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SERIAL FILE - NAVY SUB-COMMISSION
JANUARY 1947

MSC/5920
31 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Allied Force Headquarters - Attention G-5 Section.
(Copy to: Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.)
Subject: Delivery of Ammunition to Turkish Navy
Destroyers Built in Italy.

1. The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs has been requested by the Turkish Government to obtain the necessary permission to deliver the following ammunition to four destroyers of the Turkish Navy, built in Italy:

- a) 5000 shells for guns of 120/50 Ansaldo type, a portion live and a portion for practice.
- b) 5000 cartridge cases for a/m shells, at the global price of U.S. 375,000.

2. This ammunition was manufactured prior to the signing of the Armistice and was not disposed of following the sinking of the units of the Italian Navy to which it was to be delivered. It would complement the supply of ammunition provided by the Italian Naval Yards when the destroyers were originally delivered to the Turkish Government.

3. This proposal has been agreed to in principle by the Italian Ministry of Marine.

4. It is recommended that the request be approved.

For the Chief Commissioner.

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(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

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

5 FEB 1947

31 January 1947.

NSC/5919

My dear Sir Noel,

The enclosed letter No. 89277/1664.18/19.11 dated 22 January 1947, received from the Italian Undersecretary of State is forwarded for such action as you may deem desirable.

The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station, under cover of his signal timed 221130 November 1946, to the Admiralty, requested that pressure be brought to bear on the Italian Government through the Foreign Office and the British Ambassador, Rome, observing that as the matter was of a financial nature, neither he nor his representative in Rome have means of forcing the Italian Ministry of Marine to make funds available in Egypt.

The Egyptian representation regarding the removal of the Italian battleships from the Bitter Lakes and referred to in Foreign Office telegram No. 1563 to Cairo also refers to the question.

*Yours sincerely,**IRN-4*

(sgd). ELIZABETH W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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His Excellency
Sir Noel Charles, Bt.,
K.C.M.G., M.C.,
British Ambassador,
Rome, Italy.

1 FEB 1947

NSC/5918
31 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.
Subject: Location of Requisitioned Boat "EDVICE".
Reference: (a) Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station's ltr.
Med.47/53/7/2A dated 11 January 1947.

1. In reply to reference (a) the Italian Ministry of Marine advises that the subject vessel, registered Number Ancona 738, owned by Federico Trevisani, was requisitioned by the Italian Navy and employed as a minesweeper at Piraeus. They state that they have received no news of this vessel since 8 September 1943 and they consider her lost through war action.

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

1 FEB 1947

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.G. - A.G.
Date: 26th January 1947
Ref.: 284/57

Subject: The "MIDWAY"

The Ministry of Marine has been informed that the tug in question, captured by the Germans at Trieste on the 8th September 1943, is at present in the service of the British Navy.

The Navy Sub Commission is requested to inform us when it is expected that the tug will no longer be required and therefore when it will be returned.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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ISC/5916
29 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Wreck of Cruiser ATTENDOLO.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine's ltr. No. 2224 dated 16 January 1947.

1. While the Navy Sub-Commission concurs with paragraph 2 of reference (a), it would be appreciated if the Ministry of Marine could inform the Navy Sub-Commission of an alternative quay which could be made available for use of United States Warships in the port of Naples in order that approval for the salvage of the wreck in question may be given.

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

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HSC/5915
30 January 1947.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Deputy Adjutant General,
General Headquarters.
Subject: Commander Luigi ROBERTA and P.O. Writer Arturo HERBERA.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine's B. 514 of 18 January 1946,
with attached memorandum.
(b) I.S.L.D. R03/P1/2 of 25 January 1946.
(c) Ministry of Marine's B. 656 of 26 January 1947.

1. Copies of references (a) (b) and (c) are attached.
2. It is considered essential that some adequate reply be forwarded to the Ministry of Marine concerning the release of subject officer and rating. From the evidence at present available to the Navy Sub-Commission it would be appear that a definite moral obligation rests upon the Allies, and Great Britain in particular to secure this immediate release.
3. It is requested that this matter be treated as most urgent.

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

1 FEB 1947

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NSO/5914
30 January 1947.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Land Forces Sub-Commission, (N.M.I.A.) Allied Commission.
Subject: Fortnightly reports upon the Italian Navy
Medical Situation.

1. Forwarded herewith are the reports upon the Italian Navy
Medical situation covering the 1st fortnight of December, 1946.

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

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31 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Mercantile Marine.
Subject: Motor Tanker "SAN MARCO".
Reference: (a) Ministry of Mercantile Marine ltr. 33375 dated 11 October 1946.

1. In reply to the request contained in reference (a), the Navy Sub-Commission has been informed that the SAN MARCO ran aground on a shoal in the vicinity of Punta Grossa, North of Medolino (052 degrees Porer rock lighthouse 6 miles) early in 1944. She was later bombed and burned out. Since then she has broken up in the seas and become a total loss. The Capitaneria di Porto, Pola, reports that the "Partisane" have already removed such scrap metal as was readily available and of any value.

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

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NSC/ 5912
30 January 1947

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

Subject: Damage to Harbour works in Genoa by Allied Ships.

Reference: (a) Ministry of Mercantile Marine ltr. 1076/P dated
23 January 1947.

1. This matter has been referred to the British Admiralty for consideration and their decision will be communicated to you upon receipt.

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

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MSC/5911
30 January 1947.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Captain Leopoldo CASELLI.
Subject: Explosive Cutters.
Reference: (a) Your ltr. of 13 January, 1947.

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

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

H. W. CIRCLE,
COMMANDER IN CHIEF, NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

31 JAN 1947

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FRENCH BARGE "JOYCE".

Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission's letter
NSC/5904 dated 30 January 1947.

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NSC/ 5910

The Naval Officer-in-Charge, Trieste.

(Copy to: The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.)

Forwarded for information with reference to your letter
No. 1007/48 dated 7 January 1947.

ROME,
30 January 1947.

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CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.

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NSC/5904

30 January 1947

Subject: French Barge "JOYCE".

To: The Senior Civil Affairs Officer, Allied
Military Government, Venezia Giulia.

1. It has come to my knowledge that your Legal Division has inadvertently turned over to the Civil Courts a matter concerning the disputed ownership of the barge "JOYCE", which has been clearly identified as being of French ownership. Legal Division, Allied Military Government, Venezia Giulia's letters VG/AMG/LD/192/3943 dated 12th December 1946 and VG/AMG/LD/192/3944 dated 13th December 1946, together with the Naval Officer-in-Charge, Trieste's letter dated 7th November 1946 addressed to Fonderie Officine Meccaniche Triestine, copy of which is enclosed, refer. The Naval Officer-in-Charge, Trieste has subsequently cancelled his letter referred to above, as a result of the communication received from the Legal Division, Allied Military Government, Venezia Giulia, dated 13th December 1946.

2. I have obtained the views of my legal adviser on the matter, who disagrees with the views expressed in Legal Division, Allied Military Government, Venezia Giulia's letter VG/AMG/LD/192/3944 dated 13th December 1946.

3. From the facts submitted to me, it appears that barge JOYCE with many others was removed from France to Trieste by the Germans in her original state and that they intended to convert her into a transport of troops and material for the North African campaign.

4. If these facts are correct, the present state of the barge, the amount of work carried out on her, the addition to her superstructure, etc., which may have been effected without the consent of the original owner and, either for private profit or on the instructions of the enemy, cannot in any way affect the nationality of origin of the craft nor justify a claim for possession against the original owners.

5. Under the Armistice terms and subsequent agreements, all Allied ships must eventually be returned to their Allied owners, "whether or not

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30 January 1947

Subject: French Barge "JOYCE".

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their title may have been transferred as the result of prize court proceedings or otherwise (Art. 15 of Armistice terms and Liberated Ships Memorandum refer).

6. FOMT are in exactly the same position as many other Italian firms in Northern Italy who executed contracts for the Germans or the Fascist Republican Government. They have no claims against the Allies. Furthermore, the interpretation of the Armistice terms does not lie within the jurisdiction of Italian courts. It is up to Allied and not Italian authority to decide whether the barge is an Allied ship or not.

7. FOMT may have a claim for damages against their own Government. They cannot refuse, however, to hand over a ship if and when it has been declared of Allied nationality by Allied authority, whatever the conditions under which this craft came in their possession may have been.

8. It is requested therefore, that you take necessary steps to effect the turnover of the barge in question to the Mission Marine Marchande Francaise without delay, and that you inform me of the date of transfer.

~~(Sgt) E. L. HARRIS~~

(Sgt). KERRY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief, Commissioner.

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MSC/5909
30 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Chief of the French Mercantile Marine Mission in Italy.
(Through: The French Representative to the Allied Commission.)

Subject: French Barge "JOYCE".

Reference: (a) The Chief of the French Mercantile Marine Mission
in Italy's ltr. No. I.811 dated 13 January 1947.

Enclosure: (A) The Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission's ltr.
MSC/5904 dated 30 January 1947.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith for information with
reference to reference (a).

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

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NSC/5908
29 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Fuel Tanks of Allied Origin at Civitavecchia.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine's ltr. No. 150 dated 22 January 1947, signed by the Secretary General.

1. With reference to reference (a), it is requested that full details be given regarding the original hand over of these tanks to the Italian Navy.

2. The details should include, the date of turn over, the specific Allied authority concerned, a copy of the receipt if any and whether the two tanks were turned over to the Italian Navy permanently or for temporary custody.

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

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NSC/5907
28 January 1947.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: United States Maritime Commission.
Subject: Salvage of the S.S. CHARLES HENDERSON in Bari.
Reference: (a) Headquarters MEUSA ltr. AG 400.93/110 D-O of
28 November 1946.
Enclosure: (A) Ministry of Mercantile Marine ltr. 807/P of 18
January 1947.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith for appropriate action in accordance with reference (a) which states that all matters relative to the removal or salvage of the wreck of the CHARLES HENDERSON must be arranged with the United States Maritime Commission.

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

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NSC/5906
22 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.
Subject: Supplies to the Italian Navy.
Reference: (a) Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's Minute Med.47/1349/2/1 dated 19 January 1947.
Enclosure: (A) Copy of Navy Sub-Commission's ltr. NSC/5503 dated 1 October 1946.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith in view of reference (a).
2. This discrepancy in mail deliveries is regretted, but it would appear to be due to correspondence being mislaid by the Message Centre, Allied Commission, through whom all mail was despatched in the past. All correspondence to British Naval authorities is now despatched through the Flag Officer Liaison Italy, which procedure is very satisfactory.

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

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MSC/5905
28 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Mercantile Marine.
Subject: Salvage of the SS CHARLES HENDERSON in Bari.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Mercantile Marine ltr. 807/P of 18 January 1947.
(b) Headquarters MTOUSA ltr. AG.400.93/110 D-O of 28 November 1946 and Navy Sub-Commission endorsement thereto for the Chief Commissioner.

1. Reference (a) has been forwarded to the United States Maritime Commission, Via Roma 123, Naples, in accordance with the final paragraph of reference (b).

2. The attention of the Ministry of Mercantile Marine is invited to the fact that reference (b) was addressed to the Ministry via the Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission and did not originate in this office.

3. The attention of the Ministry is further invited to the fact that it is the Italian Naval authorities who desire to have the subject vessel removed and that the United States Military authorities provided for Italian port officials to arrange for the removal of the cargo of bombs under certain minimum practical conditions indicated in reference (b).

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

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MSQ/5904

30 January 1947

Subject: French Barge "JOYCE".

To : The Senior Civil Affairs Officer, Allied
Military Government, Venezia Giulia.

1. It has come to my knowledge that your Legal Division has inadvertently turned over to the Civil Courts a matter concerning the disputed ownership of the barge "JOYCE", which has been clearly identified as being of French ownership. Legal Division, Allied Military Government, Venezia Giulia's letters VG/AMG/LD/192/3943 dated 12th December 1946 and VG/AMG/LD/192/3944 dated 13th December 1946, together with the Naval Officer-in-Charge, Trieste's letter dated 7th November 1946 addressed to Fonderie Officine Meccaniche Triestine, copy of which is enclosed, refer. The Naval Officer-in-Charge, Trieste has subsequently cancelled his letter referred to above, as a result of the communication received from the Legal Division, Allied Military Government, Venezia Giulia, dated 13th December 1946.

2. I have obtained the views of my legal adviser on the matter, who disagrees with the views expressed in Legal Division, Allied Military Government, Venezia Giulia's letter VG/AMG/LD/192/3944 dated 13th December 1946.

3. From the facts submitted to me, it appears that barge JOYCE with many others was removed from France to Trieste by the Germans in her original state and that they intended to convert her into a transport of troops and material for the North African campaign.

4. If these facts are correct, the present state of the barge, the amount of work carried out on her, the addition to her superstructure, etc., which may have been effected without the consent of the original owner and, either for private profit or on the instructions of the enemy, cannot in any way affect the nationality of origin of the craft nor justify a claim for possession against the original owners.

5. Under the Armistice terms and subsequent agreements, all Allied ships must eventually be returned to their Allied owners, "whether or not"

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Subject: French Barge "JOICE".

their title may have been transferred as the result of prize court proceedings or otherwise (Art. 15 of Armistice terms and Liberated Ships Memorandum refer).

6. FOMT are in exactly the same position as many other Italian firms in Northern Italy who executed contracts for the Germans or the Fascist Republican Government. They have no claims against the Allies. Furthermore, the interpretation of the Armistice terms does not lie within the jurisdiction of Italian courts. It is up to Allied and not Italian authority to decide whether the barge is an Allied ship or not.

7. FOMT may have a claim for damages against their own Government. They cannot refuse, however, to hand over a ship if and when it has been declared of Allied nationality by Allied authority, whatever the conditions under which this craft came in their possession may have been.

8. It is requested therefore, that you take necessary steps to effect the turnover of the barge in question to the Mission Marine Marchande Francaise without delay, and that you inform us of the date of transfer.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner.

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NSC/5903
24 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.
(Copy to: Flag Officer Liaison, Italy.)

Subject: British Naval Landing Craft, Marked N.S.C.L. 46.

Enclosure: (A) Francesco FRANI's ltr. dated 18 January 1947.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith, with the request that the allegations made therein be confirmed, and that approval be given for the settlement of this claim by the Base Supply Officer, Rome.

2. The estimated cost of 7,000 lire for the re-erection of the pillar, is considered fair and reasonable.

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

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NSC/5902
24 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Superintendent Security Division.
Subject: Movement Control.

1. It is requested that A.M.G. travel permit be forwarded to enable Italian Naval rating AGUIARO Mario to visit Fola as per leave pass.

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

28 JAN 1947

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NSC/5901
25 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Superintendent Security Division,
Venetia Giulia Police Force.
Subject: Movement Control.

1. It is requested that A.M.G. travel permits be forwarded to enable Italian Naval officer PAVIA Luigi to visit Trieste and Italian Naval rating PRODAN Edoardo to visit Pola as per leave passes.

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

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MSC/5900
24 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Staff Officer, Intelligence (F.O.I.I.)
Subject: Explosive Cutters.
Enclosure: (A) Copy of ltr. from Captain Caselli and attached brochures.

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

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

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NSC/5899
22 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Probationary Midshipman Salvatore PALE, Surgeon
Sub-Lieutenant Salvatore VERDE.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine ltr. 14063/2 of 27 August 1946.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5569 of 22 October 1946.

1. The Navy Sub-Commission has been informed by the Italian Prisoner of War section of the Military Mission to the Italian Army that inasmuch as all replies from overseas commands have now been received, it is regretted that there is no trace of the two above-named Italian subjects in any part of the world where Prisoners of War are held under British and Empire Control.

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

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HSC/5898
23 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: United States Claims Service.
Subject: Motorboat "GLORIA DI SAN FORTUNATO" Collision
with Allied Aircraft.
Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. HSC/4805 of 15 February 1946
addressed to U.S. Claims Service, Regional Office VI
A.P.O. 794, U.S. Army.

1. The attention of the United States Claims service is invited to reference (a) in which it was pointed out that the correspondence in connection with the subject claim was originally initiated on 19 July 1945. So far there has been no tangible result.

H. W. ZIRHL,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR

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

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NSC/5897
22 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Superintendent Security Division,
Venetia Giulia Police Force.

Subject: Movement Control.

1. It is requested that A.M.C. travel permit be forwarded to enable Italian Naval officer FRANCINI Franco to visit Pola as per movement order.

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

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MSC/ 5896
13 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Chief Security Officer, Allied Military Government,
Hamburg, Germany.

Subject: Lieutenant (E) (Reserve) HANGALA, Eliseo.

Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. MSC/5746 of 9 December 1946.

1. It would be appreciated if a reply to the request contained in reference (a) for subject officer to proceed on leave in Hamburg, could now be given.

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

24 JAN 1947

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NSC/5895
20 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Administrative Director,
Officine Galileo, Firenze.

Subject: Submarine Attack Teachers Supplied to the
British and United States Navies.

Reference: (a) The Administrative Director, Officine Galileo, Firenze
ltr. No. D.A. 02461 dated 28 November 1946.
(b) Società per Azioni, Officine Galileo, Firenze ltr.
4115 dated 13 December 1946.

Enclosure: (A) Navy Sub-Commission's ltr. NSC/5890 dated 20 January
1947 to the Ministry of Marine.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith for information with
reference to references (a) and (b).

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

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NEC/5894
21 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Superintendent Security Division,
Venezia Giulia Police Force.

Subject: Movement Control.

1. It is requested that A.M.G. travel permit be forwarded to enable Italian Naval rating TRAINO Vitantonio to visit Pola as per leave pass.

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

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NSG/5893
21 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Comandante Giuseppe LA BELLA, Via Dora No. 1, Rome.
Subject: M.F.V.'s in Safe-Keeping of Naples Harbor Office.
Reference: (a) Comandante Giuseppe LA BELLA's ltr. dated 10 January 1947.

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

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

23 JAN 1947

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HSC/5892
22 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Italian Navy Personnel in Venezia Giulia.

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

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

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

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NSC/ 5891
20 January 1947

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

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

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

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

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

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

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NSC/5890
20 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission,
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Submarine Attack Teachers Supplied to the
British and United States Navies.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine's ltr. 16641/2 dated 15 October 1946.
(b) Ministry of Marine's ltr. 17856/2 dated 5 November 1946.

1. It is regretted that the accounts presented to the Ministry of Marine and forwarded to the Navy Sub-Commission under cover of references (a) and (b), cannot be settled by the Allied Naval Authorities concerned observing that liability for payment is considered to be the responsibility of the Italian Government in accordance with Articles 12, 13, and 19 of the Armistice Terms.

2. It is requested therefore that necessary action be taken by the Ministry of Marine in order to honour the expenses incurred by the Officine Galileo, Florence, detailed in the enclosures to references (a) and (b), and that a certificate to the effect that the Ministry of Marine has assumed liability for payment of the expenses be forwarded to the Navy Sub-Commission as soon as possible.

3. It is confirmed that the two Submarine Attack Teachers have been received by the British and United States Navies in the United Kingdom and the United States respectively, to the satisfaction of the respective Naval authorities concerned.

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

23 JAN 1947

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REC/5883
21st January, 1947.

From : Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : The Office Space Section, Allied Commission Building.

It is requested that you arrange for the
cleaning of windows in the offices of the Chief of
Navy Sub-Commission, as soon as possible.

Rooms concerning are Nos. 40 - 50 and 23 - 31
all on 6th floor.

ADMIRAL'S SECRETARY.

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RSC/ 5888
22 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The French Representative to the Allied Commission.
Subject: Italian Naval Estimates for the Financial Year 1946-1947.
Enclosure: (A) Copy of Ministry of Marine ltr. 6/2 of 11 January 1946.

1. The attached letter from the Ministry of Marine is forwarded in answer to your letter number 592 of 29 November 1946.
2. In view of the factors 1, 2 and 3 mentioned in this letter it is considered that the answer is satisfactory.
3. Regarding the final paragraph of the Ministry's letter a further investigation will be made.

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

23 JAN 1947
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NSC/5887
20 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Lieutenant Commander (S) Ettore ARMANO.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine ltr. 795/2 of 12 January 1947.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5516 Of 4 October 1946.

1. A copy of reference (b) is enclosed herewith as it apparently has not been received by the Ministry of Marine.

2. No death certificate can be furnished by the Italian Prisoners of War division, of the Military Mission to the Italian Army. It is requested that any further enquiries relating to this case be forwarded either to the Central Tracing Bureau, Germany or to the Italian Red Cross who are the competent authorities in the matter.

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

22 JAN 1947

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MSC/5886
21 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Supply of Fresh Provisions to the Warships at Alexandria.
Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission's ltr. MSC/5305 dated 23 July 1946.

1. It is requested that immediate hastening action be taken to expedite the return of the Store Issue Notes, enclosure (B) to reference (a), in respect of stores issued to the I.S. CARABINIERE which are the only ones now outstanding.

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

22 JAN 1947

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NSC/5885

20 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: General Headquarters, Central Mediterranean Forces.
Subject: Seaman Simone APOLLO (of Battista and Brigida Ia Gioia)
1916 class.

1. A request has been received from the Italian Ministry of Marine for information concerning the present whereabouts of the subject rating who is reported to have been captured at Pantelleria. The only news received from him since, has been one postcard to his wife from the following address: Seaman Simone Apollo 81-1-15335. Matcuse - P.O.W. Enclosure 7554 Oran (Algeria), and dated 19 December 1944.

2. It would be appreciated if a search for this rating could be instituted and the Navy Sub-Commission informed of the result.

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

22 JAN 1947

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MSC/5884
21 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Italian Naval Footwear and Clothing Machinery at Pola.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine's ltr. No.3695/UT dated 22
November 1946.

1. With reference to reference (a), a reply has now been received from the Economic Division, Allied Military Government, Venezia Giulia, to the effect that the machinery in question cannot at present be transferred to Italy observing that the movement of all machinery in Venezia Giulia is still governed by the MORGAN-JOVANICH Agreement, an extract of which reads as follows: "No plant or industrial machinery will be moved out of Venezia Giulia during the period of this agreement."

H. W. ZIMMER,
COMMODORE, U.S. NAVY.
FOR

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

22 JAN 1947

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REC/5883
20 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Allied Financial Agency.

Subject: Transfer of Money Deposit of Ex Vice-Admiral
Mario Falanga.

1. The Economic Division of the Allied Commission have requested the Navy Sub-Commission to approach the Allied Financial Agency in order to obtain information regarding subject money.

2. In view of the fact that a decision in this matter has been pending since November 1945 and the financial embarrassment of the ex-Flag Officer concerned, it is requested that, if possible, the return of the funds be expedited.

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

20 JAN 1947

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MSC/5882
18 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Wreck of a British Minesweeper at the entrance to the
small harbor of Sampierdarena.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine's ltr. 3484/UT dated 27 October
1946.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission's ltr. MSC/5757 dated 10 December
1946.

1. Further to reference (b), the Ministry of Marine is informed that the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station has no objection to the salvage of the wreck referred to in reference (a), which is almost certainly that of British Motor Minesweeper No. 168 which was blown up by a mine on 25 June 1945.

2. A steel chest known to have been aboard the ship at the time of the mining, has not been recovered, however, and it is requested therefore that the Navy Sub-Commission be informed where this chest is recovered in order that it may be collected. It is further requested that the Ministry of Marine will ensure that this chest remains unopened until the time of collection by a British Naval officer, whose name will be forwarded to the Ministry of Marine in due course.

H. W. ZIRULL,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR

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

20 JAN 1947

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NSC/5881
20 January 1947

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

Subject: American Yacht "EILENROCK II".

Reference: (a) Ministry of Mercantile Marine ltr. 116 of 14 January 1947.

Enclosure: (A) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5542 of 16 October 1946.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith as requested in
reference (a).

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

20 JAN 1947

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NSC/5880
20 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To : The Executive Commissioner.

Subject: Personnel, Transfer of.

1. As the result of a conversation between Commodore Ziroli and Lieutenant Colonel Ross on Saturday 18 January, it was agreed to retain the services of Miss Liliana Piccialdi in the office of the Navy Sub-Commission.

2. The reduction of personnel mentioned in Lieutenant Colonel Ross's endorsement to the Navy Sub-Commission's original request refers to military personnel only.

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR
H.W. ZIROLI.

20 JAN 1947

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NSC/5879
20 January 1947

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

Subject: SS "STAMIRA".

Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine ltr. 86/UT of 9 January 1947.

1. The Navy Sub-Commission is keeping the Ministry of Mercantile Marine informed of the status of this vessel.

2. At the present time the question of the STAMIRA is being examined by the British Ministry of Transport.

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

20 JAN 1947

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NSC/5878
20 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Economic Division, Headquarters Allied Commission.
Subject: Total Allowance of Coal from Ministry of Industry to Italian Navy for the Month of January.
Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission's ltr. NSC/5601 dated 29 October 1946.
(b) Paragraph 2 of the Minutes of the Vice President's Meeting of 11 December, dated 11 December 1946.
(c) Paragraph 8 of the Minutes of the Vice President's Meeting of 18 December, dated 23 December 1946.
Enclosure: (A) Translation of Ministry of Marine's signal MARICOST 2442 dated 11 January 1947.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith in accordance with reference (c), with the request that appropriate arrangements be made for the necessary coal to be made available to the Italian Navy for minesweeping purposes for the month of January 1947, and subsequent months thereafter.

2. It is considered that the Ministry of Marine's request for 6500 tons of imported coal for minesweeping is fair and reasonable, and that the minesweeping operations carried out by the Italian Navy make a signal contribution to the rehabilitation of the national economy and bears a direct relation to the Italian import programme.

3. Paragraph 2 of reference (a) and reference (b) refer.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION

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20 JAN 1947

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NSC/ 5877
17 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Superintendent Security Division,
Venetia Giulia Police Force.
Subject: Movement Control.

1. It is requested that A.M.G. travel permits be forwarded to enable Italian Naval officer SANGUINETTI Salvatore to visit Trieste and TORCELLLO Bruno to visit Pola as per leave passes.

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

20 JAN 1947

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NSC/5876
17 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission.
Subject: Italian Passenger Ship CITTA' DI TUNISI.

1. Further to my letter number NSC/5832, dated 6 January 1946 the Ministry of Transport in London have confirmed to their Rome office that the British Government pays to the Ellerman Company a fixed fee for managing the CITTA' DI TUNISI. Individuals sponsored by the British Government occasionally take passage in the vessel, in addition to British service personnel, and these pay a fare to the British Government, NOT to the company managing the CITTA' DI TUNISI.

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

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NSC/5875
16 January 1947 ✓

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
(Attention: Direttore Generale, di Commissariato Militare Marittimo).
Subject: Supply of Fresh Provisions and Clothing to the Italian Navy.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine's ltr. 109971 dated 31 December 1946.
(b) Ministry of Marine's ltr. 19706 dated 22 June 1946.
(c) Navy Sub-Commission's ltr. NSC/5782 dated 19 December 1946.
Enclosure: (A) Enclosure (M) of reference (c).

1. With reference to reference (a), there is no trace of reference (b) having been received by the Navy Sub-Commission, and Enclosure (A) is therefore returned for necessary action in accordance with paragraph 2 of reference (c).

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

20 JAN 1947

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HSC/5874
16 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Ex-German S.S. PATRIA.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine's ltr. No. 2930/UT dated 22 August 1946.
(b) The Flag Officer Liaison Italy's ltr. No. FOLI/976/39 dated 6 September 1946.
(c) The Ministry of Marine's ltr. No. 3839/UT dated 12 December 1946.

1. In reply to reference (a), the Ministry of Marine's attention is invited to reference (b) which authorizes the Ministry of Marine to arrange for the salvage of ex-German craft in Italian waters.

2. Reference (c) also refers.

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

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HSC/5873
17 January 1947

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

1. A request has been received from Admiralty, London for information concerning the whereabouts, if still alive of the following Italian Sailors believed to have been aboard MAS 561 when she was sunk off the France-Italian coast on 25 April 1945:

Alberto FEDELE, born Trani 2 January 1912.
Giuseppe COSTA
Aristide JACOPINI

2. There is no record in Admiralty of these men having been taken prisoner-of-war. It would be appreciated if the Ministry of Marine could supply the Navy Sub-Commission with any information concerning these men.

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

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NSC/5872

16 January 1947

SUBJECT: Disposal of the Yugoslav Hulk "CATTARO"
in Leghorn Harbor.

TO : AFHQ
Attention: G-5 Section.

1. At the request of United States Military authorities the Navy Sub-Commission took steps to secure the cooperation of the Italian Naval authorities in the clearance of the Port of Leghorn for reasons of operational necessity. One of the principal obstructions in the harbor is the wreck of the former Yugoslav ship "CATTARO". An investigation of the possibilities of removing this ship by salvaging it or destroying it, has shown destruction of the hulk to be the most economical and quickest means of disposing of what is in any case a doubtful asset, as indicated by Ministry of Marine letter 3815/67 of 7 December 1946, a copy of which is enclosed.
2. In April 1946 the Yugoslav Delegation to the Advisory Council for Italy advised the Navy Sub-Commission that a rumor to the effect that the Italian Government planned the destruction of the CATTARO in the interests of clearing Leghorn Harbor had come to their attention. In their letter Br. 412/48 of 4 April 1946 (copy enclosed), strong opposition to any such suggestion was voiced. The Yugoslav Delegation were assured by the Navy Sub-Commission, at that time, that there was no truth in the rumor.
3. In June 1946 the Ministry of Marine requested permission to remove the ship for operational reasons. The views of the Yugoslav Delegation were requested and the reply was again strongly negative as indicated in their letter Br. 922/46 of 28 June 1946, a copy of which is also enclosed herewith.
4. In view of the circumstances indicated in paragraph 1 above and the facts outlined in Ministry of Marine letter 3815/67, of 7 December 1946 it is requested that the approval of the Supreme Allied Commander, may be given for the destruction of the subject vessel to expedite clearance of Leghorn Harbor for reasons of operational necessity, observing that the United States Army remains in military occupation of the Port.

13/ Ellery W. Stone

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ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

17 JAN 1947

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HSC/5871
15 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Mercantile Marine.
Subject: Italian Auxiliary S/V "GILFREDO" Owned by Rocco Mule.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Mercantile Marine's ltr. No. 36285
dated 13 November 1946.

1. The Ministry of Mercantile Marine is informed that renewed efforts are being made to trace the S/V GILFREDO, but it is possible however, that these investigations may take some time.
2. A reply will be made to reference (a) as soon as practicable.

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

16 JAN 1947

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NSC/5870
15 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.
Subject: Navy Sub-Commission Monthly Report for December 1946.

1. Attached hereto for information are two copies of the Navy Sub-Commission report to the Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, for the month of December 1946.

H. W. ZIEGLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY.

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

16 JAN 1947

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MSC/ 5869
15 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The British Ministry of Transport Representative, Rome,
A.P.O. 5551, G.M.F.

Subject: Lire Disbursements Made by the Ministry of Transport,
Mediterranean Representative.

Enclosure: (A) Copy of ComNavMed ltr. L11-15/L23 Serial 2314 of
26 December 1946 and enclosures thereto.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith.
2. It is requested that the Ministry of Transport will advise
the Navy Sub-Commission of what action is deemed appropriate in this case.

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

16 JAN 1947

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COPYUNITED STATES NAVAL FORCES
MEDITERRANEANFILE:
L11-15/L23
Serial: 2314c/o FLEET POST OFFICE
NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

26 December 1946

From: Commander U.S. Naval Forces, Mediterranean (Admin).
To: Senior U.S. Naval Liaison Officer, Italy.

Subject: Lire Disbursements Made by the Ministry of Transport,
Mediterranean Representative.

Reference: (a) Ministry of Transport ltr. GVP/2A/46 dated 8 October
1946 with enclosure.
(b) SENALUSIO, Italy Disp. 171035Z December 1946.

Enclosure: (A) Copy of reference (a).

1. This Command is in receipt of reference (a), requesting reimbursement of 3,552,172 lire for services furnished U.S. Navy ships during 1943, 1944, and 1945. Services cover such items as pilotage, stevedoring, diving, and provisions received in Italian ports.

2. In view of reference (b), information is requested as to whether reimbursement to the Ministry of Transport is in order. As the individual bills are very voluminous, they are being retained pending receipt of advice from your office.

T.D. CLARK
Assistant Chief of Staff.FIRST ENDORSEMENT
File: L11-15/L23

9 January 1947

From: Senior U.S. Naval Liaison Officer, Italy.
To: Navy Sub-Commission.

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1. Forwarded for appropriate action.

L.S. ROGERS,
By direction.

C O P Y

GVP/2A/46

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT
MEDITERRANEAN REPRESENTATIVE,

A.P.O. S. 592,
C.M.F.

8th October, 1946.

Dear Sir,

LIRE DISBURSEMENTS MADE BY M.W.T. ON AMERICAN
NAVAL VESSELS

During the course of operations in Italy, a number of disbursements have been made through our organization in respect of vessels operated by the U.S. Navy, and I am now concerned in obtaining from you reimbursement of the total sum so disbursed - viz., Lire 3,552,172.--.

Accordingly, I enclose herewith Schedules T.N.1-21, together with supporting vouchers. I shall be pleased to receive your acknowledgement of receipt and, as soon as possible, a cheque in settlement.

Yours faithfully,

/s/ J. V. Perkins

CHIEF ACCOUNTANT
M.O.T., MED.

Commander,
U.S. Naval Forces, Med.,
Navy No. 728,
NAPLES.

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COPYLIRE DISBURSEMENTS BY M.W.T. RE AMERICAN NAVAL VESSELS

Designation	Amount	Remarks
Statement T.N. 1 - 15	Lire 683.791.60	
16	650.150.00	
17	-	
18	55.20	
	2.189.753.00	
18A	5.015.00	
19	-	
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COMNAVMD 121550Z DECEMBER REFERS X RESPONSIBILITY FOR PAYMENT OF ALL PORT SERVICE CHARGES IN ITALY WHICH INCLUDE PILOTAGE FEES, TUG SERVICES, WATER, GARBAGE DISPOSAL ETC. FOR U.S. NAVAL VESSELS ~~DEFINITELY~~ RESTS WITH ITALIAN GOVERNMENT MINISTRIES CONCERNED ARE FULLY AWARE THIS RESPONSIBILITY AND HAVE DIRECTED HARBOURMASTERS (CAPITANERIA DI PORTO) OF ALL PORTS IN ITALY TO COMPLY X U.S. NAVY VESSELS MUST MAKE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUCH SERVICES WITH CAPITANERIA DI PORTO X RESPONSIBLE NAVAL OFFICERS ORDERING SUCH SERVICES REQUIRED TO CERTIFY FOR SERVICES RENDERED X RECOMMEND INVOICES OR BILLS NOW WITHHELD BY COMNAVMD BE SUBMITTED TO CAPITANERIA DI PORTO FOR PAYMENT BY ITALIAN GOVERNMENT X.

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H.W. ZIROLI, COMMODORE, USN.

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NSG/5868
14 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Purchase of Landing Craft.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine's ltr. No. 58872 dated 9 December 1946.
(b) Ministry of Marine's ltr. No. 25206 dated 9 May 1946.

1. In order that a decision may be made on reference (a), it is requested that the Navy Sub-Commission be informed of the exact type and nationality of the two landing craft mentioned in paragraph 2 of reference (a), and their measurements.

2. The following information is also requested:

- (a) Have any of the craft listed in paragraph 1 of reference (b) been operated by the United States Navy.
- (b) Have any of these craft a U.S. number, and if so what are the numbers.

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

16 JAN 1947

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NSC/5867

13 January 1947

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

Subject: Lifebelts for Allied Ships.

Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine's ltr. SM/27645 dated 12 December 1945.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission's ltr. NSC/5012 dated 11 May 1946.

Enclosure: (A) Copy of Ship Management Division, Ministry of Transport's ltr. M.T. 20003 dated 22 October 1946. with copy of enclosures.
(B) Copy of receipt for 710 lifebelts handed over to Italian Navy, Naples together with extract of Sea Transport Officer Naples ltr. of 15 November 1946 explaining the difference of the 113 not handed over.

1. In reply to reference (a), the results of the Ministry of Transport's enquiries referred to in paragraph 1 of reference (b) have now been received and are forwarded herewith in enclosure (A).

2. Enclosure (B) is forwarded with reference to paragraph 2, and in confirmation of paragraph 4, of reference (b).

3. The matter may now be considered closed.

R. W. BROWN,
COMMODORE, R. N. NAVY,
FOR

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

16 JAN 1947

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C O P YREFERENCE SHEET

From: Mr. G.V. Cumber
Ship Management Division.

To: The P.S.T.O. MIDDLE EAST
CAIRO

Dated: 22nd October, 1946.

Ref: M.T. 20003.

I refer to the memorandum dated 6th. May 1946, from the Senior Sea Transport Officer, Caserta, under Ref. 4401/884, regarding missing Italian Navy lifebelts issued to five British vessels. The delay in replying to your memo is regretted, but you will appreciate it has been necessary to communicate with the Masters of the vessels concerned.

Our enquiries, however, have now been completed and extract from the replies by the Master or managers of the vessels in question are attached.

(sgd) G.V. Cumber,
Ship Management Division.

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C O P Y

"Frank A. Vanderlip"
Workington Roads,

4th August, 1946.

The Marine Superintendent
Union Castle Line.

Dear Sir,

"Frank A. Vanderlip".

It is regretted that the receipt of your letter has been delayed and that I have been unable to reply earlier.

I am informed by the last Chief Officer who remembers the occasion well, that the Italian personnel joined the ship without life-jackets and were accordingly issued by B.O.T. ones for the passage from the ship's resources. These were collected from them before they left.

He assures me that no Italian Navy lifebelts have ever been issued to the ship.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) W.S. Byles,
Master.

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C O P Y

S.S. "Fort Gibraltar".
Townsville.

1st August, 1946.

Dear Sir,

S.S. "SAMLEYTH".

In reply to your favour of the 8th July, I beg to state that the Sea Transport Officer in Naples did not supply lifebelts in March, 1945 as the vessel was released from that charter on the 21st March, 1945.

The lifebelts to which you refer were second hand and supplied by Sea Transport in Port Said in July, 1944, were in constant use still March 1945, in all kinds of weather, being used as pillows for troops as well as for life-saving.

Surely 20 in 200 is reasonable wear and tear on second-hand equipment, under such conditions.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) H.N. Johnstone.

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C O P Y

Albyn Line, Ltd.
Sunderland.

27th August, 1946.

Dear Sir,

S.S. "THISTLEMAUR".

Further to our letter of the 10th July, we have now heard from the Master who states that no lifebelts were issued to the above vessel in December, 1944. Lifebelts had been issued to the vessel previously in connection with carriage of troops to Toulon and these were landed at Naples.

He adds-"there were still a few left when we arrived at Cardiff and these were landed with the rest of the S.T.O. gear".

Yours faithfully,
(Sgd Allan, Black & Co.

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C O P Y

The Main Steamship Company, Ltd.
London, E.C.3.

3rd October, 1946.

Dear Sir,

S.S. "SAMSPERIN"

With reference to your letters of the 24th May and 9th September regarding 110 lifebelts issued to the above-named vessel at Naples on 22.2.45 We have now received notification from the Master that 109 of these lifebelts were returned to Shore Base at Naples on 24.3.45. A copy of the receipt in Captain Winter's possession is enclosed.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) A.W. Griffin.
Secretary.

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S.S. "SAMPTON".
Naples.

24th, March, 1945.

Received from the above vessel 109 (one hundred and nine life-jackets.)

(Sgt) W.E. Jackson,
A.S.N. 34152810.

C O P Y

B.J. Sutherland & Co. Ltd.
Newcastle-on-Tyne, 1.

12th, August, 1946.

Dear Sir,

S.S. "FORT GRAHAM".

Referring to your letter of the 20th May, we have now had a reply to our letter to the Captain of this vessel making enquiries regarding the whereabouts of the 500 lifebelts which were shipped at Cagliari for the voyage to Naples, but we are sorry to say that he cannot trace any receipts for these on board the vessel.

The Master advises us that he has carefully gone through all Government receipts on board and cannot find any trace of these lifebelts having been supplied to the ship at Cagliari in November, 1944, he, however, encloses us three receipts for lifebelts returned at various ports, but these are of an earlier date. He further informs us that all papers which Captain Newton (the Master who was in command of this vessel in November, 1944) had on board are still where he left them and nothing has been destroyed.

Captain Anderson informs us the present 3rd Officer and Chief Steward were members of the crew at that time, but they cannot recall anything of the 500 lifebelts, but state that such things were always coming and going with the invasion forces.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) B.J. Sutherland & Co. Ltd.

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Office of the
Sea Transport Stores
Piazza Borsa, 22
NAPLES.

16th August, 1946.

The following items have been received from the:
MEDITERRANEAN STEAM LAUNDRY - Hotel Royal - Naples.

Life - Belts

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Sgd. MARIO ARNESE
CAPO DI I MECC.

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C O P Y

EXTRACT OF MR. TAYLOR STORIS OFFICER NAPLES
LETTER REF. STORIS/16/THT/JA DATED 15TH NOVEMBER 1946.

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" Herewith copy of receipt as requested, in duplicate, please,
from which you will note that 710 life-belts only were handed over to the
Italian Navy at Naples, as out of the original 823, the quantity handed
over were in a fair condition, the 113 being of no use. "

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NSC/5866
13 January 1947 ✓

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.
(Copy to: Flag Officer Liaison Italy).

Subject: Return of River Barge IDOLAIRE (ex KORNIGSBERG).

Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission's ltr. NSC/5602 dated 29 October 1946.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission's signal timed 051029 December 1946.

Enclosure: (A) Translation of the Chief of the French Mercantile Marine Mission in Italy's ltr. I.540 dated 4 November 1946.
(B) Translation of the Chief of the French Mercantile Marine Mission in Italy's ltr. I.730 dated 23 December 1946.

1. Enclosures (A) and (B) are forwarded herewith in amplification of references (a) and (b) respectively.

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

14 JAN 1947

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C O P Y

From: French Mercantile Marine Mission in Italy.
To: N.S.G. A.C.
through Capt. HERON de VILLEFOSSE,
French Representative on the Allied Commission
Date: 4th November 1946.
Ref: I.540

Subject: Barge "IDOLATRE" (ex KOENIGSBERG)

After having taken note of your letter NSC/5602, dated 29th October 1946, we inform you herewith of our views on the subject:

1. The fact that the "IDOLATRE" was assigned to the "Compagnia Marittima" by the Transportation Sub-Commission on 27th September 1945 is evidence of the responsibility of the Allied Commission, which should have given orders to the "Compagnia Marittima" for its return as soon as it was known that she was of French ownership. This fact was signified numerous times, and for the first time in the letter of 30th November 1945, of which a copy is enclosed.

2. The fact that the "Compagnia Marittima" has offered to return the "IDOLATRE" to the French Mercantile Marine Mission in Italy, is valueless as its return has not taken place owing to the Allied Commission not having given the necessary orders.

3. It is, nevertheless, a fact that the "IDOLATRE" is still in the hands of the "Compagnia Marittima" which is continuing to make commercial use of the vessel and benefiting from it to the detriment of the French owner. It is therefore evident that the latter has a right to be compensated, at least from the date on which the barge was first claimed to be of French ownership in the letter to the Allied Commission, on 30th November 1945.

The Chief of the French Mercantile Marine
Mission in Italy.

(Signed) R. SENTIS

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C O P YFRENCH MERCHANT MARINE MISSION
IN ITALY
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ROME November 30th, 1945

No. 351
Dt 10
C.V.B./TDFrom: Capitain G.J. BONIS
French Navy - Merchant Marine MissionTo : Transportation Sub-Commission
Warehouses & Ports Direction
Allied Commission Headquarters,
ROMESubject: Barge " KOENIGSBERG "

I beg to, request, as I officially asked during the salvage Committee Meeting of November 28th, that the motor-barge "KOENIGSBERG", actually chartered by Allied Services from the COMPAGNIE MARITTIME, be restored to us for final identification and taking possession of her, in compliance with the offer made by Captain RIPPON (P.N.V.R.), President of the Salvage Committee.

Subject to your approval, the Compagnie Maritime would agree to direct this barge to GENOA, where French Services would take responsibility of her.

I would greatly appreciate of you urgently ask for any useful instructions from C-in-C Med, and let me know his decision.

Capitain BONIS (French Navy)

Copy to : Flag Officer Italy and Liaison
Capitain RIPPON
DEMARFI GENEE
O.N.N.

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C O P Y

From: French Mercantile Marine Mission in Italy.

To: N.S.C. A.C.

Date: 23rd December, 1946.

Ref.: I.730 10 RS/MIS.

Subject: Return of River Barge IDOLATRE (ex KOENIGSBERG).

1. The discussions on the return of the French barge IDOLATRE have lasted more than a year.

2. Everybody is agreed that the "IDOLATRE" is French and that it must be returned to France.

3. The reasons which prevent the return are simple financial ones:

- The British demand for repayment of repair work to the craft.
- French demand for compensation for more than a year's use of the IDOLATRE.

4. The "IDOLATRE" continues to work for the benefit of the Italian "Compagnia Marittima" which:

- a) Pays no fee for use of the vessel.
- b) Gains considerably by this fact, and this is detrimental to the French owner.
- c) Uses her for a coastal traffic to which the river barge is not suited and risks causing severe damage to her.

In consideration of this, the French Mercantile Marine Mission in Italy is therefore demanding, in the name of the French Government, that the "IDOLATRE" should be placed at its disposal as soon as possible. The difficulties which are merely financial, will have to be settled in due course.

THE CHIEF OF THE FRENCH MERCANTILE MARINE
MISSION IN ITALY.

(Signed) R. SENTIS.

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MSC/5865
13 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Mercantile Marine.
Subject: Return of River Barge IDOLATRE (ex KONNIGSBERG).
Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission's ltr. MSC/5662 dated 18
November 1946.

1. It is requested that the information required by reference
(a) may now be forwarded.

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

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NSC/5854
13 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Chief of the French Mercantile Marine Mission in Italy.
(Through the French Representative to the Allied Commission).
Subject: Return of River Barge IDOLATRE (ex KOENIGSBERG).
Reference: (a) Chief of the French Mercantile Marine Mission in
Italy's ltr. No. I.730 dated 23 December 1946.

1. In reply to reference (a) the Chief of the French Mercantile Marine Mission in Italy is informed that the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean has already been requested to consider the early release of the river barge in question pending financial settlement, on the 5th December 1946, and that the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean has referred the matter to the British Admiralty from whom a reply is awaited.

2. The Admiralty's decision will be communicated to the Chief of the French Mercantile Marine Mission in Italy as soon as it is received.

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

14 JAN 1947

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NSC/5863
14 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Comitato Italiano Petroli, Rome.

Subject: Transactions in Admiralty fuel oil at
Naples Taranto and Leghorn.

Enclosure: (A) Statement of Admiralty stocks of fuel oil in Italy.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith for information.

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

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HSC/5862
14 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: United States Naval Attache', Rome.
(Through: Senior United States Naval Liaison Officer, Italy).
Subject: Pay and Cost-of-Living Compensation tables for Personnel
of the Italian Navy from the 1st September 1946.
Reference: (a) United States Naval Attache's memorandum dated 27
November 1946.
Enclosure: (A) Translation of the Ministry of Marine's Ltr. No. 529/2
dated 9 January 1947.
(B) Italian Ministry of Marine Publication entitled
"Tabella relative agli stipendi e indennita carovita
spettanti al personale della Marina Militare dal 1
Settembre 1946".

1. Enclosures (A) and (B) are forwarded herewith in accordance
paragraph 1 and 2 of reference (a) respectively.

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

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NSC/5861
13 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Death of Commander (Reserve) Daniels ARIS.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine ltr, 143/7 of 8 January 1947.

1. In view of the fact that the subject officer was in a civilian status at the time of the accident the claim should be forwarded to the United States Claims Service or British claims department depending on the command under which the German Prisoner of War driven lorry was then operating.

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

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NSC/5860
11 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Mercantile Marine.
Subject: Salvage of Vessel CHARLES HENDERSON at Bari, Italy.
Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission 1st Endorsement NSC/5734 of
5 December 1946.

1. The attention of the Ministry of Mercantile Marine is
invited to the request contained in reference (a).

H. W. ZIROLL,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR

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

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HSC/5859
13 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Deputy Adjutant General, General Headquarters, C.M.F.
Subject: Ex-Commander Ferdinando CORSI.
Reference: (a) My Navy Sub-Commission 5691 of 23 November 1946.
(b) Your 3155/A2 of 30 December 1946.
(c) Your 3155/A2 of 19 March 1946.

1. Reference (c) stated that subject officer was held at 1 SFP Center, Rimini. It is felt that if he has been moved elsewhere there must be some record of the transfer.

2. As the Italian Ministry of Marine is constantly pressing for a reply to their request which dated back to last February, it is requested that further investigation as to where this officer was moved from Rimini may be made as soon as possible.

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

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MSC/5858
13 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Machinery from the Pola Factories.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine's ltr. 102/UT dated 10 January 1947.
(b) Ministry of Marine's ltr. 3695/UT dated 22 November 1946.

1. In reply to reference (a) the Ministry of Marine is informed that the matter is at present under consideration by the Economic Division, Allied Military Government, Trieste.

2. A reply will be made to reference (b) as soon as practicable.

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

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NSC/5857
10 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Commander FERDINANDO CORSI.
Reference: (a) Your B. 10124 of 21 November 1946.
(b) Your B. 11072 of 31 December 1946.

1. I have received information from General Headquarters, Central Mediterranean Forces that they have at present no knowledge of subject officer's whereabouts.

2. I have now written informing them of his last known address and requesting that a further effort be made to trace him.

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

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NSC/ 5856

11 January 1947

Subject: Dumping of Allied Ammunition from the Port of Venice.

To: Allied Force Headquarters.
Attention: G-5 Section.

1. Reference is made to your signals numbers FX 73434 dated 26 November and FX 73649 dated 10 December 1946 on this subject.

2. The Ministry of Marine has informed the Navy Sub-Commission that the regulations for the loading and unloading of dangerous cargoes in the port of Venice state that these operations are to be carried out in the Treporti zone, where ammunition is brought by means of motor vehicles and boats. For small cargoes (under 30 tons) loading may be carried out, provided proper precautions are taken, from Mole A at Marghera, where facilities exist for the direct loading from quayside to ship.

3. The Ministry of Marine, fully realizing the difficulty presented by the greater length of land transport to Ancona, which is, however, better adapted and equipped for such work, does not object to the use of the port of Venice for munitions traffic, as indicated in Allied Commission Signal 111240 of December 1946. The necessity is emphasized, however, that at Venice only the Treporti zone should be used for the loading of ammunition, and that at Marghera, should that zone be used, the stay of ships should be as short as possible.

4. This matter was brought to the attention of the Navy Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, by the Italian Ministry of Marine because, it is stated, even though the risk may be reduced to a minimum, the grave consequences of an explosion in the Venice Area in view of the industrial zone of Marghera and the technical, artistic and constructional characteristics of the buildings in Venice, cannot be ignored.

For the Chief Commissioner:

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

13 JAN 1947

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NSC/5855
10 January 1947

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

Subject: SS JURAJ SUBIC, Removal of.

Reference: (a) Yugoslav Delegation to Advisory Council for Italy
ltr. Pov. Br. 13/47 of 7 January 1947.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/4874 of 9 April 1946.

1. It is the opinion of the Navy Sub-Commission that the point at issue raised in reference (a) involves a question of salvage. The attention of the Yugoslav Delegation is again invited to reference (b) in which it was explained what steps could be taken to arrange for the salvage of sunken Yugoslav vessels.

2. In any case the removal of the subject vessel has now become a matter of urgency for operational reasons. It is therefore requested that the Navy Sub-Commission may be informed how long it would take the Yugoslav Delegation to arrange for, and complete, the removal of the SS JURAJ SUBIC from CIVITAVECCHIA harbor.

3. An early reply would be appreciated.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

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

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NSC/5854
9 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The Ministry of Mercantile Marine.
Subject: Repair of Turkish warships by Italian Shipyards.
Reference: (a) The Ministry of Mercantile Marine's ltr. No. 7308 dated 7 November 1946.
Enclosure: (A) Copy of the Chief Commissioner ltr. NSC/4152 dated 30 November 1945.

1. The request contained in reference (a) regarding the repair of Turkish warships by ANSAIDO, has now been approved by the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean, provided that the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean's interim policy for the rehabilitation and utilization of Italian ship-repair and shipbuilding facilities in Italy, outlined in enclosure (A), is not violated, and that repairs to Allied and Italian ships are not hampered.

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

11 JAN 1947

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NSC/ 5853
9 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Shipping and Stores Sunk at Pola.
Reference: (a) The Ministry of Marine's ltr. 45/UT dated 6 January 1947.

1. Prior to initiating any action on reference (a), it is requested that the name and rank of the officer concerned, together with his movement order be forwarded to the Navy Sub-Commission.

H. W. ZIRILL,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR

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

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PROGRESS REPORT ON THE DEMILITARISATION OF THE
ISLANDS OF PANTELLERIA AND LAMPEDUSA.

(Demilitarization Committee report No. G/8/2 dated 20 December 1946)

II

NSC/ 5852

THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,
MEDITERRANEAN STATION.

(Copy to:- The Naval Liaison Officer to
the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean).

Forwarded for information in continuation of my minute
NSC/5557 dated 19th October 1946.

H. W. ZIROLL,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,

FOR

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

ROME,
9th January, 1947

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HSC/5851
9 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Mercantile Marine.
Subject: SS STAMIRA on loan to the Greek Government.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Mercantile Marine ltr. 188 of 4 January 1947 addressed to F.O.L.I.

1. Reference (a) has been forwarded to the British Ministry of War Transport. The Ministry of Mercantile Marine will be informed as soon as a reply is received.

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

10 JAN 1947

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MSC/5850
9 January 1947

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

Subject: B.Y.M.S. Drawings and Performance of.

Enclosure: (A) Four (4) Van Dyck prints of B.Y.M.S.

1. Enclosure (A) comprising four Van Dyck prints of general arrangements of subject craft is forwarded for information.
2. Additional data relative to the endurance of these vessels is as follows:

Fuel Stowage	-	6200 gallons
Fuel Consumption	-	28 gals. per hr. at 10 knots, approx.
Endurance at 10 knots	-	2200 miles
Lubricating Oil Stowage	-	200 gallons
Lubricating Oil Consumption	-	Less than 1 gal. per hr. at 10 knots.

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

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MSC/ 5849
9 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: The British Ministry of Transport Representative, Rome.
A.P.O. S551, C.M.F.
Subject: SS STAMIRA on Loan to the Greek Government.
Enclosure: (A) Copy of Ministry of Mercantile Marine ltr. 188 of 4
January 1947.

1. It would be appreciated if the Ministry of Transport Representative could furnish the Navy Sub-Commission with the information required to answer the requests contained in enclosure (A)

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

10 JAN 1947

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MSC/5848
9 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Land Forces Sub-Commission. (M.H.I.A.) Allied Commission.
Subject: Fortnightly reports upon the Italian Navy
Medical Situation.

1. Forwarded herewith are the reports upon the Italian Navy
Medical situation covering the second fortnight of November 1946.

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

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NSC/ 5847
9 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Release of the "Grazioli Lente" Barracks in
Piazza Seinzizza.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine ltr. 17930/2 of 3 November 1946.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5776 of 17 December 1946.

1. The Navy Sub-Commission has been informed by Headquarters Mediterranean Theater of Operations, United States Army that inasmuch as there are no alternate accommodations available to care for the needs of the 34th Station Hospital it is not possible to release the subject barracks, as requested in reference (a), at this time.

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

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NSC/5846
7 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Senior British Naval Officer, Greece.
Subject: SS. GDETTO.
Reference: (a) SBND.(G)'s Minute III No. 748/40 of 29 October 1946.

1. It is requested whether the Navy Sub-Commission can be informed whether the subject vessel fell into Greek hands prior to 8 September 1943 and if she was brought before a prize court and declared a prize of war.

2. For your information the owner of the vessel in question has written this Sub-Commission claiming his vessel. The legal status of the matter depends on when the ship passed into Greek or Allied hands.

H. M. BROWN,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.G.

9 JAN 1947

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ALLIED SHIPS SUNK IN THE PORT OF AUGUSTA

Ministry of Mercantile Marine's letter 12625/P of 20th Dec. 1946

II

NSC/5845

The Director of Merchant Ship Repair,
Western Mediterranean.

Forwarded for your remarks please.

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appreciated.Your opinion ^{on} in paragraph 5 of Minute I would beH. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.ROME,
6th January, 1947.

9 JAN 1947

IRN-19 9592

From: MINISTRY OF MERCANTILE MARINE

To : N.S.O. - A.O. - Rome

Date: 20th December 1946

Ref.: 12625/P.

Subject: Allied ships sunk in the port of Augusta

A British ship of unknown type (it appears to be a vessel of over 10,000 tons burden) is lying completely submerged in the port of Augusta, off Port "Vittoria". She was sunk a few days after the occupation of the port, following air bombing which caused the explosion of the cargo which was mainly of ammunition.

It has not been possible to collect any further information about the ship, whose name is not even known.

It appears that the ship is not salvageable and must, therefore, be demolished on the spot.

Another British ship, of the "Empire" class, is lying sunken in the same port, S.E. of Isola Grande, and, according to our information, she was loaded with a cargo of explosives, machinery, motor vehicles, and petrol. She was hit by bombs and appears to have been scuttled by the Allies to prevent her explosion.

It is therefore requested that the Navy Sub Commission should inform us whether the Allied Authorities will provide for the removal of the above 2 ships or whether they are not concerned with the question and leave the salvage in Italian hands.

for THE MINISTER

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VALVES FOR BRITISH RADIO APPARATUS

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Ministry of Marine's letter. 61786 of 26th Dec. 1946

II.

NSC/5844

THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,
MEDITERRANEAN STATION.

Forwarded for favourable consideration.

2. It is strongly recommended that the early supply of these
W/T stores be made from Station resources if available.

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

RCM,
6th January, 1947.

9 JAN 1947

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FROM : MINISTRY OF MARINE

TO : NAVY SUB-COMMISSION - Rome

DATE : 26th December, 1946.

Ref. : 61786

Subject: Valves for British radio apparatus.

1. There is an urgent necessity for a supply of spare valves to maintain the efficiency of radio receiving and transmitting apparatus on board the magnetic - acoustic, and series 300 (Trawler), minesweepers.

The material required is as follows:

For the Trawlers :

32	British transmitting valves type	ACT 6
50	" receiving " "	S 22
50	" " " "	ARS 8 or
		VS 2
30	" " " "	HT 82 or P 2
30	" " " "	ARP 4 or 2 21

For the Magnetic - acoustic Minesweepers :

of
 32 Series/valves for transmitting apparatus type TW 12
 32 " " " receiving " " 394 P

2. Owing to the impossibility of supply from Italian sources, and considering the necessity of assuring the efficiency of the minesweeping service, it is requested that the M.S.C. should urgently approach the competent Allied Authority for the supply to the Italian Navy of the material in question.

The above material, should it be conceded, will be required by the Inspectorate of Minesweeping - Naples.

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE. 9589

NSC/5843
3 January 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Commander -in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.
Subject: Supplies to Italian Navy.
Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission's ltr. NSC/5503 dated 1 October 1946.

1. It would be appreciated, if the Navy Sub-Commission could now be informed as to when the details of despatch required by paragraph 2 of reference (a) may be expected, or how the matter now stands.

H. W. [unclear]
COM [unclear]
FOR

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

9 JAN 1947

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MSC/ 5842
6 January 1947

From : Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.
Subject: Wreck of a British Minesweeper at the entrance to
the Sampierdarena Harbour.
Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission's Minute NBC/5620 dated 5 November
1946.

1. It would be appreciated if the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean's decision required by reference (a) could now be given.

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

9 JAN 1947

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MSC/5841
7 January 1947

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

Subject: Degaussing Stores for the Italian Navy.

Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission's ltr. NSG/4923 dated 18 April 1946.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission's signal timed 131516 August 1946.
(c) Navy Sub-Commission's signal timed 161040 September 1946.
(d) Navy Sub-Commission's signal timed 111215 December 1946.

1. In connection with the above quoted references, the Ministry of Marine is informed that all outstanding degaussing stores required for the maintenance of the Italian Naval degaussing organisation have now been supplied to the Italian Navy from Malta in accordance with paragraph 2 of reference (a), with the exception of the following items which are not available in Malta:

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Pattern No.</u>	<u>Description.</u>	<u>Quantity.</u>
33	865B	Resistance Boxes	7 in No.
33A	5	Healing Error Instruments.	4 in No.

2. In the event that these two items are still required by the Ministry of Marine, a demand should be submitted to the British Admiralty for consideration, through the Navy Sub-Commission. It is expected that the Admiralty will approve the supply of these stores on repayment.

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

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NSC/5840
6 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Information on Italian Navy Pay Tables.
Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission's ltr. NSC/5729 dated 3 December 1946.

1. It would be appreciated if the information required by reference (a) could now be forwarded to the Navy Sub-Commission.

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

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NSC/ 5839 ✓
6 January 1947

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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MSC/5838
7 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Supplies to the Italian Navy from British Authorities.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine's ltr. B. 10386 dated 4 December 1946.

1. It is requested that further hastening action be taken to expedite the forwarding of the report called for in reference (a).

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

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NSC/5837
7 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission .
To: Air Forces Sub-Commission.
Subject: Methods of Selection of Officers for Retention
on Active Service.
Reference: (a) Air Forces Sub-Commission ltr. AFSC/36/7/ORG of 21
December 1946.

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

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

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

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HBO/ 5836
6 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Superintendent Security Division,
Venezia Giulia Police Force.
Subject: Movement Control.

1. It is requested that A.M.G. travel permit be forwarded to enable Italian Naval rating ~~CHASCHETTA~~ Pasquale to visit Pola as per leave pass.

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

8 JAN 1947

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NSC/5835
4 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission,
To: Ministry of Marine.
Subject: Specifications for B.Y.M.S.
Enclosure: (A) Copy of Specifications.

1. Enclosure (A), giving the particulars of the B.Y.M.S. type
craft available for dis-posal is forwarded herewith for information.

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

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C O P YGeneral Particulars of B.Y.M.S. for Disposal at Trieste.

Length Extreme. 136 Feet.
 Breadth Extreme. 24 Ft 6 ins.
 Depth to Upper Deck. 15 Feet.
 Displacement Loaded. 350 Tons.
 Mean Displacement on Trials. 290 Tons.
 Draught Loaded. 8 Feet Forward
 Draught Loaded. 8 Ft 9 ins Aft.
 Mean Draught Light. 7 Ft 6 ins.

Propelling Machinery. 2 in Number 500 H.P. General Motors Diesel Engines. 8 Cylinders
 Fuel Consumption Chart. Type 268 A.

Knots.	R.P.M.	Fuel Consumption
		In Galls. Per Hr.
4.	400.	12.
5.	450.	13.
6.	550.	15.
7.	650.	17.
8.	720.	19.
9.	820.	21.
10.	900.	23.
11.	980.	25.
12.	1050.	29.
13.	1100.	32-35.
14.	1200.	35-35.

Diesel Tank Capacities.

Main Tanks. 3964. Galls.
 Auxy Tanks. 1202. Galls. 266 Galls per Ton.
 Total Capacity. 5166. Galls.

Lubricating Oil Capacity. (Brand. No. 9250)

Main Tanks. 250 Galls.
 Settling Tank. 80 Galls.
 Clarifying Tanks. 158 Galls.

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Fresh Water Tank Capacity. 1600 Galls.

Auxiliary Machinery.

1 in Number 500 H.P. General Motors Diesel Driven 540 Electric Generator
8 Cylinders Type 268 A.
For supplying power for operating LL Sweep.

2 in Number 30 H.P. General Motors Diesel Driven 30 K.W. Electric Generators.
3 Cylinders Type 71.
For supplying power and lighting for general ship use.

Mineweeping Gear.

Electrically Driven Winch and associated Gear for Oropesa Sweeping.
Towed S.A. Box Type iv. LL Cable and associated sweeping equipment.

Armament.

All armament has been removed from these ships in accordance with C. in C.
Med's signal timed 041350 December 1946.

NSC/5834
7 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Displaced Persons Division. (Attention: Major Hartman).
Subject: Leave in Tripolitania - Lieutenant Renato FERRINI.

1. With reference to the conversation with Staff Officer Personnel, yesterday, I confirm that the subject Italian Naval Officer has been trying to get permission to visit his parents since February 1946. It would be appreciated if you could obtain the required authority.

JAMES RISK
Lieut. Comdr., USNR.
Secretary.

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ISC/5833
4 January 1947

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

Subject: Damage done to harbour work at Genoa by Allied ships.

Reference: (a) The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean's submission to
the Secretary of the Admiralty No.2963. Med.46/333/6/7 dated
3 October 1946.

1. It would be appreciated if Their Lordships could now be hastened
for a decision on reference (a).

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

8 JAN 1947

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NEC/ 5832 ✓
6th January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission.
Subject: Italian Passenger Ship CITTA' DI TUNISI.

With reference to your memorandum dated 30th December, 1946, it is confirmed that the "CITTA' DI TUNISI" is on nominal hire to the British Government, the requisitioning fees being paid by the Italian Government, in accordance with the Armistice terms. The vessel is employed on the MSAOO service between Malta and Toulon, and as far as is known only service personnel and Government sponsored passengers are carried. The position is similar to that of the "VULCANIA" and "ASURNIA" before they were released by the United States Army.

2. Under the British Merchant Shipping Act no British Government Authority can manage a merchant vessel, and the management of the "CITTA' DI TUNISI" has been entrusted to the Ellerman Company. This procedure is adopted in the case of all Government operated merchant vessels as opposed to Fleet Auxiliaries.

3. The British Ministry of Transport's Rose office has already referred the Giornale della Sera's article to the Ministry in London in a letter dated 21st December, 1946, and has requested information whether any corrective action should be taken. Despite the inferences of the article the only deliberate mis-statement of fact appears to be that a London businessman "makes an indiscriminate and highly profitable use" of the vessel.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

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

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7 JAN 1947

MSC/ 5831
6 January 1947

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

Subject: Change of Chief of Staff of the Italian Navy.

Enclosure: (a) Copy of Ministry of Marine ltr. B. 11042 of 30 December 1946.

1. Enclosure (a) is forwarded herewith for information.

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

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NSC/5830
4 January 1947

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

Subject: Sale of Sunken American Merchant Ships.

1. On 3 December, 1946, the United States Maritime Commission announced that the hulks of the following American Ships beached in Italy are to be sold for scrapping:

- (a) ELHU YALE, Liberty ship. Bombed and broken in two at Anzio in February 1944. Hull located at Anzio.
- (b) GULF PRINCE, tanker. Torpedoed in July 1943 near Naples. Now afloat at Taranto.
- (c) ISAAC SHELBY, Liberty ship. Struck mine in January 1945. After section towed to Naples, bow beached 100 miles away.
- (d) JAMES GUTHRIE, Liberty ship. Struck two mines in April 1944 near Capri. Beached at San Giovanni near Naples.
- (e) PIERRE GIBAUT, Liberty ship. Struck mines in August 1945. Bow section beached at Piraeus, Greece, and after section docked at Palermo. "

2. Bids will be received by the Maritime Commission until 1415 hours Eastern Standard Time, 8 January 1947. The purchaser, if a foreign citizen must post a bond of \$ 750,000 to guarantee the demolition of the hulks beyond use for transportation purposes.

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

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7 JAN 1947

NSG/ 5820 ✓
4 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Superintendent Security Division,
Venezia Giulia Police Force.
Subject: Movement Control.

1. It is requested that A.M.G. travel permit be forwarded to enable Italian Naval rating LAZZARI Giovanni to visit Pola as per leave pass. *Attached*

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

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NSC/5328
4 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2 Allied Force Headquarters,
A.P.O. 512, United States Army.

Subject: Ex-Commander Alberto Agostini.

Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5436 of 13 September 1946.
(b) Your GSI.389.701/PP/1886 of 2 October 1946.

1. Attached report on subject has been received from Central Commission of Discrimination of Italian Ministry of Marine. It is forwarded in case you decide to reconsider this case.

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

7 JAN 1947

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : H.S.C. - H.C. - A.C.
Date: 14th November 1946
Ref.: R.9563

Subject: Ex Commander Alberto AGOSTINI

With reference to your letter NSC/9575, dated 22nd October 1946, we enclose a report from the "Central Commission of Discrimination" (C.C.D.) of the Ministry of Marine, regarding the ex Commander Alberto AGOSTINI.

2. As a result of the facts emerging from the above report, the Ministry of Marine considers that Mr. AGOSTINI is only liable to "disposal from the service", which deprives him of all military privileges and places him at a considerable disadvantage in civilian life; for the present, this is how he is being punished.

3. Confirming the above proposal, namely that AGOSTINI should be given his freedom, the Ministry of Marine would be grateful if the Allied Authorities, should they be in possession of information concerning him, would communicate them, so that they may be available in a possible future re-examination of the charges against the ex officer.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - H.Q. - A.C.
Date: 14th November 1946
Ref.: R.9563

Subject: Ex Commander Alberto AGOSTINI

With reference to your letter NSC/5575, dated 22nd October 1946, we enclose a report from the "Central Commission of Discrimination" (C.C.D.) of the Ministry of Marine, regarding the ex Commander Alberto AGOSTINI.

2. As a result of the facts emerging from the above report, the Ministry of Marine considers that Cdr. AGOSTINI is only liable to "dismissal from the service", which deprives him of all military privileges and places him at a considerable disadvantage in civilian life; for the present, this is how he is being punished.

3. Confirming the above proposal, namely that AGOSTINI should be given his freedom, the Ministry of Marine would be grateful if the Allied Authorities, should they be in possession of information concerning him, would communicate them, so that they may be available in a possible future re-examination of the charges against the ex officer.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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MINISTRY OF MARINE
Central Commission of Discrimination
(C.C.D.D.)

Subject: Ex Commander Alberto AGOSTINI

1. Ex Commander Alberto AGOSTINI was not Chief of Staff to ex Commander BERGAMINI. His appointments under Cdr. BERGAMINI were the following :

- a) From 19th November 1943, for about 1 month, he was Second-in-Command of the I M.A.S. Flotilla at La Spezia when it had not yet carried out, or even planned, any sabotage. In this appointment AGOSTINI was concerned with the organisation of the barracks, but after a few days he applied for a transfer as he was not in accord with Cdr. BERGAMINI.
- b) Subsequently he carried out the duties of "Secretary General" to the Naval Staff of the Italian Social Republican Navy; he was under the orders of the Chief of Naval Staff for questions regarding "administration", but was never concerned with the "operations" side.

2. According to the reports of the inquiry, AGOSTINI never had any part in operations, sabotage, or spying. Operations were directly ordered by Cdr. BERGAMINI, who never availed himself of AGOSTINI for their execution.

3. BERGAMINI, in his capacity of Vice-Chief of Naval Staff to the Italian Social Republican Navy, gave his orders under the heading of "Naval Staff" and sometimes as "I M.A.S. Flotilla".

In his absence, a few letters from the Naval Staff, also headed "I M.A.S. Flotilla", were signed "for" or "by direction of" by AGOSTINI. This fact gives the impression - assumed by the Allied Authorities - that AGOSTINI is seriously implicated; although none of the letters in the possession of the Ministry of Marine's Commission of Inquiry are of an operational character. The heading "I M.A.S. Flotilla" was ordered by BERGAMINI, for sentimental reasons, when the communication was addressed to units of the I M.A.S. Flotilla.

4. AGOSTINI had offered his services because of his desire to safeguard the men and materials of the Italian Navy from German interference. He kept to his object, and did not take part in any operational activity against the Allies; on the contrary, he actively assisted the protection of the Italian Navy, resisting and obstructing the interference of the Germans.

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(Signed) Vladimiro FINI
 Admiral (2nd Class)

✓ 1947
WSC/5827
4th January, 1946.

From : Navy Sub-Commission, H.Q. Allied Commission.
To : The Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject: Italian P.O.W. Alfredo Balbo.

Reference(a): Your 20985/2 of 22nd December, 1946.

1. It is confirmed that subject P.O.W. is
Petty Officer Mechanic Alfredo Balbo son of Giovanni
and Angela Dorico.

2. As stated he is held at the disposition of
the United Nations War Crimes Commission and at present
no additional information is available.

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

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NSC/ 5826
3 January 1947

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

Subject: Motor Boat 32 and M.F.V. MINFA, return of.

Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine (Cabinet) ltr. 3913/UT of 15
December 1946.
(b) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5688 of 23 November 1946.
(c) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5756 of 10 December 1946.

1. The Navy Sub-Commission fails to see how reference (b) applies in this case.

2. It is requested that the Ministry of Marine will follow the instructions concerning the return of both craft contained in reference (c).

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

7 JAN 1947

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NSC/5825
3 January 1947

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

Subject: Belgian Barge "EDAN III".

Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5587 of 24 October 1946.
(b) Ministry of Marine ltr. 20419/2 of 12 December 1946.

1. The Navy Sub-Commission has sufficient information to justify the belief that the subject barge is in fact at Brindisi as stated in Reference (a). It is therefore not understood why Marina Brindisi has no information available regarding the craft in question, as indicated in reference (b).

2. It is therefore requested that the Ministry of Marine will take immediate steps to inform itself, and the Navy Sub-Commission, concerning the barge in view of the requests contained in reference (a). This matter has now become urgent.

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

7 JAN 1947

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NSC/ 5824
3 January 1947

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

Subject: Payment for repairs to Vessels returned
to the Yugoslav Government.

Reference: ✓(a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/4874 of 9 April 1946.

1. In reference (a) the Yugoslav Delegation was informed that costs of salvage of Yugoslav ships sunk in Italian waters falls under the category of restitution and therefore cannot be charged to the Italian Government under the armistice terms.

2. It is considered advisable at this time to inform the Yugoslav Delegation that the question of the repair of Yugoslav vessels recovered in Italy also falls under the heading of restitution. If the Yugoslav Government desires vessels being returned to them to be repaired an arrangement must be made with the Italian Government to obtain the necessary Lire for payment of costs incurred by means of a blocked account to be disposed of as determined by the Peace Treaty.

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

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1 RN (a) (Yugoslav)

NSC/ 5823
3 January 1947

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

Subject: Decompression chamber - Rental of.

Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/5382 of 22 August 1946.

1. The attention of the French Representative to the Allied Commission is again invited to the request contained in reference (a).

2. It is observed that this matter, having occupied the attention of the Navy Sub-Commission for over four months, has now become urgent. It is therefore requested that the French Representative take positive action to secure the information required by the Navy Sub-Commission.

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

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NSC/ 5822
3 January 1947

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

Subject: Salvaged Craft in the Harbor of PIOMBINO.

- The Ministry of Marine was informed that*
1. The United States Army abandons its rights in and title to the small craft marked with the letters M.T.1 located in the Harbor of PIOMBINO.
 2. The Ministry of Marine may make any disposition it chooses of the subject craft without any payment or consideration being required by the United States Army.

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

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MSC/ 5821
3 January 1947

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Ministry of Mercantile Marine.
Subject: Salvaged Craft in the Harbor of Plombino.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Mercantile Marine ltr. 11430 P of 12
December 1946.

1. It is requested that the Ministry of Mercantile Marine will furnish the Navy Sub-Commission with additional details concerning the other landing craft lying west of the San Antonio quay, mentioned in paragraph 1 of reference (a).

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

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