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SUBJECT

NUMBER

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85 Italian Seamen and 5 other Italian on Capo Verde Islands.

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Release of Italian Prisoner of War Capt. DODERO LUIGI.

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Italian Merchant Seamen Repatriation of.

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Seamen at Casablanca.

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Seamen in Eritrea.

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Repatriation of Fishermen captured by the Jugoslavs.

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Death of (Merchant) Seaman Emilio Terdoslavich

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NSC/4576
18 February 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy,
Via Quintino Sella 56, ROME.
Subject: Death of (Merchant) Seaman Emilio TENDOSLAVICH.

1. Information has been received that the above named, who was previously embarked as Steward in the M/V "Volpi", died from tuberculosis in Bangkok hospital on the 14th December 1945.
2. It is requested that you may advise his family resident in Fiume, expressing the sympathy of the Italian Ministry of Marine together with that of the Navy Sub-Commission.

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

19 FEB 1946

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Directorate General of Mercantile Marine)
To : N.S.C. - H.Q. - A.C. - Rome
Date: 31st January 1946
Ref.: 2043/G

Subject: Death of (Merchant) Seaman Emilio TERDOSLAVICH

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has passed to us a telegram from the Legation at Bangkok from which it appears that seaman Emilio TERDOSLAVICH, registered in the Maritime Compartment of Fiume and formerly embarked as waiter on the M/V "VOLPI", died from tuberculosis in Bangkok hospital on 14th December 1945.

It is requested that the Allied Commission may bring this news to the knowledge of his family, expressing the sympathy of this Ministry.

for THE MINISTER

GGE/P.

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Ministero della Marina

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA MARINA MERCANTILE

Roma, 31 GEN. 1946

Headquarters Allied
Commission - Navy Sub.
Commission ROLIADivisione II
Pelle N. 182847C
2043/19Rispondete al f. del
S. N.

OGGETTO: Decesso marittimo Emilio Terdoslavich

Il Ministero degli Affari Esteri ha comunicato un telegramma della R. Legazione in Bangkok dal quale risulta che il marittimo Emilio Terdoslavich, iscritto nel Compartimento marittimo di Fiume, già imbarcato in qualità di cameriere sulla motonave "Volpi", è deceduto per tubercolosi il 14 dicembre 1945 all'Ospedale di Bangkok.

Si prega codesta Commissione Alleata perchè voglia portare a conoscenza della famiglia la notizia di cui sopra, esprimendo le condoglianze di questo Ministero.

IL MINISTRO

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REPATRIATION OF FISHERMEN CAPTURED BY THE JUGO-SLAVS.
(Naval Officer-in-Charge, Trieste's letter No. 9486/345,
dated 11th September, 1946).

II.

No. F.O.L.I. 1011/6.

THE NAVY SUB COMMISSION,
ALLIED COMMISSION.

Forwarded for information, in continuation
of my Minute II No. F.O.L.I. 1011/6, dated 2nd July,
1946.

F. J. Blackman

ROME,
25th September, 1946.

for REAR ADMIRAL.

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SECRET

SUBJECT: REPATRIATION OF FISHERMEN CAPTURED BY THE
JUGOSLAVS.

FROM: The Naval Officer in Charge, Trieste.

DATE: 11th September, 1946. No. 9486/345. ✓

TO : THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF, MEDITERRANEAN, MALTA.
(Copy to: The Flag Officer, Liaison, Italy,
G-5 Section, A.F.H.Q., U.M.F.
The British Naval Representative, Belgrade,
Main Headquarters, 13 Corps.
Joint Economic Committee, H.Q., Main 13 Corps.
Representative of British Political Adviser
to A.F.H.Q., Main 13 Corps.
Resident Naval Officer, Pola.
Resident Naval Officer, Venice)

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2. Naval Officer in Charge, Trieste's, letters No. 8228/345 dated 5th June, 1946 and No. 8503/345 dated 29th June, 1946, (copy enclosed) refer.

3. Information is requested whether a reply can be given to paragraph 7 of the above letter as no instructions with regard to the definition of territorial waters around the Dalmatian Islands, (apart from a reference in the Treaty Agreement of 14th September, 1921) appears to be held at Trieste.

4. Naval Officer in Charge, Trieste's, No. 9562/345 of 28th June, 1946, paragraph 1, to Joint Economic Committee only, also refers.

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(J. S. D. Henkes)

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Representative of British Political Adviser
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4. Naval Officer in Charge, Trieste's, No. 8362/340 of 28th June, 1946, paragraph 1, to Joint Economic Committee only, also refers.

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(C.S.D. Notes)
CAPTAIN



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C O P Y

Subject: Repatriation of fishermen
captured by the Yugoslavs

S E C R E T

Main HQ 13 Corps

Ref 52/13/I(b)

24 Aug 46
Tel Ext..... 319

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(SGA)

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C O P Y

47 Port Security Section,
C.M.F.
13 Aug 1946

Subject: S.S. "FLAVNIK" (JUGOSLAV)

1. The SS FLAVNIK arrived in VENICE from SPALATO in the evening of 11 August 1946, and was reported to be carrying "several hundred prisoners". In view of the facts regarding the FLAVNIK (of previous report from this section regarding the activity of the crew of the FLAVNIK), it was arranged to keep a watch on the ship overnight. A cursory investigation on the spot on the same evening revealed that the "several hundred prisoners" were in fact 106 Italian fishermen who were being repatriated to Italy after being captured by the YS authorities, ostensibly on the grounds of fishing in prohibited waters.

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3. This civilian, DELORNO Ksenija, housewife, aged 23, was reported to be seeking entry into hospital in Italy. Unconfirmed reports say that she approached the British authorities in YS in order to obtain a visa for Italy, but was refused. Nevertheless she sailed on the FLAVNIK. Since arriving in VENICE, she has applied to the Ministero dell'Interno for this permission in order to go to BOLZANO to undergo treatment to her hand. She has remained on board since arrival, and is reported to have said that she will return to YS if she does not obtain permission from the Italian authorities to land.

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 M/P "VITTORIA", Ancona, Capt. OMICCIOLI Antonio and a crew of 9 men, all from S. Benedetto del Tronto, with the exception of the Capt. who comes from Fano.
 M/P "LUIGI III", Ancona, Capt. PIGNATI Alfredo and a crew of 9 men, all from S. Benedetto del Tronto.
 M/P "SALVINO", Chioggia, Capt. PADOAN Ofelio and a crew of 8 men all from Chioggia.

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M/P "AMERA", Ancona, Capt. LUZZI Lancotto and a crew of 11 men, the majority from S. Benedetto, the exceptions being the Captain, who comes from Rimini and another LUZZI, also from Rimini.
 M/P "SANTA RITA II", Ancona, Capt. TINI Federico, and a crew of 10 men, all from Ancona with the exception of one man from Genoa.
 M/V "INTERPIDO I", Rimini, Capt. FRANZINI Elia and a crew of 9 men, all from S. Benedetto del Tronto.
 M/P "GORGONA", Rimini, Capt. PELLERINI Alvaro and a crew of 9 men, all from Fano.
 M/P "ANTONIA MADRE", Ancona, Capt. PALESTRINI Giuseppe, and a crew of 10 men, all from S. Benedetto del Tronto.
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6. A list of the crews is held in this section.

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9. During the interrogation at SPALATO, the captain asked why Italian communists should be treated in such a manner by their US brethren. "Tessere" showing that the crew of the "SALVINO" belonged to the P.C.I. in Chioggia were shown, and the captain demanded that the crew and boat be released and returned to Chioggia. The reply of the VS official in charge of the interrogation was that "Only Yugoslavs were true Communists, and that Italian men thinking themselves worthy of inclusion in the ranks of Communism had better study Communism a great deal more".

PIZZO Onorato, a member of the crew of the "SALVINO" when interviewed at Venice on his return stated his opinion of his

YS brother communists in no uncertain terms and called them the new fascists.

10. All fish, etc., on the boats was confiscated by the IS authorities.

11. Questions asked during the various interrogations at SEHENICO and SPALATO were confined to matters relating to fishing and the extent of territorial waters. No other matters were discussed.

12. Life in the camp at SPALATO was hard for the first few days, when the men were forced to work from dawn to dusk, the same hours as the PWs. After that, working hours were slackened to a great degree, and eventually lifted completely.

Conditions in the camp were bad, but food improved as time went on. On their way through the town to the port, on the days when they were forced to work there, the men were not allowed to talk with civilians.

Deaths are frequent in other camps in IS. This was learnt from PWs who had been brought to SPALATO from other camps. (The camp at SPALATO seems to have been for transit personnel, although were they went or from where they came is clouded in mystery). The cause of death in the majority of cases can be ascribed to long hours of forced labour on insufficient food.

13. Nothing was learnt of IS conditions, either political, economic or military. Judging by their appearance, civilians seem to be a dismal crowd. There were troops in SPALATO, but whether they are the normal garrison or not is unknown.

14. The fishermen attribute their release to the intervention of the Italian Ministero dell'Interno. The crew of the "SALVINO" state that they have heard that RAVAGHAN, Communist sindaco of Chioggia, went to Rome on their behalf, and that the P.C.I. of Chioggia looked after their families during the enforced absence of the crew.

(Sgd) Sgt. Docking 8687

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

A P O 794

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 5609/163/SC.

12 July 1946.

SUBJECT: Italian motor fishing vessels captured by the
Yugoslavs during May and June 1945.TO : Ministry of Marine,
Rome.Reference your letter No. 2345/UT on the above-quoted
subject addressed to the Navy Sub-Commission.

I have to inform you that the Allied Commission is taking
all possible action to obtain the restitution of these and other
ships and their crews held by the Yugoslav Authorities and to pre-
vent the re-occurrence of such acts.

For the Chief Commissioner:

N. W. FIND-SMITH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 794

Ref. : 5609/206/80.

10 July 1946.

Dear Mr. Smedlaka,

With further reference to my Letter No. 5609/206/80 dated 12 June 1946 on the subject of Italian fishing vessels seized in the Adriatic.

I now enclose a list containing the names of the boats together with the names of 95 of the crews.

If the facts stated in the above-quoted letter are true I would be grateful if you will kindly inform your Government in order that these ships and their crews may be repatriated without delay.

Yours Very Truly,

/s/ Henry W. Stone

HENRY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Mr. Steven J. Smedlaka,
Deputy Representative of Yugoslavia to the
Advisory Council for Italy.

Copy to:- AFHQ for G-5 Section,
POLAD 'A'
POLAD 'B'
— Navy Sub-Commission —

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

A P O 794

Office of the Executive Commissioner

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8 July 1946.

Ref. : 5609/259/EE.

SUBJECT: Seizure of Italian Vessels by Yugoslavs.

TO : G-5 Section,
A. P. O.

With reference to recent correspondence under similar reference, I now enclose a list containing the names of 93 of the crews of the ten vessels that were seized on 19 May 1946.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Alay Kinsely
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Encl. As above.

Copy to:- U.S. Embassy,
Br. Embassy,
Navy Sub-Commission.

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REC/5243
6 July 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER:

Subject: Seizure of Italian Motor Fishing Vessels by the
Jugoslavs - Crew Lists.

Enclosure: (A) NDIC TRIESTE ltr. No. 3503/305 of 23rd
June 1946.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded for information and
any action deemed necessary.

W. F. BAHLMANN
Comdr., USNR

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

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6 JUL 1946

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HSC/5224
2 July 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER:

Subject: Italian motor fishing vessels captured by the
Jugoslavs during May and June 1945.

1. Confirming conversation between Commander PAULMANN
and Captain KNISELY, a copy of the Ministry of Marine's letter
2345/UT dated 25th June 1946 is forwarded for information since its
contents has already been acted upon by the Executive Commissioner.

W. F. PAULMANN,
Commander, USRP.

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SEIZURE OF ITALIAN MOTOR FISHING VESSELS BY
JUGOSLAVS - CREW LIST.

(Naval Officer-in-Charge, Trieste's letter No. 8503/305,
dated 23rd June, 1946).

II.

No. F.O.L.I. 1011/6. V

THE NAVY SUB COMMISSION,
ALLIED COMMISSION.

Forwarded in continuation of my Minute II
No. F.O.L.I. 1011/6, dated 16th June, 1946.

S. H. Goldsworthy

ROME,
2nd July, 1946.

for REAR ADMIRAL.

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INFO: CABINET OFFICES WHITEHALL FOR BCS ALCON ROME C IN C MED

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REFERENCE NAF 1158. THIS IS NAF 1168.

1. NAMES OF SHIPS STATED IN PARA 5 SHOULD BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS.
2. FOR VICKOVA ROJINA READ NUOVA ROSINA. FOR AMERA READ AMERA. FOR GORCORA READ GORCONA.

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ACTION: AIR S/C

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EXEC COMMISSIONER

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Headquarters. It is to be transmitted even in Cipher
without being marked (Messages marked
O.T.P. need not be marked).

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IRIN-11(A)

From : MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date : 25th June, 1946.
Ref. : 2345/UT ✓

Subject : Italian motor fishing vessels captured by the Jugoslavs during May and June 1945.

Reference is made to your letter NSC/4455 of 18th January, 1946 and to subsequent correspondence upon the subject.

You are informed that to date the Jugoslavs Authorities have not released the motor fishing vessels "SAN NICOLA" and "NUOVA MARIA" (captured in May 1945), "SANTA TERESA" (captured in June 1945) and "GIORGIO II" (captured on 9th October 1945).

In a like manner the Yugoslav Authorities are still detaining the crews of the motor fishing vessels "SAN NICOLA", "NUOVA MARIA", and "GIORGIO II".

It is requested that the Allied Commission may take renewed action to obtain the release of the four vessels and the crews which are still detained.

THE MINISTER.

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*Ministero della Marina*GABINETTO
Ufficio Trattati

Roma, 25 GIU, 1945

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Navale -

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 2345/Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Motopescherecci italiani catturati da jugoslavi nei mesi di Maggio e Giugno 1945.

Si fa riferimento al foglio di codesta Commissione Alleata NSC/4455 del 18 gennaio c.a. e alla seguente corrispondenza in merito.

Si informa che a tutt'oggi le Autorità jugoslave non hanno ancora rilasciati i motopescherecci "SAN NICOLA" e "NUOVA MARIA" (catturati nel maggio 1945) "SANTA TERESA" (catturato nel giugno 1945) e "GIORGIO II°" (catturato il 9 ottobre 1945).

Sono ancora del pari trattenuti dalle Autorità jugoslave gli equipaggi dei motopescherecci "SAN NICOLA", "NUOVA MARIA" e "GIORGIO II°".

Si prega codesta Commissione Alleata voler nuovamente intervenire per ottenere il rilascio delle quattro unità e degli equipaggi tutt'ora trattenuti.

IL MINISTRO

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RESTRICTED

SUBJECT: SEIZURE OF ITALIAN VESSELS BY JUGOSLAVS -
CREW LISTS

FROM: The Naval Officer in Charge, Triests.

DATE: 23rd June, 1946.

No. 8504/305. ✓

TO : THE FLAG OFFICER, LIAISON, ITALY, ROME.
(Copy to: G-5 Section, A.F.H.Q., C.M.F.,
British Political Adviser to A.F.H.Q.,
Allied Military Government, 13 Corps.
British Naval Representative, Belgrade.
Resident Naval Officer, Venice.
Joint Economic Committee, Headquarters,
Allied Military Government, 13 Corps.)

With reference to my letter No. 8228/345 dated 5th June, 1946, and A.F.H.Q.'s signal timed 17.1214.B signed SACTED cite RHESG, referring to the capture of Italian fishing vessels by Yugoslav authorities on 19th May, 1946, a copy is attached of a list received from Capitaneria di Porto, Ancona, giving the names of the crews of the ten vessels concerned.

John

(G.S.D. Hoakes)
CAPTAIN

NAVY OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
Date 20 JUN 1946
No. 11.2845/0116
ROME

ELENCO NOMEINATIVO DEI MARITIMI DEBARCATI SUI MOTOPESCHERECCHI CATTURATI
DA UNITA' JUGOSLAVE LA MATTINA DEL 19 MAGGIO 1946 AL LARGO DELLE ISOLE
D'ORO E S. ANDREA DI LISSA.

COMPARTIMENTO MARITTIMO DI ANCONA

S. Benedetto del Tronto.

N/p "ANTONIA MADRE"

PALESTINI Giuseppe fu Antonio matr di Ancona.
MERTINI Luigi matr. 31218, La Spezia, cl. 1892.
QUONDAMATTEO, Federico, matr. 20015 Ancona - cl. 1914.
FELINZIANI Alessandro matr. 20134 Ancona cl. 1920.
PALACHEFFI Vittorio di Andrea matr di Ancona.
PALASCHETTI Francesco di Andrea matr di Ancona.
BAILONI Luigi matr. 17973 di Ancona cl. 1920.
PIROTTI Sante matr. 19628 di Ancona cl. 1912.
MASSETTI Enrico, matr di Ancona.
CASELLI Giuseppe matr. 19983 di Ancona cl. 1920
MIGNINI Domenico matr. 20692 di Ancona cl. 1916.

N/p "S. NITA 2"

LATINI Federico matr. 14863 di Ancona cl. 1902.
MESVINHELLI Vittorio matr. 71569 di Genova cl. 1906.
SPALETRA Nicola matr. 16913 di Ancona cl. 1901.
DE ANGELIS Raffaele matr. 19978 di Ancona cl. 1904.
GUIDOTTI Luigi matr. 13774 di Ancona cl. 1920
ELAMINI Antonio matr. 18882 di Ancona cl. 1914.
POMPEI Giuseppe matr. 20608 di Ancona cl. 1922
BERGAMASCHI Domenico fu Pasquale matr. 25894/2 di Ancona cl. 1925
LIBERALI Natale matr. 18871 di Ancona cl. 1884.
CONSORZI Pietro matr. 17372 di Ancona cl. 1905
LIBERALI Giuseppe matr. 19362 di Ancona cl. 1885

N/p "LA VITTORIA"

OMICCIOLI Antonio matr. 15307 di Rimini cl. 1904
LIBBI Giuseppe matr. 19661 di Ancona cl. 1911
POMPEI Giuseppe matr. 16907 di Ancona cl. 1902
RELLINI Oscar matr. 889 di Zara cl. 1909
POLLANDRI Nicola matr. 20415 di Ancona cl. 1921
MORETTI G. Battista matr. 17665 di Ancona cl. 1899
LIBERATI Nicola matr. 188801 di Ancona cl. 1885
PAOLINI Cesare matr. 18440 di Ancona cl. 1890
PALMA Luigi matr. 19431 di Ancona cl. 1916
DIONEDI Giuseppe matr. 17664 di Ancona cl. 1900
SPEZIALI Renato matr. 17088 di Ancona cl. 1903

PALESTINI Giuseppe fu Antonio matr. di Ancona.
LAVININI Luigi matr. 31218, la Spezia, cl. 1892.
QUONDANATTEO, Federico, matr. 20015 Ancona - cl. 1914.
FELINZIANI Alessandro matr. 20134 Ancona cl. 1920.
PALACHETTI Vittorio di Andrea matr. di Ancona.
PALASCHETTI Francesco di Andrea matr. di Ancona.
BALLONI Luigi matr. 17973 di Ancona cl. 1920.
PEROTTI Sante matr. 19628 di Ancona cl. 1912.
MAZZETTI Enrico, matr. di Ancona.
CASELLI Giuseppe matr. 19983 di Ancona cl. 1920
MIGNINI Domenico matr. 20692 di Ancona cl. 1916.

M/p "S. NITA 2"

LATINI Federico matr. 14863 di Ancona cl. 1902.
MESTICHELLI Vittorio matr. 71569 di Genova cl. 1906.
SPALETRA Nicola matr. 16913 di Ancona cl. 1901.
DE ANGELIS Raffaele matr. 19978 di Ancona cl. 1904
GUIDOTTI Luigi matr. 19774 di Ancona cl. 1920
FLAMINI Antonio matr. 18882 di Ancona cl. 1914
FOMPEI Giuseppe matr. 20608 di Ancona cl. 1922
BERGAMASCHI Domenico fu Pasquale matr. 25894/2 di Ancona cl. 1925
LIBERATI Natale matr. 18871 di Ancona cl. 1884
CONSORZI PIETRO matr. 17372 di Ancona cl. 1905
LIBERATI Giuseppe matr. 19362 di Ancona cl. 1885

M/p "LA VITTORIA"

OMICIOLI Antonio matr. 15307 di Rimini cl. 1904
LIBBI Giuseppe matr. 19661 di Ancona cl. 1911
FOMPEI Giuseppe matr. 16907 di Ancona cl. 1902
BELLINI Oscar matr. 889 di Zara cl. 1909
POLLANDRI Nicola matr. 20415 di Ancona cl. 1921
MORETTI G. Battista matr. 17665 di Ancona cl. 1899
LIBERATI Nicola matr. 188801 di Ancona cl. 1885
PACLINI Cesare matr. 18440 di Ancona cl. 1890
PALMA Luigi matr. 19431 di Ancona cl. 1916
DIOMEDI Giuseppe matr. 17664 di Ancona cl. 1900
SPEZIALI Renato matr. 17088 di Ancona cl. 1903

M/p "LUIGI 3"

FIGNANI Nicola matr. 19915 di Ancona cl. 1915
FISCALETTI Saverio matr. 20217 di Ancona cl. 1914
PACLINI Luigi fu Nicola
MARIANGELI Salvatore matr. 17662 di Ancona cl. 1897
RICCI Francesco matr. Ancona
PACLINI Nicola matr. 26395/2 di Ancona cl. 1928
ROMANI Benedetto matr. di Ancona
LIBERATI Nicola matr. 17818 di Ancona cl. 1909
FIGNANI Alfredo matr. di Ancona
FIGNANI Francesco matr. 21270 di Ancona cl. 1925

M/p "NUOVA ROSINA"

MOSCA Renato matr. 20326 di Ancona cl. 1922
 OLIVERI Pietro matr. 21349 di Ancona cl. 1903
 MERLINI Luigi matr. 20197 di Ancona cl. 1919
 PIGNATI Nicola matr. 18523 cl. 1889
 TOMBOLINI Giuseppe matr. 24426/2 cl. 1919
 MUGNANO Rocco matr. 19068 di Ancona cl. 1914
 PIZZI Vincenzo matr. 20999 di Ancona cl. 1912

M/p "LIVIA"

MALACCARI Carlo di Angelo matr. 20870 di Ancona cl. 1914
 PAOLUCCI Arcangelo fu Pietro matr. di Ancona
 PAOLUCCI Filippo di Arcangelo matr. di Ancona
 MUEVANO Basso di Gerardo
 ROMANI Emilio matr. 18037 di Ancona cl. 1889
 TREM/ROLI Giovanni fu Romolo
 PALFESTINI Natale matr. 19467 di Ancona cl. 1892
 PALESTINI Vittorio matr. 18773 di Ancona cl. 1897
 MARZIALI Marina di Michele

M/p "AMBERA"

LUZZI Lanciotto matr. di Ancona
 LUZZI Alvaro matr. di Rimini
 PIGNATI Marino matr. 19284 di Ancona cl. 1907
 PAPINI Alfredo
 RICCI Emidio matr. 17816 di Ancona cl. 1904
 DEL ZOMPO Vincenzo di Giuseppe
 PIATTONI Achille
 TREVISANI Federico di Giuseppe
 RE Leandro matr. 20868 di Ancona cl. 1923
 SEBASTIANI Giuseppe matr. 2 di Ancona

PORTO S. GIORGIOM/p "PRIMAVERA"

BALDASSARI Giuseppe Porto S. Giorgio
 ROCCHI Marcello Porto S. Giorgio
 SILENZI Dardo Porto S. Giorgio
 URBANI Federico di Umberto Porto S. Giorgio
 URBANI Federico di Vincenzo Porto S. Giorgio
 PENNACCHIETTI Aloide S. Vito Chietino

M/p "GORGONA"COMPLETAMENTO DI RIMINI - FANO

CENTOSCUDI Guido matr. Rimini
 PELLEGRINI Alvaro matr. Rimini
 MONTANARI Gino matr. Rimini

MARACCHARI Carlo di Angelo matr. 20870 di Ancona cl. 1914
PAOLUCCI Arcangelo fu Pietro matr. di Ancona
PAOLUCCI Filippo di Arcangelo matr. di Ancona
MUGNANI Passo di Geraldo
ROMANI Emilio matr. 18037 di Ancona cl. 1889
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FERRI Vincenzo matr. Rimini
MEI Alfio matr. Rimini
FALCIONI Mario matr. Rimini
LOMBARDI Giovanni matr. Rimini
MARINI Titovezio matr. Rimini
PORTETTI Mario matr. Rimini

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M/2 "INTERMEDIO I"

FRASINI Elio matr. Rimini
PAOLETTI Eusebio matr. Rimini
FRASINI Delfino matr. Rimini
LUCARELLI Paolo matr. Rimini
FERRI Alfredo matr. Rimini
MONTESI Aldo matr. Rimini
FALCIONI Volturmo matr. Rimini
PASCUCCI Arturo matr. Rimini
ALECI Agidio matr. Rimini
FERRI Guido matr. Rimini

(Signed)

V° IL CAPITANO DI CORVETTA
Adetto al Controllo Pesca
(Ermesto DEBRAZZI)

8674

SEIZURE OF ITALIAN SHIPS BY YUGOSLAVS.
(Naval Officer in Charge, Trieste's letter No.8268/345,
dated 7th June, 1946).

II.

No.F.O.L.I.421/32.

NAVY SUB COMMISSION,
ALLIED COMMISSION.

Forwarded with reference to the Ministry
of Marine's signal timed 180830 March.

J. E. De L. ...

ROME,
19th June, 1946.

for REAR ADMIRAL.

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REF OUR NAF 1133 THIS IS NAF 1158. ✓

1. APART FROM SALPA, WHICH WAS ON VOYAGE BETWEEN 2 AMG CONTROLLED PORTS AND WAS THEREFORE A SPECIAL CASE REPEATED REPORTS HAVE REACHED ALLIED COMMISSION SINCE JUNE 1945 OF SEIZURE OR DISAPPEARANCE OF ITALIAN VESSELS IN ADRIATIC. IN MOST CASES VESSELS ARE KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN SEIZED BY JUGOSLAV AND IN OTHERS THEY HAVE FAILED TO RETURN AFTER LEAVING ITALIAN ADRIATIC PORTS. A LIST GIVING THE NAMES OF 27 OF SUCH VESSELS FOLLOWS BY BAG.
2. VARIOUS OF THESE INCIDENTS HAVE BEEN TAKEN UP WITHOUT RESULT WITH JUGOSLAV DELEGATE ON ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY. THEY HAVE ALSO BEEN REPORTED TO BRITISH AND US EMBASSIES. BRITISH AMBASSADORS LETTER TO FOREIGN OFFICE NUMBER 258 OF 14 MAY REFERS TO THIS SUBJECT.
3. ITALIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ALLEGES THAT 11 OF THESE VESSELS IN QUESTION WERE SEIZED ON ORDER OF JUGOSLAV MARITIME INSPECTORATE OF FIUME AS A REPRISAL FOR ALLEGED REQUISITIONING BY BRITISH OF JUGOSLAV VESSELS SVIR AND LABOR. SVIR WAS IN FACT REQUISITIONED IN ERROR BUT WAS DE-REQUISITIONED ON 23 MAY 46. LABOR WAS NEVER REQUISITIONED. BOTH VESSELS ARE NOW IN AMG OR ITALIAN CONTROLLED PORTS AND FREE TO RETURN TO JUGOSLAVIA BUT THEIR CAPTAINS REFUSE TO SAIL AND OWNERSHIP IS IN DOUBT. JUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN FULLY INFORMED OF SITUATION THROUGH VENEZIA GIULIA JOINT ECONOMICS COMMITTEE BUT HAVE AS YET FAILED TO PRODUCE PROOF OF JUGOSLAV OWNERSHIP. NO ACTION HAS THEREFORE BEEN TAKEN FORCIBLY TO RETURN VESSELS. IN MY VIEW SITUATION IN REGARD TO THESE 2 VESSELS IS NO EXCUSE FOR CONDUCT OF JUGOSLAVS.
4. FOREGOING IS BACKGROUND OF SITUATION WHICH HAS NOW BEEN BROUGHT TO A HEAD BY SEIZURE ON 19 MAY 46 BY A JUGOSLAV NAVAL VESSEL OF A FURTHER 10 VESSELS NOT INCLUDED IN NUMBERS GIVEN IN PARAS 1 AND 3 ABOVE WHICH HAVE BEEN THE SUBJECT OF A STRONG PROTEST BY ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TO ALLIED COMMISSION.

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5. ACCORDING TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT REPORT THE 10 VESSELS WERE SEIZED BETWEEN 0200 HOURS AND 0900 HOURS ON 19 MAY 7 MILES OFF LISSA GROUP OF ISLANDS WHEN WELL OUTSIDE JUGOSLAV TERRITORIAL WATERS AND FORCED TO PROCEED TO EITHER CATTARO OR SPLIT. SEIZED VESSELS ARE ANTONIO MADRE-LA VITTORIA-VICKOVA ROJINA-LUIGI THIRD-SAN RITA SECOND ALL REGISTERED SAN BENEDETTO DEL TRONTO LIDIA OF PORTO CIVITANOVA AMERA AND PRIMA VERA BOTH OF PORTO SAN GIORGIO AND GORGORA AND INTREPIDO BOTH OF FANO.
6. JUGOSLAV NAVAL VESSEL WAS APPARENTLY WORKING TO A PRE-ARRANGED PLAN SINCE IT CARRIED SUFFICIENT PERSONNEL TO FORM ARMED PRIZE CREWS FOR THE SEIZED SHIPS. IT IS REPORTED TO HAVE OPENED FIRE ON NIGHT OF 18/19 MAY AND TO HAVE CONTINUED UNTIL FOLLOWING MORNING WHEN ITALIAN VESSEL SURRENDERED.
7. AN ALLIED NAVAL PATROL HAS NOW BEEN INSTITUTED IN THAT PART OF ADRIATIC IN WHICH ITALIAN FISHING AND COASTAL VESSELS NORMALLY OPERATE.
8. CONSIDERATION HAS ALSO BEEN GIVEN TO THE POSSIBILITY OF RETALIATORY ACTION BY DETAINING JUGOSLAV VESSELS IN ITALIAN AND ALLIED CONTROLLED PORTS INCLUDING THE 2 VESSELS REFERRED TO IN PARA 3 ABOVE. I AM HOWEVER OPPOSED TO SUCH POLICY ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT WOULD WEAKEN OUR POSITION AND FURTHER AGGRAVATE SITUATION. I CONSIDER MOREOVER THAT DETENTION OF SVIR AND LABOR IN VIEW OF THEIR DISPUTED OWNERSHIP WOULD BE PARTICULARLY INEXPEDIENT BECAUSE IF THE JUGOSLAVS AGREED TO OUR DEMANDS WE MIGHT FIND OURSELVES IN THE POSITION OF HAVING TO HAND THEM OVER AGAINST THE WISHES OF THE OWNERS. 8671
9. FOR REASONS GIVEN IN PARA 4 OF MAP 1139 AND IN VIEW OF ALLIED RESPONSIBILITY TOWARDS THE ITALIAN MERCHANT MARINE UNDER THE CUNNINGHAM-DE COURTEN AGREEMENT I CONSIDER THAT STRONG AND SPEEDY ACTION ON A COMBINED GOVERNMENTAL LEVEL IS REQUIRED. I THEREFORE RECOMMEND THAT:
(A) A PROTEST IN STRONGEST TERMS SHOULD BE LODGED WITH BELGRADE GOVERNMENT AGAINST

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SEIZURE OR THE VESSELS REFERRED TO IN PARAS 4 TO 6 ABOVE ACCOMPANIED BY A DEMAND FOR IMMEDIATE RETURN OF ALL ITALIAN VESSELS AND CREWS THE LEGALITY OF WHOSE DETENTION CANNOT BE ESTABLISHED AND FOR AN ASSURANCE THAT NO FURTHER ILLEGAL INTERFERENCE WITH SHIPPING WILL OCCUR IN FUTURE.

(B) FULL PUBLICITY SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THESE LAWLESS ACTS ON THE PART OF THE JUGOSLAVS.

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INFO ACTION: EXEC COMMISSIONER

INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Office of the Chief Commissioner

APO 394 794

Ref: 1649/30/100.18 June 1946.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I have to thank you for your letter No. 3/347 dated 20 May and No. 44/1770/34 dated 26 May regarding acts of piracy against Italian fishing vessels in the Atlantic.

This matter has been referred to the Allied authorities who have already taken action.

Under cover of their letter No. 20/3/41 dated 31 May to the Naval Sub-Commission, your Ministry of Marine gave a list of ten ships captured by a Japanese minesweeper on 15 May whilst fishing 7 miles off the islands of the Azores group.

It appears from enquiries which I have made that the report of the Ministry of Marine refers to the same incident as the subject of your letter of 20 May. The information received from the Ministry of Marine, however, is believed to be more factual.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Elmer W. Stone

ELMER W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Dr. Alcide De Gasperi,
President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
Rome.

Copy to: C-5 NHDC.
Rinal (a)
Rinal (B)
Navy Sub-Com. ✓

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From : MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. A.C.
Date : 17th June, 1946.
Ref. : 2076/UT

Subject : Arrest of Italian Schooners by the Yugoslavs.

Further reference is made to my letter of 13th May, 1946.(1712/UT).

1. Of the 13 Italian Schooners which were arrested by the Yugoslav authorities only five have returned to their home ports; these are "ROMANO B", "REMIO", "ARDITO PESCATORE" and "NICOLETTA" (as stated in my No.1712/UT) together with "ERNESTO LEONI".

Consequently the following remain in Yugoslav hands :-

"DIVINA MADRE"
"GIUSEPPE F."
"FLORIDO"
"NUOVA PROVVIDENZA"
"VOLANO"
"LIBERTÀ"
"ANTONIO M."
"SALVINO"

2. As you are aware the Yugoslav authorities had attempted to justify the arrest of the Italian Schooners as being a reprisal for the requisitioning by the Allies of the Schooner "ZVIR".

It appears now that the "ZVIR" was released on 5th April last.

3. Consequently it does not seem legal for the Yugoslav authorities still to retain these 8 schooners and their crews.

4. It is again requested that the Allied Commission may kindly take action to obtain the release of the vessels and their crews.

THE MINISTER.

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*Ministero della Marina*

GABINETTO

Ufficio Trattati

Roma. 17 GIU. 1946

/ COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Navale -

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 2076/51 Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Fermo di motovelieri italiani da parte jugoslava.

Si fa seguito al dispaccio 1712/UT del 13 maggio us.

1) - Dei 13 motovelieri italiani fermati dalle autorità jugoslave sono rientrati alla propria base solo i 5 seguenti: ROMANO B, REMO, ARDITO PESCATORE e NICOLETTA (come già detto nel dispaccio 1712/UT citato) nonché ERNESTO LEONI. Tutti e cinque sono rientrati non perché rilasciati, ma perché fuggiti.

Restano pertanto in mani jugoslave i seguenti motovelieri:

ri:

DIVINA MADRE
GIUSEPPE F.
FLORIDO
NUOVA PROVVIDENZA
VOLANO
LIBERTA'
ANTONIO M.
SALVINO

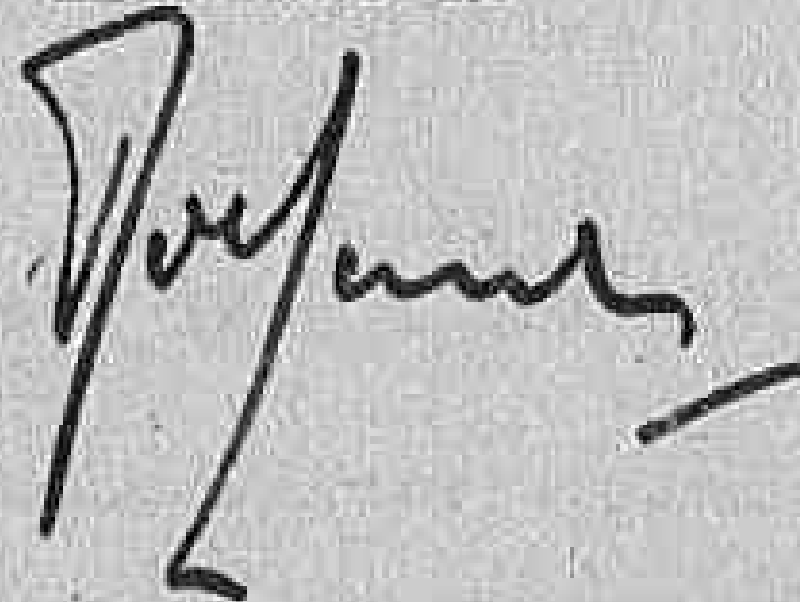
2) - Come è noto si era tentato dalle autorità jugoslave di giustificare il fermo dei motovelieri italiani come misura di rappresaglia per la requisizione da parte delle autorità jugoslave del motoveliero ZVIR.

Risulta ora che fin dal 5 aprile scorso il motoveliero ZVIR è stato rilasciato.

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- 3) - Non appare quindi legittimo che le autorità jugoslave trattengano tuttora gli 8 motovelieri italiani suddetti con i loro equipaggi.
- 4) - Si prega nuovamente codesta C.A. di voler cortesemente intervenire per il rilascio delle unità e dei loro equipaggi.

IL MINISTRO



SECRET

SEIZURES OF ITALIAN FISHING VESSELS IN THE
ADRIATIC.

(Naval Officer in Charge, Trieste's letter No. 8228/345,
dated 5th June, 1946).

II.

No. F.O.L.I. 1011/6. ✓

NAVY SUB COMMISSION,
ALLIED COMMISSION.

Forwarded for information with reference
to the Headquarters Allied Commission's signal
timed 051430 June.

S. J. Stebbins.

ROME,
16th June, 1946.

for REAR ADMIRAL.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Office of the Chief Commissioner

APO 794

Ref. : 5609/206/EC. ✓

12. June 1946.

Dear Dr. Smolaka,

I have been informed by the Italian Government that on 19 May, ten Italian fishing vessels were seized in the Adriatic and taken to Split and the crews, numbering 110 Italian seamen have not been heard of since.

If this is true it would appear to be a case of Piracy on the High Seas and I would be grateful if you would kindly inform your Government in order that these ships and their crews may be repatriated.

Yours Very Truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Dr. Sloven J. Smolaka,
Deputy Representative of Yugoslavia to the
Advisory Council for Italy.

Copy to:- AFHQ for G-5 Section,
POLAD 'A'
POLAD 'B'

- Navy Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

SECRET

Ref. : 5649/NO

8 June 1946.

SUBJECT: Seizure of Italian Vessels by Yugoslavs.

TO : C-5 Section,
A.F.M.C.

Confirming the information signalled to you in accordance
with your signal No. PX 67210 dated 4 June.

The list of motor fishing boats captured and their ports of
registration is given below.

ANTONIA MADRE	of S. Benedetto del Tronto
LA VITTORIA	" "
INOVA ROMINA	" "
LIDIA	of Porto Civitanova
LUIGI III	of S. Benedetto del Tronto
ANBRA	of Porto S. Giorgio
GORGONA	of Fano
INTREPIDO	of Fano
S. RITA II	of S. Benedetto del Tronto
PRIMAVERA	of Porto S. Giorgio

The ships were captured between 0200 hrs and 0900 hrs on
19 May whilst fishing about 7 miles from the Islands of the LIESA group.
The vessels and their crews were taken to SPLIT.

These details have been given by the MPV S. VINCENZO that
was also captured when 15 miles North of the Island of SAN ANDRREA and
succeeded in escaping while proceeding to SPLIT.

For the Chief Commissioner:

A. W. Knisely.

Copy to:- Chief Commissioner,
FOIAD 'A'
FOIAD 'B'

— Navy Sub-Commission —

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

8664

SUBJECT:- SEIZURE OF ITALIAN SHIPS BY JUGOSLAVS.

FROM:- The Naval Officer-in-Charge, TRIESTE.

DATE:- 7th June, 1946. No. 8268/345

TO:- THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, MEDITERRANEAN.
(Copies to:-

The Secretary of the Admiralty (for NID/3)

The Flag Officer, Liaison, Italy

Allied Force Headquarters, Italy

Main Headquarters, 13 Corps

Allied Military Government, 13 Corps

"Q" Rear 13 Corps

The British Naval Representative, Belgrade

Joint Economic Committee, H.Q., A.M.G., 13 Corps

The Resident Naval Officer, Venice

The Resident Naval Officer, Pola.)

With reference to the Naval Officer-in-Charge, Trieste's letter No. 7457/345 dated 12th April, 1946 (to Headquarters, 13 Corps and A.M.G., 13 Corps only), paragraph 2, it has not been possible to contact the skipper of the "DIVINA MADRE" (craft apparently still held at Parenzo) to clarify discrepancies in two statements made by him alleging that his craft was boarded whilst under way south of Pola, and that he was robbed of money and effects by uniformed Yugoslavs at the beginning of March, 1946.

2. With reference to the following letters:-

1. Naval Officer-in-Charge, Trieste's letter No. 7371/345 dated 5th April, 1946 (to the British Naval Representative, Belgrade, copies to Admiralty, Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean and Flag Officer, Liaison, Italy)
2. Naval Officer-in-Charge, Trieste's letter No. 7600/345 dated 21st April, 1946 (to Joint Economic Committee, Copies to Main H.Q., 13 Corps and the British Naval Representative, Belgrade).
3. Headquarters, 13 Corps' letter No. 5762/G dated 29th April, 1946 (to A.P.H.Q., copies to A.M.G., 13 Corps and "Q" Rear 13 Corps).

From the number of reports received, it can be confirmed that the following craft left Anzeno (in Zone B) and reached Italian ports:-

- (1) "EMERSON LEONI" (Trapani) with permission of Yugoslavs.
- (11) "MECOLETTA" - escaped on 13th April, 1946.

Allied Force Headquarters, 13 Corps
 Main Headquarters, 13 Corps
 Allied Military Government, 13 Corps
 "Q" Near 13 Corps
 The British Naval Representative, Belgrade
 Joint Economic Committee, R.Q., A.M.G., 13 Corps
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from the number of reports received, it can be confirmed that the following craft left Ancona (in Zone B) and reached Italian ports:-

- (1) "VENETO LEONI" (Trapani) with permission of Yugoslavs.
- (ii) "RICCIETTA" - escaped on 15th April, 1946.
- (iii) "AEDITE RESGATORE" - escaped on 13th April, 1946.
- (iv) "ROMANO B" - escaped on 13th April, 1946.
- (v) "MILU" - escaped on 13th April, 1946.

3. The last four craft mentioned were fired on as they escaped, but sustained no damage. The "DIVINA MADRE" had intended to escape at the same time, but was unable to do so.



(G.S.D. BOARD)
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HQ ALCON CITE ACHOO

6 JUNE 1740

AFHQ FOR G-5 SECTION

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SECRET

SUBJECT IS SEIZURE OF ITALIAN VESSELS BY YUGOSLAVS PD
 REFERENCE YOUR CABLE FOX KRAY SIX SEVEN TWO ONE ZERO AND OUR REPLY NUMBER THREE FIVE ONE
 SEVEN PD
 DEFINITE INFORMATION NOT RECEIVED THAT INCIDENT REPORTED IN OUR CABLE THREE FIVE ONE SEVEN
 IS SAME AS REPORTED IN PARAGRAPHS SIX TO NINE OF OUR LETTER FIVE SIX ZERO NINE BLANT EASY
 CHARLIE DATED FOUR JUNE PD REFERENCE SHIPS LISTED IN OUR SIGNAL THREE FIVE ONE SEVEN PD
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NOTE

We modify the letter 2043/US of the 31 May by informing you that the motor fishing boat "DUCI II" succeeded in escaping capture and the motor fishing boat "LEHA" was captured instead.

The list of motor fishing boats captured is as follows:-

ANTHIA MARIE	of S. Benedetto del Tronto
LA VINCITA	"
NUOVA ROMA	"
LEHA	of Porto Civitanova
DUCI III	of S. Benedetto del Tronto
ALBA	of Porto S. Giorgio
GRUPPA	of Porto
NUOVA IDO	of Porto
S. RITA II	of S. Benedetto del Tronto
NUOVA	of Porto S. Giorgio

Rome, 5 June 1946

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A P P U N T O

A parziale modifica del foglio 2043/UT del 31 Maggio si comunica che il Motopeschereccio "LUIGI IIO" è riuscito a sfuggire alla cattura e che al suo posto è stato catturato invece il Motopeschereccio "LIDIA".

L'elenco dei Motopescherecci catturati è quindi il seguente:

ANTONIA MADRE	di S. Benedetto del Tronto
LA VITTORIA	id.
NUOVA ROSINA	id.
LIDIA	di Porto Civitanova
LUIGI III°	di S. Benedetto del Tronto
AMERA	di Porto S. Giorgio
GORGONA	di Fano
INTREPIDO	di Fano
S. RITA II°	di S. Benedetto del Tronto
PRIMAVERA	di Porto S. Giorgio

Roma, 11 5 Giugno 1946

From 2 AM to 0900 AM on May 19.

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SECRET

SUBJECT: SEIZURES OF ITALIAN FISHING VESSELS IN THE

ADRIATIC

FROM: The Naval Officer in Charge, Trieste.

DATE: 5th June, 1946.

No. 8228/345

TO : THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF, MEDITERRANEAN, MALTA.

(with tracing of chart)

THE FLAG OFFICER, LIAISON, ITALY. (with tracing of chart)

THE BRITISH NAVAL REPRESENTATIVE, BELGRADE.

MAIN HEADQUARTERS, 15 CORPS, C.M.F. (with tracing of chart)

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE, HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED MILITARY

GOVERNMENT, 15 CORPS, C.M.F.

THE BRITISH POLITICAL ADVISER TO A.F.I.Q., C/O HEADQUARTERS,

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT, 15 CORPS, C.M.F.

THE RESIDENT NAVAL OFFICER, POLA.

THE RESIDENT NAVAL OFFICER, VENICE.

Reference is made to the following signals and

letters :-

- (1) Commander in Chief, Mediterranean's 22.10/0.B/May to British Naval Representative, Belgrade.
- (2) Main Headquarters, 15 Corps' 37/1/0.II dated 24th May, 1946.
- (3) British Naval Representative, Belgrade's 24.1930.A/May.
- (4) Naval Officer in Charge, Trieste's 25.1259.B/May to Flag Officer, Liaison, Italy (R) Resident Naval Officer, Venice.

The above were not addressed to all recipients of this letter which is intended, however, to answer the points raised generally in the above quoted communications, concerning an alleged act of seizure in the Adriatic in a position N. or N.W. of the island of Vis, on 19th or 20th May, 1946.

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4. The following vessels have been seized :

Name	Horsepower	Port of Registry
1. ANTONIO MADRE	220	San Benedetto del Tronto
2. AMBERA	200	"
3. SANTA RITA 2	165	"
4. NUOVA ROSTA	75	"
5. LIVIA	100	"
6. ITALIA 3	160	"
7. LA VITTORIA	150	"
8. L'AMERICA	168	"
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There is still some doubt whether the Sant' Antonio was amongst the vessels taken into custody by the Jugoslavs. (see paragraph 5).

Round up by craft resembling Italian Midgets

5. The three boats which escaped are:

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- (2) Maria Stella
- (3) San Vincenzo

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(as he described the pursuer) then went North, leaving
him to the westward and, probably, in darkness still.
At 0515 another fishing boat was seen to have been
boarded to the North East, after a brief chase.
Meanwhile Maria Stella had hauled his nets and, at 0515,
set off for Loro (Jabuka) Island. He hid under the
lee of Loro until the "minesweeper" finally went away
to the north, then made for San Benedetto del Tronto.

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- i Primavera
- ii Gorgona
- iii Tritonida

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During the next hour or so of navigation the San Vincenzo (which had no guards on board) edged away from the group until she had acquired sufficient lead to bolt in a N.W. direction. She was chased by the Santa Rita 2 (which soon abandoned the chase) and by a second vessel (possibly the Sant' Antonio) which abandoned the chase after 2 1/2 or 2 3/4 hours (see paragraph b).

6. Although none of the statements of the skippers can be assumed to give exact position it is suggested that the San

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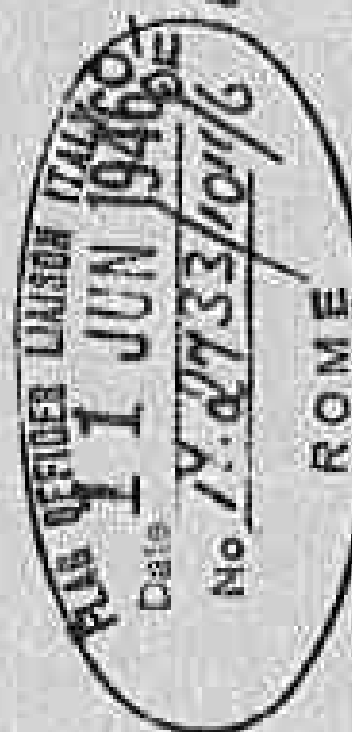
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(C.S.D. MAKES)
Captain, Royal Navy



From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : A.C. - N.S.C.
Date: 31st May 1946
Ref.: 2043/UT ✓

Subject: Capture of 10 Italian M.F.Vs. by Yugoslav Minesweeper

1. In the early morning of 19th May last a Yugoslav minesweeper captured 10 Italian M.F.Vs. while they were fishing not less than 7 miles from the islands of the Lissa group and from the islands and mainland of Dalmatia.

The following are the M.F.Vs. concerned :

- ANTONIA MADRE
- LA VITTORIA
- NUOVA ROSINA
- LUIGI II^o
- LUIGI III^o
- AMERA
- GORGONA
- INTREPIDO II^o
- SANTA RITA II^o
- PRIMAVERA

The vessels and their crews were taken to Split.

The above details have been given by the M.F.V. "S.VINCENZO" which was also captured when 15 miles north of S.Andrea Island and succeeded in escaping while proceeding to Split.

2. It is known to be an undisputed principle of international rights that fishing on the high seas is free to all States; the ships engaged in fishing on the high seas are only obliged to observe the laws of the country to which they belong, which alone is authorised to exercise acts of dominion over them.

The action of the Yugoslav minesweeper described in paragraph one above is obviously illegal, therefore, since the capture of the Italian M.F.Vs. took place while they were fishing outside of Yugoslav territorial waters which are 6 miles wide, as is known.

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3. As will be remembered, similar incidents have already taken place and the Allied Commission was advised of them in our letters : 3042/UT of 26th November 1945, 3091/UT of 8th December 1945, 1266/UT of 6th April 1946 and 1712/UT of 13th May 1946.

Their increasing repetition determines a situation which is not considered acceptable and which can cause serious incidents.

4. The Allied Commission is requested, therefore, to take action with the Yugoslav authorities to obtain the release of the 10 captured M.F.Vs. and their crews, as well as an assurance that episodes of this kind will not be repeated.

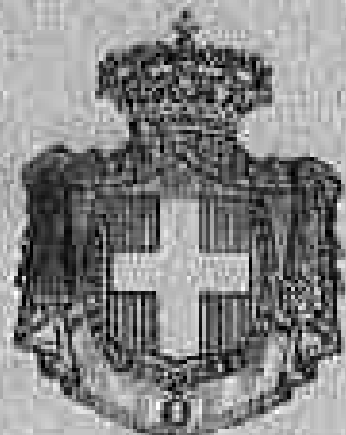
For its own part this Ministry, through the Port Captaincies, has reminded Italian fishermen of the Adriatic seaboard that they are prohibited from fishing in Yugoslav territorial waters.

THE MINISTER

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*Ministero della Marina*GABINETTO
UFFICIO TRATTATIM COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Navale -

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 2043/MT. Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Cattura da parte di un dragamine jugoslavo di
10 motopescherecci italiani.

1°) - Nelle prime ore del mattino del 19 maggio scorso un dragamine jugoslavo catturava 10 pescherecci italiani mentre erano intenti alla pesca, a non meno di 7 miglia dalle isole del gruppo Lissa e dalla costa e isole della Dalmazia.

Trattasi dei seguenti motopescherecci:

- ANTONIA MADRE
- LA VITTORIA
- NUOVA ROSINA
- LUIGI II°
- LUIGI III°
- AMERA
- GORGONA
- INTREPIDO II°
- SANTA RITA II°
- PRIMAVERA

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Le unità sono state portate con i loro equipaggi a Spalato.

I dettagli di cui sopra sono stati forniti dal motopeschereccio S. VINCENZO che, catturato anch'esso a 15 miglia

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a Nord dell'Isola S.Andrea, è riuscito a fuggire mentre dirigeva verso Spalato.

- 2°) - E' noto che è principio indiscusso di diritto internazionale che la pesca in alto mare è libera a tutti gli Stati; le navi che si danno alla pesca in alto mare sono soltanto obbligate ad osservare le norme emanate dallo Stato cui appartengono, il quale solo è autorizzato ad esercitare nei loro riguardi atti di imperio.

L'operato del dragamine jugoslavo, di cui è cenno nel precedente paragrafo 1°) è quindi evidentemente illegale dato che la cattura dei motopescherecci italiani è stata effettuata mentre pescavano fuori delle acque territoriali jugoslave che, come è noto, sono di miglia 6.

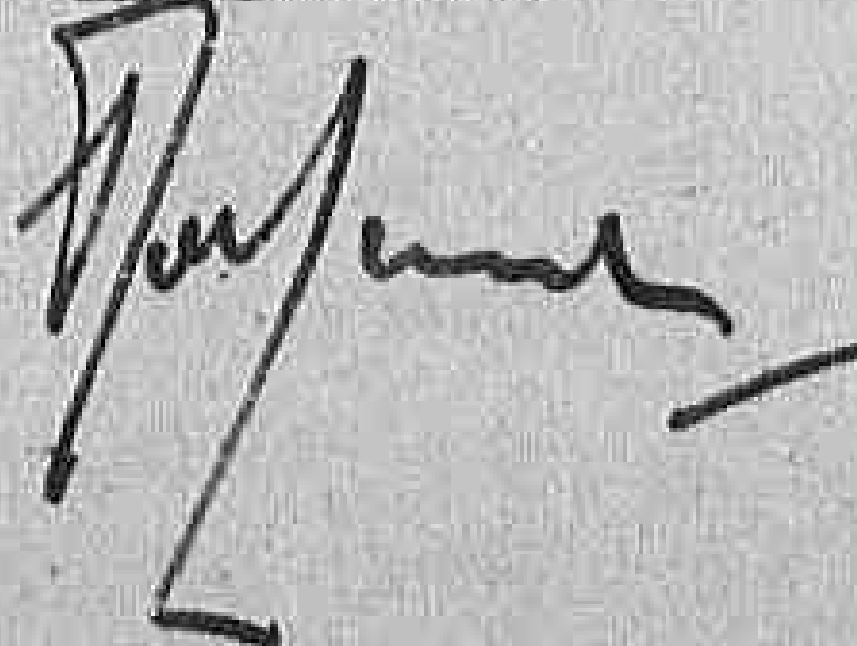
- 3°) - Come si ricorderà, incidenti analoghi sono già avvenuti e di essi si è data notizia a codesta Commissione Alleata con i dispacci 3012/UT del 26 novembre 1945, 3091/UT dell'8 Dicembre 1945, 1266/UT del 6 aprile 1946 e 1712/UT del 13 maggio 1946.

Il loro ripetersi, e con intensità crescente, determina una situazione che non appare accettabile e che può essere fonte di gravi incidenti.

- 4°) - Prego pertanto codesta Commissione Alleata di voler intervenire presso le Autorità jugoslave per ottenere il rilascio dei 10 motopescherecci catturati e dei loro equipaggi nonché l'assicurazione che episodi del genere non abbiano a ripetersi.

Questo Ministero per suo conto ha ricordato ai pescatori italiani dell'Adriatico, a mezzo delle Capitanerie di Porto, il divieto di recarsi a pescare nelle acque territoriali jugoslave.

IL MINISTRO



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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/4045
13 November 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Civil Affairs Section, Italian Prisoner of War
Division, Hq. Allied Commission.
Subject: Seamen in Eritrea.
Reference: (a) Civil Affairs Section, Italian POW Division
ltr. IPW/40/41 dated 4 November 1945.

1. With regard to reference (a), the Ministry
of Marine has informed the Navy Sub-Commission that they
will pay the repatriation cost of the 179 seamen returning
to Italy from Eritrea.

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

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NAVY SUB-COMM ROME.

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REFERENCE YOUR SIGNAL 081014A. NOVEMBER.
THIS MINISTRY CONFIRMS PAYMENT OF REPATRIATION EXPENSES
IN RESPECT OF 179 SEAMEN RETURNING TO ITALY FROM ERITREA.

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MINISTRY OF MARINE

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REFERENCE YOUR SIGNAL 161300 OCTOBER. REPATRIATION OF ITALIAN
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MINISTRY OF MARINE WILL PAY FOR COSTS OF REPATRIATION OF THE 179
SEAMEN WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED FOR REPATRIATION TO ITALY.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/40/414 Nov. '45

SUBJECT : Seamen in ERITREA

TO ; NAVY S/C.
Attention LT. Comdr. Davies

1. A cable has been received from MIDEAST asking whether Italian Ministry of Marine will pay the repatriation cost of these seamen .
2. Will you please ascertain this and notify this Division in order that a reply may be sent to MIDEAST.
3. Please treat as urgent.

J. E. Regis
J. E. REGIS
Lieut. Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

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Italian Prisoners of War Sub-Commission
HQ APO 394
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1. MINISTRY OF MARINE STATE ITALIAN AUTHORITIES UNABLE TO GIVE
UNDERTAKING RE EMPLOYMENT OF SEAMEN RETURNING TO ITALY. RE YOUR
OET/40749 OF 24 AUGUST.

2. MINISTRY OF MARINE HOWEVER IS WILLING TO ACCEPT RETURNS OF THE 179
SEAMEN WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED FOR REFATRIATION TO ITALY.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - H.Q. - A.C.
Date: 23rd October 1945
Ref.: 22159/2

Subject: Employment of Italian seamen.

Reference is made to letter NSC/2697 dated
19th June 1945.

The Directorate General of the Mercantile Marine
has observed that as a result of present circumstances it
is improbable that Italian seamen repatriated from East
Africa will find employment on merchant vessels.

Owing to the decrease in services required of it
after the cessation of hostilities, the I.R.N. is also
unable to give prior assurance to personnel repatriating
that it will employ them in any way.

CHIEF OF CABINET

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Ministero della Marina
GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Ord. N° 22159/2 Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Impiego di marinai Italiani.

Roma 23 OTT. 1945

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AF NAVY SUB COMMISSION
HEADQUARTERS, A.C.

Riferimento foglio NSC/2697 in data 19 Giugno 1945.

La Direzione Generale della Marina Mercantile ha fatto presente che data la situazione attuale non è facile che i marittimi italiani che rimpatriano dall'Africa Orientale possano trovare un impiego a bordo di navi mercantili.

Anche la R.Marina per la diminuzione dei servizi con la cessazione delle ostilità non può assicurare a priori nessun impiego al personale che rimpatria.

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

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 304

HSC/3616
20 October 1945.

FROM: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Italian Prisoner of War Division,
Civil Affairs Section, Hq. Allied Commission.
Subject: Repatriation of Italian Seamen from Eritrea.

1. With reference to your letter IPW/40/26 dated 9th October 1945, the Ministry of Marine state that Italian Authorities cannot give an undertaking regarding the employment of seamen returning to Italy. The Ministry of Marine, however, is willing to accept the return of the one hundred and seventy nine who have volunteered for repatriation to Italy.

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

23 OCT 1945

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N.S.C.

MARINA.

NO.17209.

REF YOUR NSC/3757 OF 13th OCTOBER 1945 CONCERNING THE REPATRIATION
OF ITALIAN SAILORS FROM ERITREA AS ITALIAN AUTHORITIES CANNOT MAKE
UNDERTAKINGS IN RESPECT OF THE EMPLOYMENT OF SAILORS RETURNING TO ITALY
THIS MINISTRY ONLY ACCEPTS THE RETURN OF PERSONNEL REQUESTING VOLUNTARILY
TO BE REPATRIATED. .. DE COURTEN

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3757
13 October 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.
Subject: Repatriation of Italian Seamen from ERITREA.

1. Information has been received that there are 740 Italian Seamen in Eritrea. One hundred seventy nine have volunteered for repatriation to Italy and it is thought that some of the remaining 561 would come forward as volunteers for repatriation if they were informed that the Italian Authorities required their services.

2. It is requested that you will advise immediately the Navy Sub-Commission if you are willing to accept the repatriation of all or part of the 740 seamen.

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/40/25

9 Oct. '45

SUBJECT : Repatriation of Italian Seamen from ERITREA

TO : Navy S/C (attention Lt. Col. DAVIES)
C.M.P.

1. Ref. our IPW 40/21 dated 10 August 1945

2. G5 A.F.H.Q. have requested that the Italian Government be asked to accept these PW.

3. Will you please take necessary action with Ministry of Marine and inform this Division of their decision.

H.W. Hamilton

H.W. HAMILTON, Maj.

in absence on duty of:

J.E. RIGGS
Lieut. Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

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H. W. HAMILTON, Maj.

in absence on duty of:

J. E. RUCIS
Lieut. Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

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Copy to G5 A.F.H.Q. (telephone conversation of 7 Oct.
MELOTTE-HAMILTON refers)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
WAR MATERIAL DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB COMMISSION
APO - - 394

IPW/40/2430th AUG. '45

SUBJECT : Proposed repatriation of Italian Merchant
Seamen from ERITREA

TO : AFHQ for G 5
COPY to G 1 (Br) A2

1. Your O 5:014.35-15 dated 2 Aug. and MMF 512/D/136/CA dated 22 June refer.
2. In confirmation of conversation at AFHQ recently, and subsequently by telephone today (Capt. BROODBANK this HQ & J/Cdr WESTON and Capt. BATTY speaking) please note that it is the opinion of Navy S/C this HQ that the return of these seamen at the present juncture when there is little hope of employment being found for them, would not help the present situation in ITALY.
3. To bring pressure to bear to obtain the Italian Government's acceptance of their release would appear inconsistent at a time when
 - (a) There are many cases still outstanding of PW
 - i) who were requested many months ago as specialists
 - ii) who are overdue for repatriation on grounds of age.
 - (b) Navy, Army, Air Force and Carabinieri personnel are no longer admissible as specialists.
4. It is requested therefore that the repatriation of these Seamen should not take place at the present time.

J. A. Campbell
for J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD. & IPW Sub Comm.

(Draft Approved)

Copy to: Navy S/C ALCOM

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB COMMISSION

AMB/ci

IFW/40/2410 August 1945

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italian Seamen from ERITREA.

TO : Navy Sub-Commission
HQ. A.C.

1. Enclosed is Civil Affairs Branch MEF letter 512/D/136/CA dated 22 June to G-5 Sec. AFHQ.

2. This enclosure has only just been received by this Sub-Commission but AMHQ are pressing for a very early decision.

3. For your information, the sailing referred to in para 3 of the enclosed letter took place 26 July. BEMA ERITREA Signal made no mention of Naval personnel.

4. May the matter be taken up with the Italian Ministry of Marine and this Sub-Commission be informed please.

J. A. Campbell
J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel
Director
WMD & IFOW Sub-Com

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IMMEDIATENo. 512/D/136/CA.
-----CIVIL AFFAIRS BRANCH,
GHQ., MEF.

22nd June 1945.

A.F.H.Q.
G-5 (for Brigadier Henn).
-----Repatriation of Italian Seamen from
ERITREA

With reference to Brigadier McCarthy's letter to Brigadier Henn dated 6th May, 1945, paragraph 4, and C.A.B. signal OMT/23304 of 21 June to BMA Eritrea repeated HQ Allied Commission and to FREEDOM for G-5 paragraph two (c), herewith lists of 740 Italian seamen now in Eritrea.

2. List A contains 179 names of seamen who have volunteered for repatriation to Italy.

List B contains 561 names of seamen who have not volunteered.

3. It is hoped to use the ship destined to lift the 706 compassionate repatriation cases in mid-July to lift such of these men as are required by the Navy Sub-Commission and the Italian merchant marine, and therefore very early notification of acceptance of individuals is requested.

It should be made plain that no compulsion is intended, but it is thought that some of the seamen named on List B would come forward as volunteers for repatriation if they were informed that the Italian authorities required their services.

✓ ex MASSAWA - staying in M.K. - see 1/7/1122
(26 July 45)

(M.K. MARSH)

Sen/Cdr.
for CHIEF SECRETARY

Copy to: - H.Q. Allied
Commission (for
Brigadier Upjohn).

Chief Administrator - ERITREA

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 304

HSC/2697
19 June 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.
Subject: Employment of Italian Seamen.

1. The attached list of Italian Seamen in SOMALIA has been received from Allied Authorities in East Africa, with a request that consideration be given the desire of the seamen to be employed in the Italian Navy.

2. No objection would be raised to repatriation by the Navy Sub-Commission if useful employment can be found for them.

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

Copy to:
P.O.L.R.M. - FOLEM/204/6 refers.
C.S.O.1 - Civil Affairs Branch
Hq. East Africa Command.
HAC/1217/285/CA refers.

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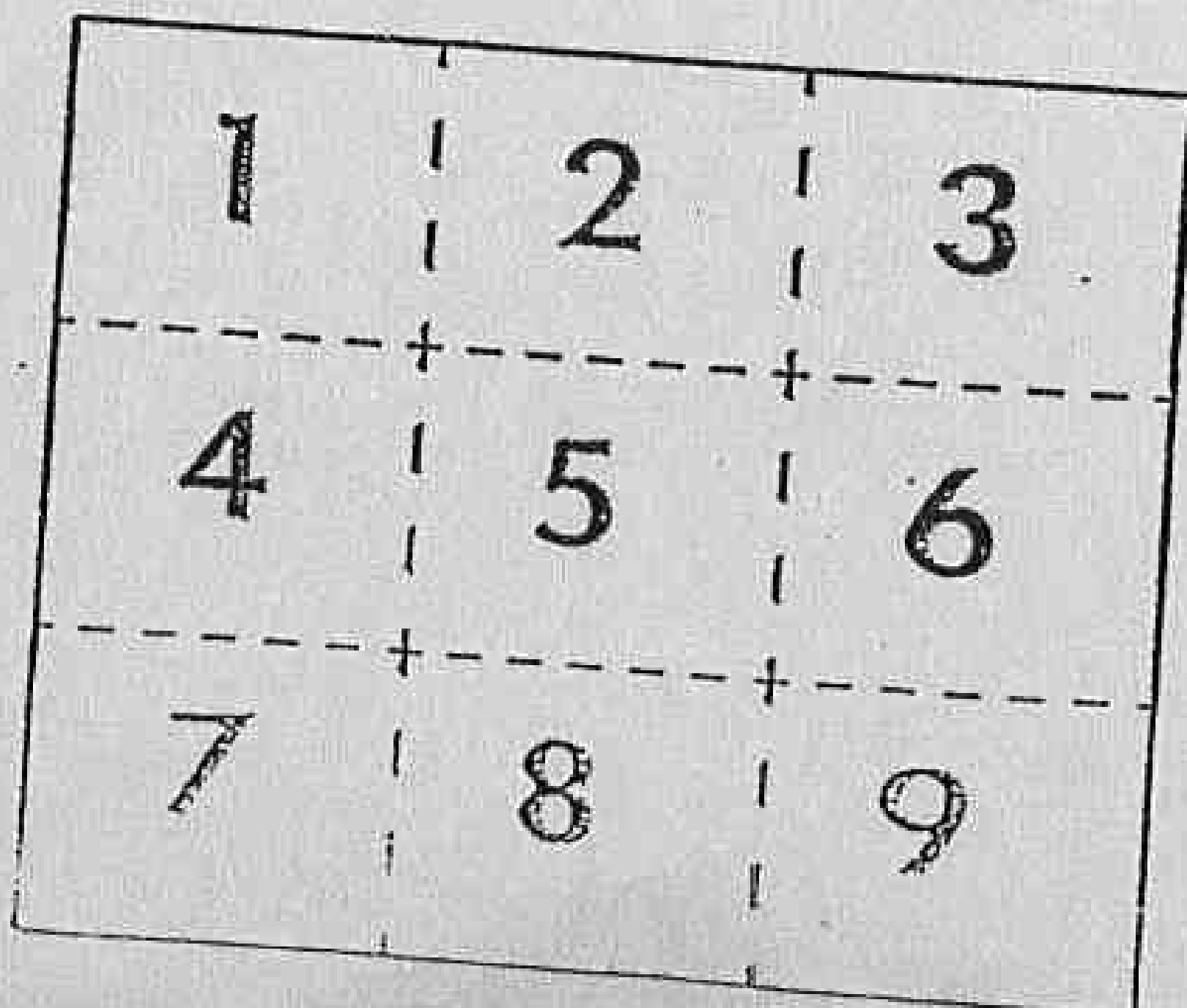
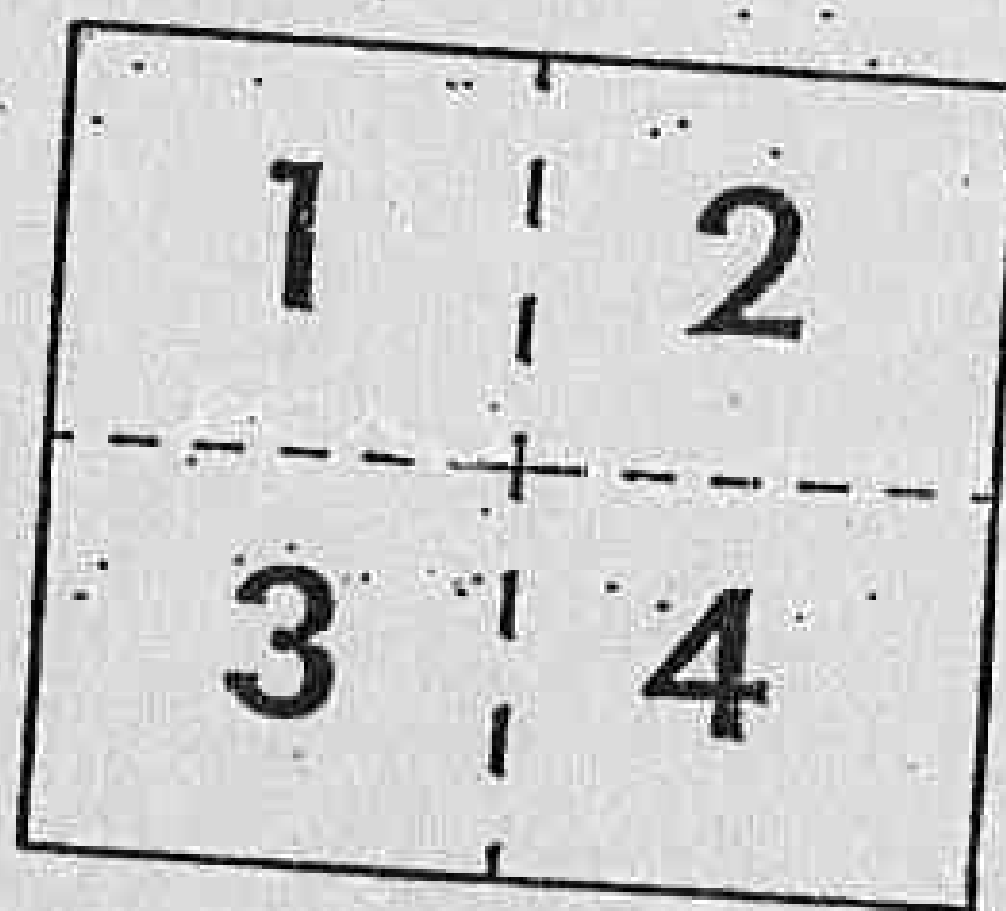
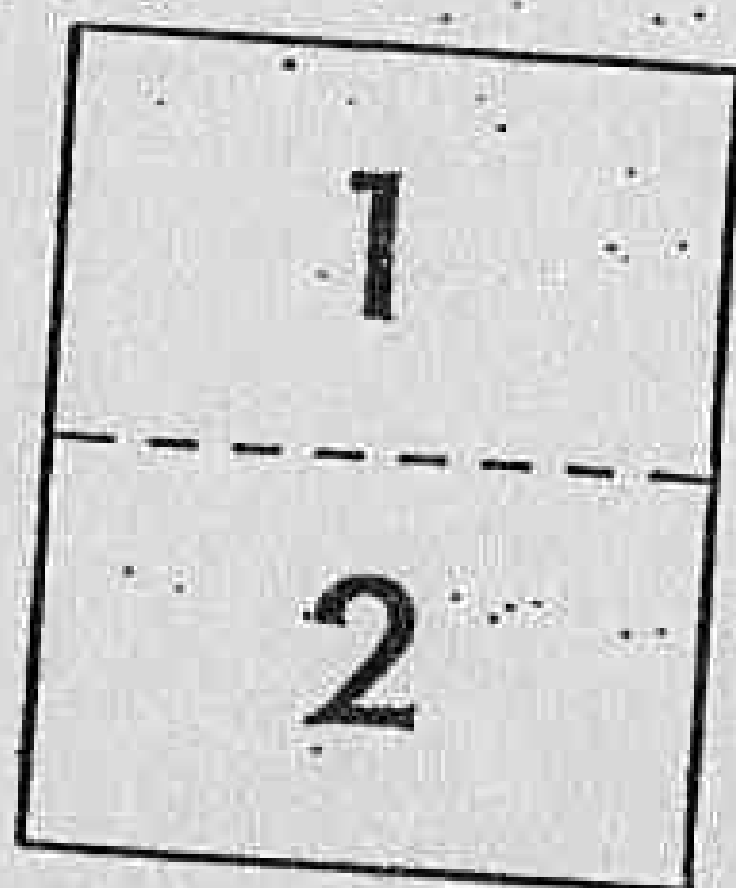
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ITALIANS

SEAMEN

NAME	STATUS	RANK OR OCCUPATION	NAME OF LAST EMPLOYER AND SHIP	SPECIAL QUALIFICATION
FARACE Antonio	Civilian	On the R.Navy: 1st Ten.di Vascello Merchant Navy: Master Cert.	Ditta L.PITTALUGA GENOVA - Tanker "Pennsylvania"	Agent Bunker Station at Dakar. Knowledge of Eng.Span.Fren. Languages
CHIERICHETTI Antonio	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Master Cert.	Tanker "Marghera" SIPO - ROMA	Some knowledge of Eng. and French Languages
QUARANTOTTO Pietro	Civilian	No Military Service 1st Engineer Certificate	L.PITTALUGA - GENOVA Tanker "Pennsylvania"	© ©
MARALDO Benvenuto	Civilian	No Military Service 2nd Engineer Certificate	S/s Carso LLOYD TRIESTINO	French Language
DE VESCOVI Rodolfo	Civilian	On the Navy: 1st Capo Meccanico.-Merchant Navy: Engine Artificer	SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Language
TARDINI Arrigo	Civilian	On the Navy: S/Ten. R.T.CREM. Merchant Navy: W/Oper.	L.PITTALUGA - GENOVA Tanker "Pennsylvania"	© ©
BORSANI Ernesto	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Fireman	SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Language
BARBIERE Antonio	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	© ©
GIRALDI Francesco	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Sailor Merchant Navy: Sailor	SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Language
TOSCANI Gastone	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Motorist Merchant Navy: No service	R.Navy-Chisimayo	© ©
LUXICH Marcello	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Steward.	SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Language
CALCAGNO Giuseppe	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Sailor Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	© ©
ZAZZANO Domenico	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Cine Operat.	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	© ©
FOTI Antonio	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Cook	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	© ©
OLIVA Salvatore	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Fireman Merchant Navy: Stoker	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Carso	© ©
BONAJUTO Ciro	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Fireman	© ©	© ©
PIEMONTE Antonio	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Sailor Merchant Navy: Fireman	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Carso	© ©
SCIOTTI Michele	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	English Language
CORALLO Domenico	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Sailor Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	© ©

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NAME OF LAST EMPLOYER AND SELF	SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS	ADDRESS IN SOMALIA	ADDRESS IN ITALY	AGE	REMARKS
Ditta L.PITTALUGA GENOVA - Tanker "Pensilvania"	Agent Banker Station at Dakar. Knowledge of Eng.Span.Fren. Languages	Viale Lado or Medical Store B.H.A.	GENOVA (Camogli)	38	
Tanker "Marghera" SIPO - ROMA	Some knowledge of Eng. and French Languages	B.H.A. Transp. Depot	GENOVA	44	
L.PITTALUGA - GENOVA Tanker "Pensilvania"	© ©	Hussen Bahani Workshops	TRIESTE	62	
S/s Carso LLOYD TRIESTINO	French Language	94 EAC Elect. Mec. Eng.	UDINE	39	
SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Language	94 EA. Elect. Mec. Eng.	FIUME	40	
L.PITTALUGA - GENOVA Tanker "Pensilvania"	© ©	Somalia Curier	LA SPEZIA	50	
SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Language	P.W.D.	TRIESTE	47	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	© ©	Bar Savoia	LA SPEZIA	35	
SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Language	49 G. T. Goy.	FOLA	42	
R.Navy-Chisimayo	© ©	94 EA. Elect. Mec.Eng.W/s	SALERNO	43	
SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Language	FIAT W/s	FIUME	20	
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LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	© ©	Via Principe di Piemonte	GENOVA	41	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	© ©	P.W.D. W/s	MESSINA	38	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Carso	© ©	P.W.D. W/s	GENOVA	38	
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LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Carso	© ©	P.W.D. W/s	ROVERNO	39	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	English Language	H. S. Hq. Troops	GENOVA	24	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	© ©	P.W.D. R.E. Store	GENOVA	56	

BARBIERE Antonio	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	• •
GIRALDI Francesco	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Sailor Merchant Navy: Sailor	SIFO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Language
TOSCANI Gaetano	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Motorist Merchant Navy: No service	R.Navy-Chisimayo	• •
LUXICH Marcello	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Steward.	SIFO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Language
CALCAGNO Giuseppe	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Sailor Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	• •
ZAZZANO Domenico	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Cine Operat.	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	• •
FOTI Antonio	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Cook	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	• •
OLIVA Salvatore	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Fireman Merchant Navy: Stoker	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Carso	• •
BONAJUTO Ciro	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Fireman	• •	• •
PIEMONTE Antonio	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Sailor Merchant Navy: Fireman	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Carso	• •
SCIOTTI Michele	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	English Language
CORALLO Domenico	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Sailor Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	• •
CODEGASA Maneli	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Nocchiere Merchant Navy: Stoker	S/s Savoia LLOYD TRIESTINO	• •

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LLOYD TRIESTINO
S/s Leonardo da Vinc.

SIPO - ROMA
Tanker "Marghera"

R.Navy-Chisimayo

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Tanker "Marghera"

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Rist. "PAOLA"

Via Principe
di Piemonte

P.W.D. W/s

P/W.D. W/s

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M. S. Hq. Troops

P.W.D. R.E. Store

94 EA. Electr.
Mec. Eng. W/s

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATUS</u>	<u>RANK OR OCCUPATION</u>	<u>NAME OF LAST EMPLOYER AND SHIP</u>	<u>SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS</u>
ZUCCARDI Antonio	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Fucchiata Merchant Navy: Fireman	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Savoia	Mechanic
ZADARICCHIO Pietro	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Fireman Merchant Navy: Fireman	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Carso	• •
IBBA Antonio	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Furiere Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Carso	• •
RIOLINO Carlo	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Chief Cook	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Adria	German and French Languages
BARTOLI Giuseppe	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Cook	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Adria	• •
VICO Alberto	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Cook	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Adria	• •
MOLICHELLE Giovanni	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Electric.	R.N.Chisimaio	• •
APICELLA Alfonso	Civilian	On the R.Navy: Electric.	R.N.Chisimaio	• •
GAMA Domenico	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Chief Fir.	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	• •
MECCONCELLI Sergio	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Cabin boy	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	• •

<u>NAME OF LAST EMPLOYER AND SHIP</u>	<u>SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS</u>	<u>ADDRESS IN SOMALIA</u>	<u>ADDRESS IN ITALY</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Savoia	Mechanic	94 EA. Electr. Mec.Eng. W/s	GENOVA	36	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Carso	• •	94 EA. Electr. Mec.Eng. W/s	TRIESTE	55	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Carso	• •	Bar Impero	GENOVA	32	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Adria	German and French Languages	Piazza Mazzini Mogadishu	TRIESTE	52	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Adria	• •	Campo Marittimi	TRIESTE	50	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Adria	• •	Gen.Hospital De Martino	TRIESTE	40	
R.N.Chiaiaio	• •	Via Cardinal Massala	ISERNIA	25	
R.N.Chiaiaio	• •	P.W.D. W/s	Campobasso SALERNO	32	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	• •	Campo Marittimi	MESSINA	60	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	• •	94 EA. Electr. Mec.Eng. W/s	GENOVA	20	

I T A L I A N S E A M E N

N A M E	Status	Rank or Occupation	Name of last Employer and Ship	Special
FARACE Antonio	Civilian	On the R. Navy: 1st Ten. di Vascello Merchant Navy: Master Cert.	Ditta L. PITTALUGA GENOVA - Tanker "Pennsylvania"	Agent Dun at Bakar. Eng. Span.
CHIERICHETTI Antonio	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Master Cert.	SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Some know & French
QUARANTOTTO Pietro	Civilian	No Military Service 1st Engineer Certificate	L. PITTALUGA - GENOVA Tanker "Pennsylvania"	
MARALDO Benvenuto	Civilian	No Military Service 2nd Engineer Certificate	S/e Cargo LLOYD TRIESTINO	French Lar
DE VESCOVI Rodolfo	Civilian	On the Navy: Sot. Capo Meccanico. - Merchant Navy; Engine Artificer	SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Lar
TARDINI Arrigo	Civilian	On the Navy: S/Ten. R. T. CREMA. Merchant Navy: W/Oper.	L. PITTALUGA - GENOVA Tanker "Pennsylvania"	
BORSANI Ernesto	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Fireman	SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Lar
BARBIERE Antonio	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	
GIRALDI Francesco	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Sailor Merchant Navy: Sailor	SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Lar
TOSCANI Gaetano	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Motorist Merchant Navy: No service	R. Navy - Chisimayo	
LUXICH Marcello	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Steward.	SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Lar
CALCAGNO Giuseppe	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Sailor Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	
ZAZZANO Domenico	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Cine Operat.	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	
POTI Antonio	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Cook.	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	
OLIVA Salvatore	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Fireman Merchant Navy: Stoker	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Cargo	
BONAJUTO Ciro	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Fireman	@ @	

ITALIAN SEAMEN

Name of last Employer and Ship	Special Qualifications	Address in Somalia	Address in Italy	Age	Remarks
Ditta L. PITTALUGA GENOVA - Tanker "Pensilvania"	Agent Dunker Station at Dakar. Knowledge of Eng. Span. Fren. Languages	Viale Lido or Medical Store B.M.A.	GENOVA (Canogli)	38	
SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Some knowledge of Engl. & French Languages	B.M.A. Transp. Depot	GENOVA	44	
L. PITTALUGA - GENOVA Tanker "Pensilvania"	" "	Huseen Bahani Workshops	TRIESTE	62	
S/s Carso LLOYD TRIESTINO	French Language	94 EAC Elect. Mec. Eng.	UDINE	39	
SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Language	94 EA. Elect. Mec. Eng.	FIUME	40	
L. PITTALUGA - GENOVA Tanker "Pensilvania"	" "	Somalia Carier	LA SPEZIA	50	
SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Language	P.W.D.	TRIESTE	47	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	" "	Bar Savoia	LA SPEZIA	35	
SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Language	49 G.T. Coy.	POLA	42	
R. Navy - Chisimayo	" "	94 EA. Elect. Mec. Eng. W/s	SALEMMO	43	
SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo language	FIAT W/s	FIUME	20	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	" "	Rist. "PAOLA"	GENOVA	35	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	" "	Via Principe di Piemonte.	GENOVA	41	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	" "	P.W.D. W/s	MESSINA	38	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Carso	" "	P.W.D. W/s	GENOVA	38	
" "	" "	94 EA. Elect. Eng.	NAPOLI	38	

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MARALDO	Benvenuto	Civilian	No Military Service 2nd Engineer Certificate	S/s Corso LLOYD TRIESTINO	French Lang
DE VESCOVI	Rodolfo	Civilian	On the Navy: Sot. Capo Meccanico.-merchant Navy ; Engine Artificer	SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Lang
TARDINI	Arrigo	Civilian	On the Navy : S/Ten. R.T. CREM. Merchant Navy: W/Oper.	L. PITTALUGA - GENOVA Tanker "Pennsylvania"	
BORSANI	Ernesto	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Fireman	SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Lang
BARBIERE	Antonio	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	
GIRALDI	Francesco	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Sailor Merchant Navy: Sailor	SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Lang
TOSCANI	Gastano	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Motorist Merchant Navy: No service	R. Navy-Chisimayo	
LUXICH	Marcello	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Steward.	SIPO - ROMA Tanker "Marghera"	Slavo Lang
CALCAGNO	Giuseppe	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Sailor Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	
ZAZZANO	Domenico	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Cine Operat.	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	
FOTI	Antonio	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Cook.	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	
OLIVA	Salvatore	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Fireman Merchant Navy: Stoker	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Corso	
BONAJUTO	Ciro	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Fireman		
PIEMONTE	Antonio	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Sailor Merchant Navy: Fireman	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Corso	
SCIOTTI	Michele	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	English L
CORALLO	Domenico	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Sailor Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	

Banker "Pennsylvania"		Workshops	TRIESTE	62
W/s Cargo		94 EAC Elect.	UDINE	39
LLOYD TRIESTINO	French Language	Mec. Eng.		
SIPO - ROMA		94 EA. Elect.	FIUME	40
Banker "Marghera"	Slavo Language	Mec. Eng.		
PITTALUGA - GENOVA		Boatella Carrier	LA SPEZIA	50
Banker "Pennsylvania"				
SIPO - ROMA		P.W.D.	TRIESTE	47
Banker "Marghera"	Slavo Language			
LLOYD TRIESTINO		Bar Savola	LA SPEZIA	35
W/s Leonardo da Vinci				
SIPO - ROMA		49 G.T. Coy.	POLA	42
Banker "Marghera"	Slavo Language			
R. Navy-Chiesinayo		94 EA. Elect.	BALEARNO	43
		Mec. Eng. W/s		
SIPO - ROMA		FIAT W/s	FIUME	20
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W/s Leonardo da Vinci		P.W.D. W/s	GENOVA	38
LLOYD TRIESTINO				
W/s Cargo		94 EA. E. R. E.	NAPOLI	78
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LLOYD TRIESTINO		P.W.D. W/s	ROVIGNO	39
W/s Cargo				
LLOYD TRIESTINO		M. C. Hq. Troops	GENOVA	24
W/s Leonardo da Vinci	English Language			
LLOYD TRIESTINO		P.W.D. R. E. Store	GENOVA	56
W/s Leonardo da Vinci				

I T A L I A N S E A M E N

N A M E		Statute	Rank or Occupation	Name of last employer and Ship	Special Qualifications
CODECASA	Nemeli	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Nocchiere Merchant Navy: Stoker	S/s Savoia LLOYD TRIESTINO	③
ZUCCARDI	Antonio	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Fuochista Merchant Navy: Fireman	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s SAVOIA Savoia	Mechanic
ZADARICCHIO	Pietro	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Fireman Merchant Navy: Fireman	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Corso	③
IBBA	Antonio	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Furiere Merchant Navy: Steward	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Corso	③
RIOLINO	Carlo	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Chief Cook	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Adria	German and languages
BARTOLI	Giuseppe	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Cook	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Adria	③
VICO	Alberto	Civilian	No MILITARY SERVICE Merchant Navy: Cook	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Adria	③
MOLLICHELLI	Giovanni	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Electric.	R.N. Chiesimaio	③
APICELLA	Alfonso	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Electric.	R.N. Chiesimaio	③
CAMA	Domenico	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Chief Fir.	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	③
MECCONCELLI	Bergio	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Cabin boy	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	③

Sheet No 2.

ALIAN SEAMEN

Name of last Employer and Ship	Special Qualifications	Address in Somalia	Address in Italy	Age	Remarks
S/s Savoia LLOYD TRIESTINO		94 EA. Electr. Mec.Eng. W/s.	VIAREGGIO	35	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s EXTRA Savoia	Mechanic	94 EA. Electr. Mec.Eng. W/s	GENOVA	36	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Corso		94 EA. Electr. Mec.Eng. W/s	TRIESTE	55	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Corso		Bar Imperof	GENOVA	32	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Adria	German and French languages	Piazza Mazzini Mogadishu	TRIESTE	52	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Adria		Campo Marittimi	TRIESTE	50	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Adria		Gen.Hospital De' Martino	TRIESTE	40	
R.N. Chiesmaio		Via Cardinal Mascia	ISERNIA Campobasso	25	
R.N. Chiesmaio		P.W.D. W/s.	SALERNO	32	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci		Campo Marittimi	MESSINA	60	
LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci		94 EA. Electr. Mec.Eng. W/s.	GENOVA	20	

BARTOLI	Giuseppe	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Cook	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Adria	23
VICO	Alberto	Civilian	No MILITARY SERVICE Merchant Navy: Cook	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Adria	24
MOLICHELLI	Giovanni	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Electric.	R.N. Chissimaio	25
APICELLA	Alfonso	Civilian	On the R. Navy: Electric.	R.N. Chissimaio	26
CAMA	Domenico	Civilian	No Military Service Merchant Navy: Chief Fir.	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	27
MECCONCELLI	Bergio	Civilian	No Military Service. Merchant Navy: Cabin boy	LLOYD TRIESTINO S/s Leonardo da Vinci	28

LLOYD TRIESTINO
S/s Adria

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Campo Marittimi

TRIESTE

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LLOYD TRIESTINO
S/s Adria

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Gen. Hospital
De' Martino

TRIESTE

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R.N. Chissimaio

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Via Cardinal
MarealeISERNIA
Campobasso

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R.N. Chissimaio

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P.W.D. W/s.

SALERNO

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LLOYD TRIESTINO
S/s Leonardo da Vinci

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Campo Marittimi

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S/s Leonardo da Vinci

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FOLEEM 204/6

5th June, 1945.

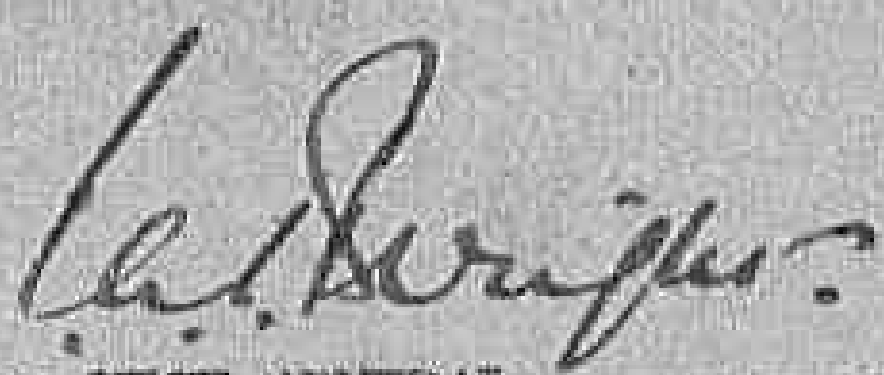
THE NAVY SUB COMMISSION,
A.P.O. 394.

EMPLOYMENT OF ITALIAN SEAMEN

Further to Flag Officer, Levant and Eastern Mediterranean's 204/6(a) of 27th May, 1945, information has been received that this matter has now been referred to the Civil Affairs Branch, East Africa Command, who have been requested to reply direct to you.

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11 JUN 1945


for VICE ADMIRAL

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Office of Flag Officer,
Levant and Eastern
Mediterranean.

FOUR 204/6(a)

27th May, 1945.

NAVY SUB-COMMISSION
A.P.O. 394

EMPLOYMENT OF ITALIAN SEAMEN

Your letter NSC/1892 of
21st March, 1945, was referred to
the Civil Affairs Branch, General
Headquarters, Middle East Forces,
for reply direct to the Allied
Commission.

2. Civil Affairs Branch have
been asked if a reply can now be
given.

J. W. Joseph
for VICE ADMIRAL.

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NAVY SUB-COMMISSION
ROME.

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AN EARLY REPLY TO MY N.S.C./1892 DATED 21ST MARCH WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

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Subject: Employment of Italian Seamen.

NAVY S/C
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Civil Affairs Branch,
HQ East Africa Comd.
EAC/1217/285/CA.
21 May 45.

Allied Commission,
ITALY.
A.P.O. 394.

I am directed to refer to correspondence which the Civil Affairs Branch M.E.F. has conducted with you on behalf of this Branch concerning the possibility of employing in the Italian Navy Italian seamen now in Somalia.

2. I am to enclose a list of the seamen who are desirous of being employed in the Italian Navy together with their full particulars, and would be glad to know in due course whether they can be accepted and to whom they should report.

/DMVH

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27 MAY 1945

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/1892

21 March 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AG.
To : Flag Officer, Levant and Eastern Mediterranean.
Subject: Employment of Italian Seamen.

1. With reference to FOLEM 204/8 dated 26th February 1945, before the matter can be taken up with the Italian authorities it will be necessary to have the following details of each volunteer:

- (a) Whether internees or Prisoners of War; if the latter, official P.O.W. number should be furnished together with number of P.O.W. Camp where detained.
- (b) Age and a few details of career - name of last employer and name of ship in which last served - Special qualifications - languages etc..
- (c) Address in Somalia and home address in Italy.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY Sub-Commission, AG.



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Levant and Eastern Mediterranean.

FOLEM 204/6.

9th March, 1945.

THE FLAG OFFICER,
TARANTO AND ADRIATIC.EMPLOYMENT OF ITALIAN SEAMEN.

The following names of seven Italian seamen at present in Somalia who have volunteered for service with the Italian Navy are forwarded in continuation of FOLEM 204/6 of 26th February, 1945:-

MERCONCELLI, Sergio	Cabin Boy
MEREGA, Carlo	Steward
TARDINI, Arrigo	Radio Operator
TOSCANO, Liborio	Radio Operator
TOSCANO, Gaetano	Mechanic
CANA, Domenico	Chief Fireman
ZADARIUCHIO, Pietro	Fireman.

REAR ADMIRAL

FORWARDED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

NAVY DEPT. WASHINGTON, D.C.

for VICE ADMIRAL.

DATE: 24 March, 1945
 FROM: FLAG OFFICER ADRIATIC
 TO: NAVY. SUP. 829/1027

FORWARDED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION

FLAG OFFICER LIAISON ITALY
 Date: 24 March
 No: 18
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Office of Flag Officer,
Levant and Eastern Mediterranean.

POLEM 204/6

26th February, 1945.

THE FLAG OFFICER,
TARANTO AND ADRIATIC.

EMPLOYMENT OF ITALIAN SEAMEN.

There are fifty Italian seamen at present in Somalia for whom no employment can be found by the military authorities. Twenty-five of these seamen have volunteered for service with the Italian Navy. Their names are as follows:-

<u>NAME</u>	<u>QUALIFICATION</u>
FARACE Antonio	Master
CHIERICHETTI Antonio	"
DE VESCOVI Rodolfo	Engineerroom Artificer
QUARANTOTTO Pietro	"
MAIPALDO Benvenuto	"
BORSANI Ernesto	Fireman
GRIVICI Antonio	"
ZUCCARDI Antonio	"
MULIELLO Nicolo	"
BUONAIUTO Ciro	"
CAPONE Giuseppe	Electrician
MOZZICHELLI Giovanni	Mechanic
DETONI Giovanni	Engineerroom Artificer
CODECASA Memili	Stoker
PIEMONTE Antonio	Fireman
APICELLA Alfonso	Sailor
OLIVA Salvatore	Stoker
RIOLING Carlo	Cook
VICO Alberto	"
LUSSICH Marcello	Steward
FOTI Antonino	"
BARBIERE Antonio	"
CORALLO Romeo	"
CALCAGNO Giuseppe	"
BARTOLI Attilio	"

The men whose names are marked x were at one time in the Italian Navy.

2. No employment can be found for these men in the Levant and Eastern Mediterranean, but there is presumably no objection to

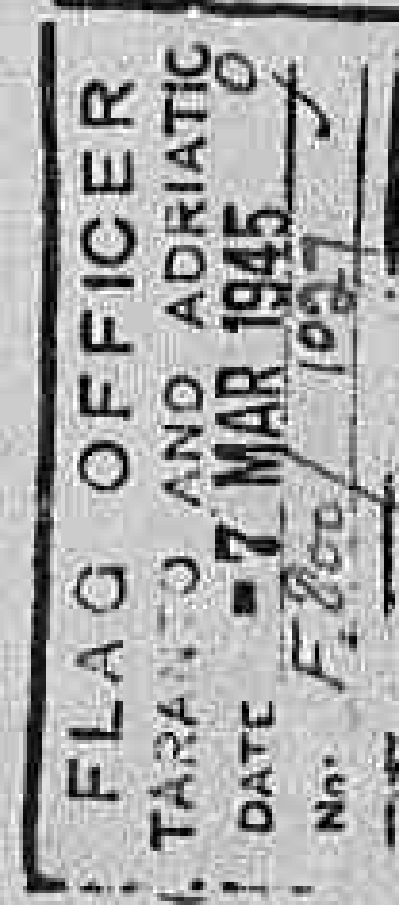
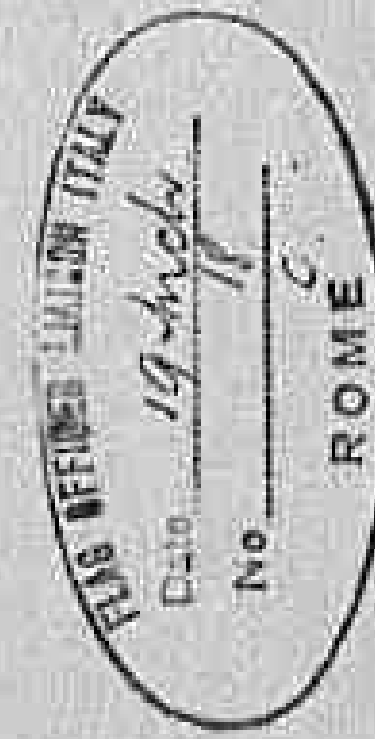
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for whom no employment can be found by the military authorities. Twenty-five of these seamen have volunteered for service with the Italian Navy. Their names are as follows:-

NAME	QUALIFICATION
TARACE Antonio	Master
CHIERICHETTI Antonio	"
DE VESCOVI Rodolfo	Engineer
QUARANTOTTO Pietro	Artificer
MALPALDO Benvenuto	"
BORSANI Ernesto	"
ORIVICI Antonio	Fireman
ZUCCARDI Antonio	"
MULIELLO Nicolo	"
BUONAIUTO Ciro	"
CAPONE Giuseppe	Electrician
MOZZICHIELLI Giovanni	Mechanic
DETONI Giovanni	Engineer
CODECASA Manili	Artificer
PIEMONTE Antonio	Stoker
AFICELLA Alfonso	Fireman
OLIVA Salvatore	Sailor
RIOLINO Carlo	Stoker
VICO Alberto	Cook
LUSSICH Marcello	"
FOTI Antonino	Steward
BARBIERE Antonio	"
CORALLO Romeo	"
GALCAGNO Giuseppe	"
BARTOLI Attilio	"

The men whose names are marked x were at one time in the Italian Navy.

2. No employment can be found for these men in the Levant and Eastern Mediterranean, but there is presumably no objection to their repatriation should it be possible to employ them elsewhere in the Italian Navy.



M. L. T. 1945

for VICE ADMIRAL.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

Ref : IPW/40/38

Tel. No. 489081
Ext. 511

Subject: Seamen at CASABLANCA

3 November, 1945.

To : Autonomous Office of War Veterans
and Repatriated PW

1. Information has been received in this Division through the British Embassy, Rome that the British Consul General at TANCERS is experiencing difficulty in obtaining permission for prisoners of war, crews of Italian steamships San Pietro and Fortunata at present at CASABLANCA, to enter Italy on repatriation.
2. Will you please inform us if the Italian authorities have any objection to the repatriation of these individuals.

J. E. REGIS
J. E. REGIS. Lt. Col.,
Chief.
IPW Division.

Copy to: British Embassy, Rome (your 24/25/45 of 31 Oct
refers)

Navy Sub Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APC 394

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/53/69

31 October 1945

SUBJECT : Repatriation of IPW from North Africa

TO : Ministry of Foreign Affairs (your 6/3756/1740 dated 4 Oct 45 Refers)

TO : Ministry of Post War Assistance (your 3952/63 dated 27 Oct 45 Refers)

1. The question of repatriating of the IPW in North Africa is being dealt with, and has been dealt with from the start, by the Autonomous Office for War Veterans and repatriated PW and this division.

2. General Mannerini keeps this office fully informed of the situation and daily confers with the undersigned.

The difficulties are fully understood and negotiations are being conducted with the French representative and arrangements are being made to provide transport. In fact, every effort is being made for the speedy repatriation of these individuals.

3. This office has not the facilities to deal with this question from three different Italian Ministries thus duplicating work in the near future will you please coordinate your suggestions and requests for information to reach this division through the Autonomous office for War Veterans and repatriated IPW.

J. E. M. Regis
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Lieut. Colonel

Chief

IPW Div.

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B. Lepis
J. M. REGIS
Lieut. Colonel
Chief

IPW Div.

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Copy to : Autonomous Office for War Veterans (General Mannerini)
Office of Executive Commissioner
Navy Sub-Commission

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MINUTE NO. 2.NSC/1680
19 February 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Italian Prisoners of War Sub-Commission, Hq. AC.
Subject: Italian Merchant Seamen - Repatriation of.

1. The Merchant Shipping Section has consulted MEDCO, MWT, COGENA, and the Italian Schooner traffic Committee, all of whom agree that the return of these men would aggravate an already difficult situation as regards the employment of Italian Merchant Seamen, of whom there are far too many for the jobs available.

2. There is no necessity, therefore, for seeking any degree of priority in the repatriation of these prisoners on grounds of their being required for service in the Italian Mercantile Marine, but as they will have to be repatriated ultimately, it is considered that their case should not be overlooked for this reason alone.

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



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OFFICE OF CHIEF OFFICER LIAISON ITALY, ROME.
(Naval Sub Commission)

STAFF MINUTE SHEET.

Subject

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Referred to

~~Cdre Ziroli~~

If Commodore Ziroli concurs, Commodore Warren suggests that the minute drafted by Captain Blackburn be sent with the addition of the following:

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J. H. Thomas

Secretary,
19th February, 1945.

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Concur with above.
H. W. Ziroli
Commodore, U. S. N.

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OFFICE OF CHIEF OFFICER LIAISON ITALY, ROME.
(Naval Sub Commission)

STAFF MINUTE SHEET.

Repatriation of Italian Merchant Navy P.O.Ws

Subject

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Referred to

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Commodore Warren agrees to the
above minute by Capt Blackburn being passed
to the WMD and Italian Sub Commission

J.H. Thomas
Secretary. 14/2

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Disposal

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I do not believe merely to say that merchant
seamen should not be repatriated answers
problem. The Red Cross apparently states that
their condition is bad, only a few thousand
are involved, it is not likely that they
will ever be employed again as seamen,
at least by the Italian Merchant Navy, they
will have to be repatriated at some
time, they have to be supported somewhere.
So why not Italy, especially if Italian
Government wants them, if we let them
before they actually get back at least
from Australia. I am in favor of
gradual repatriation unless security reasons
are involved p. 16-2

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/1/10m/1106 B.

30 November 1945

SUBJECT: Release of Italian Prisoner of War,
Capt. DODERO, Luigi.

TO : HQ Allied Commission,
Legal, Sub-Commission.

Reference your letter AC/AC87/7/L dtd 6 Oct 45.

1. This case does not measure up to requirements for repatriation on Compassionate Grounds.

2. As the repatriation of Specialists has ceased, subject PW is unfortunately no longer repatriable as such.

H. ARMAND de MASL,
Capt., Spec. Res. ACS

JAMES E. REGIS
Lieut. Colonel
Chief
IPW Div.

✓ Copy to: Navy Sub-Commission Allied Commission
(your MSC/3990 dtd 14 Nov 45 refers).

Copy to: Società Anonima di Navigazione "Italia" Genova.
(your Segr. Personale dtd 14 Sept 45).

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Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3990 ✓
14 November 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Italian Prisoners of War Division,
Civil Affairs Section, Hq. Allied Commission.
Subject: Repatriation from Cuba - Capt. DODERO, "Italia" Line.

1. With reference to your letter IPW/1/Lcm/LCM/7 B of 5 November 1945, it is requested that the Liguria Region Legal Officer be informed direct that the repatriation of the subject prisoner of war cannot be effected, or that all correspondence be returned to this office for action.

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

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/1/1cm/1047 B ✓

5 November 1945

SUBJECT : Repatriation from Cuba - Capt. DODERO, "Italia"
Line.

TO : Headquarters AC. APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission

Reference your letter NSC/3747 dated 10 Oct. 45

1. This case does not measure up to requirements for repatriation on compassionate grounds.
2. As the repatriation of specialists has ceased, subject PW is unfortunately no longer repatriable as such.

[Signature]
JAMES E. REGIS
Lieut. Colonel
Chief
IPW Div. *[Signature]*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

WBC/37A7 ✓
10 October 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Allied Commission.
To: Italian Prisoner-of-War Division, Civil Affairs
Section, Allied Commission.

Subject: Repatriation from Cuba - Capt. ROBERTO, "Italia" Line.

1. The attached correspondence, received from the Legal
Sub-Commission, is passed to you for appropriate action.

2. It is felt that the case will receive your consideration
on account of the recommendation of the Liguria Region Legal Officer
and as the wife was Canadian-born.

Gen. G. L. W. W. W.

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
NAVY SUB-COMMISSION APO 394

NSC/4271.
18 December 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Allied Force Headquarters, G-5 Section.
Subject: 85 Italian Seamen and 5 Other Italians on
Cape Verde Islands.

1. With reference to your letter G-5: 014.33-162 dated 5 November 1945, the Italian Government state they are willing to accept the 85 Italian seamen and 5 civilians and would prefer they be sent to either Taranto or Naples.

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

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

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IPW/40/54

13 December 1945

SUBJECT : 85 Italian Naval Personnel & 5 other Italian
on Cape Verde Islands.

TO : Navy Sub-Commission
A.C.

1. Reference your NSC/3985 dated 16 November 1945 addressed to Dis.Pers S/C and passed to this division for action.

2. The Italian Government inform us that they are willing to accept the repatriation of the 85 Italian Naval personnel and 5 Civilians mentioned in your above quoted letter and would prefer that they be sent to either Taranto or Naples.

3. All correspondence is returned as requested.

James E. Regis
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Lieut. Colonel
Chief
I.P.W. Div.

Italian Prisoner of War Sub-Commission

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APO 394
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

DPR/3/VERDE/G-II (IT) Tel. 489061 Ext. 594

21 November 1945

SUBJECT : 85 Italian Naval Personnel & 5 other Italians on Cape Verde Islands.

TO : I.P.O.W. Division
(Attn: Maj. Hamilton)

1. Reference conversation Maj. Hamilton - Capt. Elliman of 20 Nov.
letter from G-5 A.F.H.Q. ref. 014.33-162 together with pertinent documents
and nominal rolls are passed to you for action.

For the Director,

J. F. ELLIMAN
CAPT. C.M.P.
C.A. OLIVER
Lt. Colonel
G-1 Italian.

Copy to : Navy Sub Commission A.C.
ref. your NSC/3935 of 16 Nov. 45

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR DIVISION

IPW/40/5222 Nov. '45

SUBJECT : Italian Merchant Marine Personnel and Civilians
on Cape Verde Islands. Repatriation of.

TO : Autonomous Office for War Veterans & Repatriated PW
: Ministry of Foreign Affairs (for action on 5 civilians)

1. The attached despatch from H.M. Consulate St. Vincent to H.M. Ambassador in Lisbon, concerning 85 Italian seamen and 5 Italian civilians stranded on Cape Verde Islands, is forwarded.
2. Will you please state if you are willing to accept repatriation of these individuals, and to which port you would prefer to receive them.

W. Hamilton
J. E. REGIS
Lieut. Col.
Chief
IPW Div.

Copy to: Navy S/C (your 3985 of 16/11 refers)
" " AFHQ, G5 Sec. (your 014.33-162 of 5/11 refers)

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Encl.: copy of Cape Verde British Vice Consul's despatch
dated 27 Sept. '45.

Italian Prisoners of War & Civilians
HQ AFHQ
Despatch
Log No. 8430

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APO 394
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

DPR/3/VERDE/G-II (IT)

Tel. 489081 Ext. 594

7 / November 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

FIRST ENDORSEMENT On:
AFHQ G-5 Ltr G-5: 614.
33-162 of 5 Nov. 1945.

NSC/3985
16 November 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission,
Hq. Allied Commission.
Subject: Italian Merchant Marine Personnel and Civilians on Cape
Verde Islands - Repatriation of.

1. Forwarded. Before taking up the matter of the repatriation of the 85 Italian Merchant Marine seamen referred to in the basic correspondence, information is requested as to the proper procedure for repatriation of these persons.
2. It is requested that the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission, AC take appropriate action on the repatriation of the 5 civilians referred to in paragraph 12 of the British Vice-Consulate letter of 27 September 1945.
3. The return of all correspondence to the Navy Sub-Commission, AC is requested.

H. ST. J. BUTLER,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FORMER ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3985
13 November 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission,
Hq. Allied Commission.

Subject: Ninety Italians on Cape Verde Islands.

Enclosure: (A) AFHQ G-5 Section Ltr G-5: OL4.33-162 of 5 November 1945.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith for any action deemed necessary, in view of the fact that the 85 so-called Italian Naval personnel involved are not actually Naval personnel.

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AG.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3985
13 November 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To: Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission,
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CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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SUBJECT: 85 Italian Naval Personnel & 5 other Italians on Cape Verde Islands.
TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

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2. Please advise this headquarters in due course of the Italian Government's decision in this matter.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:



O. GRANT
S/cdr

Incl: Copy of Cape Verde British
Vice-Consul's despatch, dtd
27 September 1945.

Copy to: Deputy Res Min.



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British Vice-Consulate,
St. Vincent,
Cape Verde Islands.

27th. September, 1945

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to forward herewith a report on Italians, ex-crews of the steamers "Gerarchia", "Arcola" and "Taigete", also a list of the officers and men of these ships still remaining in St. Vincent, as called for in Embassy Lisbon telegram No. 28 of 11th. September.

2. Shortly after the Armistice with Italy it became known locally that the greater part of the crews of the three ships, under the leadership of the Master of the "Gerarchia", Termino Tixi, ably assisted by the Masters of the other two vessels, and certain of the senior officers, declined to recognise the Royal Italian Government and declared their continued adherence to the Fascist regime led by Mussolini.

When the surrender of the "Arcola" and "Taigete" to the British Government was announced, Tixi and his junta of officers decided to sabotage the ships, to render them uninhabitable and not in condition to leave the port with safety. The flooding system valves were removed or altered so that opening the inlet valves would so flood the ships that a grave risk of capsizing or foundering existed. The electric lighting plant was arranged to short circuit the wireless apparatus and the lighting system so short circuited as to blow all lamps in the ship. All very carefully and deliberately planned. The "Gerarchia" was similarly treated (though not so thoroughly) in case she also should be turned over to the British.

3. When particulars of the intransigent attitude of the officers and crews of these ships and details of the sabotage prepared were transmitted to the Italian government through our Embassy in Lisbon, the Italian government requested the Portuguese government to land the crews of all ships and to take over their care and maintenance until such time as the British authorities could take over the ships nominated for surrender.

4. These instructions were carried out late in November 1943, when all the crews were landed. The representative for Portugal, the Captain of the Port, took over the three ships and placed care and maintenance parties on board each of them. The notable feature of these proceedings was the attempt by the Italians to scuttle the "Gerarchia". The attempt was frustrated in time, but that it was no mere accident was proved by the ship having a list to port of over 10% for several days.

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6. Shortly before the arrival in April 1944 of the British crews, instructions were received from the Embassy, Lisbon, to arrange with the Italian Consul an interview with all the Italian

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Para. 7 of S.V. 6/45

The "Taigete" and "Arcola", both oil fuel tankers, were earmarked for surrender to the British under the terms of the Armistice. As the date approached when the ships were to be handed over, the extreme anti-British attitude of the officers and a proportion of the crews was a matter of grave anxiety both to myself and the naval members of the Naval Advisory Staff. Some of the Italian officers had access to their ships to visit their cabins for clothes and other property which they could not remove when evacuated. Continuous reports were received of meetings in the Italcable and of gear being removed from the ships.

Para. 8 of S.V. 6/45

About Christmas 1943 orders were received that the ships were to proceed to a British destination under the Italian flag with the Italian crews. This was impossible, and telegrams were sent defining the present situation, viz: The "Arcola" was a wreck aft owing to a heavy explosion internally, the cause of which was never ascertained. Both ships were strongly suspected of being heavily sabotaged. In order to get the ships away it was ultimately decided that they should sail under the British flag with British crews. This was arranged, and a date for arrival of crews, a towing tug and escorts, etc., fixed. All this time rumours were reported of plots in the Italcable to prevent the ships from leaving, later to consolidate into a rumour that distraints on the ships by the legal local authorities would be the means adopted. The British crews arrived 3rd April, 1944, and were promptly transferred to the "Arcola" and "Taigete". These were found to be in a horrible condition, all the bedding and wire mattresses having been removed, as well as most of the cooking and culinary utensils, knives, forks and plates. The cabins and living quarters were gutted, electric lights bulbs gone, and a certain amount of the ships' stores, tools and spare gear were missing. Everything in the ships was marked or tallied in Italian, and none of the Italian officers could be approached to assist. Fortunately, of the ten loyal Italians one could speak excellent English and two others not badly. All these Italians volunteered and were distributed between the ships. The date of arrival of the tug and escorts had to be postponed for a fortnight.

Para. 10 of S.V. 6/45.

The Italian officers and crews of the "Arcola" and "Taigete" entered a claim for £12,500. for outstanding wages, etc. against the ships in the local High Court, and asked for a distraint to be placed on the ships sailing. This distraint was granted by the High Courts.

Para. 11 of S.V. 6/45.

An official distraint had been issued and an attempt was made to serve it on the ships, but the attempt failed due to the high seas then running and the difficulty in boarding.

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Para. 16 of S.V. 6/45.

The three Masters, Ermano Tixi, Giuseppe Anico and Artorio Giuseppe, were mainly responsible for the organisation of the sabotage in the ships and for the initiation of the legal proceedings. Tixi was the recognised leader, though the other two were also

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culpable, as in their ships (Arcola and Taigete), the sabotage was carefully planned and efficiently carried out, and the guttings of the cabins and living quarters could not have been effected without their knowledge and approval. A great deal of this work must have been done by or under the supervision of the technical officers living in the Italcable, viz: the radio, engineer and deck officers, who must also bear their share of blame.

/s/ 779977

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British Vice-Consulate,
St. Vincent,

Cape Verde Islands.

18th, September 1945.

REPORT ON ITALIAN EX-CREWS OF SHIPS "GERARCHIA", "ARCOLA" AND "TAIGETE"
AS CALLED FOR IN EMERGENCY, LISBON, TELEGRAM NO. 28 OF 11/9/45.

Extracts taken from S.V. 6/45 dated 10th. March addressed to the Head of
Economic Department, Embassy, Lisbon - being report on Magnani, manager
of Italcable Company, St. Vincent, S.V.I.

Para. 2 of S.V. 6/45.

After the signing of the Armistice with Italy the officers of the Italian ships "Gerarchia", "Arcola" and "Taigete" refused to recognise the established Royal Italian Government, declared themselves Fascists (consequently pro-German), and persuaded the great majority of the crews not to acknowledge the new government in Italy.

These officers also prepared and organised sabotage in their ships in case they were to be surrendered to the British.

Para. 3 of S.V. 6/45.

In November 1943 the officers and men of all three ships were discharged to the shore by order of the Italian government representative in Lisbon, the ships remaining in charge of the local Port authorities. During the removal of the crew of s/s "Gerarchia" an attempt was made to scuttle the ship, the attempt being checked before it went too far, though the vessel remained with a list of close on 10 degrees for several days after the crews' removal. In the other two ships, after being taken over by British crews, valves in the inner bottom flooding system were found removed or altered so that by opening the main inlet valve the ships could be scuttled. The wireless installation was also found sabotaged, and the electric lighting installation so altered that starting up of the dynamo would have rendered it useless and left the ship without light. One boiler was found half full of fuel oil, the gauge glasses plugged so as to show water in them, and the safter valve screwed hard down - a murderous piece of work if it had not been discovered. The departure of these two ships was delayed for several days before it could be certain they could proceed to their destination with safety. They eventually left under tow, as under their own steam was inadvisable.

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Para. 5 of S.V. 6/45.

Shortly after the landing of the crews a "purge" took place, and any one who would not sign a document stating he did not acknowledge the new Italian Government and was still faithful to the Mussolini regime, was expelled from the Fascist party and left without pay or upkeep. Ten men refused to sign this document, and these afterwards formed the loyal Italian group which left St. Vincent in the Arcola and Taigete under the British flag during April, 1944.

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officers and men who were landed from the Italian ships, and to offer such as were willing to go a passage to Dakar in the "Arcoola" and "Taigete", where on arrival their employment or repatriation would be arranged with the Royal Italian Government. A meeting took place at which were present the British Consul, the Italian Consul and all the Italians with the exception of Tixi and his junta of officers, who refused to attend. The terms of the offer were explained to the Italians, but after some discussion the offer was almost unanimously rejected, their reason for rejection being that "as their ships were based on Genoa all of them had wives, families or relatives living in or in the neighbourhood of this town, and they had all grave fears that their relatives would be made to pay heavily for their desertion of the Fascist cause, since that part of Italy was still occupied by the German army and Fascist partisans." Later, one of the loyal Italians told me that Tixi was in communication with Fascist representatives in the north of Italy through the German Consul here via the latter's Embassy in Lisbon. It was also stated that Tixi was a member of the Fascist Special Service police, but of this I have no proof.

This was the last opportunity the Fascist Italians were given to acknowledge the Royal Italian Government and to serve under it.

7. When in early April, 1944, the British crews arrived to take over the "Arcoola" and "Taigete" they found the ships in such a condition of filth and absence of all living necessities, that a bonus of £5. was given to each member of the crews to sail the ships to Dakar. Shore labour had to be engaged to clean up and make the ships habitable. Mattresses, blankets, culinary and table utensils had to be purchased ashore, also new bulbs for the lighting system, all of which had been stolen. From ten days to a fortnight was taken in searching out sabotage throughout the ships, and in putting things to right. During this period the ten loyal Italians, three of whom spoke English, were invaluable because of their knowledge of the ships and in translating labels and directions, all of which were in the Italian language. After the ships were provisioned and medical stores supplied, they were taken to Dakar under tow and escort. The ten loyal Italians were given accommodation on board for Dakar, where they were to be found employment or repatriated under the Italian Government.

From the arrival of the British crews to the departure of the last of these Italian ships under the British Flag was about three weeks, viz: 31st. March to 24th April, 1944.

8. Following the departure of the ships from St. Vincent the financial position of the Fascist Italians left behind went from bad to worse. Before long the funds being received from the German Consul ceased and the sums accumulated through the sale of sailors' stores, etc also came to an end. Ultimately, provisions were supplied to the individuals

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9. It will be seen from the above report that Tixi and his coadjutors acted since the Armistice as a group of Fascist partisans, whose bitter political outlook never changed, doing what they could to injure allied interests and opposing the established government of Italy. They held in their power the majority of the crews of all three ships, preventing them from returning to Italy when they desired to do so. All these men, instead of being at home for the last two years, expending their time and energy for the well-being of their motherland, were out here wasting their time in discord and unhappiness. The cost of their upkeep during this period must have come directly or indirectly from Italian sources, as none of these men is known to have obtained work or employment in St. Vincent of a

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permanent nature.

10. I have marked with a red cross on the crew lists the names of the officers who are reported and believed to be the organisers of all the difficulties in the Italian ships and with their crews since the Armistice was signed.

11. With reference to the proposal of repatriation by a Brazilian ship, it is reported that almost all of the Italians have contracted debts locally for board and lodging, etc. which they are totally unable to settle. It is unlikely that they will be allowed by the local authorities to leave the island until the debts are liquidated. The attention of those in whose hands are the arrangements for repatriation is therefore drawn to the matter of providing funds for settlement of the debts mentioned.

The total amount of these debts is not known, but if an approximate total can be obtained the information will be passed on by cable.

12. In addition to the 25 Italians mentioned on the attached list there are five other Italians in the Islands who also wish to be repatriated.

These are: Alfredo Maggiore and Ottorino Domeniconi, of the Ala-Littoria, mentioned in my telegram No. 35 of the 16th. July last, and a family of three, father, mother and daughter, who were passengers landed at St. Vincent from the s/s "Gerarchia".

It is submitted for approval that these five be repatriated at the same time as the 85 seamen.

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H.M. Consul.

His Excellency,
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COPYEx-Crew List of the Italian Steamer "ARCOIA"

	Name	Rank	Nationality
1.	Giuseppe Amico	Captain	Italian
2.	Pedele Carmine	Chief Engineer (Cap. Mc)	do
3.	Attilio Traverso	3rd	do
4.	Lorenzo Fontana	Wireless Operator	do
5.	Vincenzo Sansalone	Postwain	do
6.	Stagio Salmieri	Tank man (is also carpt.)	do
7.	Michelle Borello	Sailor	do
8.	Damiano Abbatisa	Sailor	do
9.	Leonardo Bravo	"	do
10.	Luigi Millevol	"	do
11.	Francesco Panettiere	"	do
12.	Francesco Tanola	"	do
13.	Gosino Sciancalepore	Cabin Boy	do
14.	Mario Carbona	"	do
15.	Emilio Raso	Bohkeyman	do
16.	Giobatta Bregante	Fireman	do
17.	Giovanni Robbiano	"	do
18.	Caetano Milano	"	do
19.	Giobatta Podesta	"	do
20.	Benedetto De Borch	Cook	do
21.	Giuseppe Camilli	Waiter	do
22.	Antonio Revello	"	do
23.	Bernardo Arduino	Messboy	do
24.	Francesco Testa		do

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8.	Michelle Bonario	Sailor	do
9.	Damiano Abbattista	"	do
10.	Leonardo Bravo	"	do
11.	Luigi Millevoi	"	do
12.	Francesco Panettiere	"	do
13.	Francesco Panga	"	do
14.	Gesimo Sciancalapora	Cabin Boy	do
15.	Mario Carbone	"	do
16.	Emilio Baso	Donkeyman	do
17.	Giobatta Bregante	Fireman	do
18.	Giovanni Lombiano	"	do
19.	Caetano Milano	"	do
20.	Giobatta Pedesta	"	do
21.	Benedetto De Pouch	"	do
22.	Giuseppe Camili	Cook	do
23.	Antonio Devello	Waiter	do
24.	Bernardo Ircuino	"	do
	Francesco Testa	messboy	do

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Ex crew list of the Italian Steamer "ARCOLEA"

Name	Rank	Nationality
1. Giuseppe AMICO	Capt.	Italian
2. Fedele CARMINI	Chief Engineer (Cap. Mo)	"
3. Attilio TRAVERSO	3rd	"
4. Lorenzo FONTANA	Wireless operat.	"
5. Vincenzo SANSALONE	Boatswain	"
6. Biagio SALMERI	Tank man (also carpt.)	"
7. Michele BORELLO	sailor	"
8. Damiano ABBATISTA	"	"
9. Leonardo BRAVO	"	"
10. Luigi MILLEVOI	"	"
11. Francesco PANETTIERE	"	"
12. Francesco ZANGA	"	"
13. Cosimo Solanconepore	Cabin boy	"
14. Mario Carbone	"	"
15. Emilio RASO	Donkey man	"
16. Giobatta BREGANTE	Fireman	"
17. Giovanni Robbiano	"	"
18. Gaetano MENDINO	"	"
19. Giobatta PODESTA	"	"
20. Benedetto DA RONCH	"	"
21. Giuseppe Camilli	Cook	"
22. Antonio Revello	Waiter	"
23. Bernardo Arduino	"	"
24. Francesco TESTA	Messboy	"
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Ex Crew list of the Italian Vessel "TAIGHER"

1. Giuseppe ANTOLA	Master	"
2. Nicolo MACNASCO	Chief Officer	"
3. Paolo LE FAUCI	Wireless operator	"
4. Santo BONACCORSO	Chief Eng (capo macch)	"
5. Umberto PORCILE	1st Engineer	"
6. Corrado DE TRIZIO	2nd	"
7. Giuseppe ALFONSETTI	Boatswain	"
8. Pasquale MAGGIALUPO	Carpenter	"
9. Salvatore SPERANZA	Sailor	"
10. Vincenzo ROMANO	"	"
11. Vincenzo CAROPRESO	"	"
12. Giacomo SIFRIDI	"	"
13. Giovanni VIGO	"	"
14. Benedetto CAVERO	Cabin boy	"
15. Mauro DE DATO	"	"
16. Emilio FRANI	Donkey man	"
17. Michele GIACONNE	Fireman	"
18. Giovanni CESARI	"	"
19. Giacomo GRACALICH	"	"
20. Umberto POCARFIDE	"	"
21. Giuseppe CADALETA	"	"
22. Giuseppe PERIA	"	"

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Ex Crew list of the Italian Vessel "TAIGET"

16.	Giobatta BRIGANTE	Fireman	"
17.	Giovanni Robbiano	"	"
18.	Gaetano MANDOL	"	"
19.	Giobatta PODESTA	"	"
20.	Benedetto DA ROMCH	"	"
21.	Giuseppe Camili	Cook	"
22.	Antonio Revello	Waiter	"
23.	Bernardo Arduino	"	"
24.	Francesco TESTA	Messboy	"
25.			
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5.	Umberto PORCILE	1st Engineer	"
6.	Corrado DE TRIZIO	2nd "	"
7.	Giuseppe ALFONSETTI	Boatswain	"
8.	Pasquale MAGICALUPO	Carpenter	"
9.	Salvatore SPERANZA	Sailor	"
10.	Vincenzo ROMANO	"	"
11.	Vincenzo CIROPRESO	"	"
12.	Giuseppe SIFREDI	"	"
13.	Giovanni VIGO	"	"
14.	Benedetto CAVERO	Cabin boy	"
15.	Mauro DE DATO	"	"
16.	Emilio TRANI	Donkey man	"
17.	Michele GIACONNE	Fireman	"
18.	Giovanni CESARI	"	"
19.	Giuseppe GRACALICH	"	"
20.	Umberto ZOCAPPEDE	"	"
21.	Giuseppe GADALETA	"	"
22.	Giuseppe PERIA	"	"
23.	Cesare MARCACCINI	Cook	"
24.	Agostino ASTE	Mess boy	"
25.	Alberto CUOMO	Waiter	"

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Ex - Crewlist of the Italian ship "GERARCHIA".

	Name	Rank	Nationality.
1	Tixi Erminio	Captain	Italian
2	Zanello Luigi	Chief Officer	do.
3	Russo Antonio	2nd "	do.
4	Carbone Amadeo	Chief engineer (capo macch.)	do.
5	Parisi Giuseppe	1st engineer	do.
6	Parodi Carlo	Wireless operator	do.
7	Mangine Aniello	Boatswain	do.
8	Sanguineti Davide	Carpenter	do.
9	Botti Oreste	Sailor	do.
10	Galgani Emilio	"	do.
11	Muti Lorenzo	"	do.
12	Lombardo Rosario	"	do.
13	De Luca Giuseppe	"	do.
14	Langella Antonio	"	do.
15	Ghiapparini Luigi	Cabinboy	do.
16	Di Somma Aniello	"	do.
17	Villano Ciro	Messboy	do.
18	Ferrando Giuseppe	Donkeyman	do.
19	Bertella Domenico	Mechanician (Operaio)	do.
20	Passano Daniele	Ciler	do.
21	Corsaro Salvatore	Boilers man	do.
22	Massa Luigi	Fireman	do.
23	De Santis Michelle	"	do.
24	Bacchioni Eurico	"	do.
25	Schivo Emanuele	"	do.
26	Doria Antonio	"	do.
27	Gialdini Giacinto	"	do.
28	Squeo Antonio	"	do.
29	Villa Gerolamo	"	do.
30	Ragni Giovanni	Trimmer	do.
31	Pignataro Teodoro	"	do.
32	Cacciottolo Giuseppe	Steward	do.
33	Pieruzzi Benedetto	Cook	do.
34	Borriello Vincenzo	Waiter	do.
35	Fratini Angelo	EX - SIRETUL -	do.
36	Milesi Saïdo	Waiter	do.

6	Parodi Carlo	1st engineer	do.
7	Mangine Aniello	Wireless operator	do.
8	Sanguinetti Davide	Boatswain	do.
9	Botti Oreste	Carpenter	do.
10	Calgani Emilio	Sailor	do.
11	Muti Lorenzo	"	do.
12	Lombardo Rosario	"	do.
13	De Luca Giuseppe	"	do.
14	Langella Antonio	"	do.
15	Chiapparini Luigi	"	do.
16	Di Somma Aniello	Cabinboy	do.
17	Villano Ciro	"	do.
18	Ferrando Giuseppe	Messboy	do.
19	Bartella Domenico	Donkeyman	do.
20	Passano Daniele	Mechanician (Operaio)	do.
21	Corsaro Salvatore	Oiler	do.
22	Massa Luigi	Boilers man	do.
23	De Santis Michelle	Fireman	do.
24	Bacchioni Eurico	"	do.
25	Schivo Emanuele	"	do.
26	Doria Antonio	"	do.
27	Gialdini Giacinto	"	do.
28	Squeo Antonio	"	do.
29	Villa Gerolamo	"	do.
30	Ragni Giovanni	Trimmer	do.
31	Pignataro Teodoro	"	do.
32	Cacciottolo Giuseppe	"	do.
33	Pieruzzi Benedetto	Steward	do.
34	Borriello Vincenzo	Cook	do.
35	Pratini Angelo	Waiter	do.
		EX - SIRETUL -	
	Milesi Saido	Waiter	do.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3505
8 September 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.
Subject: German Hospital Ship "BON".

1. In regard to the question raised in Ministry of Marine letter 16666/UT of 8 August, the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean has stated that formal notification of the status of SS BON as a German hospital ship was made by the German Government in December 1943 and rejected by the British Government in January 1944 owing to SS BON being under 2,000 tons.

2. The British Government reiterated their rejection in November 1944 in consequence of a request made by the German Government regarding the whereabouts of SS BON.

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

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GERMAN HOSPITAL SHIP S.S. "BONN"

(Navy Sub-Commission's No. NSC/3239 dated 13th August, 1945)

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Med. 45/00600/3C
THE NAVY SUB COMMISSION,
ALLIED COMMISSION, ROME

Formal notification of the status of S.S. "BONN" as a German hospital ship was made by the German Government in December, 1943 and rejected by His Majesty's Government in January, 1944 owing to S.S. "BONN" being under 2,000 tons.

2. His Majesty's Government reiterated their rejection in November 1944, in consequence of a request made by the German Government regarding the whereabouts of S.S. "BONN".

3. A signal from AGWAR, signed MARSHALL, timed 191108 December 1944, addressed to EISENHOWER, DEVERES and BOYCE, stated that S.S. "BONN" would operate as a hospital ship and gave a description of the vessel. The circumstances which brought about the despatch of this signal are not known to the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.

MEDITERRANEAN
4th September, 1945

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for ADMIRAL

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ALLIED COMMISSION, ROME

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MEDITERRANEAN
4th September, 1945

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for ADMIRAL

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From: FREEDOM cite FHGEG

To: MASC for WTC

Infm CONGENAMET to ALCOM for OLIVER

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Reur H 5160.

Agree in principle to acceptance Italian refugees and Italian seamen provided FRENCH secure necessary clearance from Italian Government but must know numbers and when you propose to ship.

Will revert on question of reimbursement to US GOVERNMENT when numbers involved are known.

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CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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To: NAVY SUB COMMISSION

26 AUG 45

In view of your past resistance to the repatriation of Italian merchant seamen on the grounds that there is no employment for them (previous case referred to repatriation from ERITREA), this seems of interest to your Sub Commission, but has not been circulated to you by MESSAGE CENTRE.

[Signature]
Capt
for ~~Act~~-Col director:
WMD & IPW Sub Com.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
WAR MATERIAL DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB COMMISSION

IPW/1/11/169015th Aug. '45

TO : ITALIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PRISONERS OF WAR
SUBJECT : Release for service with Italian Merchant ~~Marine~~ Marine

- 1 . Authority has been given for the release of:
PW.T 103492, Capt. BELLEN, UGO.
- 2 . He will be instructed to report to MARIMERCANT, WALES
as soon as he leaves 209 PW Camp.


J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD & IPW Sub Com.

→ Copy to: Navy S/C. A.C.
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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3239
13 August 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.
Subject: German Hospital Ship "BON".

FILE

1. The Navy Sub-Commission has received an inquiry from the Ministry of Marine as to whether formal notification of the status of the Hospital Ship BON, formerly the Italian Ship "BRUNO CALEARI", was ever given to the British Government by the German Government. The Ministry of Marine states that the information is desired as assistance in judging the activities of an Italian officer who served as a civilian employee on the vessel in the capacity of engineer.

2. If it is considered appropriate, it is requested that the desired information be furnished to the Navy Sub-Commission in order that a reply may be given to the Ministry of Marine.

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



13 AUG 1945

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C.
Date: 8 August 1945
Ref.: 1666/U.T. V

Subject: German H.S. "BON".

It is requested that you will inform us whether the German Government notified the British Govt. of the status as Hospital Ship of the S.S. "BON" (formerly the Italian Ship "Bruno Calvari")

This is requested in order to have a basis upon which to judge the activities of an Italian officer who served as a civilian employee on the vessel in the capacity of Engineer.

for THE MINISTER

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n. 8 agosto 1945

MINISTERO DELLA MARINA

GABINETTO

UFFICIO TRATTATI

Indirizzo telegrafico: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N. 1666/VT Allegati

Al COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Navale

ARGOMENTO: Nave ospedale germanica BON -

Si prega comunicare se il Governo tedesco notificò a quello britannico come nave ospedale il piroscafo BON (ex italiano BRUNO CALABRÌ di 490 T.S.L.).-

Ciò allo scopo di avere elementi di giudizio sull'attività svolta da un ufficiale italiano che prestò servizio sulla nave, in qualità di impiegato civile, quale direttore di macchina.-

d'ordine
IL MINISTRO

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U.S. 37266/D8313 1/44 10000M C. & L. 31-7311

NAVAL MESSAGE.

S. 1320a.

(Established - May, 1950.)
(Revised - December, 1951.)

To:

CINC MED

FROM:

NAVY SUB COMMISSION ROME

RESTRICTED IMMEDIATE

OWING TO DIFFICULTY IN EMPLOYING MERCHANT SEAMEN MINISTRY OF MARINE CANNOT
MAKE SPECIAL REQUEST FOR RELEASE EXCEPT IN THE CASE OF BELLEN WHO IS ENTITLED TO
REINSTATEMENT BY FORMER EMPLOYERS. YOUR 261539B JUNE REFERS.

271929B JUNE

DIS: 3, 7, 7a, 9, 9a, 11.

REF: EX P.O.W. HOSPITAL SHIP BORN.

T/P B/L TOD 1950/27

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U.S. 37206/10013 1/44 1000M C. & L. 31 2:10

NAVAL MESSAGE.

S. 1320c.

(Established—May, 1937)
(Revised—December, 1944)

To: NAVAL SUB-COMMISSION.

FROM:

C. IN C. MED.

RESERVED. IMPORTANT.

IS YOUR 191253 INTENDED TO MEAN THAT ITALIANS ARE NOT (R) NOT WILLING
TO ACCEPT MERCHANT SEAMEN WITH EXCEPTION OF BELLEN (R) BELLEN.
2. REQUEST VERY EARLY REPLY.

261539B, JUNE. ✓

DIST. 3, 7, 7A, 9, 9A, 11.
REF. EX P.O.W. HOSPITAL SHIP BONN.

T.P. P.L.

T.O.R. 1326/26.

27/6/45.

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CINC MED

FROM NAVY SUB COMMISSION ROME

RESTRICTED

MINISTRY OF MARINE DO NOT REQUEST RELEASE OF PERSONNEL LISTED AND STATE
THAT ONLY CAPTAIN UGO BELLENI COULD BE RE-EMPLOYED BY HIS FORMER COMPANY
SOCIETA ADRIATICA. YOUR 211017H MAY REFERS.

--191255B JUNE ✓

REF: EX TOW HOSPITAL SHIP ROME

DIS: 3, 7, 7a, 9, 9a, 11.

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HAS ANY REPLY BEEN RECEIVED FROM MINISTRY OF MARINE YET.

YOUR 26770 APRIL.

211017 B MAY. ✓

DIE. 3-6-3-10. (REPLY BY P.O.W. HOSPITAL SHIP BONN)

P.L.T.P. TOR 1400/23

21/5/45.

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : M.S.C. - Rome
Date: 2 May '45 (Received for translation
7 May '45)
Ref.: 96/CC

Subject: Italian Prisoners from Hosp.Ship.
"BONN".

1. Year NSC/2049 of 7th ulto. refers.
2. In regard to Seamen taken prisoners from German H/S. "BONN", none of the conditions referred to in para 2 of above-cited apply, excepting in the case of Captain (long service) BILLEN, Ugo who, as he belongs to Società Adriatica personnel, would rejoin same and be paid by the Company.

CHIEF OF STAFF

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Ministero della Marina
GABINETTO

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 96/CO *Allegato*

Roma, 2 Maggio 1945

NAVY SUB-COMMISSION,
HEADQUARTERS, A.C.

ARGOMENTO: Prigionieri italiani della nave ospedale "BONN".

1. Mi riferisco al vostro MSC/2049 del 7.4.45
2. Nei riguardi dei marittimi fatti prigionieri a bordo della nave ospedale tedesca "BONN", non si ravvisa alcuna delle condizioni indicate al comma 2 del foglio in riferimento, eccezion fatta per il Capitano di lungo corso BEILEN Ugo che, appartenente al personale di ruolo della Società Adriatica, verrebbe preso in forza e stipendiato dalla Società medesima.

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

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/2049
7 April 1945

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine - ROME.
Subject: Italian prisoners of War ex-Hospital Ship "BONN".
Enclosure: (A) Summary Status 14 POWs ex-Hospital Ship "BONN".

1. Enclosure (A) contains a summary of the status of 14 Italian Prisoners of War ex-Hospital Ship "BONN" which was captured on 2 November 1944, who are now at 209 PW Camp in the Naples Area.

2. The following data is requested in connection with the prisoners of War listed in enclosure (A):

- a. Statement whether personnel is required for essential duties in Italian Mercantile Marine.
- b. Statement indicating whether personnel will be employed by Italian Mercantile Marine, if released.
- c. Name of Italian agency to whom personnel should be delivered if released.
- d. Statement indicating whether release of personnel is requested by Ministry of Marine.

3. Upon receipt of this information appropriate action will be taken.

4. The return of enclosure (A) is requested.

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

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