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January 31, 1944

TO: Brigadier Gueterbock,
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Naples.

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February 7, 1944.

Memorandum to: Political Section,
Allied Control Commission,
Naples.

Subject: Repatriation of Italians.

The American Legation in Madrid has telegraphed that the Spanish Foreign Office, before taking final action on issuance of transit visas to repatriating Italians, states that it is awaiting further information from its Embassy in Lisbon.

H.B.M. Embassy in Madrid states that repatriation arrangements will probably not be complete for several weeks due to necessity for elaborate security vetting of party before departure, and is not anxious that persons concerned be permitted to leave Portugal before that date. Therefore, the British do not intend for the present to press the matter.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

APO 394

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14 February 1944

I know from your letter 5/16/1944 of 5 February and other evidence that there are genuine security difficulties about expediting the repatriation of surplus Italian staff from Spain and Portugal. But from the enclosed copy of a memo from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs you will see that anything you can do to hurry things up will be appreciated.

I also attach a copy of a private letter from Prunas suggesting that doubtful Italians are better placed in Italy than abroad. Except in those cases where we really think they will have the courage and conviction to engage in sabotage there is surely something to be said for this point of view. You will note that Prunas also brings up King Charles Hood--Thacoli--is there any decision about him yet?

Could you very kindly give a copy of this correspondence to Fred Reinhardt.

Roger Watkins, Esq., C.B.C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Political Section

On the strength of the communication made to them by the Allied Control Commission, the Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs duly informed the Italian Embassy in Madrid and the Italian Legation in Lisbon of the proposal made by the Allied Authorities in Algiers of making available at Gibraltar a number of accommodations on Allied vessels, in order to permit the repatriation of superfluous Italian personnel in Portugal and Spain. Instructions were also sent on January 4th to the two above mentioned diplomatic missions, for them to get in touch with the local British and United States diplomatic missions, in order to arrange, in consultation with them, a plan of departures.

In a telegram recently received through the courtesy of the Allied Control Commission, the Italian Ambassador in Madrid informs that, notwithstanding the complete agreement reached with the United States and British Embassies there, all departures are being held up on account of the prescribed visas and authorizations to be given by the British Government, and that it is expected that this procedure will entail a delay of various weeks.

The matter is all the more urgent as a new batch of about 60 state employees and 30 refugees were being held in readiness to leave at the end of January. The delay in their departure not only further holds up the proposed plan for the reduction of personnel and general expenditure of the Italian diplomatic and consular offices in Spain and Portugal, but, by prolonging indefinitely the state of uncertainty of the persons concerned, is generally detrimental to the already delicate situation of our colonies in the above two countries.

The Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs shall be grateful if the Allied Control Commission can see their way to recommending to the competent Allied Authorities a speedier examination and decision of the various cases of Italian subjects who are awaiting repatriation.

/s/ R. P.

Brindisi, February 8th, 1944

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Brindisi, February 7th 1944

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Dear Caccia,

According to reports received by the Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Allied Headquarters are believed to have given instructions to the British and United States diplomatic missions in Madrid and Portugal to oppose the return to Italy of all Italian subjects of doubtful political sentiments, i.e. suspect of being in favour of the so-called fascist republic.

I do not know if these reports are correct. In our opinion, however, it is undoubtedly preferable, indeed necessary, that such persons, rather than remain abroad where they escape all control, be authorized to return to Italy where it is far easier to follow and strictly control them.

Moreover, on the other hand, they would merely increase the dissident faction; they would sow new contrasts in the Italian communities; they would add to the already very difficult and delicate task of the Italian diplomatic and consular authorities; they would most probably facilitate the opportunities of German propaganda against us.

The foregoing applies all the more in the case of officials and employees, some of whom, if immediately repatriated, and taken away from the local atmosphere, would certainly not have passed to the other camp.

May I ask you to represent and explain this point of view to your authorities?

I would also ask you to submit to the former the possibility of considering with a greater latitude certain individual cases, as the one of Marchese Ugo Theodoli, whose return to Italy appears to have been held up on account of reports which I have no hesitation in qualifying at least very superficial.

As you are aware, Theodoli has nothing more to do in Lisbon, where he merely represents a relatively big expense for us; that his activity would on the other hand be extremely useful and extremely beneficial in Italy.

I shall indeed be most grateful, Dear Caccia, if you will be so good as to insist on his name, on the strength of my formal assurance that Theodoli is an absolutely inoffensive person.

The reorganization of the Red Cross in Southern Italy, and the tasks which we intend to entrust to it, represent an extremely urgent and necessary matter.

Believe me, very sincerely yours,

/s/ R. Imposi

UNITED STATES MEMBER
ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

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MEMORANDUM

FOR THE

POLITICAL SECTION (A.C.2.)

(Translation)

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The Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs has the honour to bring to the serious attention of the Allied Control Commission the following considerations:

1. - As the Allied Authorities are aware, the Royal Government, owing to lack of foreign currency, finds itself in the absolute necessity of reducing its personnel abroad. This course of action is also advisable in view of the fact that, the longer certain members of its services abroad are left inactive the greater are the probabilities of contrasts and dissensions springing amongst them. Contrasts and confusion are on the other hand also facilitated by the circumstance that the Royal Government has practically no possibility of corresponding directly and speedily with its agencies abroad and thus cannot impart to them the necessary information and clarifying instructions. A clear demonstration of this is given by what is now going on in Spain and Portugal.
2. - The repatriation of the personnel can obviously be carried out only if the necessary means of transportation can be provided. Over a period of five months, no Allied means have been available for that purpose, except for the repatriation from Turkey of a small number of employees. The few other repatriations have been carried out so far from Spain and Portugal by Italian means (Cruiser "torpedo Magno", Italian Airplane of the "LAI" Co.).
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The Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs would be grateful to the Allied Control Commission if it could kindly see its way to causing an adjournment of all Allied requests of individual repatriations until the necessary means of transportation will be available, the only result in the present situation being otherwise the one of adding to the state of uncertainty and uneasiness of the officials and employees concerned.

4. - The total lack of speedy and direct telegraphic communications between the Italian Government and its agencies abroad is largely exploited by the self-styled Fascist Government, which on the contrary can telegraph freely and directly wherever it wishes and is in a position to send agents to any European country, naturally with the exception of U.S.S.R.. The complete isolation in which the Italian Government has been kept for the last five months does not help in any way our common effort, whereas it seriously hinders, every day more, the action of the Government itself, whose activity and very existence is practically ignored in foreign countries and amongst Italian communities abroad.

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6. - The Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs has the honour to submit to the Allied Control Commission the following proposals:

a) The Cruiser "Pompeo Magno" or some other Italian vessel should be authorized to carry out the aforesaid repatriations.

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The Royal Government will undertake to ensure beforehand all the precautions and to give the Allied Authorities all the informations which may be best fitted to guarantee the necessary security.

b) An Italian air service with Spain and Portugal should be resumed at least fortnightly, also in view of avoiding, as repeatedly pointed out, that a similar service may be carried out against our own interests by the so-called Fascist Government. Also for such a service the Royal Government undertakes to adopt all these measures which the Allies may deem necessary.

c) The Royal Government should be authorized to send and receive directly uncoded messages containing press items and information to and from its agencies abroad.

The Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs would be most obliged if the Allied Control Commission would kindly sponsor the aforesaid proposals to the Allied Governments, conveying their particular attention upon the fact that after five months since the date of the Armistice it should be possible to take on the matter an attitude which may enable the Italian Government to perform some of its normal functions. Only then would it be possible to convey abroad the impression that Italy, with the help and cooperation of the Allies, is beginning to breathe again in the democratic and liberal atmosphere, which is the fundamental condition for her revival.

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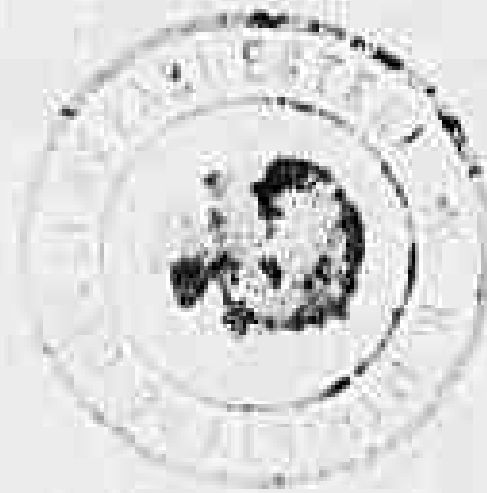
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MEMORANDUM PER LA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO

Il R. Ministero degli Affari Esteri ha l'onore di attirare la più seria attenzione della Commissione Alleata di Controllo su quanto segue:

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3. Si continua tuttavia ad insistere da parte Alleata, perché i rimpatri di personale siano da parte di questo Ministero disposti, sia perché singoli funzionari vengono richiamati. Ora è chiaro che è perfettamente inutile disporre rimpatri o richiamare fun-

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disporre perché tali richieste di rimpatrio siano da parte Alleata sospese, sino a quando esse non potranno essere accompagnate dalla contemporanea necessaria disponibilità dei mezzi di trasporto, senza la quale i preavvisi di rimpatrio non farebbero che indisporre funzionari e impiegati, aggiungendo ulteriori inutili elementi di incertezza e di nervosismo.

4. Dall'assenza totale di contatti telegrafici esteri e diretti fra il R.Governo e le sue Rappresentanze all'estero, approfitta largamente il sedicente Governo Fascista che ha la piena libertà di telegrafare direttamente ove voglia e quello di inviare in tutta l'Europa, salvo naturalmente la Russia, agenti, emissari e fiduciari. La posizione di assoluto e totale isolamento in cui il R.Governo è tenuto ormai da 5 mesi, non giova in sostanza in alcun modo apprezzabile alla causa comune e danneggia in modo progressivamente maggiore e progressivamente più certo il R.Governo, di cui gli Stati esteri e le collettività italiane ignorano in modo pressoché totale, l'attività, e, quasi, l'esistenza.

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agli Alleati tutte quelle informazioni che potranno meglio rassicurarli.

- b) Che sia autorizzata la ripresa almeno quindicinale di un servizio aereo italiano con la Penisola Iberica, anche allo scopo di impedire che tale servizio sia esercitato, come è stato già lungamente spiegato, ai nostri danni dal sedicente governo fascista. Anche per quanto riguarda tale servizio, il R.Governo si impegna ad adottare d'accordo con gli Alleati tutte le necessarie cautele.
- c) Che il R.Governo sia autorizzato a telegrafare direttamente in chiaro e a ricevere direttamente in chiaro da e per le proprie Rappresentanze all'estero, informazioni e notizie di carattere stampa.

Il R.Ministero degli Affari Esteri sarà molto grato alla Commissione di Controllo se vorrà appoggiare con la consueta benevolenza le indicate proposte presso i Governi Alleati, soprattutto insistendo sulla circostanza che dopo quasi 5 mesi dall'armistizio sembra necessario adottare sulla questione un atteggiamento che consenta al R.Governo di esercitare qualcuna delle sue normali funzioni, dando all'estero la sensazione oggi quasi inesistente che l'Italia, con l'appoggio e la collaborazione degli Alleati, ricomincia a rivivere in quell'atmosfera democratica e liberale, che è la condizione fondamentale della sua rinascita.



SALERNO, 10 FEBBRAIO 1944

February 17, 1944.

TO: Political Section,
Allied Control Commission,
Naples.

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italian Citizens from Spain
on Italian Vessels.

With reference to your memorandum of January 25, 1944, enclosing copies of a communication from the Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs which proposed a procedure for the repatriation of Italian civilians from Spain on Italian vessels, the following reply has now been received from the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2:

"In view of the Security difficulties which have arisen and would arise in the embarkation of Italian civilians from Spain on Italian vessels and the subsequent difficulties of checking their arrival whether in North Africa or Italy, it is not considered desirable that Royal Italian ships should be used for this purpose.

"From the Security standpoint it is felt that the original conditions outlined in our communication of 28 December 1943 to the Allied Control Commission should be enforced as at present. This is in accordance with the signal from C-in-C Mediterranean on 28th December 1943 which is quoted in the Memorandum from the Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs."

G. F. Reinhardt
Acting United States Member
Advisory Council for Italy

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TELEGRAM

No. 78, FROM ITALIAN CONSUL GENERAL, TANGIER
FOR ITALIAN FOREIGN OFFICE

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Au début Janvier Ambassade Royale Madrid a donné ordre rapatriement a fonctionnaires et employés suivants: Emanuele Wiliberto Ribolla, Vice Consul Melilla; Selim Cattan attaché presse Tetuan; Augusto Bassi et Carlo Marzorati employés Consulat Tetuan STOP Ceux-ci se trouvent depuis deux mois dans l'attente de partir STOP

Pour raisons caractère local j'estimerai opportun noter leur rapatriement STOP Puisque Ambassade Madrid ne prévoit pas possibilité les faire partir à bref délai via Gibraltar, je proposerai les rapatrier via Oran - Alger STOP

Légation Etats-Unis Tanger ayant, à ma requête, intéressé dans ce sens autorités Alger, vous prie, si rien ne s'oppose de la part de V.E., intervenir auprès mêmes autorités et m'informer STOP BERTO

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March 23, 1944.

TO: G-2 (C.I.) Section
FROM: Civil Affairs Office.
SUBJECT: Repatriation of certain Italian nationals
from Tangier.

1. The following communication has been received from the American Legation at Tangier:

"For over two months now the Italian Consul General in Tangier has been authorized to repatriate four Italians from this area, namely, Emanuele Filiberto Ribolla, Vice Consul at Melilla; Salim Cattan, Press Attaché at Tetuan; Augusto Bassi and Carlo Marzorati, employees of the Italian Consulate at Tetuan. It has been planned that these individuals depart for Italy via Gibraltar where they have been informed they could board an Allied vessel.

"They have now been waiting in Tangier for two months for an opportunity to leave for Italy, but arrangements for their departure from Gibraltar have apparently failed to materialize. The Italian Consul General, Berio, has proposed that they be repatriated via Algiers and has dispatched a telegram to this effect to the Italian Foreign Office through this Mission. It was thought that it might expedite matters if the Legation approached the authorities at Algiers directly and accordingly it would be appreciated if you could inform us whether the authorities see any objection to the return to Italy of these four individuals through French North Africa.

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"Consul General Berio is hopeful of repatriating these individuals at the earliest possible date, particularly since they are at present unemployed."

2. Your comments, including the indication of what further specific information might be required from Tangier before finally authorizing the transit of these persons through French North Africa, would be appreciated.

G. F. Reinhardt

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Office of British Resident Minister

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Civil Affairs Office

Political Section
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March 25, 1944.

TO: Political Section,
Allied Control Commission,
Naples.

FROM: Civil Affairs Section.

SUBJECT: Telegrams from Italian Consulate General at
Tangier to Italian Foreign Office.

There are enclosed for transmission to the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs copies, in French, of telegrams Nos. 78 and 79 from the Italian Consulate General at Tangier, as received here by courier.

With reference to telegram No. 78, concerning a proposal for the repatriation through French North Africa rather than via Gibraltar of four Italian officials from the Tangier area, a copy of our memorandum submitting this proposal to the G-2 Section of AFHQ is enclosed for your information.

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Enclosures:
Telegrams 78 and 79 from Tangier
Copy of memorandum to G-2 Section.
copies to: MGS, G-2, and British Resident Minister

PARAPHRASE

TELEGRAM No. 52, FROM ITALIAN LEGATION, LISBON
DATED MARCH 22, SIGNED D'AJETA, FOR MINISTRY
FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS

19 Mar

For your information and in reference to my telegram No. 34, the Allied authorities at Algiers have not authorized persons to be repatriated from Lisbon to travel aboard AOSTA, according to a communication from the Americans and British. I am doing everything possible with a view to fulfilling all security measures necessary in order to secure embarkation on the next vessel by the greatest possible number of persons, in view of your No. 36. Because of the difficulties in arranging journey from Lisbon to Gibraltar, permit me to call Your Excellency's attention to the necessity of receiving reasonable prior notice of the next steamer's arrival. For urgent repatriate cases, I am trying to secure air passage from the Anglo-Americans.

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UNITED STATES MEMBER
ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

March 23, 1944.

TO: Political Section,
Allied Control Commission,
Naples.

SUBJECT: Telegrams from Italian Legations at Bern
and Lisbon, for Italian Foreign Office.

There are enclosed paraphrases of telegram
No. 72 from the Italian Legation at Bern, and Nos.
50 and 52 from the Italian Legation at Lisbon, ad-
dressed to the Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs.



G. F. Reinhardt
Acting United States Member
Advisory Council for Italy

Enclosures:
3 paraphrases.

Copies to: MGS, AFHQ
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Office of British Resident Minister

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 REQUESTED BY ITALIAN GOVERNMENT THAT REPATRIATES BE SHIPPED BY ITALIAN CRUISERS
 DUE TO CALL GIBRALTAR SHORTLY TO PLEASE FACILITATE REARRANGEMENT

AUTHENTICATED:

E. J. CHICCA
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March 25, 1944.

TO: G-2 (C.I.) Section
FROM: Civil Affairs Office.
SUBJECT: Repatriation of certain Italian nationals
from Tangier.

1. The following communication has been received from the American Legation at Tangier:

"For over two months now the Italian Consul General in Tangier has been authorized to repatriate four Italians from this area, namely, Emanuele Filiberto Ribolla, Vice Consul at Melilla; Selim Cattin, Press Attaché at Tetuan; Augusto Bassi and Carlo Marzorati, employees of the Italian Consulate at Tetuan. It has been planned that these individuals depart for Italy via Gibraltar where they have been informed they could board an allied vessel.

"They have now been waiting in Tangier for two months for an opportunity to leave for Italy, but arrangements for their departure from Gibraltar have apparently failed to materialize. The Italian Consul General, Serio, has proposed that they be repatriated via Algiers and has dispatched a telegram to this effect to the Italian Foreign Office through this Mission. It was thought that it might expedite matters if the Legation approached the authorities at Algiers directly and accordingly it would be appreciated if you could inform us whether the authorities see any objection to the return to Italy of these four individuals through French North Africa.

"Consul 2673

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"Consul General Berio is hopeful of repatriating these individuals at the earliest possible date, particularly since they are at present unemployed."

2. Your comments, including the indication of what further specific information might be required from Tangier before finally authorizing the transit of these persons through French North Africa, would be appreciated.

G. F. Reinhardt

Copies to: MGS, AFHQ
G-2 "
Office of British Resident Minister

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ITALIAN MISSION SECTION - RAC HQ
 1 APR 11 1944

Memo to A.S. Office

Will you please send the following wire:

TO : SEGRETERIA GIUSTIZIA NAZIONALE CONSIGLIO GENERALE D'ITALIA
 TANGIERS

AVUTE OTTIME NOTIZIE RARIO DOPO RECENTI REPRESSIONI TEDESCHE
 ROMA AGT AMBASCIATA TANGIERS

ITALIAN MISSION SECTION

Sent by outgoing cable 2561
 of 1 April 1944.

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R. MINISTERO
DEGLI
AFFARI ESTERI

No 1911

MEMORANDUM

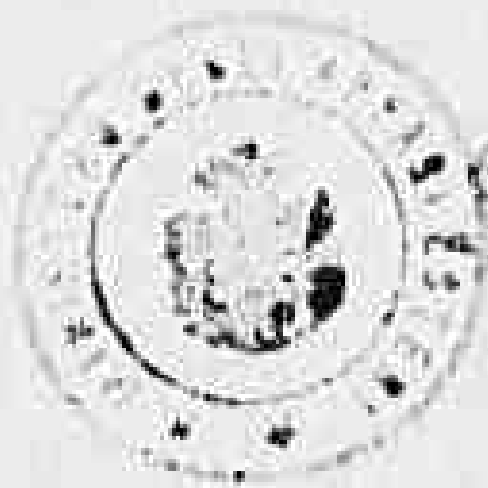
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POLITICAL SECTION (A.C.C.)

The Italian Consul General in Tangiers informs that he has approached the local United States Legation in order to obtain the repatriation permit and travel facilities, via Orano-Algiers, for the following officials who have been instructed to report at this Ministry:

Emanuele Filiberto Ribolla,	Royal Vice Consul at Melilla
Solin Cattan,	official of the Royal Consulate General in Tangiers
Augusto Bassi,	employee of the " " " " "
Carlo Marcorati	" " " " " " " "

The United States Legation has in turn called the attention of the Allied Authorities in Algiers on the matter.

This Ministry would however be grateful should the Political Section (A.C.C.) be so good as to implement the foregoing request with the competent authorities in Algiers so as to obtain that said officials and employees should be in a position to proceed to Italy with the least possible delay.



PR
CABINET, April 5th, 1941.

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Repatriation U. A.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

APO 394

U.S. ARMY

Ref 222

April 7, 1944.

MEMORANDUM TO: Civil Affairs Section, Allied Force Headquarters.

Reference is made to Civil Affairs Memorandum of March 25, 1944, enclosing for transmission to the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs copies of telegrams from the Italian Consulate General in Tangier. The Italian Foreign Ministry requests that the proposal to repatriate through French North Africa officials of Italian Consulates in Spanish Morocco be expedited if possible.

The Allied Control Commission supports this request, and hopes that any facilities possible may be afforded these officials for their return.

Samuel Reber
Vice President, Allied Control Commission
Political Section

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Tangier Tangier

April 11, 1944.

TO: Military Government Section, AFHQ.

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Certain Italian Nationals from Tangier.

With reference to Civil Affairs memorandum on this subject of March 25, 1944, addressed to G-2 (C.I.) Section, this office has received a memorandum from the Allied Control Commission, dated April 7, 1944, stating that the Italian Foreign Ministry requests that the proposal to repatriate through French North Africa officials of Italian consulates in Spanish Morocco be expedited if possible.

The memorandum adds that "the Allied Control Commission supports this request and hopes that any facilities possible may be afforded these officials for their return."

For your information, laissez-passeurs and AFHQ travel orders necessary for the transportation of the four Italian officials concerned from French Morocco to Algiers have been forwarded to the American Legation in Tangier, which has been asked to inform this office when the party expects to depart.

(Signed): H. J. L'HEUREUX.

H. J. L'Heureux,
Acting Chief Civil Administrator.

Copy to:

Office of British Resident Minister.
G-2 (C.I.) Section, AFHQ.
✓ Mr. Reher, Allied Control Commission.

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POLITICAL SECTION

No. 87

13th May, 1944.

Many thanks for your letter 43/143/1 of the 8th May about Barbieri.

2. Shortly after I had written my letter No. 81 of the 1st May, I.C.L.D. came round to say that they greatly hoped the Italian Government would forego their wish to recall Barbieri and would I do something about it. I accordingly asked Franco to find out from the Ministry of Marine whether the Italian authorities could arrange this. I yesterday learned that they were happy to oblige and were telegraphing to Tangiers that Barbieri should remain.

3. I am sorry that you were troubled in vain, more especially as I must now ask your good offices to secure the return of Vice-Consul Gropello of the Royal Italian Consulate General, Tangier. On this Gascoigne has written the following to the General:

"Gropello is extremely anxious to return to Italy, where he wishes, I believe, either to join up or at any rate to get down to some more active work than he is doing here. His sentiments are, as far as I know, absolutely loyal, and I think that it would be an excellent thing for him to be allowed to go back to his country as there is certainly no work for him to do here."

4. May I therefore ask you to do what is possible to facilitate the return of Gropello, in accordance with the orders which he has received from the Italian Government?

Sir Anthony Rumbold, Bart.,
Office of the British Resident Minister
at Allied Force Headquarters,
ALGERS.

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HQ ACC. AND JMW

Sec'y Gen.

Rec'd 13 May AM after CC had
DFE } seen.BRITISH CONSULATE GENERAL,
TANGIER.

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25th April, 1944.

*My dear General,**Interim answer
sent 14 May 44*

My letter of the 21 April.

Please forgive me for troubling you on the
following matter.

2. Vice Consul Gropello, of the Royal Italian Consulate General, Tangier, who has been ordered home to southern Italy by the Marshal (his name figured in the private letter written by the Marshal to his daughter-in-law which you sent to me in your recent letter) has been refused permission to travel by Algiers.

3. Gropello is extremely anxious to return to Italy, where he wishes, I believe, either to join up or at any rate to get down to some more active work than he is doing here. His sentiments are, as far as I know, absolutely loyal, and I think that it would be an excellent thing for him to be allowed to go back to his country as there is certainly no work for him to do here. *

4. In addition to the above, of course, the Marshal apparently wants him back, and I dare say that a démarche may have already been made by the former to you. As you of course know, all Italians returning to Italy of every category must in the first place be passed O.K. by Algiers, or Gibraltar will not accept them for travel.

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Lieutenant-General Sir Frank Mason MacFarlane,
K.C.B., D.S.O., M.C.,
Allied Forces Headquarters,
NAPLES.

*Political Section**I think you might take him up with Algiers?**Wm 13
v m 41*

5. Please do not trouble to reply to this letter, but if you can do anything to accelerate Gropello's travel permit I should be most grateful.

J. Edgar Hoover

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Copy
R. MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

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Telegramma in PARTENZA

Nº coll: 511

Oggetto: CONFERMA BARBIERI

Data: 8.5.44

Tramite:

Diretto a: R. AMBASCIATA ITALIANA - MADRID

Testo: (originale)

Nº 207. Maggio 8. Per Tangeri:

N.10. Maggio 8 .A richiesta Britannica cui aderiamo ben volentieri Barbieri confermato Tangeri.

PRUNAS

Consegnato a: C.A.C.

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785016

Data: 8.5.44

Tramite:

Diretto a: R. AMBASCIATA ITALIANA - MADRID

Testo: (originale)

Nº 207. Maggio 8. Per Tangeri:

N.10. Maggio 8 .A richiesta Britannica cui aderiamo ben volentieri Barbieri confermato Tangeri.

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Consegnato a: C.A.C.

il: 12.5.44

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785016

Office of the British Resident Minister
at Allied Force Headquarters,
5, Rue Professeur Curtillet,
Algiers.

8th May, 1944.

13/11/3/1

Dear Harold,

I have started the necessary wheels rolling for the repatriation of Commander Barbieri as requested in your letter No. 81 of May 1st. A telegram has, however, now arrived from Cascoigne in Tangier asking us to pass a message as follows from the Italian Consul-General to the Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs:

"Your telegram No. 7 of April 5th. I have made the necessary application for repatriation of Barbieri. It is my duty to inform you that the British Consul General has asked me whether it is possible to postpone his departure in view of his collaboration with British services which is much appreciated. Berio."

I assume from the fact that Cascoigne has forwarded this message, that it is in fact the case that he or his friends find Barbieri's services useful. Will you please forward the message to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and suggest that if they wish to pay attention to it they might ask Barbieri to stay in Tangier for a little longer. In the absence of any reply, however, I propose to go ahead with the arrangements for his repatriation.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Cascoigne in Tangier.

Yours
Wing

A. Humbold.

H. A. Caccia, Esq.

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(1)

Miss Hopkins.

Please tell Capt. Collins that I spoke to Prunas about Barbieri. He will have a word about him with Admiral de Courten and let us know as soon as possible whether B. can stay in Tangiers. So far as he, Prunas, knows the only reason for his recall is to save expense.

H.A.C.
7.5.

Mr. Caccia spoke to Capt. Collins in sense of above later on 7.5.

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PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

Pending

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5th May 1944.

H. Caccia, Esq.,
Allied Control Commission.

1. I have received a request from Algiers that the repatriation of BARBIERI, Italian Vice-Consul at Tangier, be postponed for the time being.
2. BARBIERI has been collaborating with our representative in Tangier and has proved most useful.
3. BARBIERI is a Naval Officer in S.I.S., and I am informed by Comandante Max PONZO, Head of S.I.S., that the ^{Italian} Naval Authorities would have no objection to his remaining in Tangier for the time being.
4. The final decision however remains with the Italian Foreign Office who, I understand, are anxious for his repatriation.
5. In view of the above, it would be much appreciated if you could arrange with S.E. PRUNAS for BARBIERI's repatriation to be postponed.
5. I have been asked by Algiers to treat the matter as urgent.

C. H. Polg

Captain.
for S/Idr Johnstone.

Copy given to Mr. Halford.

POLITICAL SECTION

No. 81.

1st May, 1914.

The Italian Ministries for Foreign Affairs and for the Navy are anxious to get Commander Barbieri, at present ~~on duty~~ in Tangiers, back to Italy as soon as possible for duty. He was actually recalled in February but remained by special request to look after Duchess Badoglio and the three children. Now that the Duchess has returned to Italy the Ministry of the Navy are particularly anxious that no more time should be lost over Barbieri's return.

2. The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs have sent the requisite telegram for the Italian Consul General at Tangiers, but would be grateful for anything that can be done to expedite matters.

Sir Anthony Rumbold, Bart.,
Office of the British Resident Minister
at Allied Force Headquarters,
ALEPPO.

Sir Anthony Rumbold

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Miss Hopkins:

We were asked by British Resident Minister's Office to ensure that Barbieri did not return from Tangiers until the end of April. Please attach relevant papers so that we can now support Italian request for his repatriation.

HAC
H.A.CACOLA

27.4.44

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R. MINISTERO
DEGLI
AFFARI ESTERI

no 2032
note to B.R.U.O.

Salerno, 17th April, 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLITICAL SECTION
OF THE A.C.C.

The Italian Authorities have decided to recall to Italy Commander Barbieri, of the Royal Navy, at present on duty in Tangiers.

It will be sincerely appreciated if the competent authorities can see their way to approach Allied Headquarters in Algiers with a view to obtaining the necessary facilities for Commander Barbieri's journey to Italy.

RP.



First Asst. Sec. Barbieri sent out
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if an instruction has been sent
to Italian CG. Tangier re
his doc of 14 Feb. Apr 1872

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ROBERT S. DOE
Major, A.C.D.
Secretary of the Commission

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R. MINISTRO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

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Telegramma in PARTENZA

Nº. coll: 1

Oggetto: RICHIAMO PERSONALE MARINA A TANGIERI

Data: 1º gennaio 1943

Tramite: S.A.C.

Diretto a: ~~REDDO CONSOLATO GENERALE TANGIERI~~
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

Testo: (originale)

Nº. 1 January I stop ^{your report} Reference ~~Consolato~~ 972 of November 22 following telegram from Ministry ~~xx~~ for Navy is transmitted (:) (") Please instruct for immediate repatriation of Commander Barbieri and following (:) Renato Moretti (,) Vincenzo Tollina (,) Pasquale Cicogna (,) Diego Mileto (,) Stefano Inglese (,) Carlo Ceres (,) Mugnetto Serafini (,) Francesco Franceschi (.) Motorboat Consulate Tangiers may be sold (.) Above personnel is to proceed to Algesiras January 5 where it will be called for by Italian war vessel (.) Inform Naval Attache Madrid and Embassy (.) signed De Courten (")

PRUNAS

(traduzione)

A.1. Riferimento vostro rapporto 972 del 22 novembre trasmettessi seguente telegramma Ministero Marina:

"Pregasi disporre per immediata rimpatrio Comandante Barbieri et seguenti: Renato Moretti, Vincenzo Tollina, Pasquale ²⁸⁵⁷, Diego Mileto, Stefano Inglese, Carlo Ceres, Mugnetto Serafini, Francesco Franceschi. Motocraft detazione Algeri puo' essere alienato. Squadette personale si concentri Algesiras giorno 5 gennaio il: in attesa nave guerra italiana (.) Informate Adastro Navale Madrid et Ambasciata. fto De Courten"

Consegnato S.A.C.
1 gennaio 1943

PRUNAS



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MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

Urgent

N. _____

The Italia Ministry for Foreign Affairs present their compliments to the Allied Control Commission, and will be grateful if enclosed telegram directed to the Royal Italian Consulate Generale in Tangiers be forwarded at earliest convenience.

The telegram concern repatriation of certain personnel at present attached to the Consulate in question, and which should leave on January 5th.

Brindisi, January 1st 1943

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RE: HARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

APC 354

Reference #347

15 February 1944

His Excellency Don Renato Prunas
Secretary General, Royal Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

The following message to your Excellency has been received from Berio, Italian Consul General at Tangier:

"See your cable of January 1. On instructions from the naval station in Madrid non-commissioned officers Polino and Clemente left Tangier for that city on December 1. Non-commissioned officers Filato and Moratti also left Tangier for Madrid on December 14 and naval ratings Franchetti and Marres did likewise on January 2.

"Gargant indices described and sent over to the service of the Legation at Tangier.

"As regards Commander Barbieri I wish to inform you that he was personally charged at one time by Mario Badoglio with the supervision of his family composed of the Duchess and three children who are still living in the building of the Consulate General. I think it would be wise to suspend Barbieri's departure as long as present conditions prevail especially in view of the well known political attitude of the Italian colony here and the conspiracies of every type which are being carried on by the Germans in this zone. The ratings Corra and Russo and Petri and Albini who are responsible for the armed guard of the consulate day and night should also remain for the moment with Barbieri in Tangier.

"Machado Serafini will leave as soon as motorboat is sold.

"It is understood that the personnel referred to in paragraph 40 of my report to which your Excellency refers will remain here. Please instruct. Signed Berio."

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Signal Corps, United States Army
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TO (ACTION) : CG PENBASE FOR FARGO FOR POLITICAL SECTION

(INFORMATION) : NONE

FROM : SIGNED CINC

DATE TIME SIGNED: 131955A

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PLEASE TRANSMIT FOLLOWING TO PRUNAS FROM BERIO ITALIAN CONSUL
 GENERAL TANGIER. "WITH REFERENCE TO YOUR NUMBER 1 JANUARY 1.
 1. NON COMMISSIONED OFFICERS POLLINA AND CICOGNA ON INSTRUCTIONS
 FROM THE NAVAL ATTACHE IN MADRID LEFT TANGIER ON DECEMBER 1 FOR
 THAT CITY. ON DECEMBER 14 NON COMMISSIONED OFFICERS MILETO AND
 MORETTI ALSO LEFT TANGIER FOR MADRID AND NAVAL RATINGS FRENCESHI
 AND MARRAS DID LIKEWISE ON JANUARY 6. 2. SERGEANT INGLESE HAS DESERTED
 AND GONE OVER TO THE SERVICE OF THE GERMANS AT TANGIER. 3. I WISH
 TO INFORM YOU THAT AS REGARDS COMMANDER BARBIERI HE WAS AT ONE TIME
 PERSONALLY CHARGED BY MARIO BADOGLIO WITH THE SUPERVISION AND HIS
 FAMILY COMPOSED OF THE DUCHESS AND 3 CHILDREN WHO ARE STILL LIVING
 IN THE BUILDING OF THE CONSULATE GENERAL. IN VIEW OF THE WELL KNOWN
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WISE TO SUSPEND BARBIERI'S DEPARTURE. THE RATINGS CERIA AND RUSSO AND PETRI AND ALTINI WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ARMED GUARD OF THE CONSULATE DAY AND NIGHT SHOULD ALSO REMAIN WITH BARBIERI IN TANGIER FOR THE MOMENT. 4. AS SOON AS MOTORBOAT IS SOLD MECHANIC SERAFINI WILL LEAVE. 5. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE PERSONNEL REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH 4B OF MY REPORT TO WHICH YOUR EXCELLENCY REFERS WILL REMAIN HERE. I AWAIT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS. SIGNED BERIO".



AMG.

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PAREN TO AFHQ FROM HQ ALCON CITE ACPOL PAREN

PARA TWO PD THIS HEADQUARTERS HAS BEEN INFORMED BY THE ITALIAN
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS THAT THE SHIP IN QUESTION IS NOT REPEAT NOT
THE MADDA

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Major Stewart

Ministero degli Affari Esteri

6/613/285

MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLITICAL SECTION A.C.

Subject: Repatriation of Italians from Spain and Portugal.

1. Reference is made to Memorandum 6/459/204 of February 15th.

2. In reply to a verbal request of the Political Section of February 23rd, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs beg to inform that the ship carrying home the group of Italian mentioned in the Memorandum under reference, is not the S/S "Madaga".

Rome, February 23th 1945



*Major Howard
acted on info 451102*

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[Signature]

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: F31626
Date/Time of Origin: FEB 22/1530Message Centre No: D/2958
Date Time Recd: FEB 23/0930
Precedence: ROUTINEFROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE PHGEG
TO: ALCOM ROME**SECRET**

SECRET.

Reference your ALCOM 1853 cite ACPOL of 15 February. Information available shows no ship carrying Italian officials and civilians yet left SPAIN or PORTUGAL. Assumed that ship in question is MADDA confirm if possible.

*Marchese Cittadini
requested to furnish
this confirmation, if possible.*

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ACTION

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AMHQ FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE

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PARA ONE PD ITALIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS INFORMS THAT A GROUP OF ITALIAN OFFICIALS AND CIVILIANS REPATRIATING FROM SPAIN AND PORTUGAL LEFT GENOA BY SEA ON FEBRUARY ONE FOUR FOR NAPLES PD

PARAH TO AMHQ FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE FROM HQ ALCON CITE ASPOL PAREN

PARA TWO PD REQUEST YOU URGENTLY ADVISE THIS HEADQUARTERS OF EXPECTED DATE OF ARRIVAL AT NAPLES OF GROUP IN QUESTION

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Political Section

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W. W. SCHOTT
Vice President

PENSOUTH FOR ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION

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PARA TWO PD REQUEST YOU ARRANGE TO EXTEND ALL POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE AND
FACILITIES TO SAID GROUP UPON ARRIVAL PD
PARA THREE PD YOU WILL BE ADVISED FURTHER AS TO EXACT DATE OF ARRIVAL
AS SOON AS IT IS KNOWN HERE

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Political Section

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W.W. SCHOTT
Vice President

Ministero degli Affari Esteri

6/459/204
very urgentMEMORANDUM FOR THE POLITICAL SECTION A.C.

Subject: Repatriation of Italian officials and civilians from Spain and Portugal.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs have been informed that a group of officials and civilians repatriating from Spain and Portugal will be arriving shortly at Naples having left Gibraltar on February 14th by sea.

The Ministry would be grateful if the Political Section could kindly approach the competent Authorities in Naples requesting them to kindly extend to the repatriates (amongst whom the family of Signor Laterza, former 1st Secretary of the Italian Embassy in Madrid, Signor De Minerbi Consul in Barcelone etc.) all possible assistance and facilities.

It would be much appreciated if the Political Section could, moreover, kindly advise the Ministry of the date under which the party in question is expected to arrive in Naples, in order to make possible to arrange for hotel accomodation in the said town and for transportation to Rome.

Rome, February 15th, 1945



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SECRETALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

7028

TO: ESTER ROME (ACC PASS)

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 15/05

FROM: ITALIAN NAVAL LIAISON GIBRALTAR CLASSIFICATION:

REFERENCE No: 67 PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: OCT 041200A OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

SECRET.. SIGNED STORICH.

British naval transport arriving NAPLES Friday 6th will land party 190 Diplomats and Italians repatriating from SPAIN needed for TANGIER whom I beg to grant transport facilities. Has been request of ITALIAN EMBASSY MADRID please wire ITALASHORE GIBRALTAR date of arrival party DIPLOMAT in charge headed by minister ROSSI-AOVCHI.

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DATE and Time of RECEIPT OCT 050955A

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Office of the Resident Minister,
Central Mediterranean.

32/5/1500

To: Principal Sea Transport Officer, Med.

From: Resident Minister's Office.

Subject: Repatriation of Italians from Spain,
Portugal and Tangier.

Reference: Your note No. 3967/111 of September 20th.

In your note under reference you asked us to let you have details as soon as possible of the Italian men, women and children likely to present themselves at Gibraltar for embarkation in the REDA DEL SALETOO which is due to sail for Naples on October 3rd.

2. From telegram exchanged with the British Embassies in Madrid and Lisbon and the British Consulate-General in Tangier, it seems likely that the outside figures to be expected are 160 men, 50 women and 35 children. These are, we repeat, outside figures because it does not appear to be certain how many of the total number who might wish and be entitled to come will in fact be able to reach Gibraltar in time to catch the ship. We cannot say how many of this number are likely to regard themselves as "entitled" to cabin accommodation as opposed to troop deck accommodation, but the women and children would naturally have the first call on the cabins. The party from Spain are likely to arrive at Algeciras on the evening of October 1st. The party from Portugal are likely to arrive at Algeciras on October 2nd. We have no information about the arrangements made in regard to the party from Tangier.

241-SP7

29th September, 1944.

Copy to: C.-in-C. Med.
G-2.
G-4. (Mov. & Tr.).
G-5.
U.S. Political Adviser.
Political Section, A.S.C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

REF: 241

22 September 1944

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italians from Spain and Portugal.

TO : Gen. Allied Force Headquarters.
Copies to: British Resident Minister,
United States Political Division.

1. It is noted from your memorandum 014.35-1 of the 15 Sep that arrangements are now being made for the repatriation in one body of the parties of Italians in Rungiers, Portugal and Spain.
2. Similarly as a matter of record we should state that we have recently been asked by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to support a request made by the Italian Minister for the Navy, Admiral de Courten to Admiral Morgan, for an Italian Naval vessel to be detailed for this purpose. It was pointed out that on the outward journey the ship could transport the party of 25 Italian diplomatic officials and their families who are at present awaiting passage to their new posts in Spain and Portugal. In reply to a Signal 170950 of 17/9/44 from the Naval Sub-Commission to C.I.F.A.I., repeated C-in-C 3rd, I.O.S.A.I., stated, however, that in his view Italian cruisers should not be used for miscellaneous transport duties for the Italians until the completion of the CASIARI/other troop programs which, we understand, will take another six months.
3. As you know, it was at our request that the Italian Government undertake to reduce the number of its officials abroad and to replace those with fascist affiliates. Moreover, we are continually pressing them to reduce their expenditure on their diplomatic representation and this they are quite unable to do until the superfluous officials have been repatriated.
4. We should be glad, therefore, if the arrangements for repatriation to which you refer in your memo 014.35-1 of 15 Sep could be expedited since this matter has now been outstanding for several months.

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H. A. GAGLIA
Vice President, Political Section

Copies to: U. S. Representative A.C.I.
British High Commissioner

Political SEC.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G-5 Section

AFV 512

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G-5: 011.33-1

15 September 1944.

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italians from
Spain and Portugal.TO : Headquarters, Allied Control
Commission, A.C.C. 194.

P.P.

1. Reference your No. 390/545 of 31 August it is proposed to repatriate the persons listed in your letter; with the exception of ROCHINI whom G-2 have not yet approved, along with the portion of Italians in Portugal, Portugal and Spain whose repatriation in one body is now being arranged.

For Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

B. Peyton Jr.
Lt. Col. JACOBSON,
Lt. Colonel.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G-5 Section

APO 512

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G-5: 014.33-1

15 September 1944.

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italians from
Spain and Portugal.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control
Commission, A.P.O. 394.

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For Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

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T. B. JACKMAN,
Lt. Colonel.

R. MINISTERO
DEGLI
AFFARI ESTERI

6/5/42

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ARMY CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION

Reference is made to previous communications concerning transportation means for the return to Italy of a group of 250 Italian nationals at the present in the Iberian Peninsula awaiting repatriation.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs would be particularly grateful to the Political Section, A.C.C., if it could kindly support the request forwarded to Admiral Morgan by the Italian Minister for the Navy, Admiral De Courten, intended to obtain that an Italian naval unit may be enabled to sail for Gibraltar to effect the transportation of the above group to Italy.

The Political Section is aware that the above Italian nationals residing in the Iberian Peninsula have for a long time been waiting repatriation and it would therefore be urgently necessary to employ the requested means of transportation.

Beyond the Italian nationals abovementioned, the following members of the Italian Consulate in Tangiers should also find place in the ship in question:

Adalberto RICANCIO DI CROFFINO	- R. Vice Consul at Tetuan
Sig. Vitale DE NICELI	- Technical Commissioner for the Far East: Wife and 3 children.
Sig. Eugenio CAVALLARO	- Chancellor - Wife and 2 sons
Sig. Vincenzo BARBINI	- Lieut. Commander Royal Navy
Sig. Nevio TESSADRI	- Sub-Lieutenant Royal Navy
Sig. Jacopo PEDRI	- Seaman

There is no reason to believe that the above persons, for some time now awaiting repatriation, are not in possession of the necessary visas, but it would be advisable, however, to inform in useful time the Allied Authorities in Tangiers that the personnel in question might have at any moment to undertake the return journey.

At the same time the ship in question could, on the outbreak of hostilities, be used to transport the officials and em-

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Sig. Eugenio CAVALLARO	-	Chancellor - Wife and 2 sons
Sig. Vincenzo BARTINI	-	Lieut. Commander Royal Navy
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At the same time the ship in question could, on the outward journey, carry to their destinations the officials and employees of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and their families (as per attached list), who are waiting in Italy means of transportation to reach their posts. This matter also is very urgent.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs would appreciate an early reply on the subject.



ROME, 15th September, 1944.

Encl.

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- 1) - Marquis Alberto ROSSI LONGHI - Minister Plenipotentiary 2nd class, appointed to Lisbon.
- 2) - Marchioness Maria ROSSI LONGHI - wife
- 3) - Roberto ROSSI LONGHI - son
- 4) - Fabrizio ROSSI LONGHI - son
- ✓ 5) - Paolina BILIATO - maid
- 6) - Comm. Luciano MASCELA - Royal Counselor of Legation - appointed to Madrid.
- ✓ 7) - Mrs. Grania ARCESE - maid
- 8) - Baron Giuseppe Vitaliano CONTALONINI - 1st Secretary of Legation - appointed to Dublin.
- 9) - Baroness Franca CONTALONINI - wife
- ✓ 10) - Rosa VASINI - maid.
- 11) - Dr. Aldo Maria MARIO - Consul 2nd Class - appointed to Lisbon
- 12) - Mrs. Augusta MARIO - wife
- ✓ 13) - Annunziata MURA - maid
- 14) - Marquis Ruggero PARACE - Consul 2nd Class - appointed to Lisbon.
- 15) - Marchioness Caterina PARACE - wife
- 16) - Nicoletta PARACE - daughter
- 17) - Placenta PARACE - daughter
- 18) - Giovanni PARACE - son
- ✓ 19) - Natalina Vittoria MARI - nurse.
- 20) - Dr. Luca DAINELLI - Vice Consul 2nd Class - appointed to Barcelona
- ✓ 21) - Mrs. LIVERA - employee
- ✓ 22) - Miss Linda CAMERANI - employee appointed to the Royal Legation in Lisbon.
- ✓ 23) - Mrs. Regina CAMERANI - mother of above mentioned employee.

(STA. 121/38)

PSSN/61525-44/20,000+20,000

NAVAL MESSAGE

S. 1320d.

(Established—May, 1930)
(Revised—January, 1933)

To:

FROM:

C. IN C. MED. (R) F.O.T.A.L.I.

F.O.T.A.L.I. ROME

SECRET.

REQUEST I MAY BE INFORMED WHETHER ANY OTHER TRANSPORT CAN
BE PROVIDED FOR TRANSFERRING ITALIANS BETWEEN ITALY AND SPAIN.
F.O.T.A.L.I.'S 181059 REFERS.

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RE EMPLOYMENT OF ITALIAN CRUISERS FOR TRANSPORTATION.

DIST. C.S.O. SEC. G.C.O.

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T.O.R. 1735

DATE 19/9/44.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

S. 1320d.

(Established—May, 1930)
(Revised—January, 1933)

To:

FOTALLI ROME. (R) C. IN C. MED. FLEET.

From:

FOTALLI.

~~SECRET~~*Confidential*

YOUR 170950 REFERS. THE EMPLOYMENT OF ITALIAN CRUISERS
IS UNDER THE CONTROL OF C. IN C. MED. FLEET BUT I CONSIDER
THEY SHOULD NOT BE USED FOR THIS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS
TRANSPORT DUTIES FOR THE ITALIANS UNTIL THE COMPLETION
OF THE CAGLIARI/ OTHER TROOP PROGRAMME.

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DIST. C.S.O. SEC.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

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(Established—May, 1930)
(Revised—January, 1933)

To: F.O.T.A.L.I. (R) C. IN C. MED.

FROM:

F.O.T.A.L.I. ROME.

*Spoke to having the note be amended*SECRET.

ITALIAN MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WISH TO REPATRIATE 350
ITALIAN NATIONALS FROM SPAIN IN ITALIAN NAVAL VESSEL. MOVE IS
STROGNLY SUPPORTED BY POLITICAL SECTION A.C.C. REPATRIATES WOULD
EMBARK AT GIBRALTAR.

2. SHIP WOULD CARRY 23 ITALIAN DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL ON OUTWARD
PASSAGE.

3. REQUEST INFORMATION WHETHER ITALIAN CRUISER COULD BE ALLOCATED
FOR THIS DUTY, AND IF SO, APPROXIMATE E.T.D. PREFERABLY FROM
NAPLES.

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170950A.

DIST. C.S.O. SEC. U.S.N. C.C.O.

T/P CYPHER

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

URGENT

31 August 1944

Ref # 390/385

MEMORANDUM TO: G-5, Allied Force Headquarters,
Copies to: G-2, Allied Force Headquarters,
British Resident Minister,
U. S. Political Adviser.

In connection with the forthcoming repatriation of a large group of Italian nationals from Spain and Portugal, arrangements for which we understand are being made by the British Resident Minister's Office, the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs tell us that the following staff of the former Military Attache's Office are still in Lisbon:

Captain of the Royal Carabineers	Foselli
N.C.O.	Apolloni
N.C.O.	La Rosa
N.C.O.	Spaventa
N.C.O.	Di Marco
N.C.O.	Melchiorre Gioia
N.C.O.	Medical Service Corps

As the Military Attache's Office has been taken over by the Naval Attache, these people are without posts and are awaiting repatriation. The Italian Government ask that the Allied authorities will consider granting them the necessary visas to return with the main group of repatriates referred to above.

We shall be glad to learn as early as possible what decision is reached, ~~in this matter.~~

M. Hopkins
J/Cdr
Political Section

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Copies to:
British High Commissioner,
U. S. Representative to Advisory Council.

R. MINISTERO
DEGLI
AFFARI ESTERI
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G-2, Brit. Red. U.S. PA
6/348/16A*

*? Another 6th to the Italian
following your letter of
24 August*

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

POLITICAL SECTION

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs takes leave to point out that the following Italian personnel on the staff of the Office of the former Military Attaché are still in Lisbon :

Captain of the Royal Carabinieri	- Foselli
N.C.O.	" " Apolloni
N.C.O.	" " La Rosa
N.C.O.	" " Spaventa
N.C.O.	" " Di Marco
N.C.O. of the Medical Service	- Melchiorre Gioia

As the A.C.C. is aware the office of the Military Attaché in Lisbon has been taken over by the Naval Attaché and the above mentioned are in Lisbon without posts, awaiting repatriation.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs would therefore be much obliged if the Allied Control Commission could kindly approach the competent authorities with a view to obtaining the necessary repatriation visa and suggests that, if possible, they should be made to travel together with the 229 Italian citizens at present in Spain pending repatriation (see memorandum n. 6/185/90, dated 3rd inst.).

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, given the urgent

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N.C.C. of the Medical Service	- Melchiorre Gioia

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, given the urgent character of the matter, will be glad to receive an early reply.

ROME, 28th August, 1944.



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390/385

UNITED STATES POLITICAL ADVISER
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

August 27, 1944.

CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Bill:

This is to inform you, at the request of Mr. Office, that the Office of the British Resident Minister here is undertaking the making of arrangements for the large group of Italian nationals approval for repatriation from Spain and Portugal to travel in one party by sea from Gibraltar directly to Italy. They probably would be landed either at Naples or at Taranto.

Efforts are being made to arrange also for Figarolo di Crespello; Vitale di Miceli and family; Eugenio Cavallaro and family and Dalmasso (if his return still is desired) whose repatriation from Tangier was agreed to some time ago, to join the larger party at Gibraltar and travel to Italy with them.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Jack
Carnett D. Horner

William W. Schott, Esquire,
Vice President,
Allied Control Commission,
Political Section,
Rome.

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*File PP
AA-2 1948*
Office of the British Resident
Minister at Allied Force H.Q.,
Caserta.

32/5/1500

16th August, 1944.

My dear Harold,

Thank you for your letter of the 8th August about the repatriation of Italians from Spain and Portugal. Noel Charles wrote to the Minister on this subject, enclosing a copy of a letter which he too had received from Friuis. I enclose a copy of the Minister's reply. G-2 are now working on their lists, which should be available in a day or two.

Yours a
R. H. H.
Roger Atkins

H. A. Caccia, Esq.

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Office of the British Resident Minister,
A.F.H.Q.,
CASERTA.

32/5/1500

15th August, 1944.

Dear Noel,

Thank you for your letter of August 7th enclosing a copy of one from Prunas about the Italians in Spain and Portugal whom he wants to have repatriated.

We have also been concerned and at times irritated by the dilatoriness with which A.F.H.Q. seem all along to have tackled this question. You may however have seen a letter which Colonel Hill-Dillon, who is the head of G-2, wrote to Rumhold on June 24th, a copy of which was sent to your office. This letter explains why G-2 appear to have been so slow about vetting the repatriates and giving permission for them to come forward. The main object of the interrogations which G-2 insisted on carrying out when the repatriates came through Algiers was to obtain intelligence and their case was that to obtain the maximum benefit from these interrogations they had to have as much information as possible about the individuals concerned in advance of their arrival. The actual vetting of the repatriates from the security point of view was a secondary consideration and this being so the guarantees to which Prunas refers in the penultimate paragraph of his letter to you, supposing he had given them earlier, would not entirely have met the case.

Now, however, the situation has changed in two respects. In the first place, the number of officials still left in Spain and Portugal are mostly small fry from whom it is not expected that any information will be obtainable and in the second place A.F.H.Q. are now willing that the repatriates should be shipped direct from Spain or Portugal to Italy. We have a list of the repatriates in Portugal to whose return A.F.H.Q. see no objection and they have promised us a similar list of those in Spain within the next day or two. The preparation of the Spanish list has been delayed for two or three weeks while G-2's files were reposing in the hold of a ship coming from Algiers to Caserta. When these two lists are available, the Navy will be asked to lay on shipping to bring the repatriates from Gibraltar to Italy.

Yours,

(S. d.) HAROLD MACMILLAN.

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Sir Noel Charles, MBE, KC.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
AFG 394

Ref 241

8 August 1944

You will remember that on Saturday last I spoke to you about the desire of the Italian Government to repatriate a number of officials and their families from Spain and Portugal. Since my return I have had a letter from Prunne on the subject of which the following is an extract:

"I spoke to you yesterday concerning the 230 persons who for months now have been waiting for the authorization to return to Italy from the Iberian Peninsula.

"You know that the question is, for us, a serious one: on the one hand, the Allied Control Commission insists that the greatest economy be exercised in respect of our offices abroad, and in fact programs and plans have been elaborated in order to realize, as quickly as possible, this aim; on the other, the necessary visas and transportation are granted very sparingly and with great delay.

"The result is that our expenses continue to be uselessly heavy; that a state of uncertainty and uneasiness is spreading to all our communities in the Iberian Peninsula; that confidence grows and that no rational program of economy and interchange of personnel can be realized by us."

Would you very kindly let me know if there is any progress on this question?

Roger Watkins, Esq.
Office of the British Resident Minister,
Mediterranean,
Caserta.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
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Ref 3241

8 August 1944

You will remember that on Saturday last I spoke to you about the desire of the Italian Government to repatriate a number of officials and their families from Spain and Portugal. Since my return I have had a letter from Bruner on the subject of which the following is an extract:

"I spoke to you yesterday concerning the 833 persons who for months now have been waiting for the authorization to return to Italy from the Iberian Peninsula.

"You know that the question is, for us, a serious one: on the one hand, the Allied Control Commission insists that the greatest economy be exercised in respect of our offices abroad, and in fact programs and plans have been elaborated in order to realize, as quickly as possible, this aim; on the other, the necessary visas and transportation are granted very sparingly and with great delay.

"The result is that our expenses continue to be uselessly heavy; that a state of uncertainty and uneasiness is spreading to all our communities in the Iberian Peninsula; that diffidence grows and that no rational program of economy and interchange of personnel can be realized by us."

Would you very kindly let me know if there is any progress on this question?"

Roger Makins, Esq.
Office of the British Resident Minister,
Mediterranean,
Caserta.

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MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI
VIA VENEZIA 100 - 00187 ROMA

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Nr. 6/185/90

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*Previous letter of 5 August on
which I wrote to M. M. M. M. M. No*

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION.

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As the Allied Control Commission is aware, there are at present in Spain, awaiting repatriation, 229 Italian citizens (officials, employees, school-teachers) some of whom are accompanied by their families.

The Allied Authorities, although repeatedly requested, have not yet granted the necessary authorization for their repatriation with the result that these people, besides finding themselves in a morally unpleasant position, represent a considerable financial burden for the Italian Government.

The Italian Embassy at Madrid has more than once asked the British and American Embassies there to expedite the arrangements concerned with these repatriations and has furnished all relevant information and data.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs wishes to stress the necessity that, in granting the necessary authorization, the A.C.C. should approach the British and United States Governments with a view to having the necessary measures issued so as to avoid that the 229 persons concerned be interned in concentration camps, as has happened to a first group of repatriated personnel.

As regards the means of transportation, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs will much appreciate the intervention of the A.C.C. in order that these people be allowed to travel in an Allied naval transport from Gibraltar to Italy.

Apart from any consideration of a moral and humanitarian nature, the A.C.C. will undoubtedly appreciate the political expediency of avoiding that enemy propaganda should exploit the fact that a considerable number of Italian citizens, loyal to the Royal Government, find it impossible to reach their Country, or that during the voyage are liable to internment.

For the above considerations the Ministry of Foreign Affairs wishes to emphasize the necessity of reaching an immediate solution of the question and will therefore appreciate an early reply. *GAB.*

ROME, August 8th, 1944

C O P Y

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

5 Aug
~~30 July~~
~~30 August~~ 1944

My dear Roger,

You will remember that on Saturday last I spoke to you about the desire of the Italian Government to repatriate a number of officials and their families from Spain and Portugal. Since my return I have had a letter from Prunas on the subject of which the following is an extract:

"I spoke -----

-----by us."

Would you very kindly let me know if there is any progress on this case.

Yours ever,

/s/ Harold

Roger Makins, Esq., C.M.G.
Office of the British Resident Minister,
Allied Force Headquarters.

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C O P Y

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CONFIDENTIAL

Rome, 5 agosto 1944.

Dear Caccia,

I spoke to you yesterday concerning the 230 persons who for months now have been waiting for the authorization to return to Italy from the Iberian Peninsula.

You know that the question is, for us, a serious one: on the one hand, the Allied Control Commission insists that the greatest economy be exercised in respect of our offices abroad, and in fact programs and plans have been elaborated in order to realize, as quickly as possible, this aim; on the other, the necessary visas and transportation are granted very sparingly and with great delay.

The result is that our expenses continue to be uselessly heavy; that a state of uncertainty and uneasiness is spreading to all our communities in the Iberian Peninsula; that diffidence grows and that no rational program of economy and interchange of personnel can be realized by us.

I shall be extremely grateful if, with your unfailing courtesy, you will help us to get out of this stalemate. You are aware of our intention to renew all our personnel abroad: I mentioned yesterday that Mascia has been appointed to Madrid and Confalonieri to Dublin.

Harold A. Caccia, Esq.,
Vice President
Allied Control Commission,
POLITICAL SECTION . ROME

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It is absolutely necessary that this interchange, which involves also some Heads of Missions, should take place as rapidly as possible. I might, in this connection, usefully recall our old request to inform us of any possible means of transportation whereby our Minister at Stockholm, Renzetti, might repatriate: his recall and substitution are in fact most necessary, as is the return of the Minister in Dublin, whose state of health is far from being good.

I rely very much on your support, dear Caccia, and on your constant goodwill, for which I wish to thank you in advance.

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R. MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

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Telegramma in PARTENZA

No. coll: 743

Oggetto: RIMPATRIO PERSONALE

Data: 19.6.44

Tramite: PER CORRIERE 780

Diretto a: R. AMBASCIATA ITALIANA - MADRID

Testo: (originale)

No. 372 - Giugno 19. Telegramma Ministeriale n. 298 del 31 mag gio.

Risulta che personale recentemente rimpatriato è stato durante scato Algeri trattenuto per 17 giorni in Campo Concentramento dove Gattian tratterebbero ancora.

Inoltre dal suo arrivo a Gibilterra non si hanno più notizie Vice Console Nochi, che sembrerebbe essere stato colà fermato da autorità Britanniche.

Mentre si insiste presso Commissione Alleata Controllo perche predetti vengano posti in grado raggiungere Territorio Nazionale Liberato, prego rappresentare quanto precede a Codeste Ambasciate Britannica e Americana. I predetti erano infatti muniti di regolari visti concessi a seguito di interrogatori, accertamenti personali nonché prolungati ed esaurienti scambi di comunicazione fra competenti Organi Alleati ed Italiani, nel corso dei quali non furono mai sollevate eccezioni o fatte riserve o condizioni tali da spiegare quanto si è verificato. Provvedimenti adottati sono tanto più duri in quanto si tratta anche di funzionari muniti di regolare passaporto diplomatico, e sono in aperto contrasto con quelli usati dagli stessi Alleati nei confronti Personale diplomatico di altri paesi con cui si trovano in stato di aperta ostilità.

Faccia anche presente che trattamento riservato predetti, incide su sentimenti di lealtà al R. Governo dei cittadini e Funzionari Italiani all'Esterio, fornendo altresì efficace argomento per speculazioni propaganda Repubblicano Fascista.

Prima procedere ulteriori partenze personale trasferito chiede assicurazione che durante viaggio rimpatriandi non verranno sequestrati e sottoposti particolare trattamento umiliante, Se del caso interrogatori potranno essere fatti e sanzioni adottate in Italia in pieno accordo e collaborazione con Autorità Alleate. Prego assicurare. Trascotta presente telegramma Lisbona e per conoscenza Tangeri.

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Miss H. G. G.
received from French
26 June 44

*Report of Officers
of Headquarters
June 1944*

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Office of the British Resident Minister
at Allied Force Headquarters,
5, Rue Professeur Curtillet,
Algiers.

To: G-2 (C.I.)

From: British Resident Minister's Office

Subject: Repatriation of Italians from Tangier.

Reference: Our memorandum to you of 2nd June.

We have received a telegram from the Governor of Gibraltar to say that H.M. Consul-General at Tangier wishes to make the following corrections in the list of Italians it is desired to repatriate:-

Delete: "Dasio Alessandro, Pizzitola Luigi, Modica Vincenza."

Add: "Catalino Vito Conti Claudio, Meritier Beniot, Vuolo Pietro"

19th June, 1944.



Copy to: U.S. Political Adviser.
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Polish Liaison Allied Control Commission. — 2825

MEMO IS IN FILE 139/CA "Repatriation of Italians"

Repatriation of Italians

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

APC 394

June 9, 1944.

MEMORANDUM TO: U. S. Political Advisor, Allied Force Headquarters.

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Certain Italians from Tangier

Reference is made to Memorandum from the Office of the U. S. Political Advisor, Allied Force Headquarters, to C-2 (C.I.) Section, Allied Force Headquarters of May 8, 1944, on the above-mentioned subject.

The Political Section of the Allied Control Commission has now received a communication from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in which a formal request is made for the repatriation to Italy from Tangier of the fourteen students listed on page two of the Memorandum referred to. The Ministry confirms that the Italian Consulate General at Tangier has approached the British and American Representatives there in the premises, and asks that granting of the necessary permits be expedited and that the students be repatriated by air as soon as possible.

The Security Branch, Allied Control Commission, has indicated that it has no knowledge of the persons listed in the basic Memorandum.

Political Section

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c.c. U. S. Representative, Advisory Council for Italy.
British High Commissioner in Italy

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION

The Royal Consulate General in Tangiers reports having approached the British and American Representatives there in order to solicit from the competent Allied Authorities in Algiers a repatriation permit for a group of 14 Italian students, amongst whom a girl student, who desire to reach the national liberated territory, some for the purpose of ~~of~~ enlisting in the Armed Forces and others in order to continue their studies.

A list of these students is enclosed herewith, and the Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs would be very grateful if the Political Section of the A.C.C. could kindly expedite the granting of the necessary permit on the part of the competent Allied authorities and also obtain, with as little delay as possible, the necessary facilities for their journey by air. *nc*

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CONVITTI ITALIANI DI TANGERI

CASI SPECIALIDELEGATI DELL'ANNO SCOLASTICO 1942-43

- 1 - ROGICIVALLI Francesco di Francesco, nato a Tunisi il 2 gennaio 1924, residente a Casablanca: Rue Galilée n.8. In possesso di diploma di abilitazione tecnica di Ragioneria, desidera andare in Italia per arruolamento come da domanda presentata al Regio Consolato Generale d'Italia il giorno 17 ottobre 1943.
- 2 - GIARABELLA Vincenzo di Paolo, nato a Gela (Sicilia) il 10 settembre 1923, residente a Rabat: Rue de Tunis n.30. In possesso del diploma di abilitazione tecnica di Ragioneria; desidera andare in Italia per arruolamento come da domanda presentata al R. Consolato Generale d'Italia il giorno 17 ottobre 1943.
- 3 - DI KRACCESCO Beniamino di Giuseppe, nato a Rabat il 9 settembre 1923, residente a Rabat: rue Jeanne Dieulafoy n.6. In possesso di diploma di maturità scientifica, desidera andare in Italia per arruolamento come da domanda presentata al R. Consolato Generale d'Italia il giorno 17 ottobre 1943.
- 4 - ROSCORINO Giovanni di Giuseppe, nato a Rabat il 24 gennaio 1923, residente a Rabat: Rue d'Orléans n.18. In possesso del diploma di abilitazione tecnica di Ragioneria, desidera andare in Italia per arruolamento come da domanda presentata al R. Consolato Generale d'Italia il giorno 17 ottobre 1943.

CANDIDATI AMMESSI DI NATURITA' SCIENTIFICA NELLA SEZIONE ESTIVA 1943-44

- 5 - DE CARIA Gabriele di Sergio, nato a Isola Liri il 23/XI/1925, domiciliato a Casablanca: Rue Méditerranée. Desidera andare in Italia per continuare gli studi universitari.
- 6 - ROSCORINO Vincenzo di Salvatore, nato a Casablanca il 27 marzo 1923, domiciliato a Casablanca: Boulevard de la Liberté n.294. Desidera andare in Italia per continuare gli studi universitari ed arruolamento. 2822
- 7 - CHIESO Gaetano di Giuseppe, nato a Casablanca il 17-6-1927, domiciliato a Casablanca: Rue d'Alsace n.18. Desidera andare in Italia per continuare gli studi universitari.

- 8 - LUCIFORA Vittorio di Pasquale, nato a Casablanca il 23 maggio 1925, domiciliato a Casablanca: Avenue Mers Sultan n. 128 presso M. Mastocci. Desidera andare in Italia per continuare gli studi universitari.
- 9 - MASCAGNI Giovanni (I Istituto Tecnico Superiore-Ragioneria) figlio di Carlo, nato a Casablanca il 7-4-1926, domiciliato a Rabat, recitato a Meknès. Desidera andare in Italia a proseguire gli studi.
- 10 - QUINTI Giorgio (I° Liceo del Liceo Scientifico) figlio di Battino, nato ad Arezzo il 22-7-1925, domiciliato a Rabat: Place Maginot. Desidera andare in Italia per proseguire gli studi.
- 11 - DE SIO Alessandro di Giuseppe, nato a Palermo il 29 marzo 1926, domiciliato a Casablanca: Rue des Emir Charnes N. 40. Ha la famiglia al Marocco. Desidera andare in Italia a proseguire gli studi.
- 12 - PIZZITOLA Luigi di Luigi, nato ad Alcamo il 12-3-1927, domiciliato a Rabat: Rue Henry Papp n. 35. Ha la famiglia al Marocco. Desidera andare in Italia a proseguire gli studi.
- 13 - CARDINALE Armando di Giovanni, nato a Casablanca 1-11-4-1924, domiciliato a Casablanca: Rue Vedrines N. 45 ha la famiglia al Marocco. Ha presentato domanda di arruolamento.
- 14 - MODICA Vincenza fu Vincenzo e fu Titina Gallia, nata a Lecce il 19 gennaio 1928. La madre si è deceduta recentemente. Il padre, Torco Giacomo, risiede a Casablanca: Boulevard de la Liberté N. 271. La Modica insiste nel suo desiderio di partire per l'Italia risiedendo in provincia di Napoli (Scazzano) la nonna materna ed altri parenti.

MINISTERO
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N° 3334

MEMORANDUM

for the
POLITICAL SECTION (A.C.C.)

? Capt. Pearson to tell
Ministry that you have
already written to Algeria
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The Ministry for Foreign Affairs would be grateful if the Political Section (A.C.C.) could obtain from the competent Allied Authorities the authorization for the repatriation of Vice Consul Adalberto Figarolo di Gropello at present Acting Consul at Tetuan, whose services are needed at this Office.

Vice Consul Figarolo di Gropello is Duchess Badoglio's cousin.

This Ministry would therefore appreciate if the Allied Control Commission would arrange his trip by air from Morocco to Italy so that Vice Consul Figarolo di Gropello may reach liberated Italy in the shortest time possible. *he*

Salerno, May 25th, 1944.



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13th May 1944

Ref. CC/P/283.

Reference your letter No. 3-38 of 25th April.

I am taking up the case of Gropello and will let you know any developments in due course.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

A. Gascoigne, Esq., CMG
British Consul-General
British Consulate-General
TANGIER

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