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S.S. PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA -
SHIP'S PAPERS
MAY 46 - JUN. 47

NAVAL MESSAGE

P.A.

28/10.

B.U. 1.12.47

for return to
Archives.

D of ST LONDON DINE AFHQ

FROM.....S.S.T.O. VENISE.

Unclassified.

This is my 251607/August.

Request reply to my letter ref: 5503/SF of 23rd: June subject documents
of Principessa Giovanna.

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DTG.....25 1607B/August....

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T/P(RAAC)

P/L

TOR A.M.

26th:

RF

26/8/47

NAVAL MESSAGE

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TO SSIO CHQ CMT (R) PSTO MED.

FROM DIND, A.F.H.Q.

Unclassified.

Request you now hasten DofST for a reply to your letter 5503/ST of 23rd June referred to in your 221015 July regarding documents of Principessa Giovanna.

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REF: Return of documents to SS Principessa Giovanna.

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A.M. 23rd.

DGS.

23/8/47.

NAVAL MESSAGE

From:

To:

TO: D. OF ST. FROM: D. OF ST.

FROM: D. OF ST. TO: D. OF ST.

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Your 21124B not so D of ST. No documents of Principessa Giovanna held in this office. Matter has been referred to D of ST. My letter 5503/81 dated 25th June not to you refer.

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MSG. 22 1615Z/July...

Ref: Principessa Giovanna documents.
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TO:

A.M.

26th:

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM:

TO: ASSTO CHQ CSE (R) 1870 1870.

FROM: DINE AHBQ.

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Unclassified.

Request action taken regarding documents of Principessa Giovanna be reported now in accordance with PSTO Med'n 200900 June.

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REF: Tracking of S.S. "P.G.'s" documents.
DIST: 0-6, 10, 15, 16, 21, Log.

CSE:RAC(1/P).

P/L.

A.M. 21st.

DGB. 21/7/47.

Office of the
Principal Sea Transport Officer,
Mediterranean,
Navy House,
Port Said.

No: SOT/P/50.

20th June, 1947.

Rear Admiral,
Director,
Italian Naval Branch,
Allied Force Headquarters,
A.P.O. 794. ITALY.

Copy to:- S.S.T.O. Padua.

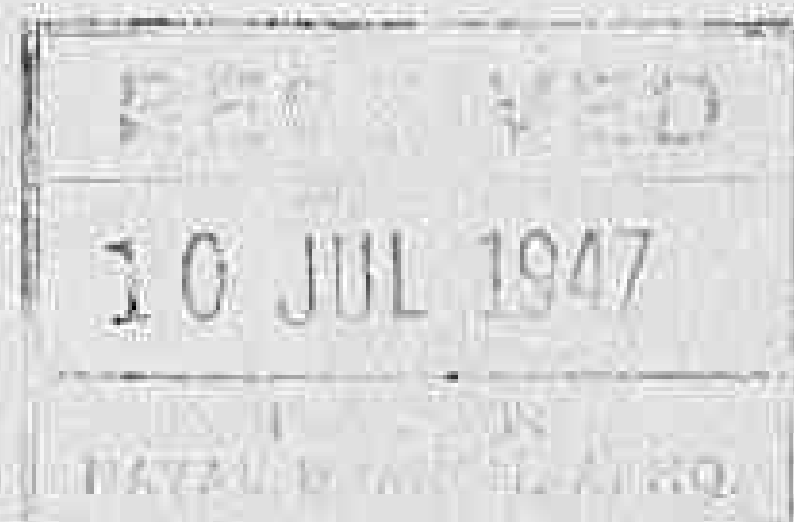
S.S. "PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA" - Ships Documents

With reference to your communication No. IRN-11/N/137,
dated 15th May, 1947, and confirming my signal T.O.O. 2172
200900B/6, this matter was referred to Senior Sea Transport
Officer, PADUA, on 20th November 1946, under cover of my
minute IV No. SOT/P/50.

2. It is regretted documents are not held by me.

J. L. Scruar

COMODORE, R.N.



NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM:

TO:

TO DIRECTOR ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH AMEMB. ROME. FROM P.S.T.O. MED.

Unclassified.

Your letters 169 and 170 of 16th June. Please consult B.S.T.O. Roma.

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DIST: 0-6, 10, 15, 16, 21, 10g.

P/R(RAAC).

P/L.

A.M. 25th.

DGS.

26/6/41.

BU for
SS to's reply
on previous
signal.

NAVAL MESSAGE

TO SSFO PADUA CHQ CMT (R) I.M.B. AFHQ ITALY. FROM PSFO MED.

Important Unclassified.

Subject ships documents Principessa Giovanna. My No. SOT/r/50 minute TV dated 20th November 1946 refers.

2. Documents not held by me and Director Italian Naval Branch AFHQ requests early information.
3. Report action taken.

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E/F(BAAG).

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R/I.

A.M. 21st.

DGS. 23/6/47.

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Allied Force Headquarters
ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
APO 794

DM-11/N/178

23 June 1947

Subject: SS PRINCESSA GIOVANNA - SHIP'S PAPERS.
To: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, NAVY.
Reference: (a) The Ministry of Defence, Navy's ltr. No.2040/UT
dated 13 June 1947.

1. In reply to reference (a) the Ministry of Defence, Navy is informed that the Principal Sea Transport Officer, Mediterranean has again been requested to expedite the despatch of the documents in question which will be forwarded to the Ministry of Defence, Navy as soon as they are received.

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

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24 JUN 1947

From: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (NAVY) (Office of the Secretary General)
To : Italian Naval Branch - A.F.H.Q.
Date: 13th June 1947
Ref.: 2040/UT

Subject: S.S. "Principessa Giovanna" - ship's papers

Reference is made to your letter IRN-11/N/64, dated 14th April 1947.

It would be appreciated if you could inform us whether the "Principal Sea Transport Officer, Mediterranean" has divulged the required information regarding the above vessel.

By direction
The Secretary General
(Sgd.) for Admiral
E. FERRERI.

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REPUBBLICA ITALIANA

Roma, li

MINISTERO DELLA DIFESA - MARINA
SEGRETARIO GENERALE - COORDINAMENTO MARINA

AI ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH

Indirizzo: MARINA - ROMA

Ufficio TRATTATI

Protoc. N. 2040/AT.

Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Documenti della Nave "Principessa Giovanna".

Riferimento foglio IRN-11/N/64 del 14 aprile 1947.

Si prega volere comunicare se il "Principal Sea Transport Officer, Mediterraneo", ha fatto conoscere le notizie relative alla nave in argomento. -

d'ordine

IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE
(Amm. di S.Q.E. FERRERI)H. CAPITANO DI VASCELLO
Segretario Coord. Marina
(G. Marina)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
APO 794

IN-11/N/170

16 June 1947

Subject: SHIP'S DOCUMENTS - SS PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA.
To: THE PRINCIPAL SEA TRANSPORT OFFICER, MEDITERRANEAN.
Reference: (a) Flag Officer, Malta's minute No.1208/MS dated 10 November 1946.
(b) Italian Naval Branch, Allied Force Headquarters' ltr.
IN-11/N/137 dated 15 May 1947.

1. It is requested that a very early reply may now be made to reference (b).

2. In the event of the documents referred to in reference (a) not being available by the date the Italian Peace Treaty comes into force, it is requested that they may be forwarded to the Naval Attache', British Embassy, Rome.

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(sgn)
for J.C. Loomis (JNR) 2166
REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

16 JUN 1947

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Allied Force Headquarters
ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
APO 794

IRM-11/M/137

15 May 1947

Subject: SHIPS'S PAPERS - SS "PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA".
To: PRINCIPAL SEA TRANSPORT OFFICER, MEDITERRANEAN.
Reference: (a) Rear Admiral Malta's minute Malta No. 1206/M3 dated
10th November 1946.

1. The documents referred to 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.

H. W. ZIROLI,
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL, 2165
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

16 MAY 1947

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Allied Force Headquarters
ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
APO 794

14 April 1947

IRN-11/N/ 64

Subject: SHIP'S PAPERS - SS "PRINCIPessa GIOVANNA".
To: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, NAVY.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Defence, Navy ltr. 1139/UT of 9 April 1947.

1. In reply to reference (a) you are advised that the matter of the subject papers has been referred by Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean to the Principal Sea Transport Officer, Mediterranean for a reply.
2. This Branch has requested the Principal Sea Transport Officer, Mediterranean, for an early reply, which will be transmitted to you upon receipt.

H. W. ZIROLL
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH.

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16 APR 1947

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Tell PSTO Med to send papers
to Brit N.A. to whom file
should be passed

From: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (NAVY) (Cabinet)
To : Italian Naval Branch - A.F.H.Q.
Date: 9th April 1947
Ref.: 1139/UT

Subject: Ship's papers - S.S. "PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA" .

With reference to your letter NSC/5676, dated 23rd October 1946.

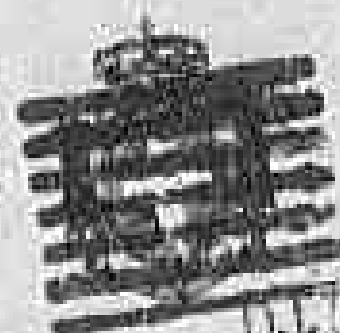
It would be appreciated if you could give us some information regarding our request in letter 1902/UT, dated 24th May 1946, referring to the return of the S.S. "PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA"'s papers which were handed over by the Captain to the British Authorities in Malta.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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Ministero della Marina

GABINETTO

Ufficio Trattati

INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N° 1139/UT Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Documenti di bordo del piroscafo
PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA.

Riferimento foglio NSC/5676 in data 23
ottobre 1946 della Commissione Alleata.

Si prega voler fornire notizie in merito
alla richiesta contenuta nel dispaccio di que-
sto Ministero n. 1902/UT del 24 maggio 1946, re-
lativa alla restituzione delle carte di bordo
del piroscafo PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA consegnate
dal Comandante alle Autorità inglesi di Malta.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

Marini

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IRN-11/N/133

15 March 1947.

From: Naval Sub-Section, Italian Military Affairs Section.
To: Principal Sea Transport Officer, Mediterranean.
Subject: Hospital Ship "PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA"-
Ship Documents.
Reference: (u) Rear Admiral Malta's Minute III Malta No. 1208/MS
dated 10 November 1946.

1. It is requested that this Sub-Section be advised
if reply has been made to reference(a).

H. M. MALTA,
COMMANDER, NAVAL SUB-SECTION,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
DIRECTOR, NAVAL SUB-SECTION, IMAS.

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18 MAR 1947

HOSPITAL SHIP "PROMETHEA GIOVANNI" -
SHIP'S DOCUMENTS.

(Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean
 No. 46/596/17/1 of 3rd Column, 1946.)

III.

Malta No. 1208/13.
 PRINCIPAL SEA TRANSPORT OFFICER,
 MEDITERRANEAN.
 (Copy to:-
 Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean,
 Chief, Navy Sub Commission, Allied
 Commission.)

Forwarded.

2. These documents are not held by
 the Sea Transport Officer, Malta. It is
 understood from the former Divisional Sea
 Transport Officer, Malta that they were
 transmitted to your office.

2160

10th November, 1946

J. R. Gordon
 (J. R. KELLY)
 AREA OFFICER, MALTA.

Navy Sub-commission, Hq. AC
 19 NOV 1946

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NSC/5639
12 November 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.
To: Rear Admiral, Malta.
Subject: Ship's Papers, "S.S. PRINCESS GIOVANNA".

1. It would be appreciated if a reply could now be given to
Minute II Mod. 46/596/17/1 of 3 October 1946.

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

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15 NOV 1946

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub Commission APO 394

NSC/5676.

23rd October, 1946.

From : Navy Sub Commission, Hq., Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject : Ship's Papers, "S.S. PRINCESS GIOVANNA"

Reference (a) : Ministry of Marine's letter 3397/UT of
18th October, 1946.

(b) : Ministry of Marine's letter 2497/UT of
5th July, 1946.

1. The Navy Sub Commission has referred the question of the subject papers to the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station, who in turn has referred it to Rear Admiral, Malta, for action.

2. The Ministry of Marine will be informed as soon the necessary action has been taken by Rear Admiral, Malta.

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FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION.

26 OCT 1946

From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 18th October 1946
Ref.: 3397/UT

Subject: S.S. "PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA" - Ship's papers

With reference to our messages 1902/UT and 2497/UT, respectively dated 24th May 1946 and 8th July 1946, it is requested that you should supply some information regarding the return of the ship's papers of SS. "PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA" which were given by the Captain to the British Authorities in Malta.

for CHIEF OF CABINET

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Navy Sub-commission, Hq. AC

21 OCT 1946

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Ministero della Marina
GABINETTO

Ufficio Trattati
INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO MARINA - ROMA

COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Navale

Prot. N° 3397/UT *Allegati*

ARGOMENTO Carte di bordo del piroscafo "PRINCIPES
SA GIOVANNA". -

Con riferimento ai dispacci 1902/UT e
2497/UT rispettivamente del 24 Maggio c.a.
e dell'8 Luglio c.a., si prega voler fornire
qualche notizia in merito alla restituzione
delle carte di bordo del P/fo "Principessa
Giovanna" consegnate dal Comandante alle
Autorità inglesi di Malta. -

d'ordine

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

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HOSPITAL SHIP "PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA" -
SHIP'S DOCUMENTS.

(Chief, Navy Sub Commission, Allied
Commission's letter No. NEC/5096 dated
31st May, 1946).

II.

Med. 46/596/17/1.
REAR ADMIRAL, MONTA.

(Copy to:-

Chief, Navy Sub Commission,
Allied Commission.)

Forwarded for necessary
action.

Mediterranean.
3rd October, 1946.

Sgd. P.S. SMITH
for ADMIRAL

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No.

785020

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub Commission APO 394

NSC/5361.
9th August, 1946.

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

Subject : Copy of Navy Sub Commission's letter NSC/5290.

With reference to Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean's signal timed 081737 I enclose herewith a duplicate copy of Navy Sub Commission's letter No. NSC/5096 of 31st May, 1946, as requested.

SHIPS PAPERS OF

SS PRINCEIPES

GUANAN

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(Sga) D.E. COLPIN

SECRETARY TO
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION.

10 AUG 1946

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MED TO NSC AHQ U/C SECRETARY TO CHIEF NAVY
SUB COMMISSIONS NO NSC / FIVE TWO EIGHT ZERO
OF THIRTEEN JULY 46 FORMER LETTER QUOTED NOT
RECEIVED REQUEST DUPLICATE COPY 081737 *

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MARK YOUR REPLY

"Via Imperial"

NO ENQUIRY RESPECTING THIS TELEGRAM CAN BE ATTENDED TO WITHOUT PRODUCTION OF THIS COPY.

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A.P.H.Q.

Unclassified

From SSFO Caserta. Your 151239M. Director of Sea Transport
has indicated that Principessa Giovanna will be required
until March 1947.....DTG 161032 July.

-----161032 July-----

Ref...Release of Principessa Giovanna.
T/P

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(R) C IN C MED. N.S.C.

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Reference your letter 4393/S.P. dated 30th April 1946, as Italians have again raised question of release of PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA, request whether it is now possible to forecast when British requirements for this vessel will end.

.....151239/B July.....

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15/7/46

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub Commission APO 394

NSC/5280.
13th July, 1946.

From : Secretary to Chief Navy Sub Commission.
To : Secretary to Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.

Subject : Ship papers of SS. "PRINCIPISSA GIOVANNA".

Information is requested as to whether any reply to Navy
Sub Commission's letter number NSC/5096 of 31st May can now be given.

(S/N) D.E. COLEMAN

ADMIRAL'S SECRETARY.

2151

25 JUL 1946

From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : A.C. - N.S.C.
Date: 8th July 1946
Ref.: 2497/UT

Subject: Ships papers of SS. "PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA".

If possible, it is requested that information may be given with regard to the request contained in my letter No.1902/UT dated 24th May 1946, subject being the return of ships documents belonging to SS."PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA" which were given by the Commanding Officer to the British Authorities at Malta.

By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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MINISTERO DELLA MARINA

GABINETTO
Ufficio Trattati

In Hirzoo telegrafico: MARINA - ROMA

Prot. N. 2494/UT. Allegati

ARGOMENTO: Carte di bordo del piroscafo PRINCIPESSA
GIOVANNA.

Qualora sia possibile, si prega voler
fornire qualche notizia in merito alla ri-
chiesta contenuta nel dispaccio 1902/UT
del 24 maggio c.a. relativa alla restitui-
zione delle carte di bordo del p/fo PRIN-
CIPESSA GIOVANNA consegnate dal Comandante
alle Autorità inglesi di Malta.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
C. di V. G. MARINI

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MSC/5096
31 May 1946

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station.
Subject: SC. "PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA" - Ship's Documents.

1. At the time of the return of the S.S. "PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA" to the Italian flag, which took place at Genoa on 23rd April 1946, the ship was found to be without its certificate of nationality, certificate of tonnage, and crew list, since these documents had been handed over by the Commanding Officer of the ship to the British authorities in Malta - the C.T.S.O. to be precise - at the time when the British flag was flown.

2. As it is necessary to furnish the ship with the documents in question, in place of which the Captain of the Port at Genoa has issued provisional certificates, it is requested that the British Authorities concerned may be asked to forward the above documents to the Italian Ministry of Marine.

(Sd) G. L. WARDEN

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

4 JUN 1946 2148

From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - A.C.
Date: 24th May 1946
Ref.: 1902/UT - Encl. No.1

Subject: SS. "PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA" - Ship's Documents

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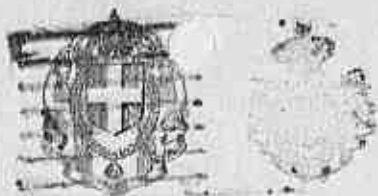
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By direction
CHIEF OF CABINET

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INDIRIZZO TELEGRAFICO: MARINA - ROMA

Tel. N. 1902/UT Allegati 1

COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
- Sottocommissione Navale -

ARGOMENTO: P.fo "PRINCIPESSE GIOVANNA" = Carta di bordo

In occasione del ritorno alla bandiera italiana del pirosca "PRINCIPESSE GIOVANNA", avvenuto a Genova il 23.4.1946, la nave risultata sprovvista dell'atto di nazionalità, del certificato stazza e del ruolo di equipaggio, dato che tali documenti furono consegnati dal Comandante alla Autorità inglese di Malta e presentemente al D.T.S.O., allorché la nave dovette alzare bandiera inglese.

Giacché è necessario che l'unità di cui trattasi venga dotata dei documenti in questione, in sostituzione dei quali la R. Capitaneria di Genova ha rilasciato certificati provvisori, si prega di voler richiedere alle competenti Autorità britanniche i documenti di cui sopra e inviarli a questo Ministero.

d'Ordine 2146

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

Marini

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Allied Force Headquarters
ITALIAN NAVAL BRANCH
APO 794

Ltr. Ref. Date & Subject

Principal Sea Transport Officer.
No: SOT/P/50 20 June 1947

Date Rec'd 10 JUL 1947

(X) ACTION
(/) INFO

X	DIRECTOR	H	10/7
	DEPUTY DIRECTOR		
	CSO (LI)		
	PERSONNEL		
	ADMINISTRATION		
	SUPPLY		
	ALL HANDS		

S.S. "PRINCIPESSA GIOVANNA" - Ships Documents.

TYPE AND RETURN TO ACTION OFFICER:

Noted. B.U. for SS to Padua in reply.

SS to Padua Postcard 24/7. B.U. 10/8.

Signal sent to SS to Padua Wharfen 23/8.

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BRING-UP DATE: 20/7 ACTION COMPLETED - FILE
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