Unità da guerra italiane ed al personale della R. Marina destinato a servizi a terra, durante la loro permanenza nelle basi Alleate. -

E' bene innanzi tutto precisare che la responsabilità dei rifornimenti di valuta e di generi alle Regie Navi ed al personale di cui sopra e' riconosciuta di stretta competenza del Governo Italiano: la dispensazione che segue sono emanate per facilitare le operazioni contabili:

(A) Le Autorità Alleate faranno ai Comandi Italiani quegli anticipi di valuta che occorrono per i pagamenti del personale, sempre che i predetti Comandi Italiani non possano effettuare i necessari prelievi da magazzini italiani e alleati. -

(B) Materiali di consumo, vestiario, generi per la mensa (compresi i rifornimenti per le cooperative da prelevare dalla R.A.A.F.I.) e gli altri rifornimenti necessari saranno forniti dai magazzini Britannici sempre che ciò non pregiudichi le necessità della flotta britannica. -

I rifornimenti di valuta ed i generi di cui ai precedenti paragrafi A) e B) verranno effettuati mediante normale giro di richieste e di ricevute, e saranno poi a suo tempo pagati dal Governo Italiano. -

p. IL MINISTRO

F/te. BRIVONESE

p. o. o.

IL CAPITANO DI FREGATA
(Ennio BERGAMINI)

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MODIA MENSILE DEGLI STIPENDI E DELLE FACCE GIUSTA I VIGEMIL REGIMENTI

Capitano di Fregata	320
Tenente di Vascello	222
S. Tenente di Vascello	182
Ordinaria	145
Capo di 1 - 2 - 3 Cl.	135
2 Capo	100
Sergente	76
Sottocapo Volontario	30
Sottocapo di Leve	23
Comune Volontario	22
Comune di 1 cl.	16
Comune di 2 cl.	13

(Pay Schedule submitted by the Senior Italian Submarine Officer, Bermuda Area, as the pay schedule in effect in the Italian Navy for submarines based in the United States Area. Rate of exchange 100 lire equals \$1.00).

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
LABOUR SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

MEMORANDUM:

28
20 March 1944

SUBJECT: Increase in Food Ration to Italian Heavy Workers. (As corrected by HQ AAI (ADM ECHOLON) LOCAL RESOURCES SECTION C.M.F. letter Ref: - 5/2/LR of 3 April 1944.)

1. As a result of several recent wage increase demands a conference was called by Lieut. General Sir Mason MacFarlane, Chief Commissioner, ACC, at which it was reaffirmed that the real issue is food and it was agreed to increase the present food ration to all heavy workers connected with the war effort, whether directly hired by the Armed Services or not. At a conference held yesterday in Salerno attended by Marshal Badoglio, General MacFarlane, the Italian Minister of Labour, and members of the Labour Sub-Commission, it was reaffirmed that wages must be kept at the present level, and for that purpose, AMG/ACC Labour institutions were given continuing validity.
2. The Labour Sub-Commission, in closest co-operation with the Food Sub-Commission, has and is making strenuous efforts to hold the wage line. Exact enquiry at all levels reveals that the proper amount of food in the workers' possession will answer practically all labour problems.
3. At General MacFarlane's meeting it was determined that the present midday meal be eliminated with the exception of the dehydrated soup which shall be available to all personnel, qualified as above, employed by the Allied Armed Forces, and its components incorporated in a supplemental ration issue which, however, would give an overall increase. Specifically, the present basic ration to everyone is 200 gms. of bread daily. The majority of workers for the Allied Forces are now receiving in addition 113 gms. of flour (equivalent to 135 gms. of bread) plus a bowl of soup. The proposed increase will place every heavy worker, whether employed by the Armed Forces directly, or by contractors, or by private employers on a basis which will give him the equivalent of 400 gms. of bread daily plus a daily issue of 30 gms. of dehydrated soup. The actual makeup will be 275 gms. of bread daily, 30 gms. of dehydrated soup daily, and 700 gms. of pasta weekly.
4. It is proposed to have the issue considered an extra privilege earned by a heavy worker; that distribution depots be set up wherever possible so as to distribute these extra rations on the job, thus maintaining the primary incentive to come to and stay on that job. It is possible that distribution on the job may eliminate the necessity for extra ration cards or coupons. The furnishing of actual pasta will fill the greatest single food demand the worker has made.
5. Entitlement of extra rations will be granted to workers known as "pesanti" or "pessantissimi" or to others jointly at the discretion of Base Section or Area Commanders and the local ACC authorities, provided that the total workers involved receiving the increased ration do not exceed 10% of the population of the Province or Region concerned.
6. These proposals do not apply to work done in combat areas.
7. The Armed Services, and the Labour and Food Sub-Commissions can achieve fullest success in their missions only by the uniform adherence of all groups to the above distribution. From our own experience, we know that the Italian worker

LAB 092.467

20 March 1944

MEMORANDUM:

SUBJECT: - Increase in Food Ration to Italian Heavy Workers. (As corrected by HQ AAI (ADM ECHOLON) LOCAL RESOURCE SECTION C.M.F. letter Ref: - 5/2/LR of 3 April 1944.)

is least likely to protest or be dissatisfied when aware that without equivocation, all employers, military or otherwise, are treating his fellow workers at a completely uniform level with respect to food.

J.T.R. BAIN,
Colonel,
Director, Labour Sub-Commission.

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SECRETOFFICE OF FLAG OFFICER,
TARANTO AND ADRIATIC.
18th April, 1944.

No.T.A.31/303.

MEMORANDUM.DIRECTIVE TO COMMODORE H.W. ZIROLI U.S.N. AND COMMODORE I.M. PALMER D.S.C.

I have been officially informed by the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean that I am to assume the appointment of Chief of the Naval Sub-Commission of the Allied Control Commission. Commodore H.W. Ziroli U.S.N. is appointed as my Deputy and Commodore I.M. Palmer, D.S.C. as my representative at Allied Control Commission Headquarters.

2. Commodore Ziroli and Commodore Palmer are to work in close contact with each other, and are to visit General Mason-Macfarlane and the Heads of the other Sub-Commissions as may be necessary to ensure the proper performance of their duties. Commodore Palmer is to represent me at the monthly meetings of the Allied Control Commission and Commodore Ziroli should also attend when required.
3. It is intended that all correspondence and signals for the Naval Sub-Commission shall be addressed both to "Chief of Naval Sub-Commission of the A.C.C., Taranto" and to "Naval Representative of the Naval Sub-Commission of the A.C.C., Salerno". The Deputy Chief will be responsible for ensuring that any action required is taken and will give directions to the Naval Representative accordingly. The latter is to use his discretion in taking immediate action with Headquarters Allied Control Commission on correspondence or signals received, keeping the Deputy Chief informed.
4. Both the Deputy Chief and the Naval Representative are authorised to sign letters and originate signals on my behalf. I will, however, sign letters or approve signals on matters of major policy which are to be submitted to me accordingly.
5. In order to keep me in touch with the current work of the Naval Sub-Commission the Deputy Chief is to meet with me at 1000 each Tuesday and is to give me a statement of the previous week's work and inform me of any questions on which my decision is required. The Naval Representative is to send a member of his Staff to this meeting when he has any matters he wishes to raise.
6. The above arrangements will come into force on Wednesday 19th April 1944.

/s/ C. E. MORGAN,
Rear-Admiral.COMMODORE H.W. ZIROLI, U.S.N.
COMMODORE I.M. PALMER, D.S.C.
(Copy to each.)COPYCOPYCOPY

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 Property Rights (International)
 International Agreement (Cession of Territory).
 War - Preparation of. (protection of Seacoast)
 (Military Observation, Study of Military & Naval Problems)
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 A16-2 Prisoners of War. (STUDY of MILIT. + NAVAL PROBLEMS)
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 JJ55 Clothing and Small Stores, (American & Italian) SERVICES, Medical + Hospital, PRECURE MEDIC
 LA-LV Civil Personnel.
 L6-2 Claims and Compensations
 L7-2 Distribution of Material, Italian & Captured.
 L8-2 Requisitions.
 L9-3 Repairs, Alterations, Overhaul. Ships, Dockyards, Sh. Establishments
 L10-3 Materials, systems of accounting
 L12-1 Banking: checks and drafts, banks and banking.
 L24 Port facilities.
 L16-4 Pay, Salaries, Wages.
 L16-8 Rations and Allowances.
 L20 Transportation + TRAVEL
 P16-1 Strength & Distribution
 P16-3 Duty & Detail
 P16-4 Orders to Personnel.
 S94 Salvaging.
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 44-5 Communications

VA-8-5 Espionage, activities of foreigners.
 Air security, Agents, Suspects, Informing persons. 6242

A9 Reports + Statistics

A8- Intelligence;

A9-4 Monthly reports

A9-7 Daily Reports

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N33 - VEHICLES, Equipment, repair, accessories, Tires.

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✓ P1/sec Genealogy & Identification
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