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cc of the Flag Officer,
Italy and Liaison,
ROME.

23rd September, 1945.

No. F.O.I.L.-6/14.

MIS NAVAL SUB COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION.
(Copy to:- The Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission.)

TRANSFER OF THE ALLIED NAVAL COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,
MEDITERRANEAN STATION, TO MILITARY
RESPONSIBILITY OF THE F.O.I.L.

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3. A list of some of the subjects on which the Flag Officer, Italy and Liaison, has been directed to deal direct with Allied Force Headquarters is contained in Appendix A to this letter. Whilst the list is not exhaustive, it gives a general indication of the subjects for which responsibility has devolved on the Flag Officer, Italy and Liaison. Appendices B and C contain lists of those subjects which the Allied Naval Commander-in-Chief has specifically directed shall be referred to him.

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Signed G. I. WARREN.

DEAR ADMIRAL,

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Enclosure:

Appendices A, B and C.

TRANSFER OF THE ALLIED NAVAL COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,
MEDITERRANEAN STATION, TO MALTA -
RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE F.O.I.L.

Appendix A to F.O.I.L.'s letter
dated 23rd September, 1945. 6/14

Administrative matters to be dealt with by the Flag Officer, Italy and
Liaison, in so far as Italy, Sardinia and Sicily are concerned.

AFHQ Department or
Section normally
concerned.

Subject Matter.

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|---|---|---|
| 1. Supreme Allied Commander's
Secretariat. | General. | |
| 2. Q (AE). | Guns, motor transport, engines, tyres
and ordnance stores generally. | |
| 3. Q (Maint). | Ammunition, R.A.S.C. Personnel (M/T),
Accommodation items, provisions. | |
| 4. G-1. | Italian P.O.W. Co-operators. All
personnel matters. | |
| 5. G-2 Sections concerned. | General Intelligence Subjects. | |
| G-2 G3. | Censorship subjects. | } Concerning
} Italy and
} Italian
} Navy. |
| G-2 G12. | Civil Security. | |
| G-2 G13. | Travel and Port Control. | |
| G-2 G14. | Counter Espionage. | |
| 6. G-3. | Italian ex-P.O.W. Co-operators, Italian
Navy. | |
| 7. G-4. | Rail Transport. | |
| 8. S & T. | Supplies of provisions and stores,
R.A.S.C. Personnel (M/T). | |
| E(a). R.E.M.E. | M/T Repairs. | |
| 9. Ordnance. | Occasional supplies of stores, clothing,
mess traps. | |
| 10. Engineers (DES). | Occasional supplies of stores, monthly | |

2. Q (AE).

3. Q (Maint).

4. G-1.

5. G-2 Sections concerned.

G-2 CC.

G-2 C12.

G-2 C13.

G-2 C14.

6. G-3.

7. G-4.

8. S & T.

8(a). R.E.M.R.

9. Ordnance.

10. Engineers (DES).

11. Salvage.

12. Transportation.
(British).

13. Director Army Welfare
Services.

14. Medical Section.

15. C.S.O. and C.S.B.

16. Pet. Section.

17. Q.M. Coal.

Guns, motor transport, engines, tyres
and ordnance stores generally.

Ammunition, R.A.S.C. Personnel (M/T),
Accommodation items, provisions.

Italian P.O.W. Co-operators. All
personnel matters.

General Intelligence Subjects.)

Censorship subjects.

Civil Security.

Travel and Port Control.

Counter Espionage.

Concerning
Italy and
Italian
Navy.

Italian ex-P.O.W. Co-operators, Italian
Navy.

Rail Transport.

Supplies of provisions and stores,
R.A.S.C. Personnel (M/T).

M/T Repairs.

Occasional supplies of stores, clothing,
mats/traps.

Occasional supplies of stores, monthly
demands and allocations of timber, nails,
screws, civil engineer supplies. **117**

Occasional supplies of stores.

Occasional supplies of stores.

Welfare and sports matters.

Medical matters.

Line communications in Italy.

Routine subjects concerning releases of
POW to other users.

Allocation of Gardinian Coal to R.N.
and Italian Navy.

TRANSFER OF THE ALLIED NAVAL COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,
MEDITERRANEAN STATION, TO MALTA -
RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE F.O.I.L.

Appendix B to F.O.I.L.'s letter 6/14.
Dated 23rd September, 1945.

Operational Planning and Policy to be dealt with by the Allied Naval
Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station, at Naples.

AFHQ Department or
Section normally
concerned.

Subject Matter.

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|----------------------------|---|
| 1. C.S.O. and C.S.B. | Signal matters. |
| 2. Med. Sigint Committee. | Signal Intelligence matters. |
| 3. In American. | Merchant shipping. |
| 4. H.Q. R.A.F. Med. M.E. | Air. |
| 5. M.J.P.S. | Policy and Plans. |
| 6. SACS. | General. |
| 7. G-2. | Intelligence J.I.C. |
| 8. G-2 Sections Concerned. | General Intelligence subjects. |
| G-2 OO. | Censorship Subjects. |
| G-2 CI 2. | Civil Security. |
| G-2 CI 3. | Travel and Port Control. |
| G-2 CI 4. | Counter Espionage. |
| 9. G-3. | Operations, Policy and plans. |
| 10. G-4. | Operations, policy and plans.
Merchant shipping. |
| 11. G-5. | Legal questions and matters of policy. |
| 12. Liaison Section. | Foreign naval matters generally. |

1. C.S.O. and C.S.B.

2. Med. Sigint Committee.

3. Tn American.

4. H.Q. R.A.P. Med. M.E.

5. H.J.P.S.

6. SACS.

7. G-2.

8. G-2 Sections Concerned.

G-2 OC.

G-2 CI 2.

G-2 CI 3.

G-2 CI 4.

9. G-3.

10. G-4.

11. G-5.

12. Liaison Section.

13. Resident Minister.

14. Air Priorities Board MATS.

Signal matters.

Signal Intelligence matters.

Merchant shipping.

Air.

Policy and Plans.

General.

Intelligence J.I.C.

General Intelligence subjects.

Censorship Subjects.

Civil Security.

Travel and Port Control.

Counter Espionage.

S.O.I.

Mediterranean.

Operations, Policy and plans.

Operations, policy and plans.
Merchant shipping.

Legal questions and matters of policy.

Foreign naval matters generally.

Political questions and matters of policy.

Air Travel Matters.

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TRANSFER OF THE ALLIED NAVAL COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,
MEDITERRANEAN STATION, TO MALTA -
RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE F.O.I.L.

Appendix C to F.O.I.L.'s letter 6/14
dated 23rd September, 1945.

Administrative matters to be dealt with by the Allied Naval
Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station, at Malta.

1. Hiring and Claims.
 2. Joint Military Financial Committee.
 3. Fuel and P.O.L. (Policy, technical and major accounting matters).
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I am making the following reductions in British naval establishments in Italy with effect from the dates shown:

- (A) With the exception of the Commander in Chief, Mediterranean Station's Command Post, Mapt all British naval establishments in the Naples Area will be closed down on 15th Jan. 1946.
- (B) All British naval establishments at Taranto will be closed down by 31st Jan. 1946.
- (C) All British naval establishments at Leghorn will be closed down by 15th Feb. 1946.
- (D) The British Naval Control Service Officers and staffs will be withdrawn from Bari, Ancona and Genoa on 31st Dec. 1945.

2. At each port, however, it may be necessary to retain certain personnel for the purpose of winding up R.M. commitments beyond the target dates shown above.

3. I shall be glad if you will inform the local Italian naval authorities concerned of my intentions.

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 Assignment: San Francisco

(A) organization chart, Navy Sea Command, Headquarters, 1940-1945.

Summary and Conclusions

(2) *Punctuation on X-ray 525* Commission Division.

(c) preparation of compounds and mixtures.

1. The Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters, Allied Commission, is responsible for all matters relating to policy in connection with the Italian Navy under the Armistice Terms and the supervision of the general administration of the Italian Navy not directly affecting the operation of the Italian Fleet under the Armistice Terms. The Commission has agreed:

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Commander W. F. Sullivan, United States Naval Reserve, Administrative Officer

1. The Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters, Allied Commission, is responsible for all matters relating to policy in connection with the Italian Navy under the Armistice Terms and the liquidation of the general administration of the Italian Navy and directly affecting the operation of the Italian Fleet under the Cunningham 44-Source Agreement.

2. The organization of the Sub-Commission is shown in enclosure (A). The officers attached to the Sub-Commission and their duties are indicated below:

Rear Admiral G. L. Warren, Chief, N.S.C.

Commodore R. H. Smith, United States Navy, Deputy Chief, N.S.C.

Lieutenant E. N. Buchanan, Royal Navy, Joint Staff Officer for

The Flag Officer, Liaison, Italy.

Captain G. R. Kent, United States Navy, Chief Staff Officer, N.S.C.

Commander R. W. Jackson, United States Naval Reserve, Administration

Lieutenant Commander (Sr.) E. A. Devlin, Royal Naval Volunteer

Reserve, Personnel,

Lieutenant Commander (S) E. B. Culpin, Royal Naval Volunteer

Reserve, Secretary to Chief,

Lieutenant Commander James Sick, United States Naval Reserve, 1143

Liaison.

Lieutenant (J) H. A. V. Hall, Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve,

Supply.

3. The Deputy Chief will co-ordinate the organization and functions of the Navy Sub Commission and will act for the Chief in normal matters and in his absence.

4. The Chief Staff Officer to the Flag Officer, Liaison, Italy, in the Navy Sub Commission will co-ordinate all matters relating to the operation of the Liaison Fleet with the Sub Commission and will be the Liaison Officer to the Ministry of Marine for operational matters.

5. The Chief Staff Officer, Navy Sub Commission will co-ordinate the work of the Sub Commission. He will refer important matters to the Chief or Deputy Chief as may be necessary. The functions of the Sub Commission will be divided into four divisions: Personnel, Liaison, Administration and Supply. The expenditure will be performed by each division as indicated in enclosure (a). In general the functional and division are as follows:

- (a) ADMINISTRATION: ALL Italian Navy Administrative matters and Navy Sub Commission office administration.
- (b) PERSONNEL DIVISION: ALL Italian Navy Personnel matters.
- (c) LIAISON DIVISION: Liaison with Ministry of Marine P.M.N.S.C.
- (d) SUPPLY DIVISION: ALL Italian Navy Supply matters.

6. The signing of correspondence and release of dispatches will be governed by the following principles:

5. The Chief Staff Officer, Navy Sub Command will oversee the work of the five divisions. The following dispatches, matters to the Chief or Deputy Chief will be processed. The divisions of the Sub Command will be divided into four divisions: Personnel, Logistics, Administration and Supply. The specific duties as performed by each division are indicated in enclosure (a). In general the functions of each division are as follows:

- (a) CHIEF OF THE DIVISION: ALL Italian Navy Administration matters and Navy Sub Command matters administration.
- (b) PERSONNEL DIVISION: ALL Italian Navy Personnel matters.
- (c) LOGISTICS DIVISION: Liaison with Ministry of Marine for N.S.C.
- (d) SUPPLY DIVISION: ALL Italian Navy Supply matters.

6. The signing of correspondence and release of dispatches will be governed by the following principles:
a) Correspondence or dispatches on matters of policy or important decision will be signed or released by the Chief, Navy Sub Command.

- (b) Correspondence or dispatches on normal matters will be signed or released by the Deputy Chief, Navy Sub Command.
- (c) Correspondence or dispatches on routine matters except for the Ministry of Marine will be signed or released by the Chief Staff Officer

- (d) Individual Officers will not sign correspondence or release dispatches except in the absence of the Chief, Deputy Chief, Chief Staff Officer and Admiral's Secretary, or in an emergency.
7. All correspondence, and dispatches of the Sub-Commission will be prepared and handled in accordance with the procedure outlined in enclosure (c).
8. The duties of the British navy and American enlisted personnel attached to the Royal Sub-Commission are apportioned as follows:
- (a) Royal Navy - Communications and maintenance.
 - (b) U.S. Navy - Clerical, office administration and filing.

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3 August 1946.

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- (a) Payroll Data - Communications and Transportation
- (b) U.S. Navy - Electrical, Communications and Fuel

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DEPUTY CHIEF, NAVY SUP COMMISSION

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CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSIONER

ADMIRAL'S
SECRETARY

DEPUTY CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSIONER

U.S.O. NAVY SUB COMMISSIONER

PERSONNEL

SUPPLY

LEASON

ENCLOSURE (A)

Subject: Item Sub Categories Divisions of Duties.

ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

The Administrative Division will deal with the following matters:

1.
 - (a) Inspection Plans.
 - (b) Port Organization.
 - (c) Tidal Currents.
 - (d) Financial Matters.
 - (e) Communications.
 - (f) General Administrative Matters.
 - (g) Transportation Matters, not including Supply.
 - (h) Light House Service.
 - (i) Nautical Matters.

2.
 - (a) Staff Sub Committee Office routine and administration in connection with the foregoing.

PERSONNEL DIVISION

The Personnel Division will deal with the following matters:

1.
 - (a) Allocation of Personnel.
 - (b) Training of Personnel.
 - (c) Discipline.
 - (d) Control of Account Personnel.

- (a) Communications.
- (x) General Administration Matters.
- (g) Transportation Matters, not including Supply.
- (h) Engineering Service.
- (i) Medical Service.

2. (a) Navy and Marine Corps routine and administration in connection with the foregoing.

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The Personnel Division will deal with the following matters:

1. (a) Allocation of Personnel.
- (b) Training of Personnel.
- (c) Discipline.
- (d) Control of Reserve Personnel.
- (e) Reception of civilians from Military Service.
- (f) Return of Italian Navy Disasters.
- (g) Redactions of War.
- (h) Appointments and Removal of Italian Officers.
- (i) Conscription.
- (j) Expedition.

SUPPLY MATTERS

The Supply Division will deal with the following matters:

1. (a) Supply of Food.
- (b) Supply of Clothing.

- (c) Supply of Medicine.
- (d) Supply of P.O.L. Products.
- (e) Supply of Motor Transport Vehicles.
- (f) Supply of Tires.
- (g) Consumable stores and Equipment.
- (h) General Supply Material.

DEFENSE DIVISION

The Division is primarily responsible for the maintenance of liaison with the Italian Ministry of Marine and Navy and communication matters.

Activities

- (a) Frequent visits to the Ministry of Marine.
- (b) Examination of requests for personnel, Administration and Supply Divisions with Ministry of Marine to determine the number of men in Italian Navy.
- (c) Maintenance records on activities of Italian Navy for Navy War Commission.
- (d) Dissemination of information to Sub-Commission Division on organization and policy of Ministry of Marine, especially and on existing.

(c) Captured Enemy Material

- (a) Italian Navy Material Plants.
- (b) Disposal of War Materials.

The Liaison Division will be responsible for the maintaining of contact with the Italian Ministry of Marine and Navy and German Marine matters.

including

- (a) Preparation of the Ministry of Marine.
- (b) Preparation of orders for personnel, Administration and Supply Divisions with Ministry of Marine as necessary.
- (c) Collection of data on Italian Navy.
- (d) Maintenance of records on activities of Italian Navy for Navy Staff Commission.
- (e) Dissemination of information to the Commission Divisions on organization and policy of Ministry of Marine, especially on training.

(f) Captured Enemy Material

- (a) Italian Navy Warship Plans.
- (b) Disposal of War Materials.

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(g) Preparation of Navy Staff Commission Monthly Report.

(h) Archives Officer - in conjunction with the Secretary.

The duties of the Liaison Officer do not preclude Divisional Officers from contacting the Ministry of Marine direct on matters under their cognizance.

2. The assignment of duties to the divisions is necessarily broad and is subject to revision as may be required. Correspondence or memoranda on subjects not specifically covered will be referred to an appropriate Division for action.

CORRESPONDENCE AND DISPATCHES - PREPARATION

1. Navy Sub Commission correspondence and dispatches will be handled in accordance with the following procedure:

(a) All incoming correspondence and dispatches will be delivered to the Navy Sub Commission File Room where it will be logged in.

(b) A routing slip will be attached to all incoming correspondence and dispatches on which action is required and delivered to the Secretary for routing to the proper division for action.

(c) The action division is responsible for the preparation of a reply to the Chief of Staff, D. W. DILLON, Navy Reports, etc., will be routed by the File Room.

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CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION.

(a) When the above reply has been prepared, the action officer

Routing slip for routing to the proper division for action.
 Division, Bureau, D. & Communications, News Reports, etc., will be
 routed by the File Room.

(1) The action division is responsible for the preparation of a
 month-type letter or dispatch reply. If several courses of
 action are given, the matter will be discussed verbally with the
 Chief Clerk Officer who will then be the Chief or Deputy Chief
 or may be necessary. In the absence of Chief Staff Officer, the
 Chief or Deputy Chief should be consulted and action determined
 by them. When the subject matter is particularly involved, a
 written report or draft reply may be submitted. This procedure
 should ordinarily not be necessary. All correspondence will be
 prepared for signature as follows.

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(2) When the draft reply has been prepared, the action officer
 will attach the routing slip and the file copy of the letter
 or dispatch. He will further indicate on the routing slip
 whether any follow-up action is required. If no follow-up
 action is required, he will initial the routing slip in the
 action completed space.

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(3) For information correspondence or dispatches, division which
 is responsible for the subject matter will initial the follow-
 up and action space on the routing slip.

(4) All dispatches will indicate "Forwarded by" and "Released by"
 and will be properly indicated by a transmission.

- (g) After the correspondence has been initialed by the action Officer, it will be routed to the Chief Staff Officer, Deputy Chief, and Secretary for Chief, in that order for signature or release.
2. All papers for the Chief, Navy Sub Commission, are to be passed through the Admiral's Secretary.
3. The Daily Serial File will be prepared daily by the Secretary for the information of the Chief, Navy Sub Commission.

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For the information of the Chief, Navy Sub Commission,

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

12th February, 1946.

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

THE VICE ADMIRAL, MALTA AND CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN.
THE FLAG OFFICER, GIBRALTAR AND MEDITERRANEAN APPROACHES.
THE FLAG OFFICER, LEVANT AND EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN.
THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, ALLIED COMMISSION.
THE NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION.
THE NAVAL OFFICER IN CHARGE, TRIESTE.
THE NAVAL OFFICER IN CHARGE, NAPLES AREA.
THE NAVAL OFFICER IN CHARGE, LEGHORN.
THE SENIOR NAVAL OFFICER, EASTERN SICILY.
THE RESIDENT NAVAL OFFICER, POLA.
THE RESIDENT NAVAL OFFICER, VENICE.

(Copy to each).
(Copies to:-

The Commander in Chief, Mediterranean Station.
The Commander, United States Naval Forces, Mediterranean).

ROYAL NAVY ADMINISTRATION AND FUNCTIONS IN ITALY.

A drastic programme of reduction in the number of Royal Navy Establishments and personnel in Italy is being effected and, although there may be certain delays in the closure of larger establishments, it has been planned to withdraw Royal Navy personnel from all ports except:

(a) Trieste, Venice and Pola;

and (b) Naples, where the Naval Officer in Charge, Naples Area, who is the Chairman of the Port Committee, will continue to remain in overall control of port operations undertaken by the Italian Royal Navy.

The period for which Royal Navy personnel will

THE NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION.
 THE NAVAL OFFICER IN CHARGE, TRIESTE.
 THE NAVAL OFFICER IN CHARGE, NAPLES AREA.
 THE NAVAL OFFICER IN CHARGE, LEGHORN.
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The period for which Royal Navy personnel will be required to remain for winding up naval affairs, disposing of stores and equipment, etc., cannot be accurately forecast, but it is almost certain that all Royal Navy personnel will have been withdrawn from Leghorn and Taranto by 15th March, 1946, thus leaving Naples and the Northern Adriatic ports as the only ports under Royal Navy control in Italy.

2. As a direct consequence of this large scale withdrawal and with a view to cutting down the number of personnel on my staff in Rome, it is intended on 1st March, 1946,

(a) To transfer my responsibilities for administering all remaining British Naval Establishments in Italy to the Vice Admiral, Malta and Central Mediterranean, who will thus become the administrative authority for all British Naval affairs in both Italy and Sicily;

and (b) To transfer my responsibilities as regards Allied Force

/Headquarters.....

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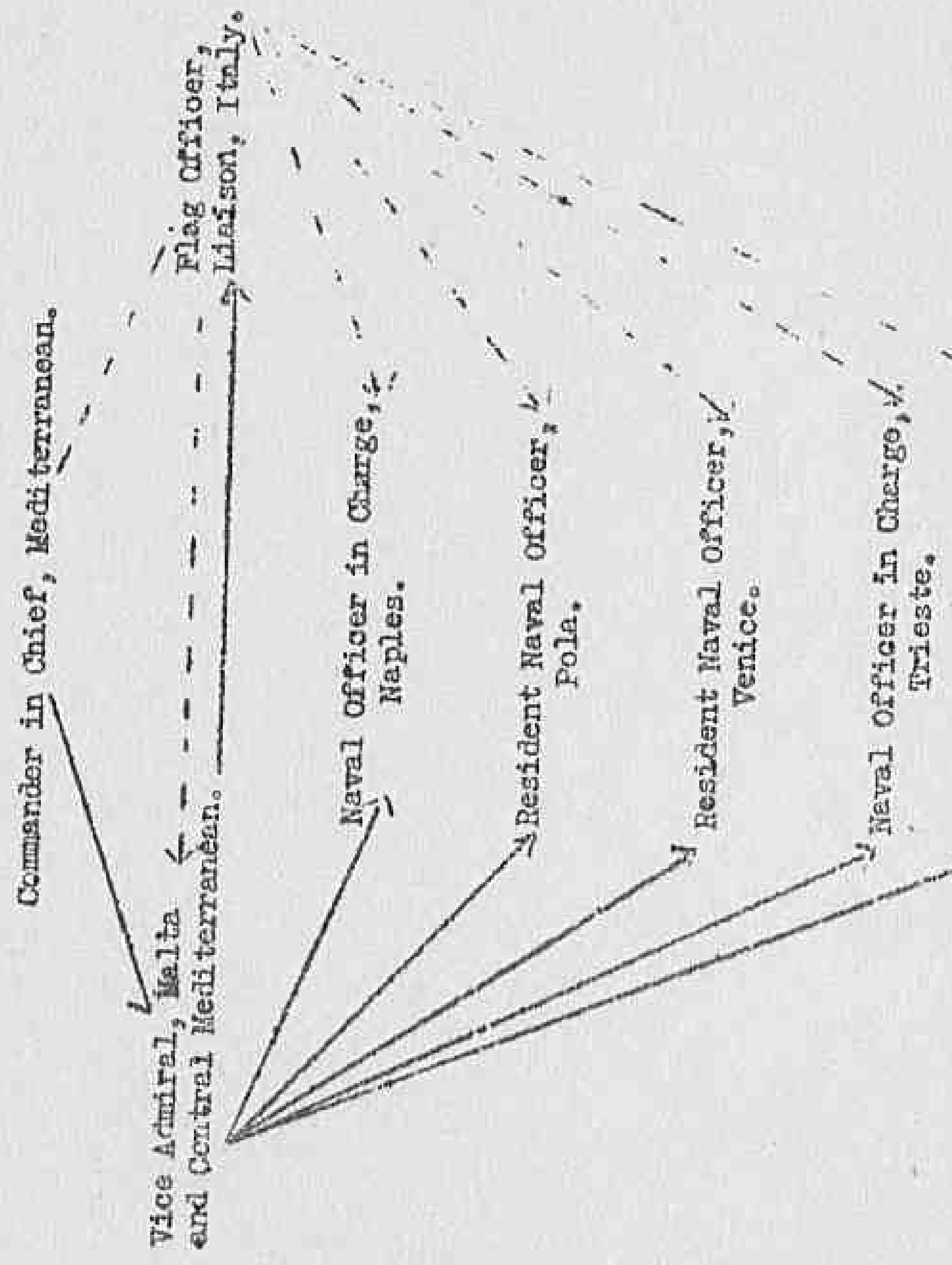
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Naples.

Resident Naval Officer,
Pola.

Resident Naval Officer,
Venice.

Naval Officer in Charge,
Trieste.

Senior Naval Officer,
Eastern Sicily.

Key.

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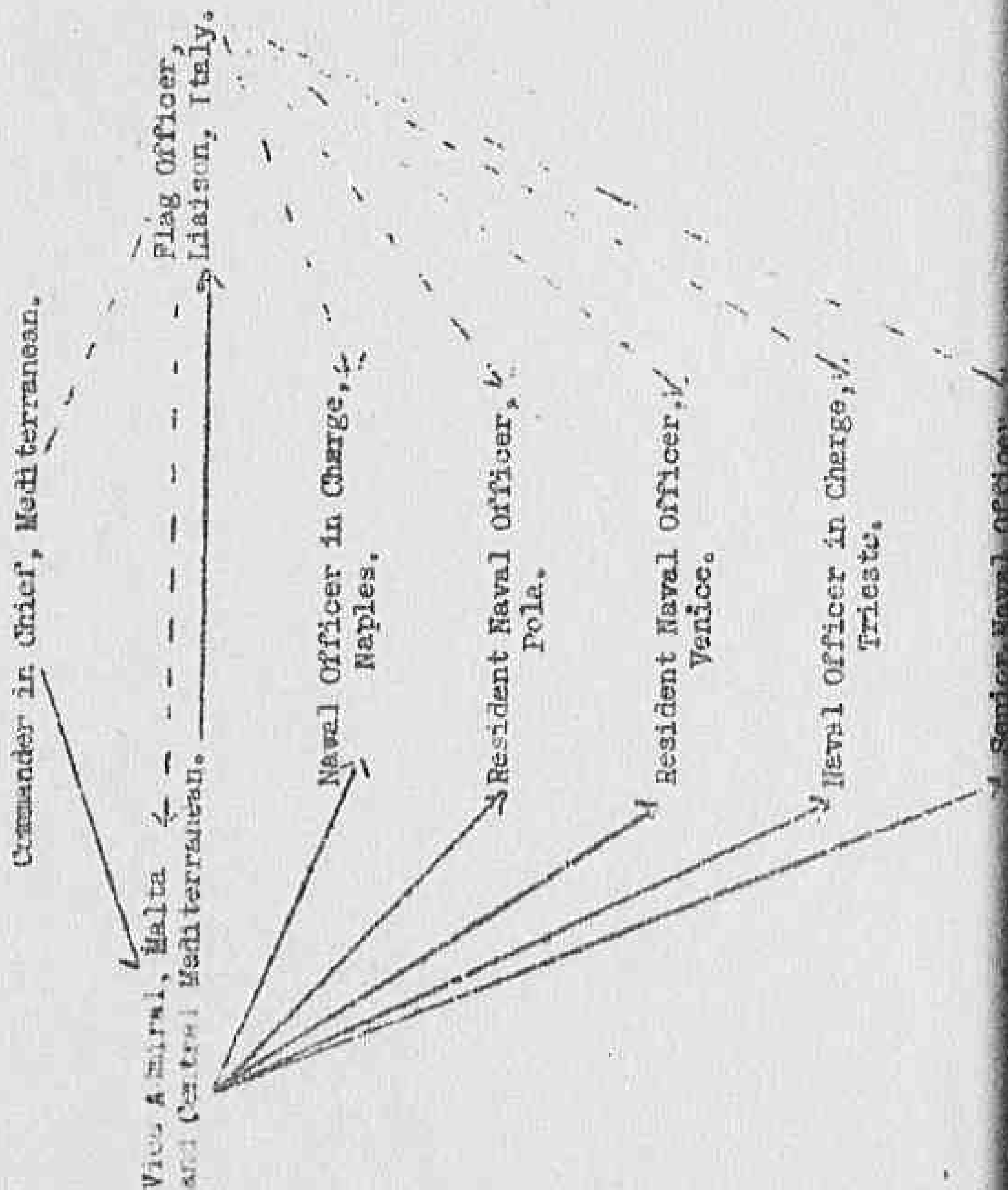
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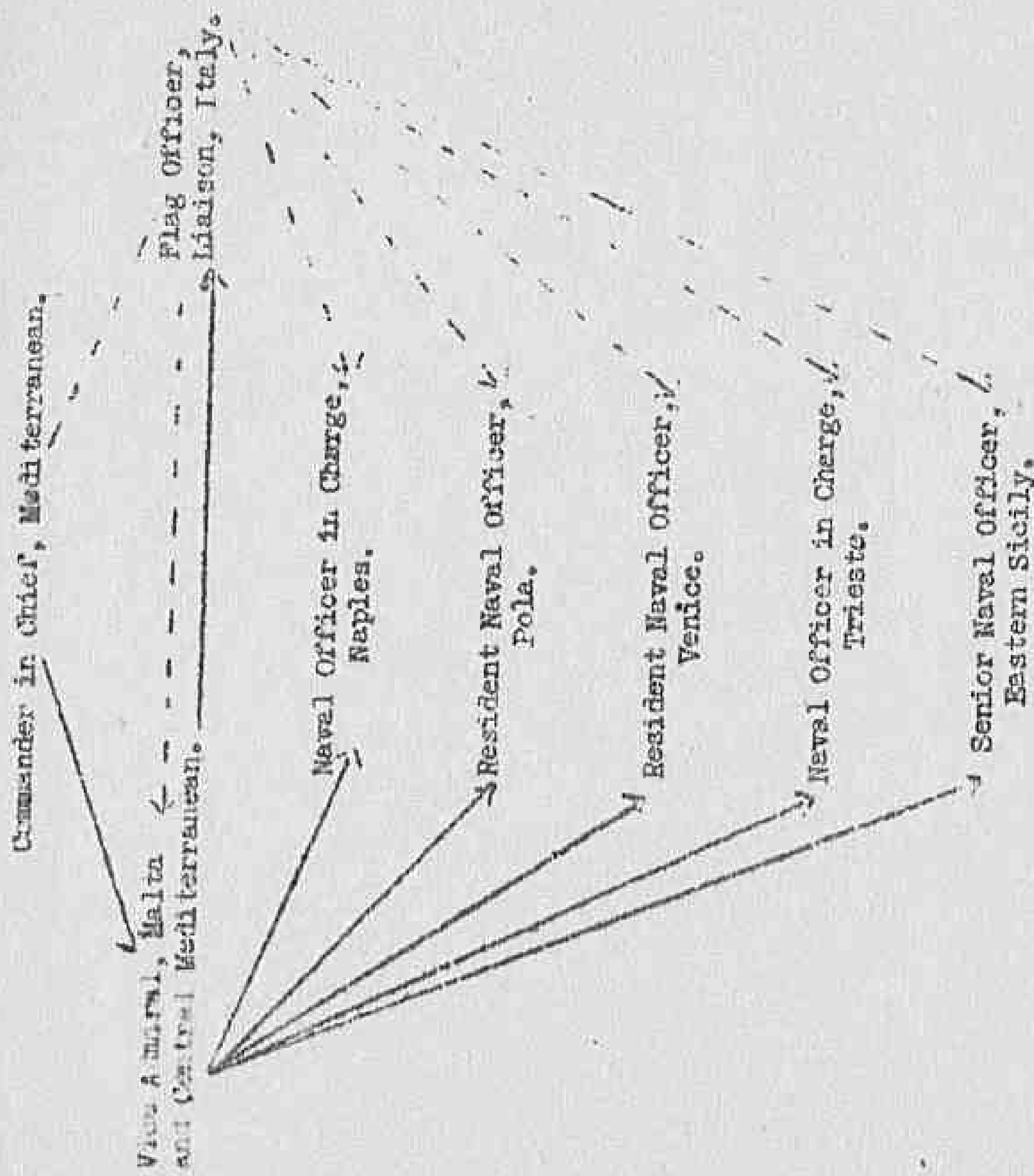
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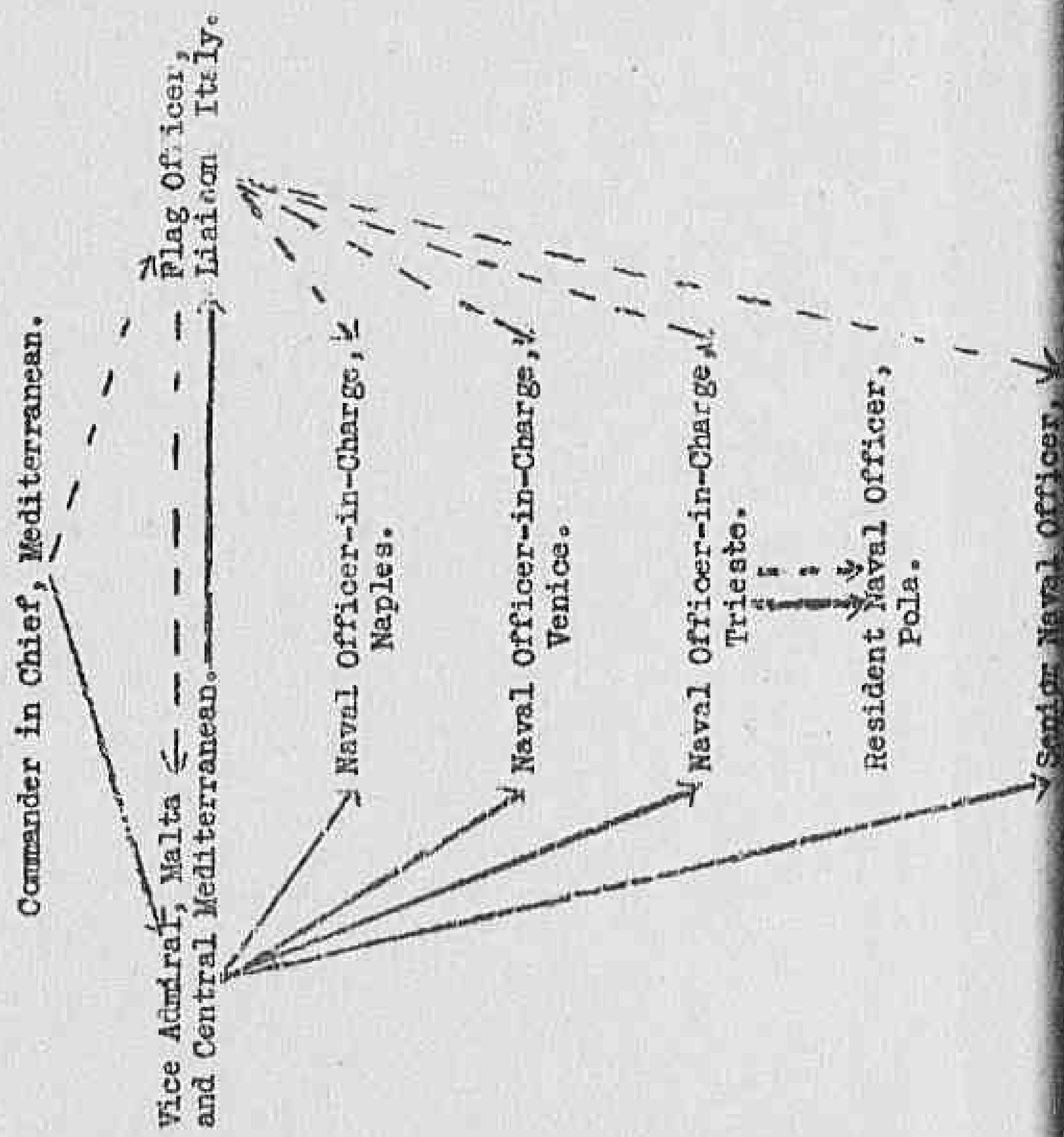
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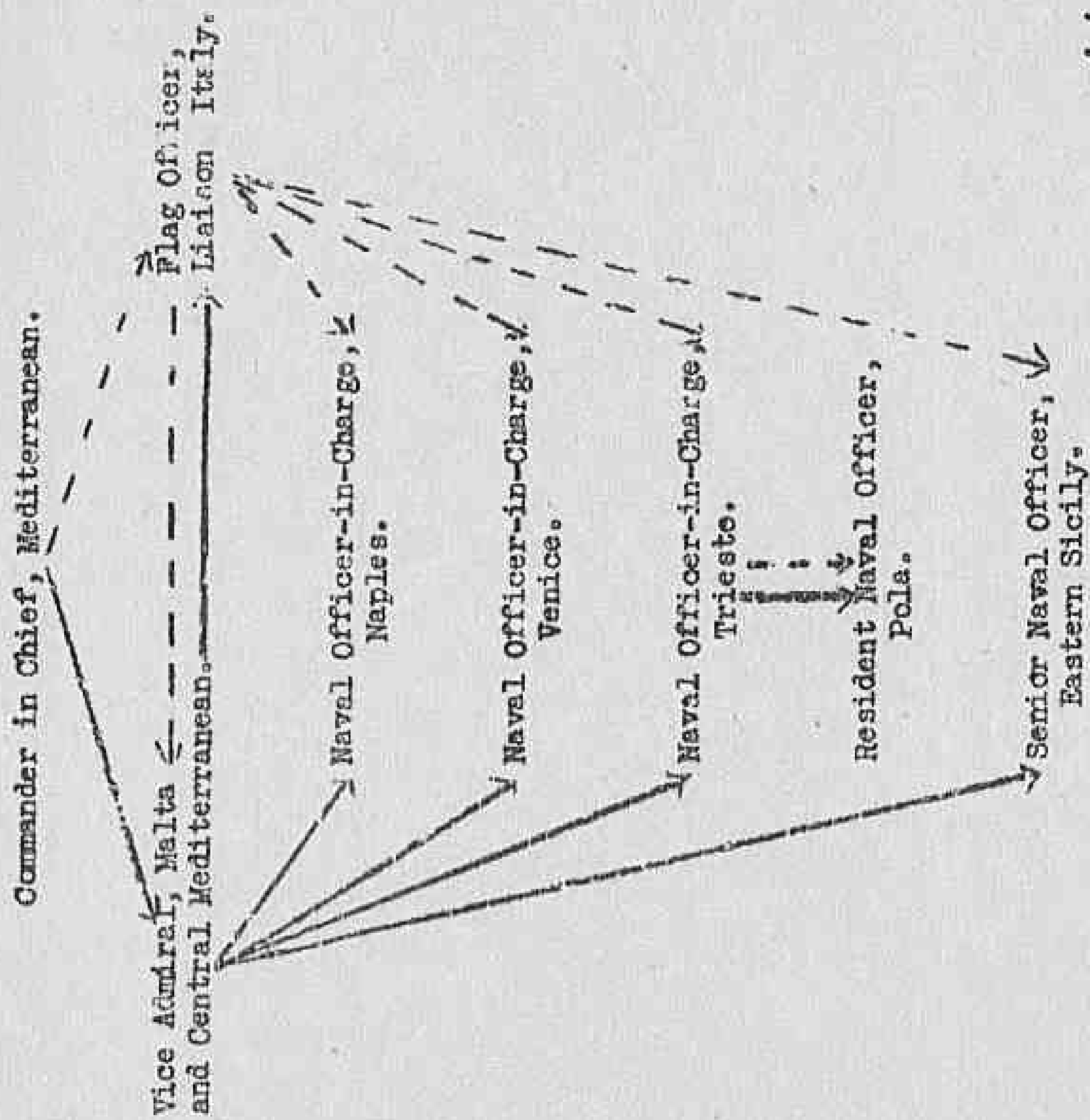
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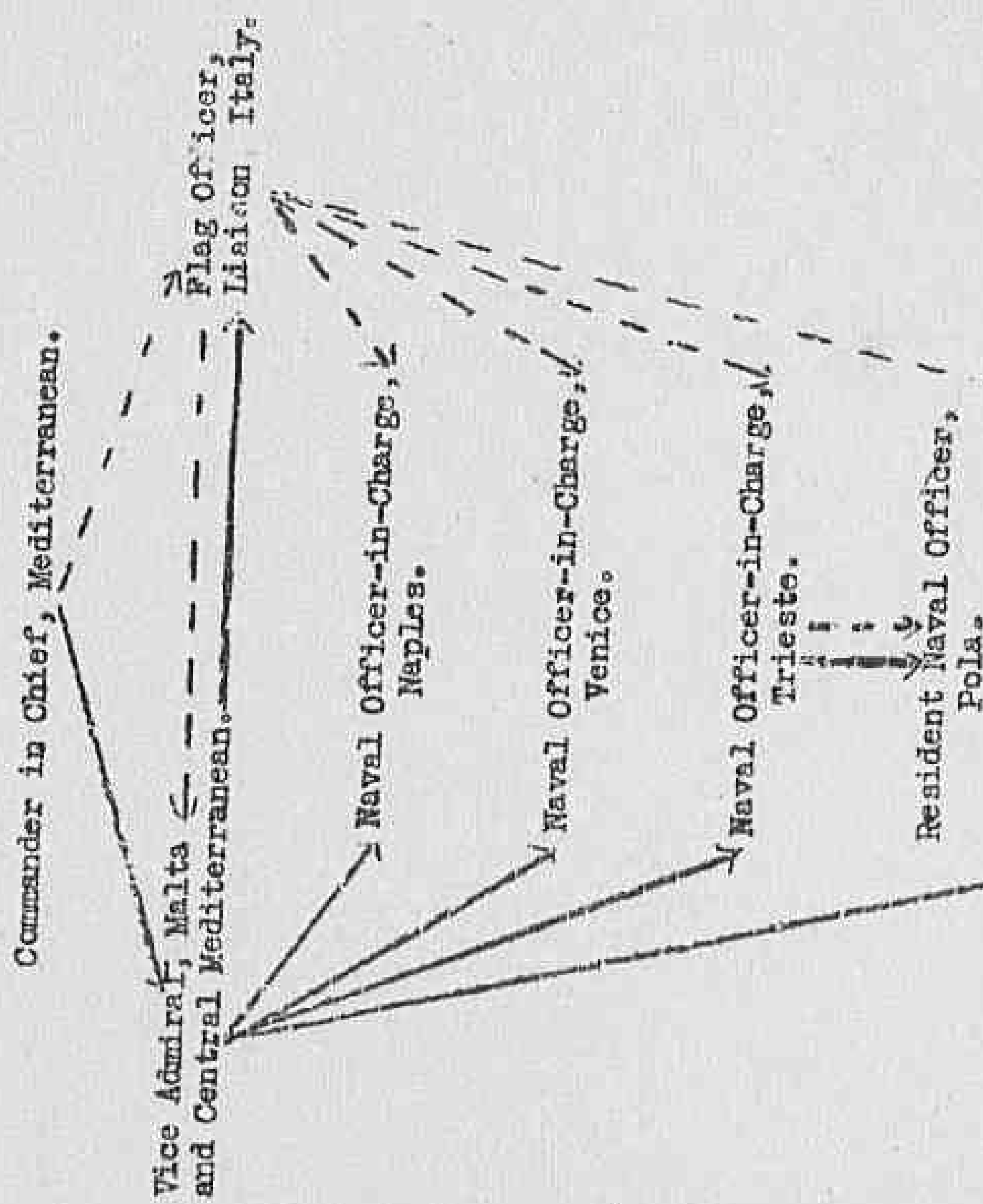
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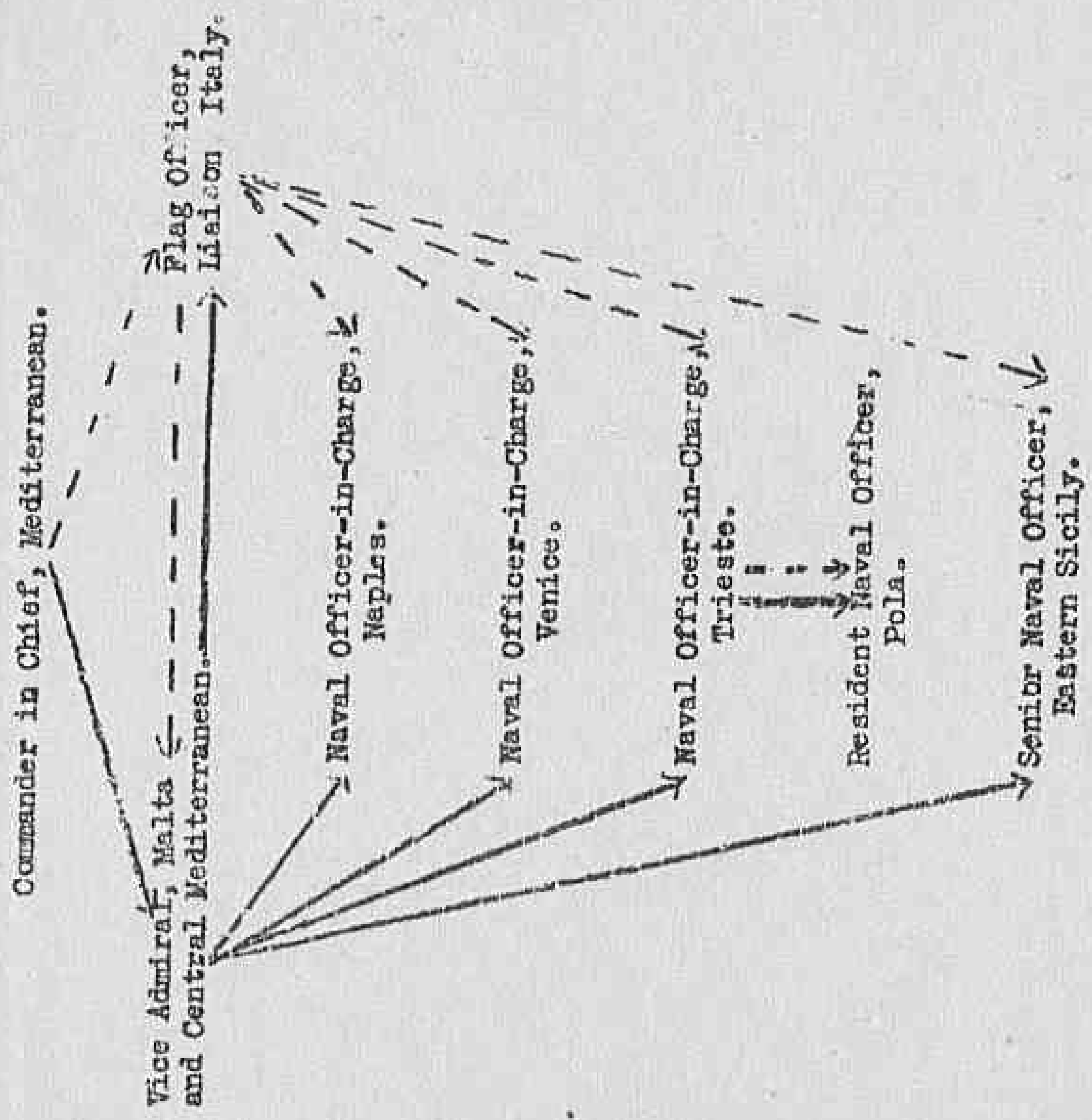
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THE NAVY SUB COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION.

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Allied Commission.)

TRANSFER OF THE ALLIED NAVAL COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,
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Appendix A to F.O.I.L.'s letter 6/14
dated 23rd September, 1945.

Administrative matters to be dealt with by the Flag Officer, Italy and
Liaison, in so far as Italy, Sardinia and Sicily are concerned.

AFHQ Department or
Section normally
concerned.

Subject Matter.

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|---|----------|---|
| 1. Supreme Allied Commander's
Secretariat. | General. | |
| 2. Q (AE). | | Cans, motor transport, engines, tyres
and ordnance stores generally. |
| 3. Q (Maint). | | Ammunition, R.A.S.C. Personnel (M/T),
Accommodation items, provisions. |
| 4. G-1. | | Italian P.O.W. Co-operators. All
personnel matters. |
| 5. G-2 Sections concerned. | | General Intelligence Subjects.) |
| G-2 CC. | | Censorship subjects. |
| G-2 C12. | | Civil Security. |
| G-2 C13. | | Travel and Port Control. |
| G-2 C14. | | Counter Espionage. |
| 6. G-3. | | Italian ex-P.O.W. Co-operators, Italian
Navy. |
| 7. G-4. | | Rail Transport. |
| 8. S & T. | | Supplies of provisions and stores,
R.A.S.C. Personnel (M/T). |
| 8(a). R.E.M.E. | | M/T Repairs. |
| 9. Ordnance. | | Occasional supplies of stores, clothing,
messengers. |

Secretariat.

2. Q (AE).

3. Q (Maint).

4. G-1.

5. G-2 Sections concerned.

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7. G-4.

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9. Ordnance.

10. Engineers (DES).

11. Salvage.

12. Transportation.
(British).

13. Director Army Welfare
Services.

14. Medical Section.

15. C.S.O. and C.S.B.

16. Pet. Section.

17. Q.M. Coal.

Guns, motor transport, engines, tyres
and ordnance stores generally.

Ammunition, R.A.S.C. Personnel (M/T),
Accommodation items, provisions.

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Occasional supplies of stores, monthly
demands and allocations of timber, nails,
screws, civil engineer supplies.

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Occasional supplies of stores.

Welfare and sports matters.

Medical matters.

Line communications in Italy.

Routine subjects concerning releases of
POL to other users.

Allocation of Sardinian Coal to R.N.
and Italian Navy.

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Appendix B to F.O.I.L.'s letter 6/14
dated 23rd September, 1945.

Operational Planning and Policy to be dealt with by the Allied Naval
Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station, at Naples.

ATTN Department or
Section normally
concerned.

Subject Matter.

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|----------------------------|---|
| 1. C.S.O. and C.S.B. | Signal matters. |
| 2. Med. Sigint Committee. | Signal Intelligence matters. |
| 3. Tn American. | Merchant shipping. |
| 4. H.Q. R.A.F. Med. M.E. | Air. |
| 5. M.J.P.S. | Policy and Plans. |
| 6. SACS. | General. |
| 7. G-2. | Intelligence J.I.C. |
| 8. G-2 Sections Concerned. | General Intelligence subjects. |
| G-2 CG. | Censorship Subjects. |
| G-2 CI 2. | Civil Security. |
| G-2 CI 3. | Travel and Port Control. |
| G-2 CI 4. | Counter Espionage. |
| 9. G-3. | Operations, Policy and plans. |
| 10. G-4. | Operations, policy and plans.
Merchant shipping. |
| 11. G-5. | Legal questions and matters of policy. |
| 12. Liaison Section. | Foreign naval matters generally. |

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| 14. Air Priorities Board MAMS. | Air Travel matters. |

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Appendix C to F.O.I.L.'s letter 6/14
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Administrative matters to be dealt with by the Allied Naval
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1. Hiring and Claims.
 2. Joint Military Financial Committee.
 3. Fuel and P.O.L. (Policy, technical and major accounting matters).
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To: FOTALI VAM (R) FONAM FOTALI ROME FROM: FROM CLINC MED

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PARA. (3) B FOTALI'S 261913 BEING PASSED TO VAM.
IN ORDER TO ALLOW A GREATER MARGIN AROUND SARDINIA INTEND NEW
NORTHERLY BOUNDARY OF VAM'S AREA SUBJECT TO NO OBJECTION BY HIM
TO RUN FROM POSITION 024 DEGS. (?) 038 DEGS. 007 DEGS. 55' TO
038 DEGS. 51' 010 DEGS. (?) 00' THEN ALONG PARALLEL 038 DEGS.
51' N. TO ITALIAN COAST. C MAR (COMMANDANT MARINE) BIZERTA'S
SUB-AREA TO BE EXTENDED TO THE NORTHERLY LIMIT OF VAM'S AREA
ACCORDINGLY. LIMITS OF W/T AREA WILL BE ADJUSTED TO CONFORM TO
THE ABOVE.

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REF: TURNOVER OF COMMANDS.

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544B 25TH APRIL PARAGRAPH 4 AND 551B 29TH APRIL REFER.
OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN SUB-AREA HAVING CEASED AREA TO NORTHWARD OF
LINE BETWEEN CAPE CREUS AND CAPE ROSSO INCLUDING SOUTH COAST OF
FRANCE WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF ALMED AT DATE
AND TIME TO BE PROMULGATED LATER.

2. EASTERN LIMIT OF ALMED'S AREA WILL AT SAME TIME BE AMENDED TO
LIE FROM FRANCE-ITALIAN FRONTIER TO POSITION 3 MILES 360 DEGS FROM CAPE
CORSE LIGHT THENCE ALONG LINE 3 MILES TO SEAWARD OF EAST COAST OF
CORSICA TO LAVEZZI ROCK (41 DEGS. 19' NORTH 09 DEGS. 15' EAST)
THENCE TO POSITION 41 DEGS. 26' NORTH 08 DEGS. 28' EAST THENCE AS
FOR EXISTING BOUNDARY.

3. PREMAR III WILL BECOME RESPONSIBLE TO ALMED INSTEAD OF TO
FONAM FOR OPERATION OF PORTS IN SOUTH OF FRANCE.

4. A MODIFIED ANGLO-U.S. LIAISON ORGANIZATION CHARGED WITH DUTY OF
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LIAISON AND ADVISORY WORK TO THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF MEDITERRANEAN
DIRECT. COMLAB WILL NOT (R) NOT BE AN OPERATIONAL AUTHORITY.

5. VAM WILL BE ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY FOR BRITISH PERSONNEL IN
COMLAB ORGANISATION.

6. REFERENCE 545B 25TH APRIL PARA. 2 (B) W/T AREA GB WILL BE
AMENDED TO INCLUDE AREA NORTH OF LINE BETWEEN CAPE CREUS AND CAP
ROSSO AND ALSO TO CONFORM WITH EASTERN LIMIT OF ALMED'S AREA AS
IN PARA. 2 ABOVE. W/T WATCH KEPT BY BNLO AJACCIO WILL REMAIN UN-
CHANGED.

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Refs: 544, Turnover of N. Africa. 545. Communications for above
551. Arrangements to come into
force on 1st May.

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GENERAL NORTHERN AREA MED. SUB COMMAND

FONAM

(R) C IN C MED. VAM FOTALI

IMPORTANT RESTRICTED

AS FROM 1ST JUNE 1945 ALL ADMINISTRATIVE CORRESPONDENCE AND SIGNALS NORMALLY ADDRESSED TO FONAM ARE TO BE ADDRESSED TO FOTALI WHO IS ASSUMING THE ADMINISTRATION OF MY AREA FROM THAT DATE, TO WHOM ALL MY ADMINISTRATIVE RECORDS WILL HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED.

2. THE FOLLOWING ARE EXCEPTIONS TO THE ABOVE.

- (A) BRITISH NAVAL ADMINISTRATION OF SOUTH OF FRANCE TO CONTINUE UNDER FONAM UNTIL FURTHER ORDERS.
- (B) APPLICATIONS FOR COURTS MARTIAL AND DISCIPLINARY COURTS TO BE FORWARDED TO C IN C MED WHO WILL CONVENE COURTS IN WESTERN ITALY.
- (C) PUNISHMENT WARRANTS TO CONTINUE TO BE SUBMITTED TO FONAM UNTIL FURTHER ORDERS.
- (D) MATTERS CONCERNING LOCAL PRODUCTION AND INDUSTRY TO BE REFERRED DIRECT TO C IN C MED.
- (E) RESPONSIBILITY FOR RNLC TO BE ASSUMED BY NOIC NAPLES WHO WILL CORRESPOND DIRECT WITH C IN C MED (COPY TO FOTALI) ON THIS SUBJECT.
- (F) QUESTIONS RELATING TO ADMINISTRATION OF ITALIAN NAVY TO BE REFERRED DIRECT TO NAVY SUB COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION.

3. AS FROM A DATE IN EARLY JUNE TO BE COMMUNICATED LATER, OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF WESTERN ITALY WILL PASS TO SENIOR NAVAL OFFICER WESTERN ITALY (SHORT TITLE SNOWIT) WHEN FLAG OF FONAM IS HAULED DOWN. SNOWIT'S HEADQUARTERS WILL BE AT NAPLES AND HE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE TO FOTALI FOR CONTROL OF OPERATIONS IN WESTERN ITALY.

4. ON FONAM'S COMMAND LAPSING, PUNISHMENT WARRANTS REQUIRING APPROVAL OF A SENIOR OFFICER ARE TO BE SUBMITTED TO SNOWIT AT NAPLES FOR APPROVAL, WHILE THOSE PUNISHMENT WARRANTS REQUIRING THE APPROVAL OF A FLAG OFFICER ARE TO BE SUBMITTED DIRECT TO FOTALI.

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NAVAL MESSAGE.

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(ESTABLISHED OCTOBER 1935)

TO:

FROM:

C IN (MEL) (R) FORAM FOTALI ROME

FOTALI

IMPORTANT SECRET.

ALSTRALTY 242335. IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE FIRST STAGE OF THE TURNOVER FROM FORAM TO FOTALI THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS ARE SUBMITTED.

2. AS FROM 1ST JUNE 1945 ALL ADMINISTRATIVE CORRESPONDENCE AND SIGNALS FROM NAVAL SHORE AUTHORITIES IN FORAM'S AREA TO BE ADDRESSED TO FOTALI WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS

- (A) BRITISH NAVAL ADMINISTRATION OF SOUTH OF FRANCE TO CONTINUE UNDER FORAM PENDING CCS APPROVAL TO TRANSFER OF SOUTH OF FRANCE TO ALLIED.
- (B) APPLICATIONS FOR COURTS MARITAL AND DISCIPLINARY COURTS TO BE FORWARDED TO C IN C MFR WHO WILL CONVENE COURTS IN USUALLY 1945
- (C) LOCAL RESOURCES AND DOCKYARD MATTERS TO BE REFERRED DIRECT TO C IN C MFR.

3. WHEN IT IS PRACTICABLE TO EFFECT STAGE 2 OF THE TURNOVER I PROPOSE

- (A) PRESENT CSC TO FORAM TO BE APPOINTED AS SENIOR NAVAL OFFICER WEST ITALY (SHORT) WITH A SMALL OPERATIONAL STAFF DETAIL OF WHICH WILL BE COMMUNICATED BY LETTER. HIS R.O. WILL BE ESTABLISHED IN NAPLES AND HE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE TO FOTALI FOR THE CONDUCT OF ALL OPERATIONS ON WEST COAST OF ITALY, INCLUDING MINESWEEPING.
- (B) AT THE SAME TIME IT IS PROPOSED THAT THE SOUTHERN LIMIT OF FORAM'S PRESENT AREA BE MOVED 38 DEGREES 51 MINS NORTH AND THAT THE AREA SOUTH OF THE LINE FROM WHERE IT JOINS ALLIED'S AREA ON THE WEST AND THE MAINLAND OF ITALY ON THE EAST BE INCLUDED IN VAN'S AREA.

4. FORAM CONCURS

5. REQUEST EARLY APPROVAL

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W.L. STERN/DAVID LEE 100934 C.W.L. 51-7111

NAVAL MESSAGES. 1320a.
(Established—May, 1910.)
(Revised—December, 1921.)

To: MED STATION 545B ADMIRALTY UKAC 44

From:

G. IN. C. MED.

IMPORTANT. CONFIDENTIAL.

FOLLOWING ARE COMMUNICATION ARRANGEMENTS REFERENCE 544B 25th APRIL 1945.
DATE OF BRINGING INTO FORCE WILL BE PROMULGATED LATER.

2. W/T AREAS. (A) EASTERN BOUNDARY OF AREA GA WILL CONFORM TO WESTERN LIMIT OF NEW WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN AREA DEFINED IN PARAGRAPH 4 (a) OF 544B.
(B) AREA GG WILL CONSIST OF NEW WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN AREA WITH EXCEPTION OF THAT AREA BETWEEN S. FRANCE AND LINE JOINING CAPE OREUS AND CAPE ROSSO VIDE PARAGRAPH 4 (b) OF 544B. THIS AREA WILL CONTINUE TO FORM PART OF AREA CC.
(C) DIVIDING LINE BETWEEN AREAS GG AND LC NORTH OF TUNISIA IS TO BE EXTENDED TO THE WESTWARD ALONG PARALLEL OF 33 DEGS NORTH TO JOIN EASTERN BOUNDARY OF NEW WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN AREA.
3. (A) BRITISH COMMUNICATION LIAISON PARTIES WILL REMAIN AT ALGIERS, BIZERTE AND FERRYVILLE.
(B) U.S.N. COMMUNICATIONS AT ORAN REMAIN UNCHANGED. B.N.L.O. REMAINS AT ORAN.
4. SIGNAL PUBLICATIONS. (A) ALGIERS HOLDS SETS OF COMBINED BRITISH-US PUBLICATIONS APPROPRIATE TO A FLAG OFFICER, PLUS BRITISH N.O.I.C.'S SET LESS TYPE X AND INTER-SERVICE AND INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CYPHER.
(B) BIZERTE HOLDS SAME PUBLICATIONS AS ALGIERS AND REMAINS AUTOMATICALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR FERRYVILLE.
5. (A) AMEND SIGNIFICATIONS ALLOCATED TO P.O.W.M. IN NAVAL CYPHER/CODE AND S.P. 02189 TO READ B.N.L.O. ALGIERS.
(B) S.H.A. 371 IS ALLOCATED TO ALGER.
(C) AMEND SIGNIFICATION OF S.H.A. 111 TO READ S.B.N.C. TUNISIA.
(D) AMEND SIGNIFICATION OF S.H.A. 132 TO READ B.N.L.O. FERRYVILLE.
6. AMENDMENTS TO A.P.C. "B" 1/45 AND M.W.C.O.'S WILL FOLLOW.

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NAVAL MESSAGES. 1370c.
(Established—May, 1963)
(Revised—December, 1971)

MESSAGE 544 (B2) ADMIRALTY, UKAC 43

FROM:

C. IN. C. MED.

IMPORTANT. CONFIDENTIAL.~~FOLLOWING ARRANGEMENTS WILL COME INTO FORCE AT TIMES AND DATES TO BE PROMULGATED LATER.~~

2. COMMAND OF WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN AREA WILL BE TRANSFERRED BY F.C.W.M. TO ADMIRAL MEDITERRANEAN (AIMED) WHO WILL BE SUBORDINATE TO C. IN. C. MED. AND ASSUME NORMAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF A BRITISH FLAG OFFICER. HE IS ALSO CHIEF FRENCH ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY IN MEDITERRANEAN AND AS SUCH WILL DEAL DIRECT WITH CINC MED ON BEHALF OF MARINE PARIS AND REMAINING FRENCH COMMANDERS.
3. TITLE OF FLAG OFFICER WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN WILL LAPSE.
4. AREA LIMITS OF WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN AND ADJACENT COMMANDS WILL BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:—
 - (A) WESTERN BOUNDARY WILL LIE BETWEEN BORDERS OF FRENCH AND SPANISH MOROCCO AND CAPE DE GATA. (EASTERN LIMITS OF THE AREA OF FLAG OFFICER GUERANAR AND MEDITERRANEAN APPROACHES WILL BE ADJUSTED ACCORDINGLY). EASTERN BOUNDARY, FROM ADMINISTRATIVE ASPECT, WILL EXTEND FROM FRANCO-ITALIAN FRONTIER TO CAPE CORSE (43 DEGS 02 MINS NORTH 09 DEGS 24 MINS EAST) THENCE ALONG WESTERN CORSICAN COASTLINE TO AQUILA POINT (41 DEGS 34 MINS NORTH 08 DEGS 47 MINS EAST) THENCE TO 40 DEGS 50 MINS NORTH 07 DEGS 30 MINS EAST, THENCE TO 38 DEGS 51 MINS NORTH 07 DEGS 30 MINS EAST, THENCE TO BORDER BETWEEN ALGERIA AND TUNISIA.
 - (B) WHEN OPERATIONS CEASE IN NORTHERN SUB-AREA, OPERATIONAL BOUNDARY TO EAST OF WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN AREA WILL BE IDENTICAL WITH ABOVE. UNTIL HOWEVER, THIS SITUATION ARISES, AREA TO NORTHWARD OF LINE BETWEEN CAPE CREUS (42 DEGS 19 MINS NORTH 03 DEGS 19 MINS EAST) AND CAP ROSSO (42 DEGS 14 MINS NORTH 03 DEGS 33 MINS EAST) WILL REMAIN UNDER OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF FLAG OFFICER NORTHERN AREA, MEDITERRANEAN.
 - (C) WHILE OPERATIONS CONTINUE IN NORTHERN SUB-AREA, EXISTING OPERATIONAL ORGANISATION INVOLVING FLAG OFFICER NORTHERN AREA, MEDITERRANEAN, COMMODORE LIAISON AMERICAN-BRITISH AND PRIMA 3 WILL BE RETAINED. LIMITS OF SUB-AREA WILL, HOWEVER, BE MODIFIED TO CONFORM WITH PARAGRAPH (B) ABOVE.
5. FLAG OFFICER TUNISIA WILL HURL DOWN ITS FLAG. COMAR BIZERTA WILL TAKE OVER OPERATIONAL COMMAND UNDER V.A.M. HE WILL ALSO BE IN ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OF TUNISIA FROM NAVAL ASPECT. THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF TUNISIAN SUB-AREA WILL BE PROLONGED TO WESTWARD AND WESTERN BOUNDARY WILL BE AMENDED TO CONFORM WITH PARAGRAPH 4.
6. CAPTAIN L.A.K. BOSWELL, D.S.O., R.N., WILL BECOME B.N.L.O. ON STAFF OF AIMED (SHORT TITLE ENVO ALGIER), AND BE COMMANDING OFFICER H.M.S. HANNIBAL. IN LATTER CONNECTION HE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE TO V.A.M.
7. CAPTAIN THE HON. W.S. CARSON, R.N., WILL BECOME S.B.N.O. TUNISIA, CARRY OUT LIAISON DUTIES WITH COMAR BIZERTA, AND BE COMMANDING OFFICER, H.M.S. HASTURBAL. HE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE TO V.A.M.

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PART. 1. -231700B/APRIL.

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To:

From:

8. U.S.N. ORGANISATION AT BIZERTA WILL CONTINUE TO FUNCTION AS REQUIRED BY COMNAVNAV.
9. FRENCH WILL ASSUME OPERATIONAL CONTROL AT FOLLOWING PORTS:—

(A) ALGIERS.

A BRITISH LIAISON TEAM TO SUPERVISE REPAIR AND STORE WORK AT ALGIERS AND ORAN WILL REMAIN. NCSSO AND SFO WILL ALSO REMAIN TEMPORARILY. OFFICERS AND MEN WILL BE BORNE ON THE BOOKS OF HANNIBAL. HANNIBAL WILL RECOMMISSION AS INDEPENDENT COMMAND WITH ACCOUNTS BORNE IN ST. ANGELO.

(B) BONE, BOUGIE, PHILIPPEVILLE, TUNIS.

NO BRITISH PERSONNEL WILL REMAIN.

(C) BIZERTA AND FERRYVILLE.

A BRITISH LIAISON TEAM WILL REMAIN IN AREA TO SUPERVISE REPAIR AND STORE MATTERS. IT WILL BE HEADED BY COMMANDER J.B. JEWETT R.N., WHO WILL BE APPOINTED AS BRITISH NAVAL LIAISON OFFICER, FERRYVILLE. NCSSO WILL REMAIN AT BIZERTA TEMPORARILY. PERSONNEL WILL BE BORNE ON BOOKS OF HASDRUBAL. HASDRUBAL WILL RECOMMISSION AS INDEPENDENT COMMAND WITH ACCOUNTS BORNE IN ST. ANGELO.

(D) ORAN.

U.S.N. WILL RETAIN FACILITIES DESIRED BY COMNAVNAV. U.S. ROUTING ORGANISATION AND LIAISON PERSONNEL TO SUPERVISE U.S. REPAIR AND STORE MATTERS WILL REMAIN. EXISTING PORT ORGANISATION WILL CONTINUE BUT WILL BE PROGRESSIVELY TRANSFERRED TO FRENCH. B.N.L.O. ORAN WILL REMAIN. BRITISH PERSONNEL WILL BE BORNE IN HANNIBAL.

10. LIAISON PARTIES IN FRENCH WARSHIPS WILL BE ADMINISTERED BY V.A.M. ACCOUNTS BEING BORNE IN ST. ANGELO.

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station,
Allied Force Headquarters,
3rd August, 1945.

Med.45/596/11/3.

THE FLAG OFFICER, ITALY AND LIAISON.

(Copies to:

The Vice Admiral, Malta and Central Mediterranean.
The Senior Naval Officer, Eastern Sicily.
The Commodore Superintendent, Taranto.
The Naval Officer in Charge, Naples.
The Naval Officer in Charge, Leghorn.
The Naval Officer in Charge, Genoa.
The Naval Officer in Charge, Trieste.
The Naval Officer in Charge, Venice.
The Naval Officer in Charge, Pola.
The Naval Officer in Charge, Ancona).

REDUCTION OF WORKS STAFF.

Works commitments to meet Royal Naval requirements in Italy and Sicily are now considerably reduced and will progressively diminish. Reduction of staff is at present in hand with a view to reaching the number that will be required by the time that the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean moves to Malta.

2. On the move of the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, to Malta all works matters in Italy, and Sicily will be in charge of a Civil Engineer (Commander (Sp) R.N.V.R.). He will be attached to the staff of the Flag Officer, Italy and Liaison, and will be assisted by a Departmental Clerical Officer (Sub Lieutenant (Sp) R.N.V.R.). He will be known as the Officer in Charge of Works, Italy. His functions will be (a) to have departmental charge of Vote 10 matters in the areas noted above; (b) to act as Staff Officer to the Flag Officer, Italy and Liaison on Vote 10 matters, and (c) to advise the Head of the Navy Sub Committee on Works matters affecting the Royal Italian Navy.

3. Under the Officer in Charge of Works, Italy, there will be five local Officers in Charge of Works, with assistants, as follows:-

Naples .. attached to staff of the Naval Officer in Charge

The Naval Officer in Charge, Leghorn,
 The Naval Officer in Charge, Genoa.
 The Naval Officer in Charge, Trieste.
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3. Under the Officer in Charge of Works, Italy, there will be five local Officers in Charge of Works, with assistants, as follows:-

Naples - attached to staff of the Naval Officer in Charge for all West coast ports south of and including Civita Vecchia.

1 Lieutenant (Sp.) R.N.V.R.
 (Assistant Civil Engineer)
 1 Sub Lieutenant (Sp.) R.N.V.R.
 (Foreman of Works).

Leghorn - attached to Staff of the Naval Officer-in-Charge, for all other ports on West and North-west coast.

1 Lieutenant (Sp.) R.N.V.R.
 (Assistant Civil Engineer)
 1 Sub Lieutenant (Sp.) R.N.V.R.
 (Engineering Assistant)

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dated 3rd August, 1945.

Taranto - attached to staff of the Commodore, Taranto, for all East coast ports South of but excluding Ancona.

- 1 Lieutenant (Sp.) R.N.V.R.
(Assistant Civil Engineer)
- 1 Sub Lieutenant (Sp.) R.N.V.R.
(Foreman of Works)

Trieste - attached to staff of the Naval Officer in Charge for all other East coast and Yugoslav ports.

- 1 Lieutenant (Sp.) R.N.V.R.
(Assistant Civil Engineer)
- 1 Sub Lieutenant (Sp.) R.N.V.R.
(Engineering Assistant).

Messina - attached to staff of the Senior Naval Officer, Eastern Sicily for all Sicilian ports.

- 1 Lieutenant (Sp.) R.N.V.R.
- 1 Foreman of Works.

In addition to the foregoing, it is intended to retain one Works Officer at Ancona, Venice and Pola, if commitments at any of those ports have not been completed by the time of the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's move.

4. It is intended further to reduce Works staff as opportunity arises, but in this connection attention is drawn to Mediterranean Shore Standing Order 753 and 901 (part A).

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for all other East coast and Yugoslav ports.

- 1 Lieutenant (Sp.) R.N.V.R.
(Assistant Civil Engineer)
- 1 Sub Lieutenant (Sp.) R.N.V.R.
(Engineering Assistant):

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W. Stables

for ADMIRAL



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

G H C MED (R) ARMY POLI PATRUS

CAPTAIN I/C TARANTO

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CAPTAIN R.A.D. STANLEY IN RETD. ASSUMED DUTIES OF CAPTAIN I/C AND CAPTAIN
SUPT. TARANTO VICE COMMISSIONER BEDFORD AS FROM AM 15TH NOVEMBER. ARMY'S
50017 OCT. BIRMINGHAM.

.....140944A NOVEMBER.....

REF...APPOINTMENTS OF CAPTAIN STANLEY.

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DATE: 14th November, 1948
FROM: FLAG OFFICER ITALY & LIAISON.
TO : NAVY SUB-COMMISSIONER, D.C. AC.
FORWARDED FOR information ACTION
F.H. Thomas
for RE-ADMIRAL

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No.F.O.I.L.501/1.

NAVY SUB COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION.

For information with particular reference
to item (c) of paragraph 2.

W. K. Schubert

POLE,
15th August, 1945.

for PEAP.-ADMIRAL.
(absent on duty).

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NAVAL MESSAGE.

U.S. 17206/105113 1/44 10000 M C & L 51-211

S. 1320e.

(Established - May, 1910)
(Revised - December, 1931)

To:

MED STATION 678B AMURRAY

From:

FROM CINC MED

RESTRICTED BASEGRAPH

AS FROM 26TH JUNE 1945 THE APPOINTMENT OF SENIOR NAVAL OFFICER,
NORTHERN ADRIATIC WILL LAPSE. OPERATIONAL CONTROL IN THE NORTHERN
ADRIATIC WILL BE ASSIGNED DIRECT BY FOTALE FROM THAT DATE.

2. IN 668B DATED 16TH JUNE AMEND FIRST WORDS OF TEXT TO READ "IN SHIPS
AND ESTABLISHMENTS ONLY".

--221203H JUNE

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3303
20 August 1945.

FILE

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.
Subject: Air Bombing and Firing Ranges - Use of Lampedusa.

1. In answer to Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean letter Med.45/00270/11A of 1 August 1945, a copy of Executive Commissioner, Allied Commission letter 549/51/EC of 16 August 1945 is forwarded herewith.

2. Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/3167, referred to in paragraph (1) of the Executive Commissioner's letter, forwarded to him a copy of the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's letter referenced above and all papers relevant to subject.

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



HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/5278
18 August 1945.

FILE

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Executive Commissioner, Hq. Allied Commission.
Subject: Air Bombing and Firing Ranges - Use of Lampedusa.

1. It would be appreciated if an early reply could be given to Navy Sub-Commission letter NSC/3167 of 7 August 1945.

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

Copy to:
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AFHQ G-5 Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 549/51/EC

16 August 1945

SUBJECT: Air Bombing and Firing Ranges -- Use of Lampedusa

TO : Naval Subcommittee, Allied Commission

1. With reference to your letter N^{SC} 3167 dated 7 August 1945 in which you asked if the Allied Commission would have objection to the use of Lampedusa as a Bombing and Firing Range.

2. Our Civil Affairs Officer on the island has agreed that it would be possible to move the inhabitants from the danger area. We should, however, be opposed to this action being taken, when all hostilities have ceased and the people are striving to resume a peaceful life.

3. The opinion expressed by Vice Admiral, Malta, in paragraph 4 of his letter -- Malta 3465/512/F/5 dated 20 July 1945 addressed to Commander in Chief, Mediterranean, is to be recommended. The sentence reads: "There are however, 40 inhabitants and a cactus farm in this area and these would have to be displaced -- not a very desirable action to have to take in a very small island of such limited resources."

4. We must point out nevertheless, that permission to use the island must come from AFHQ and not from the Allied Commission.

For Kennedy
for Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: AFHQ- G-5
CA Section
Pol Ad (A)
Pol Ad (B)
Palermo AC Liaison Officer

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Comander-in-Chief, Mediterranean

14th August, 1945

No. Ref.

Date

AIR BRANCH: NAME SUBJECT: UNRECORDED

Formers

Enclosures

- 1) The Comander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's Ref. 13/00270/11, dated 5th June, 1945.
- 2) The Vice Admiral, Malta and Central Mediterranean's Ref. 13/514/2/3, dated 20th July, 1945, and enclosures therein.
- 3) The Comander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's Ref. 45/00270/11, dated 1st August, 1945.

THE SECRETARY OF THE AIRBRANCH

(Copies to:- The Vice Admiral, Malta and Central Mediterranean, the Navy Sub Directorate, Eastern Mediterranean Allied Command, Base, (2-3), Allied Force Headquarters).

Forwarded for the consideration of Their Lordships.

2. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Comander-in-Chief Mediterranean's Ref. 13/00270/11 of 5th June, 1945, the present Air Branch is being requested to see the requirements of carriers in Malta and to submit a report to the Air Branch.

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Enclosures

- 1) The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's Mat. 44/00220/23, dated 5th June, 1945.
- 2) The Vice Admiral, Malta and Central Mediterranean's Malta No. 3463/50220/5, dated 20th July, 1945, and co-synchronous division.
- 3) The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's Mat. 45/00220/12, dated 1st August, 1945.

THE SECRETARY OF THE AMIRALTY

(Copies to:- The Vice Admiral, Malta and Central Mediterranean, The Navy Sub Committee, Anti-Aircraft Allied Operations, Home G-5, Allied Force Headquarters).

Forwarded for the consideration of their Lordships.

2. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean's Mat. 45/00220/12 of 5th June, 1945, the present requirements in Malta are considered quite inadequate to meet the requirements of carriers when working up.

3. The provision of a natural range in the salin area, however, will make it no longer necessary to use the desert range in the future.

4. The Lordships' approval in principle is requested. Investigation is being made of any suggestions which may be involved, and this will be reported before definite commitments are undertaken.

H. A. PACKER.

for ADRIAL

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ALCOM LO PALERO

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ROUTINE

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NAVY DESIRE ISOLATE THAT PART OF LAMPEDUSA WEST OF A LINE DRAWN AT ANGLE OF THREE FIVE ZERO DEGREES FROM THE POINT IMMEDIATELY WEST OF ISLA DEL CONDELI FOR USE AS PRACTICE BOMBING GROUND PD

PAREN TO ALCOM LO PALERO FOR CAG LAMPEDUSA FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACIFIC PAREN
UNDERSTAND THIS AREA INCLUDES A CACTUS FARM AND THAT PROJECT WOULD NECESSITATE DISPLACING FORTY INHABITANTS PD YOUR COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ARE REQUESTED PD PLEASE TREAT AS URGENT

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G.A. Sec

Navy Sub-Comm (ref your MSG/3167 of 7 Aug 45)

Office of Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/3167
7 August 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Executive Commissioner, Hq. Allied Commission. *FILE*
Subject: Air Bombing and Firing Ranges - Use of Lampedusa.
Enclosure: (A) Copy of CINCMED ltr. Med.45/00270/11A, dated
1 August 1945 and enclosures thereto.

1. Enclosure (A) is a copy of a letter that has been received from the Allied Naval Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean and which requests permission from the Allied Commission to use the western end of the Island of Lampedusa as a bombing and strafing range for Naval aircraft.

2. Information is requested as to whether the Allied Naval Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean may be informed that the Allied Commission has no objection to the use of the Island of Lampedusa for the purpose contemplated.

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

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G-5 Section, A.F.H.Q. - w/o Encl.



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

Med.45/00270/11A.

THE NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, ROME.

(Copies to:- The Vice Admiral, Malta and Central
Mediterranean.
G-5, Allied Force Headquarters).

AIR BOMBING AND FIRING RANGES - USE OF
LAMPEDUSA

With reference to Med.45/00270/11, dated 5th June, 1945, reconnaissance of these islands has now been carried out, and LAMPEDUSA appears to be the most suitable. No contact has been made with the Chief Administrative Officer, Lampedusa, as he has been absent from the island.

2. Permission of the Allied Commission is requested to use the western end of the Island of LAMPEDUSA as a bombing and strafing range for Naval aircraft. The eastern limit of the range would be a line drawn 350° from the western end of the Isla dei Comigli. It is understood that this would involve the displacement of about forty inhabitants from the range area.

3. Copies are enclosed of the Vice Admiral, Malta and
... Central Mediterranean's Malta No.3465/512/F/5, dated 20th
July, 1945, and the Commanding Officer, Naval Air Section,
... Hal Far's No.352/1, dated 3rd July, 1945 (without enclosure).

Suburban
for ADMIRAL

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Enclosure No. 1 to Mediterranean Letter

No. 45/00270/1 dated 15 July 1945

SUBJECT: AIR BOMBING AND FIRING RANGES.

FROM: VICE ADMIRAL, MALTA.

DATE: 20th July, 1945.

Ref: Malta 3465/512/P/5

TO : COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, MEDITERRANEAN.

(Copies to: Captain (Air) Mediterranean.

Commanding Officer, Naval Air Section, Hal Far)

With reference to your No. 45/00270/1 of 5th June, 1945, the attached copy of letter No. 352/1 of 3rd July, 1945 from Commanding Officer, Naval Air Section, Hal Far is forwarded with the following remarks:-

2. With regard to the requirements indicated in paragraphs 2 and 3 of your above quoted letter, Lampedusa Island appears to afford the most promise for the following reasons:-

(a) 95 miles is considered to be an acceptable range from Malta for the type of practice envisaged.

(b) the availability of a landing strip is a considerable asset in the event of an emergency landing and for communication purposes.

(c) the possibility of employing local labour.

(d) the type of country is not ideal and does not afford much variation, but there are features which can be made use of subject to safety height limitations in low level bombing attack.

3. With reference to paragraph 1(c) of Hal Far's report and the enclosed photograph, I do not consider that the proposed site on Lampedusa fully meets requirements for the following reasons:-

(a) the narrow width (only 50 yards) is too small having regard to safety range restrictions in bombing attacks. This would necessarily limit freedom of choice in direction of attack.

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- (d) the type of country is not ideal and does not afford much variation, but there are features which can be made use of subject to safety height limitations in low level bombing attack.

3. With reference to paragraph 1(c) of Hal Far's report and the enclosed photograph, I do not consider that the proposed site on Lampedusa fully meets requirements for the following reasons:-

- (a) the narrow width (only 500 yards) is too small having regard to safety range restrictions in bombing attacks. This would necessarily limit freedom of choice in direction of attack.
- (b) inconvenient for clear range supervision and marking the range limitations.
- (c) it is undesirable to close the East-West track across the island.

4. It is considered that a better alternative site could be arranged by isolating all that part of the island West of a line drawn 350° from the point immediately West of the Isla del Corigli, giving an area approximately 1½ by 3 miles. This is not large but should meet limited requirements. There are however, 40 inhabitants and a cactus firm in this area and these would have to be displaced - not a very desirable action to have to take in a very small island of such limited resources.

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SUBJECT: AIR BOMBING AND FIRING RANGES.

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5. With reference to paragraph 3 (b) of your letter it is not considered that there would be any particular difficulty in keeping the range clear providing a boundary fence or marks were established.

6. As an additional safeguard and to meet range ground to air control requirements, it is considered that a lookout control tower should be erected at any convenient high point outside the range limits and overlooking the range area. For range control a portable VHF R/T Set could be installed in this tower for direct communication with aircraft.

7. With reference to paragraph 3 (c) of your letter, it is considered that a party of 7 men should suffice for range patrol and maintenance duties. These could be recruited locally at little cost to the crown.

8. With reference to paragraph 3 (e) of your letter, and paragraph 2 (g) of Hal Far's report, it is considered essential that W/T communication should be available with both Malta and Aircraft carriers in order to give warning of practices, cancellations etc., and for general communication. This station and the V.H.F. R/T Set need only be manned during practice periods, personnel being flown over from Malta.

9. With reference to paragraph 2 (d) of Hal Far's report I concur that photographic marking only is required which, for realism, should be carried out by aircraft from the squadrons concerned, as in the case of operational attacks on shore objectives.

10. For additional realism on the range suitably sited camouflaged targets such as dummy pillboxes, guns, vehicles and tanks should be provided.

11. With reference to paragraph 4 and 5 of your letter it has not yet been possible to interview the local representative of the Allied Commission for the reason stated at paragraph 2 (h) of Hal Far's report.

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F. DALRYMPLE-HAMILTON

VICE ADMIRAL.

Enclosures:

Copy of C.O. N.A.S. Hal Far's No. 352/1 of 3.7.45.
2 photograph (to C.-in-C. Mel. only).

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ENCLOSURE No. 1. to MALTA No. 3467 8/2/45 of 20.7.45

From: The Commanding Officer, Naval Air Section, R.A.F. Station, Hal Far.

Date: 3rd July, 1945.

No. 352/1.

To: THE VICE ADMIRAL, MALTA, AND CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN.
(Copy to: Captain (Air) Mediterranean).

SURVEY OF LAMPEDUSA GROUP OF ISLANDS FOR PURPOSE OF AIR BOMBING AND
FIRING RANGES.

1. In accordance with instructions contained in the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's letter number Med. 45/00270/11 of the 5th June, 1945, I visited the above islands with my Operations Officer Lieutenant (A) R. CHILDS, R.N.V.R. and report as follows:-

(a) Lampione visited 25th June, 1945.

This small islet is triangular in shape and lies about twelve miles West by North of Lampedusa, approximately 117 miles west of Malta (Hal Far). On two sides it is bound by cliffs about 80 feet high and on the third side (S.E.) it slopes steeply down to the sea where a small concrete landing stage has been built. The surface is flat but rocky, and strewn with boulders and covers an area approximately 400 yards by 300 yards. At one corner there is a stone structure which once comprised a lighthouse. It is now disused and without equipment. This islet is uninhabitable and could only be used as a straffing ground. The flat top could be marked out as a target but in the absence of a range party results would have to be assessed by photographs. Owing to the nature of the surface there would be danger to aircraft from ricochets if really low level attacks were carried out. This is not much better than Filfolia and is not to be recommended as a bombing and straffing range.

(b) Linosa visited 28th June, 1945.

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This island lies about 25 miles North, North, East of Lampedusa and about 80 miles west of Malta, and is about one mile square. Almost the entire area is covered by three extinct volcanoes - the highest being about 600 feet. The small piece of intervening land which is by no means level is entirely cultivated and used as grazing land for the cattle on the island. The population is approximately 350. There is no electricity and the only water supply is obtained by storing rain water collected by catchments on the hills. There are no wells. There are no harbours but

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(b) Linosa visited 26th June, 1945.

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This island lies about 25 miles North, North, East of Lampedusa and about 80 miles west of Malta, and is about one mile square. Almost the entire area is covered by three extinct volcanoes - the highest being about 600 feet. The small piece of intervening land which is by no means level is entirely cultivated and used as grazing land for the cattle on the island. The population is approximately 350. There is no electricity and the only water supply is obtained by storing rain water collected by catchments on the hills. There are no wells. There are no harbours but three or four bays provide precarious anchorages. A few slabs of concrete have been dumped in one bay on the South side of the island in an attempt to provide a quay for small fishing boats. The island has telegraphic communication with Lampedusa and Sicily. It is totally unsuitable for any sort of bombing or straffing range.

(c) Lampedusa visited 25th to 29th June, 1945.

This island is about 6 miles by 1½ miles at the widest point and lies approximately 95 miles west of Malta. The population is approximately 3,500 and they make their living by fishing, fish canning and the sale of sponges. Nearly the whole island is made up of rocks and boulders - only a very small proportion being cultivated. A few sheep and goats are to be found. There is a limited supply of electricity (130 A.C.) for lighting and supplying power for pumping water, but the water supply is

very limited and/.....

very limited and has to be rationed. There is telegraph communication with Lincosa and Sicily. There is one good harbour on the South side of the Island and an anchorage or small harbour on the North East side. There is an air strip on the South East side of the Island close to the harbour but the runway is approximately 800 yards and somewhat rough, and therefore only suitable for light wing traded aircraft. There is a site on the North side of the island approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles by 500 yards which contains a shore battery and several dug-outs which could fairly readily be turned into a bombing and strafing range.

2. It it was decided to proceed with the project special attention is drawn to the following points :-

(a) The site is 95 miles from Malta and although surface is rocky and strewn with boulders it is suitable for practice dive bombing and air to ground strafing.

(b) The existing 4 gun (88 mm) shore battery would make an excellent target but several hundred unexploded shells would have to be removed from in and around the gun emplacements and dug-outs.

(c) While the area was being used it would be necessary to close the main East to West road which is in fact only a track used by about a dozen people a day. This could be done by the local police on being given an hour's notice.

(d) Marking should be done by photographic reconnaissance only as employment of naval personnel on the island should be reduced to a minimum or eliminated altogether.

(e) There is a disused signal station at the western end of the proposed site in which 20 ratings could be accommodated if necessary. The island is a dreadful place to expect British Naval ratings to live on. Constant reliefs would be necessary if they did so.

(f) It is considered that a small range party of Lemnecians could be enlisted for service on the range and it is suggested that these could be put in charge of the "Chief Constable" who appears to wield great power. His pay amounts to 10/6d. per week and for an extra 10/6d. per week he would not doubt be delighted to take charge of the party, who would be well paid at a 1/- a day per head.

(g) Owing to the difficulty of manning (see paragraph ^b ~~a~~ w/r) set should be dispensed with. Communications with the local authorities and range party could always be maintained by dropping message bags or landing on the air strip, which is perfectly safe for slow landing aircraft and could

(b) The existing 4 gun (88 mm) shore battery would make an excellent target but several hundred unexploded shells would have to be removed from in and around the gun emplacements and dug-outs.

(c) While the area was being used it would be necessary to close the main East to West road which is in fact only a track used by about a dozen people a day. This could be done by the local police on being given an hour's notice.

(d) Working should be done by photographic reconnaissance only as employment of naval personnel on the island should be reduced to a minimum or eliminated altogether.

(c) There is a disguised signal station at the western end of the proposed site in which 20 ratings could be accommodated if necessary. The island is a dreadful place to expect British Naval ratings to live on. Constant reliefs would be necessary if they did so.

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(h) Unfortunately it was not possible to see the Chief Administration Officer of Iampodua - Captain MOORE - as he was away sick in Sicily, but from conversations with the Harbour Master, Signor Tamasì, it is not anticipated that any objections would be raised by the local inhabitants. They are a desperately poor lot and anything which is likely to bring trade is appreciated.

(1) An aerial photograph of the island is attached hereto showing the proposed bombing range site and other features referred to in this report.

(सर्दी) A.C.S. TRUTH.

COMMANDER (A) R.N.V.R.
IN COMMAND.

NAVAL MESSAGE.

S. 1320c.

(Established - May, 1900.)
(Revised - December, 1931.)

TO: R1C TARANTO U.S. TARANTO NOIC'S VENICE ANCONA TRIESTE POLA NAPLES
LEGHORN GENOA R.N.O.'s BARI BRINDISI
CASTELLAMARE

(R) C IN C MED FITALI SMOESI

FROM: FITALI ROME.
221234Z JULYRESTRICTED. IMPORTANT
CODE OR CYPHER TRAFFIC.

REF. MEM. 752B AND 758B. IT IS INTENDED THAT CATEGORY B ITALIAN SHIPS SHALL
BE OPERATED BY THE ITALIAN MINISTRY OF MARINE SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF
P.O.I.L.

- (2) PROCEDURE WILL BE AS FOLLOWS: --
ALL PROPOSED SAILINGS WILL BE SUBMITTED BY MINISTRY OF MARINE FOR P.O.I.L. APPROVAL.
IF APPROVED BY P.O.I.L. AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SAILING WILL BE COMMUNICATED BY
THE MINISTRY OF MARINE TO THE LOCAL ITALIAN AUTHORITIES.
(3) IN BRITISH-CONTROLLED PORTS, THE DETAILS OF THE SAILING'S SPEED ROUTE, ETC.
ARE MATTERS FOR ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN THE LOCAL BRITISH AND ITALIAN AUTHORITIES.
(4) AFTER AUTHORIZATION HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM ROME THE FINAL DECISION AS TO
SAILING WILL BE LEFT WITH THE LOCAL AUTHORITY WHETHER BRITISH OR ITALIAN.
(5) WITH REGARD TO THE SAILING OF CATEGORY B ITALIAN SHIPS A BRITISH N.O.I.C.
OR R.N.O. HAS NO (R) NO OPERATIONAL AUTHORITY OUTSIDE THE PORT UNDER HIS
IMMEDIATE CONTROL. HE SHOULD HOWEVER FURNISH NAVIGATIONAL INFORMATION TO
ITALIAN N.O.I.C.'s AS REQUESTED.
(6) C IN C MED'S 190952R. WHEN AN ITALIAN SHIP IN B CATEGORY IS BEING SAILED
FROM A BRITISH-CONTROLLED PORT TO AN ITALIAN-CONTROLLED PORT THE LOCAL BRITISH
AUTHORITY IS NOT REQUIRED TO MAKE A SIGNAL TO P.O.I.L. WHO WILL BE INFORMED
THROUGH ITALIAN CHANNELS.

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ROME CCO

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161305B JULY

RESTRICTED IMPORTANT

MY 141801B JULY. READ AS FOLLOWS:-
TO (E) POSITION 40 DEGS. 50' N., 07 DEGS. 30' E.
YOUR NR. 564 D.T.G. 161029B JULY REFERS.

161305B JULY

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

T/P F/L TOR 1410/16

REF: POTALI TO STRIKE HIS FLAG.

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F. 22313/D7097. 1200M. 10/42. C. B. & S. LTD.

NAVAL MESSAGE.

S 13201.

(ESTABLISHED: OCTOBER, 1935.)

TO: TOTALI ROME (R) FOTALI

FROM: CINC MED
141801B JULY

IMPORTANT CONFIDENTIAL

~~FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PROPOSED STATION MESSAGE. MESSAGE COMPLETED OR COMPLETION~~
EARLIEST. BEGINS:-

"TOTALI WILL STRIKE HIS FLAG AT SUNSET ON MONDAY 23RD JULY, WHEREUPON CINC MED. WILL ASSUME DIRECT OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE AREA BOUNDED, ON THE WEST BY A LINE FROM (A) THE FRANCO/ITALIAN FRONTIER TO

(B) POSITION 3 MILES 360 DEGS. FROM CAP CORSE LIGHT, THENCE ALONG A LINE 3 MILES TO SEAWARD OF THE EAST COAST OF CORSICA TO

(C) LAZZAROLI ROCK IN POSITION 41 DEGS. 15' N. 09 DEGS. 15' E. TO

(D) POSITION 40 DEGS. 50' N. 07 DEGS. 30' E. TO

(E) POSITION 38 DEGS. 51' N. 07 DEGS. 30' E. TO

(F) POSITION 38 DEGS. 00' N. 07 DEGS. 55' E. ON THE SOUTH BY A LINE FROM (G)

(H) POSITION 38 DEGS. 51' N. 10 DEGS. 00' E. THENCE ALONG PARALLEL OF 38 DEGS. 51' N. TO THE ITALIAN COAST (J) THENCE TO CAP COLOMBE (K) AND THROUGH (L) POSITION 36 DEGS. 22' N. 19 DEGS. 00' E. TO POSITION (H) 40 DEGS. 00' N. 19 DEGS. 20' E. AND TO THE ALBANIAN COAST IN LATITUDE 40 DEGS. 00' N. POSITION (H)

2. THE ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OF THE AREA IN PARA. 1 AND TOTALI'S DUTIES VIS-A-VIS ITALIAN NAVY WILL BE ASSUMED BY REAR ADMIRAL C.D. WARREN, WITH HEADQUARTERS IN ROME, AT NOON ON THE 23RD JULY, WITHOUT FURTHER ORDER.

3. R.A. WARREN WILL RETAIN HIS PRESENT POSITIONS AS HEAD OF NAVAL SUB COMMISSION ALLIED COMMISSION AND S.E.N.O. HQS, AND WILL BE KNOWN AS FLAG OFFICER ITALY AND LIAISON WITH SHORT TITLE OF P.O.I.L. (R) P.O.I.L.

4. ITALIAN WARSHIPS WILL BE DIVIDED INTO TWO OPERATIONAL CATEGORIES:-
CATEGORY A, WHICH WILL CONSIST OF ALL BATTLESHIPS, AND OF THOSE SPECIALIZED CRUISERS, DESTROYERS AND SUBMARINES WHO ARE EMPLOYED ON TRAINING AND TRANSPORT DUTIES WITH THE R.N. THESE WILL BE UNDER THE DIRECT OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF CINC MED.
CATEGORY B, CONSISTING OF ALL SHIPS NOT SPECIFICALLY INCLUDED IN THE ABOVE, WILL BE UNDER THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF P.O.I.L. SUBJECT TO THE DIRECTION OF CINC.

5. FOR INFORMATION THE FOLLOWING BRITISH NAVAL STATION AUTHORITIES ARE AT PRESENT IN P.O.I.L.'S AREA. SOME OF THESE WILL SHORTLY BE CLOSED DOWN OR REDUCED IN STATUS.
COMMODORE SULT. TARANTO (AND AS COMMODORE TARANTO IF APPROVAL IS RECEIVED), NOIO'S GENOA, LECORON, NAPLES, POLA, TRIESTE, VENICE, ANCONA, TARANTO. R.N.O.'S AND BRINDISI.

6. COMMUNICATION ORGANISATION REMAINS UNCHANGED.

-141801B JULY

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

T/P P/L TOR 2020/44

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NAVAL MESSAGE.

To: C. IN C. MED (R) C.S. TARANTO, NOIC TARANTO,
RNO BARI, RNO BRINDISI, FOTALI ROME.

FROM:

FOTALI.
181311B. JULY.

CONFIDENTIAL.

IN THE SAME WAY THAT NOIC LEGHORN AND NOIC NAPLES HAVE LOCAL OPERATIONAL CONTROL ON THE WEST COAST OF ITALY, IT IS PROPOSED THAT NOIC TARANTO SHOULD NOW ASSUME LOCAL OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE AREA BETWEEN CAPE COLONNE AND VIESTE. RNO BARI AND RNO BRINDISI WOULD CONTINUE AS OPERATING AUTHORITIES AT BARI AND BRINDISI, NOIC TARANTO PROVIDING ADVICE AND GUIDANCE WHEN NECESSARY.

2. IF THE APPOINTMENT OF COMMODORE TARANTO IS APPROVED, NOIC TARANTO WOULD CARRY OUT THE ABOVE DUTIES UNDER THE GENERAL DIRECTION OF THE COMMODORE TARANTO.
3. IF APPROVED IT IS REQUESTED THAT A "B" MESSAGE BE PROMULGATED.

181311B. JULY.

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T.P.

P.L.

T.O.R. 1545/18.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

NAVY S/L (2)

AG 045.93/157 SACS-0

21 July 1945

SUBJECT: Reorganization of Naval Command, Italy

TO: All Concerned

For your information and guidance, there follows the approved reorganization of Naval Command, Italy by Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean:

a. Direct operational control of waters around the Italian mainland, formerly exercised by FOTALI (and, until recently, by FOMAM) will, effective 24 July 1945, be exercised by the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.

b. The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean will, therefore, from 24 July 1945 deal with all requests for movements by sea which this headquarters has heretofore made to FOTALI, and will control all movements of landing ships and craft in the area.

c. The relationship of British Naval Officers in Charge of the Port Control Committees will remain unchanged.

d. The Italian warships, designated as category B ships, will be operated by the Flag Officer Italy and Liaison. Subsequent to 24 July 1945, movements of Italian service personnel approved by MIA, or of displaced persons, will as a rule be made in category B ships. It is therefore desired that this headquarters and the Transportation Sub Commission of ALCOM should, for such matters, then deal with the Flag Officer Italy and Liaison, who remains Head of the Naval Sub Commission of the Allied Commission, instead of approaching the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean direct.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

C. W. Christensen
C. W. CHRISTENSEN
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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INFO - CHIEF Comm.
EXEC. Comm.
TPTN. S/L

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Capt. BUTLER SENIOR UNIT STATES NAVAL LIAISON OFFICER, ITALY
ROME, ITALY *file*

FROM: COMNAVNAW

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COMAR CASABLANCA

CLASSIFICATION: SECRET

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FLEET AIR WING SEVEN ALQUEST

PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE

ORIGINATED BY: _____

RELEASED BY: _____

DATE: 24 July 1945.231640 July 1945.

ON ONE AUGUST THE FOLLOWING CHANGES ARE EFFECTIVE TO MY OP ORDER 2-45 X
MY 131448 NOT TO ALL REFERS X THE MOROCCAN SEA FRONTIER WILL BE ABOLISHED X
IN ITS PLACE WILL BE CONSTITUTED A MOROCCAN TASK GROUP X TASK GROUP 125.2
COMPOSED OF TASK UNITS NAVAL AIR STATION PORT LYAUTEY AND U S NAVAL LIAISON
CASABLANCA X SUBORDINATE TO NAS PORT LYAUTEY WILL BE TASK UNITS NAVAL AIR
FACILITY DAKAR AND U S NAVAL LIAISON AJADIR X PARA X TASK FORMERLY ASSIGNED
TO MOROCCAN SEA FRONTIER PARA 3B MY OP ORDER REMAIN UNCHANGED EXCEPT X
SUB PARA 5 X DELETE QUOTE HEPPIR AND UNQUOTE X SUB PARA 6 DELETE ENTIRELY X
CHANGE NUMBERS SUB PARAS 7 AND 8 TO 6 AND 7 RESPECTIVELY X PARA X REDUCTION
OF THE SEA FRONTIER TO A TASK GROUP RESULTS IN (1) RELINQUISHING STRATEGIC
CONTROL OF THE MOROCCAN SEA FRONTIER AREA X (2) TURN OVER OF OPERATION OF
FORMER U S SHIPS NOW LEND LEASED TO FRENCH AND UNDER CMBF TO COMAR
CASABLANCA, THE GENERAL OPERATIONAL CONTROL TO REMAIN UNDER CINCMED X
REFER CINCMED 211019 NOT TO ALL X CORRECT ANNEX A TO INDICATE NAS PORT
LYAUTEY WILL HOLD CLASS 3 USE ALLOWANCE PUBLICATIONS X NAVAL LIAISON OFFICER

~~CASABLANCA WILL HOLD CHANNEL 126 ONLY AFTER ONE AUGUST X~~

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Ref. 131448 and 211019 - not held.

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EXTERNAL:

ACTION: 10

INFO: 00-03, 01-03, 40.

TOR: 2410308 July.:INCOMING - OUTGOING: D/T GR.
DISPATCH231640 July. 1945.

SENIOR UNITED STATES NAVAL LIAISON OFFICER, ITALY
ROME, ITALY

FROM: COMNAVNAV

ACTION: COMDT NOB ORAN

CLASSIFICATION: SECRET

INFO: COMNAVET
CINCMED
AIMED
NAVNAV

PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE

ORIGINATED BY: _____

RELEASED BY: _____

DATE: 24 July 1945.

231622 July 1945.

MY 161414 REFERS X THE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO MY OP ORDER 2-45 BECOME
EFFECTIVE 28 JULY X NAVAL OPERATING BASE ORAN B BECOMES U S NAVAL
DETACHMENT ORAN X FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES REMAIN X NAVAL SUPPLY DEPOT X
BASE HOSPITAL NUMBER NINE X USNAVPO X USCG HEARING UNIT X REPORT
COMMANDING OFFICER CAPT REVILL USNR TASK MY OP ORDER SUB PARA 2C
ARE CHANGED TO READ AS FOLLOWS X (1) MAINTAIN ROUTINE LIAISON WITH
FRENCH NAVY X (2) RENDER ASSISTANCE TO US SHIPPING X

Ref.161414: Basegram 190...Your plan to decommission NOB and activate
NAVDET on 26 July approved...

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INTERNAL

EXTERNAL:

ACTION:

INFO : 00-03, 01-02, (40)

TOR: 241030B July

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DISPATCH

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AND APPROXIMATELY 12 RATINGS TO FRENCH NAVAL DELEGATION AT PRESENT IN GENOA.
2. PERSONNEL WILL BE TECHNICAL IN CHARACTER AND WILL BE FOR THE PURPOSE OF
ASSISTING IN SURVEY AND SALVAGE OF (?) FRENCH HULLS AND MATERIAL TAKEN FROM
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3. ADMTY PASS TO NAVAL ATTACHE PARIS.

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NICHOLAS PIGNINO
OWO U.S.A.
Asst. Adjutant

OFFICE OF THE FLAG OFFICER,
TARANTO AND ADRIATIC,
TARANTO.

19th August, 1944.

No. T.A. 6/52.
MEMORANDUM.

DIRECTIVE TO COMMODORE I.M. PALMER, D.S.C.,
AND COMMODORE H.W. ZIROLI, UNITED STATES NAVY.

The following directive is to be substituted for that contained in my Memo. No. T.A. 6/52 of 2nd August, 1944, which is hereby cancelled and is to be destroyed.

2. The liaison and Naval Sub-Commission staffs of F.O.T.A.L.I., are to amalgamate and work as a joint staff in the Allied Control Commission Headquarters, Rome. Commodore I.M. Palmer, D.S.C., will be ~~the~~ ^{of} representative in Rome of F.O.T.A.L.I., and ^{the} Chief of the Naval Sub-Commission of the Allied Control Commission, and will be responsible to me for the efficient organisation and operation of the joint staff. The Staff will be as follows :-

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Lieutenant Commander E.C. Davies, R.N.V.R. - Naval Liaison Officer in Ministry of Marine

Lieutenant R.S. Craig, U.S.N.

Lieutenant W.W. Wotherspoon, U.S.N.

Staff Officers.

3. All the above officers will be full members of the Naval Sub-Commission of the Allied Control Commission. The outline organisation of the staff is shown in diagrammatic form in the enclosure hereto. Commodore Palmer is to make the detailed allocation of staff duties as necessary.

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(Flag Officer, Tenth and Adriatic's Memorandum No. T.A. 6/52 dated 19th August, 1944.)

4. As my representative in Rome, Commodore Palmer is authorised to deal with and sign letters on my behalf on matters regarding the Italian Navy. He is, however, to refer to me all important questions and any others on which he requires my advice or decision. He is similarly authorised to originate signals from "F.O.T.A.L.I. ^(ACC) ~~FOR~~". All correspondence and signals which refer directly to the operation of the Italian Fleet are to be referred to me.

5. In order to maintain personal contact with the Italian Naval Authorities, Captain Blackburn is to have an office in the Ministry of Marine as well as in Allied Control Commission headquarters.

6. Commodore Ziroli, as Deputy Chief of the Naval Sub-Commission, will deal directly with the other sub-commissions of the Allied Control Commission. He is authorised to sign letters and originate signals when necessary from Chief of the Naval Sub-Commission. All important questions and any others on which he requires my advice or decision, are, however, to be referred to me through Commodore Palmer.

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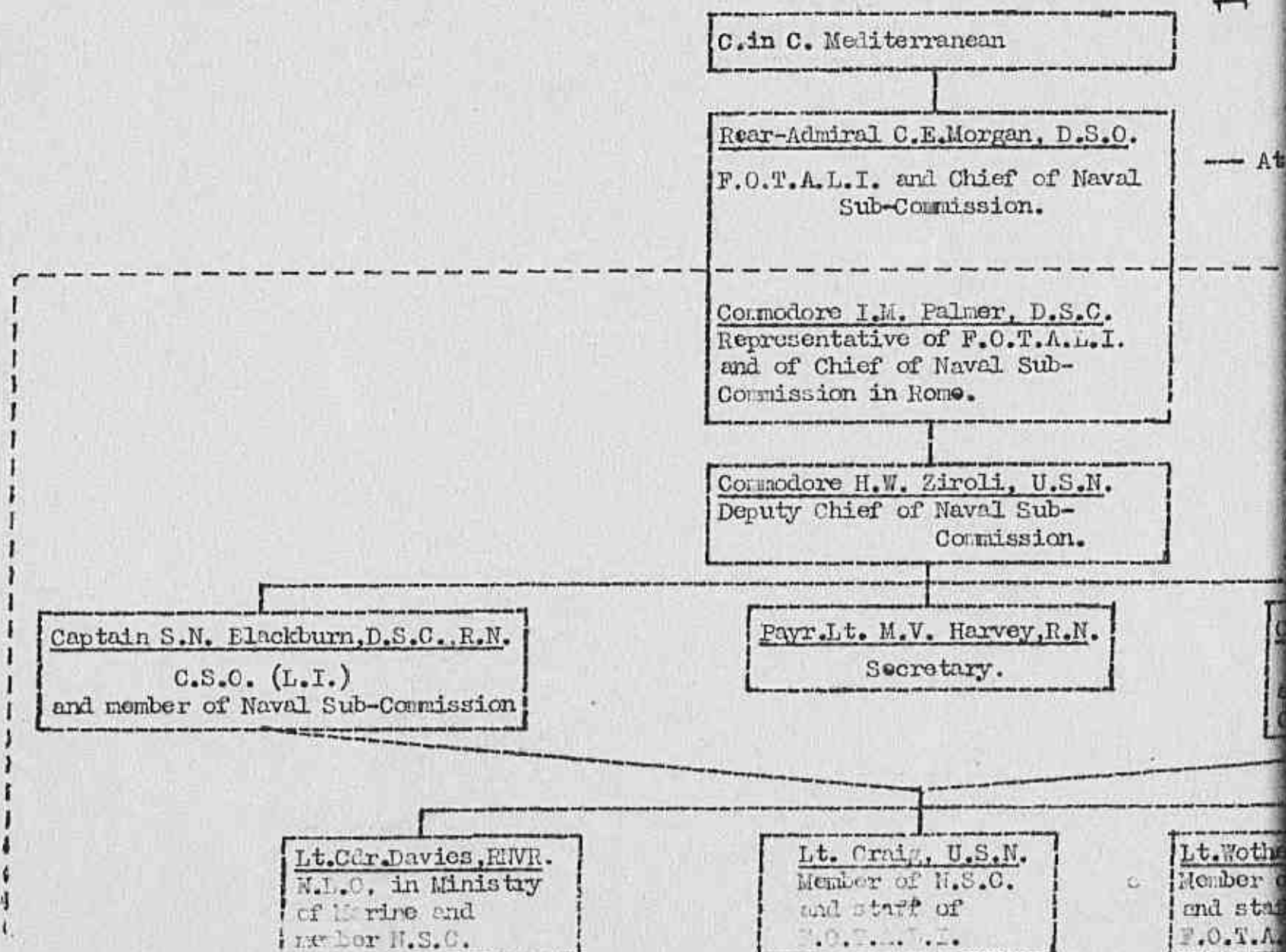
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7. Commodore Palmer is to ensure that the work of the staff is closely co-ordinated. He is to forward to me a brief letter of proceedings on the first of every month.

REAR-ADMIRAL

Enclosure to T.A. No. 642 dated 19th August, 1944.

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Rear-Admiral C.E.Morgan, D.S.O.
F.O.T.A.L.I. and Chief of Naval
Sub-Commission.

— At A.C.H.Q. Taranto.

Commodore I.M. Palmer, D.S.C.
Representative of F.O.T.A.L.I.
and of Chief of Naval Sub-
Commission in Rome.

Commodore H.W. Zirolì, U.S.N.
Deputy Chief of Naval Sub-
Commission.

Payr. Lt. M.V. Harvey, R.N.
Secretary.

Cdr. H.St.J. Butler U.S.N.
C.S.O. (N.S.C.)
and member of Naval Sub-
Commission.

→ At A.C.C.
H.Q. Rome.

Lt. Craig, U.S.N.
Member of N.S.C.
and staff of
F.O.T.A.L.I.

Lt. Wotherspoon, U.S.N.
Member of N.S.C.
and staff of
F.O.T.A.L.I.

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