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Allied Force Headquarters
ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
APO 794

IRM-11(3)/N/239

29 July 1947

Subject: RETURN OF TWO LIGHTERS TO THE FRENCH NAVY.

To: THE FRENCH REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ALLIED
MILITARY AUTHORITIES IN ITALY.

Reference: (a) French Representative to the Allied Military Authorities
in Italy's ltr. No. 3107/28 dated 10 December 1946.
(b) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr.
IRM-11(3)/N/38 dated 1 April 1947.

Enclosure: (A) Headquarters Mediterranean Theater of Operations, United
States Army's ltr AG 560 D-O dated 2 July 1947 and
enclosure.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded in reply to reference (a) and
in continuation of reference (b).

2. In view of the fact that a French Naval Representative in
Naples has already been communicating direct with the American Authorities,
and that paragraph 2 of the enclosure to enclosure (A) states that co-ordinated
action will be taken with the French Representative direct to effect the
transfer of the barges in question, this Branch does not, therefore, intend to
take any further action on the matter.

(Sgt) S.C. Loomis, Jr.
REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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29 July 1947

IRN-11(4)/N/238

Subject: MOTOR LAUNCH "TOMKADOK" - RESTITUTION.

To: THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, NAVY.

Reference: (a) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr.
IRN-11(4)/N/24 dated 28 March 1947.
(b) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr.
IRN-11(4)/N/155 dated 28 May 1947.

1. Further to reference (b), the details requested in reference (a) not having been received, very early information is requested as to when they may be expected or how the matter now stands.

(Sgd.) S.C. Loovers Jr.
REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

29 JUL 1947

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5TH PROGRESS REPORT ON THE DEMILITARIZATION
OF THE ISLANDS OF PANTELLERIA AND LAMPEDUSA.

Demilitarization Committee's letter G/8/2/
dated 25th June 1947.

II

PL-1/N/237

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 PL-1/N/31
dated 31st March 1947.

(Sgd) G. L. WARTEN

REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH

ROME,
28th July 1947

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ALLIED Force Headquarters
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PC-1/N/236

26 July 1947

Subject: MOTOR BOAT "DOLLY".

To: REPRESENTATION DIPLOMATIQUE HELLENIQUE EN ITALIE.

Reference: (a) Naval Sub-Section, Italian Military Affairs Section's
ltr. PC-1/N/50 dated 21 February 1947.

1. Further to reference (a), information has been received that the United States Deputy Chief Claims Officer is at present awaiting a communication from Washington in connection with Mr. Giras' claim in respect of his motor boat DOLLY.

2. In view of the length of time which may elapse before this claim is settled, and the fact that this Branch will cease to function on the day the Italian Peace Treaty comes into force, it is suggested that you take the matter up with the United States Claims Service, Piazza Augusto Imperatore, 32, Rome, direct, or through the American Embassy.

(Sgd.) S. C. Lannis
REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

28 JUL 1947

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28 July 1947

PI-2/N/ 235

Subject: MOVEMENT CONTROL.
To: SUPERINTENDENT SECURITY DIVISION,
VENETIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

1. It is requested that AMG travel permits be forwarded to enable Italian Naval ratings BETTI BRUTTO Tommaso to visit Venezia and Trieste and PALLAGA Antonio to visit Trieste as per leave passes enclosed.

(Sgd.) S. C. Loomis
for REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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LHN-12/M/234

26 July 1947

Subject: MICROSCOPE LEFT TO THE 1ST BRITISH AIRBORNE DIVISION.

To: THE GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING, GENERAL HEADQUARTERS,
CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN FORCES.

Reference: (a) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr.
LHN-12/M/23 dated 31 March 1947.
(b) Medical Directorate, General Headquarters, Central
Mediterranean Forces' ltr. M. 4380 dated 7 May 1947.

Enclosure: (A) Translation of Ministry of Defence, Navy's ltr. No.
B.4192 dated 11 July 1947.
(B) Copy of receipt given by Captain Padwon R.A.M.C.

1. The contents of reference (b) have been communicated to the Italian Navy authorities, but in view of the fact that the missing microscope is now No. 16510, enclosures (A) and (B) are forwarded with the request that every possible effort may be made to locate and return this microscope to the Italian Navy, and that if necessary, Captain Padwon be traced and asked to supply any relevant information.

2. In the event of microscope No. 16510 not being found, it is requested that consideration may be given to the possibility of replacing it by one held by the Royal Army Medical Corps in this theater, since it is understood that in accordance with the Hague Convention, medical equipment is not liable to capture.

S. N. BLACKBURN

REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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WSI-2/N/ 233

24 July 1947

Subject: COMPLETION OF ITALIAN NAVY AMMUNITION.

To: THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, NAVY.

Reference: (a) the Ministry of Marine's ltr. No. 3447/UT dated 23 October 1946.
(b) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr. WSI-2/N/98 dated 23 April 1947.

1. In reply to reference (a) and in continuation of reference (b), the gradual completion of the 90 mm. ammunition complement is approved only in respect of guns actually mounted which should be limited to a full ready use and reserve complement of ammunition plus an allowance for exercise.

2. Calculated on the basis of the information contained in the Ministry of Marine's memorandum therefore, the number of rounds required to be manufactured to complete the complement should not exceed 110,080 (one hundred and ten thousand and eighty) rounds, arrived at as follows:-

Afloat:

Ready use:	44 mounted guns @ 400 rounds per gun	-	17,600	rounds
Reserve :	44 mounted guns @ 1100 rounds per gun	-	48,400	"

Ashore:

Ready use:	48 mounted guns @ 535 rounds per gun	-	25,680	"
Reserve :	48 mounted guns @ 2765 rounds per gun	-	128,400	"
			220,080	"

Plus allowance for exercise	-	18,500	"
		238,580	"
Less rounds already held by Italian Navy	-	128,500	"
Total requirement is therefore:		110,080	rounds

(Sgd) G. L. STARRIN 2012

REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

26 JUL 1947

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TUG MARITIMO - REQUEST FOR RETURN

Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station's letter
Med.47/56/2/5 dated 12th June 1947

II

IRM-19/M/ 232

The Flag Officer Liaison, Italy.
The Naval Officer-in-Charge, Trieste.

Forwarded for information with reference to my letter IRM-19/M/
173 dated 19th June 1947.

2. A copy of my reply to the Ministry of Defence, Navy is also
enclosed.

(Sd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

ROME,
23rd July 1947.

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ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
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DD-19/M/231

25 July 1947

Subject: TUG "MARITTIMO".

To: THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, NAVY.

Reference: (a) The Ministry of Defence, Navy's ltr. No. 466/UT dated
13 February 1947.
(b) The Ministry of Defence, Navy's ltr. No. 1999/ST
dated 12 June 1947.

1. In reply to reference (a), the Ministry of Defence, Navy is informed that in the light of the information contained in reference (b), the Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean has approved the return of the tug MARITTIMO to the Italian Navy, provided that the salvage expenses are borne by the Italian Government.

2. While the statements made in paragraphs one and two of reference (a) are confirmed, it has been reported that this tug was leaking badly and has since sunk in an upright position. Before sinking, the tug was looted, all woodwork and most of the engines were stolen, but it is understood that the hull is probably worth salvaging.

3. It is recommended therefore, that very early steps be taken to salvage her, and that her transfer to an Italian port be arranged with the Naval Officer-in-Charge, Trieste through the Flag Officer Liaison, Italy.

4. Copies of this letter have been forwarded to the Flag Officer Liaison, Italy and the Naval Officer-in-Charge, Trieste for information.

(Sd) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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IRM-11(4)/W/ 230

25 July 1947

Subject: MPV "NUOVO GALLO" EX "S. GIROLAMO" (BUDIMER).
To: THE JUGOSLAV CHARGE D'AFFAIRES,
JUGOSLAV LEGATION, ROME.
Reference: (a) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr.
IRM-11(4)/W/101 dated 24 April 1947.

1. It would be appreciated if the information requested in paragraph 3 of reference (a) could now be forwarded please.

(Sgd) J.C. Loomis *for*
REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

26 JUL 1947

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PC-1/E/ 229

25 July 1947

Subject: CLAIM FOR SALVAGED SHIP "PELIKAN".

To: THE ITALIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS' REPRESENTATIVE
TO LIAISON AND CIVIL AFFAIRS BRANCH, G-5 ALLIED FORCE
HEADQUARTERS.

1. With reference to your predecessors letters Nos. 11/267 and 11/277 dated the 10th and 11th February 1947 respectively, regarding a salvage claim by civilian divers from Pola in respect of a ship named "PELIKAN", the present position of this claim is as follows:-
 - (a) Yugoslav authorities have agreed verbally to deal with the claim presented by the civilian owners of the ship.
 - (b) Before agreeing on any amount however they wish to send 3 assessors from Fiume to value the ship.
 - (c) DAD Claims and Hirings, Trieste, have informed them, through the Yugoslav War Booty Commission how to obtain permits to enter Zone A and are now awaiting their arrival.
2. The file on the case is at present held by AD 61 Claims and Hirings, Padua.

(Sgt.) S.C. Loomis Jr.
REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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IRM-19/H/ 228 (a)

24 July 1947

Subject: ALLIED LANDING CRAFT SUNK IN THE PORT OF SYRACUSE.
To: THE MINISTRY OF MERCANTILE MARINE.
(Copy to: Ministry of Defence, Navy)
Reference: (a) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr.
IRM-19/H/3 dated 24 March 1947.

1. It is requested that immediate hastening action may be taken in order that the information required by paragraph 3 of reference (a) may be forwarded without delay.

(Sgd.) L. Lomaris *for*
REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

25 JUL 1947

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IRM-11(3)/N/223

24 July 1947

Subject: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON WRECK "ANNA MARIA CHALDI".
To: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, NAVY.
Reference: (a) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters ltr.
IRM-11(3)/N/179 dated 25 June 1947.

1. It would be appreciated if the information requested in reference (a) could now be forwarded.

(Sgt) S.C. Koomes *sk*
REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
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SD-4/W/ 227

24 July 1947

Subject: SUPPLY OF NAVY SPECIAL FUEL OIL TO BRITISH EMBASSY.

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

The British Embassy, Rome.
The Deputy Director of Supplies and Transport,
General Headquarters, Central Mediterranean
Forces, Padua.
The British Liaison Officer, Petroleum Division,
Peninsular Base Section, Rome.)

Reference: (a) British Liaison Officer, Petroleum Division's letter
B/L/13 dated 11 July 1947.

Enclosure: (A) British Embassy, Rome's letter B3/47 dated 16 July 1947.

1. Enclosure (A) certifying that 2,412 Imperial gallons of
Admiralty fuel oil have been received by the British Consulate at Turin, is
forwarded for necessary accounting action in accordance with paragraph 3
of reference (a).

S. N. BLACKBURN

For
REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

25 JUL 1947

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BRITISH EMBASSY,
ROME.

EB/47

18th July 1947

To: AFHQ, Italian Naval Branch, APO 794.
From: Administration Dept.

Your SE-4/N/217 of 15th July 1947 refers.

The 2,412 gallons Imperial of navy special fuel oil referred to in your above quoted letter were drawn by the British Consulate in Turin on 3rd January 1947.

(Sgd) B. Oattes.

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ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
APO 794

IRM-19/N/ 226

25 July 1947

Subject: ALLIED SHIPS SUNK IN THE PORT OF AUGUSTA AND BANI -
"EMPIRE FLORIZEL" "OCEAN PEACE" AND "PORT ATHABASKA".

To: THE MINISTRY OF MERCANTILE MARINE.

Reference: (a) Ministry of Mercantile Marine's ltr. No.12625/P dated
20 December 1946.
(b) Ministry of Mercantile Marine's ltr. No.1191/P dated
25 January 1947.

Enclosure: (A) Copy of the Director of Merchant Ship Repairs, Western
Mediterranean's ltr. J.R.3/st dated 8 July 1947.
(B) Copy of the British Ministry of Transport, Representative,
Italian Area's ltr. GAB/2040/47 dated 14 July 1947.

1. Enclosures (A) and (B) are forwarded in reply to references
(a) and (b).
2. The "EMPIRE FLORIZEL" and "OCEAN PEACE" are the British
vessels sunk in the port of Augusta and referred to in reference (a).

S. S. BLACKBURN

For REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

25 JUL 1947

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SE/4/N/ 225

23 July 1947

Subject: EXCESS PRODUCTS - INSTALLATION OF POZZUOLI.
To: THE VICE PRESIDENT, COMITATO ITALIANO PETROLI - CIP -

1. With reference to your memorandum No.25 dated 3 April 1947, regarding the delivery to Comitato Italiano Petroli, Pozzuoli of 135 drums of oil by a British sailor in January 1946, it is requested that the markings and colour of the drums may be reported as soon as possible, as the description "SGF oil" is not recognised.

H. F. BLANCHARD

For REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

24 JUL 1947

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IRM-11(3)/N/224

22 July 1947

Subject: SALE BY THE ITALIAN NAVY OF EX-GERMAN LIGHTERS.
To: THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, NAVY.
Reference: (a) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr.
IRM-11(3)/N/147 dated 22 May 1947.

1. It would be appreciated if the information required by reference (a) could now be forwarded.

S. N. PLESTON

REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

24 JUL 1947

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PI-2/W/ 223

22 July 1947

Subject: MOVEMENT CONTROL.

To: SUPERINTENDENT SECURITY DIVISION,
VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

1. It is requested that AMG travel permits be forwarded to enable Italian Naval ratings BOSETTI Nicola and GILIANI Ramiro to visit Trieste as per leave passes enclosed.

S. N. GILIANI
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

24 JUL 1947

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IRM-11/222

22 July 1947

Subject: ITALIAN TANKER "ARCOLA" - RESTITUTION TO THE
ITALIAN GOVERNMENT.

To: THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, MEDITERRANEAN STATION.

Reference: (a) The Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean's ltr. No.1385/
Med.47/1346/7/1 dated 22 May 1947.
(b) The Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean's submission
No.504/Med.47/1346/7/1 dated 18 February 1947.

1. It is submitted that Their Lordships' decision, regarding the
restitution of the Italian Tanker "ARCOLA" to the Italian Government,
requested in references (a) and (b), may now be hastened.

S. N. BLACKBURN

For REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

23 JUL 1947

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ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
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PD-6/N/ 221

18 July 1947

Subject: SEAMAN CARMELO URRERA - KIT.
To: RESIDENT NAVAL OFFICER, COLOMBO.
(Copy to: Commanding Officer H.M.S. "Highflyer", Trincomalee).

1. The attached is a translation of a letter which has been received from the Italian Naval Authorities. It is requested that the kit in question be returned to Rome if traced.

S. N. BLACKBURN
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

22 JUL 1947

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16 July 1947

SE-4/N/ 220

Subject: SUPPLY OF FRESH PROVISIONS AND CLOTHING TO THE ITALIAN NAVY.
To: THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, NAVY.
Reference: (a) Navy Sub-Commission, Allied Commission's ltr. NEC/5782 dated 19 December 1946.
(b) Ministry of Defence, Navy (Direzione Generale di Commissariato Militare Marittimo) ltr. 18320 dated 13 June 1947.

1. It would be appreciated if the Commanding Officers of the "Riboty" and "Artigliere" could again be requested to expedite the return of the Store Issue Notes contained in enclosures (A) and (G) to reference (a).

(Gd) / K. F. RYCE.
REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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PL-1/N/213

18 July 1947

Subject: DECISIONS OF THE PRIZE COURT.
To: THE LEGAL ADVISER, BRITISH EMBASSY, ROME.

1. The enclosed lists of decisions, affecting British ships and one cargo passed by the Italian Prize Court during the period extending from 10 June 1940 to 8 September 1943, have been received from the Italian Ministry of Defence, Navy, and are forwarded in reply to your letter No. 305/1/47 dated 3rd April 1947.

2. The lists have been compiled from documents held by the Ministry of Defence, Navy.

S. N. BLAUERBURN

FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

21 JUL 1947

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PI-3/N/ 218

16 July 1947

Subject: MILITARY MOVEMENT.

To: SUPERINTENDENT SECURITY DIVISION,
VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

1. It is requested that AMG travel permit be forwarded to enable Italian Naval rating FRANDI Mario to visit Trieste as per leave pass enclosed.

(Sgd.) R. F. Pryce.
REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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SE-4/N/ 217

15 July 1947

Subject: ISSUES OF NAVY SPECIAL FUEL OIL.

To: THE ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT,
BRITISH EMBASSY, ROME.

1. It is requested that a certificate of receipt in respect of the 2412 Imperial gallons of navy special fuel oil, referred to in paragraph 3 of the British Liaison Officer, Petroleum Division's letter E/L/13 dated 11 July 1947, together with details of issue, may be forwarded to this Branch as soon as possible for onward transmission to the Admiralty.

S. N. BLACKBURN

For REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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16 July 1947

SP-1/N/ 216

Subject: PURCHASE OF 16 AMERICAN YMS CRAFT.
To: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, NAVY.
Reference: (a) The Ministry of Defence, Navy's ltr. 2292/UT dated
2 July 1947.

1. Subject to the terms of the agreement under which the Italian Navy is holding these 10 Y.M.S. in protective custody, there is no objection to the proposals contained in reference (a).
2. The United States Naval Member concurs.

(Sgt) C. L. F. FREN
REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

16 JUL 1947

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ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
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15 July 1947

IRM-19/N/215

Subject: SS LARS KRUSE SUNK IN PORT OF BARI.
To: THE MINISTRY OF MERCANTILE MARINE.
Reference: (a) The Ministry of Mercantile Marine's ltr. No.1350/P dated 28 January 1947.
Enclosure: (A) Copy of cargo plan prepared by the British Sea Transport Officer, Barletta, and counter-signed by the Master.

1. Enclosure (A), showing the cargo loaded at Barletta on 21st November, 1943, is forwarded in reply to reference (a).

2. While there is no record showing with absolute certainty the cargo on board at the time of the air raid on Bari on the 2nd December, 1943, it would appear from the following extracts of Sea Transport Officer's bi-weekly position signals, that the vessel, which was fitted as a Cased Petrol Carrier, loaded operationally at Barletta and still had the cargo of POL on board at the time she was sunk by enemy action:-

3.11.43 Sailed Algiers with 1384 Tons cargo of which 1324 Tons was petrol.

14.11.43 Arrived Barletta.

17.11.43 Completed discharge.

18.11.43 Completed loading 1420 Tons (description of cargo not stated) Awaiting permission to enter Bari.

24.11.43 Awaiting orders to proceed to Bari for bunkers.

24.11.43 Sailed Barletta.

25.11.43 Arrived Bari

26.11.43 Shipped 100 Tons bunkers. Awaiting orders.

29.11.43 Shipped 40 Tons bunkers. Awaiting orders.

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REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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PL-2/N/ 214

12 July 1947

Subject: MOVEMENT CONTROL.
To: SUPERINTENDENT SECURITY DIVISION,
VEREZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

1. It is requested that AMG travel permit be forwarded to enable Italian Naval rating COSULICH Alfredo to visit Trieste as per leave pass enclosed.

REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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FL-1/N/ 213

12 July 1947

Subject: ITALIAN PRIZE COURT DECISIONS AND ORDERS.
To: THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, NAVY.
Reference: (a) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr.
FL-1/N/58 dated 11 April 1947.
(b) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr.
FL-1/N/166 dated 12 June 1947.

1. Further to reference (b), a reply to reference (a) not having been received, information is requested as to when it may be expected, or how the matter now stands.

S. N. BLACKBURN

For REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

Allied Force Headquarters
ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
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11 July 1947

IGS-11/N/212

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated 6th December 1946, concerning the return of your ship named "GINEPIO" confirmation has been received to the effect that whilst flying the Italian flag she grounded in the Preveza channel in the middle of August 1943, was refloated in January 1946 at the expense of the Greek Salvage Organization and was sold by auction to M. Georges Triandafilides, who legally transferred the ownership to the Yannakaroni Brothers. The ship is still at Piraeus undergoing repairs.

2. It is observed, that at the time of grounding, Italy had not surrendered and was still considered to be an enemy of the United Nations. It would appear therefore, that the fate of "GINEPIO" did not come under the provisions of any agreement signed after 8th September 1943, but was governed by prize law as internationally applied to the capture of enemy vessels in time of war.

3. The Greek authorities accordingly brought the case before a Prize Court on 4th February 1947, but it is understood that the court's decision has not yet been issued. In the event however, of the Prize Court confirming the capture through adjudication of the prize, thus rendering its appropriation final, the Greek Government will have acted within their legitimate rights.

4. Since I am not in a position to give a final decision on this matter, and observing that Italy has now resumed diplomatic relations with Greece, it is suggested that any further representations which you may wish to make, be addressed to the Italian Ministry of Mercantile Marine for eventual transmission, if necessary, to the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, for presentation to the Greek Government through diplomatic channels.

Yours faithfully,

(SGO) O. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

CAP. LUIGI MONTA,
Piazza Campetto, 7.
GENOVA.

12 JUL 1947

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ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
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SE/ly/N/211

9 July 1947

Subject: ISSUES OF NAVY SPECIAL FUEL OIL.
To: THE VICE PRESIDENT, COMITATO ITALIANO PETROLI - CIP -
ROME.

1. With reference to your memorandum No. 68 dated 19 May 1947, the matter has been referred to the Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean for consideration.
2. Meanwhile, it is requested that full details of the shuttles, and on whose account and authority they were made, be forwarded in respect of bunker issues to shuttle tankers for which you claim re-imbursment.
3. Attention is invited to the fact that while it is appreciated that bunkers may have been authorized by a British port operating unit, it did not necessarily mean that the shuttle was being made on British account. In this connection, it is understood that no shuttles were requested by the Director of Supplies and Transport, General Headquarters, Central Mediterranean Forces after 31st May 1946.

REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

11 JUL 1947

Copies to:
Assistant Director of Supplies and Transport, CHQ, CMF.
British Liaison Officer, Pet. Div. PBS, ROME.

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ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
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PC-1/N/ 210

9 July 1947

Subject: MOTOR SCHOONER "LIDO".

To: THE COMMANDING GENERAL, PENINSULAR BASE SECTION, LEEHORN.

Reference: (a) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr.
PC-1/N/19 dated 28 March 1947.

Enclosure: (A) Copy of CO.GE.NA's ltr. of 7 January 1947 to Peninsular
Base Section, Claims Division.

1. A reply in accordance with paragraph 2 of reference (a) not having been received, information is requested as to when it may be expected or how the matter now stands.

2. The Comitato Italiano Gestione Navi, (CO.GE.NA.) Rome, have reported that the information requested in Enclosure (A) has not yet been received.

REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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SX-1/N/ 209

8 July 1947

Subject: NAVAL-AIR CO-OPERATION TRAINING DATA.
To: THE SECRETARY OF THE ADMIRALTY.
Enclosure: (A) Translation of the Ministry of Defense, Navy's ltr.
10222/2 dated 18th June 1947.

Forwarded for the consideration of their Lordships.

2. In the event of the material in question not being available prior to the date of the coming into force of the Italian Treaty of Peace, it is requested that it may be forwarded to the Naval Attache' to His Majesty's Ambassador in Rome.

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FOR
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DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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PL-2/N/ 208

8 July 1947

Subject: MOVEMENT CONTROL.

To: SUPERINTENDENT SECURITY DIVISION,
VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

1. It is requested that AMG travel permit be forwarded to enable Italian Naval rating BIANCHI Duilio to visit Trieste as per leave pass enclosed.

Sgd. R. E. PRICE.
for REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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CMI-3/N/ 207

8 July 1947

Subject: DISPOSAL OF ITALIAN NAVAL WAR MATERIAL.
To: MINISTRY OF DEFENSE, NAVY.
Reference: (a) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr.
CMI-3/N/134, dated 13 May 1947.

1. Further to reference (a), the question regarding the disposal of the Italian Navy material at Pola has been reconsidered, and approval has been given for its release to the Italian Navy. The stores in question have accordingly been removed from Pola and landed at Venice where they have been handed over to the local Italian naval authorities.

2. It is pointed out however, that this material is subject to such disposal as may be directed by the Council of the Four Ambassadors in accordance with the Peace Treaty.

(Sgd) G. L. WILKINSON

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PC-1/B/206

7 July 1947

Subject: CLAIM BY DEPENDENTS OF STOKER FRY.
To: THE BRITISH EMBASSY, ROME.

The enclosed translation of the Italian Ministry of Defence, Navy's letter No. 11037/2 dated 30th June 1947 is forwarded in reply to the enquiry contained in the British Embassy's undated letter No. 188/10/47.

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PI-2/N/205

7 July 1947

Subject: MOVEMENT CONTROL.

To: SUPERINTENDENT SECURITY DIVISION,
VENEZIA GIULIA POLICE FORCE.

1. It is requested that AMG travel permit be forwarded to enable Italian Naval rating GOSPOMETICH Giacomo to visit Brassa as per leave pass enclosed.

Sgd. R. E. PRICE.

For: REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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5 July 1947

SI-1/N/204

Subject: SPARE PARTS FOR L.C.T.'S.
To: THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, MEDITERRANEAN STATION.
(Copies to: Flag Officer, Malta.
Commodore Superintendent, Malta.)
Reference: (a) The Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean's signal timed
231646 June 1947.
Enclosure: (A) List of spares for Paxman and Gray Marine engines
required by the Italian Navy.

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

2. It is requested that the total cost price of the stores
listed in enclosure (A) be forwarded as soon as possible for the informa-
tion of the Italian Ministry of Defence, Navy, in order that arrangements
for pre-payment in sterling may be made.

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SI-1/H/203

5 July 1947

Subject: SPARE PARTS FOR L.C.T.'S.

To: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, NAVY.

Reference: (a) The Ministry of Defence, Navy's memorandum dated 31 May 1947 from MARISEREGES, ARAM liaison office.

1. In reply to reference (a), the Ministry of Defence, Navy, is informed that enquiries made into the matter have resulted in a limited quantity of spares for Paxman and Gray Marine engines only, being available in Malta. The cost price of these spares will be communicated in due course.

2. With regard to the Ministry of Defence, Navy's acquisition of Allied landing craft, while it is appreciated that these craft are at present being operated for un-warlike purposes, it would appear unlikely that the Italian Navy will be allowed to retain these craft after the ratification of the Italian Peace Treaty, observing that, in view of the definition of "Specialised Types of Assault Craft" given in Annex XIII of the Treaty, paragraph 2 of Article 59 may be interpreted as prohibiting the employment of these L.C.T.'s by Italy when the Treaty comes into force.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

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IRM-11(3)/N/202

4th July 1947

Subject: FRENCH BARGE "IDOLATRE" EX "KOENIGSBERG".

To: THE SECRETARY OF THE ADMIRALTY.
(Copy to: The Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.)

Reference: (a) Admiralty's letter N.L. 2532/47 dated 21st May 1947 addressed to the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.

Enclosure: (A) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' letter IRM-11(3)/N/202 dated 4th July 1947.
(B) Copy of the translation of the French Mercantile Marine Mission in Italy's letter I.428 dated 10th October 1946.
(C) Copy of the Navy Sub-Commission, Allied Commission's letter MSC/5555 dated 18th October 1946.
(D) Copy of translation of Italian Ministry of Mercantile Marine's letter No. 35643 dated 16th November 1946.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded for the information of Their Lordships with regard to reference (a).

2. Enclosures (B) (C) and (D) are also forwarded for information in connection with the French demand for the payment of hiring charges.

(Sgd) G. E. WILKINSON
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DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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DE-11(3)/5/201

4 July 1947

Subject: FRENCH BARGE "IDOLATRE" ex "KONIGSBERG".

To: THE CHIEF OF THE FRENCH MERCANTILE MARINE MISSION IN ITALY.
(Through: The French Representative to the Allied Military
Authorities in Italy.)

1. With reference to your letter No. 1178 dated 7th August 1946 and subsequent correspondence concerning your claim for payment of hiring charges in connection with the employment of the barge IDOLATRE ex KONIGSBERG, I have been instructed to convey to you the British Admiralty's decision on the matter.

2. The Admiralty are of the opinion that in view of the information furnished by the Compagnia Marittima in their letter dated 26th January 1947, copy of which is enclosed, any contention by the French Authorities that this vessel has earned profits during the course of trading operation appears to be clearly erroneous. Moreover, as the vessel was requisitioned out of prize for service with the Allied Commission (on which the French Authorities were represented and which operated in the general Allied interest) no grounds whatever would appear to exist for payment of any hiring charges to the French Government. In any event, the amount due to the Admiralty to meet the cost of salvage services and essential repairs rendered to the IDOLATRE ex KONIGSBERG, is considered to be a French liability in accordance with the terms of the Liberated Ships Memorandum. In this connection the Admiralty stress furthermore, that no question of set-off of hiring charges can be contemplated.

3. In view of the dissolution of this Branch after ratification of the Peace Treaty, it is requested that any further correspondence on this subject be conducted by the "Office Nationale de la Navigation" direct with the British Admiralty through diplomatic channels.

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PI-3/N/ 200

3 July 1947

Subject: CIVILIAN TRAVEL PERMITS FOR LIBYA.
To: THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, NAVY.
References: (a) Ministry of Defence, Navy's ltr. 7912/2 dated 3 May 1947.
(b) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr. PI-3/N/123 dated 10 May 1947.

1. Further to reference (b), the Ministry of Defence, Navy is informed that the British Military Authority, Tripoli, Libya, under cover of their signal timed 26.1200 June have authorized the visit of PAOLO BIANCHI and EMILIO MAYER to Tripolitania for a period of one month.

2. The British Military Authority, Tripoli have requested that their authority, P.2/942 be quoted if required, and that the persons concerned be instructed to report to "COMFOL", British Military Authority on arrival in Tripoli.

(Sgd.) R. F. Pryce.

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DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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IRM-11/N/133

2 July 1947

Subject: SS STAMIRA.
To: THE SOCIETA' FIUMANA DI NAVIGAZIONE.
Reference: (a) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters ltr.
No. IRM-11/N/132 of 12 May 1947.

1. Further to reference (a), information has been received from the British Embassy to the effect that a decision has now been reached by the Foreign Office in London regarding the future disposal of SS STAMIRA.

2. The British Foreign Office take the view that the Greek Government should be asked to return the vessel to the Italian Government in accordance with the terms of the undertaking given by the Greek Government at the time of the ship's allocation to Greece. The American State Department's agreement has therefore been sought in this connection, since the vessel was originally allocated to Greece by the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean and the Greek undertaking is expressed to be made to the Governments of the United Kingdom and the United States jointly.

3. Observing therefore, that negotiations appear to be proceeding favourably, it is considered that no useful purpose will be served by the further intervention of this Branch, and it is accordingly recommended that any further enquiries on this matter be addressed to the First Secretary (Commercial), British Embassy, Rome.

(Sgd) G. L. WARREN

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