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Office of the British Resident
Military at Allied Forces C.,
5, rue Professeur Gurtillot,
Algiers.
7th June, 1944.

5/150/26

Dear Miss Hopkins,

Mr. Perkins tells me that when he was in Naples he went through your "pending file" with you and that you showed him all the letters to this office which appeared to be without an answer. The position as regards each of these letters is as follows:

EXTRACT:

7. Your memorandum No. 84 of May 10th about Dr. Passera in the Yemen. You have now had an answer in the form of our memorandum of May 22nd telling you that the authorities in the Middle East have tried to discover what the attitude of the Imam was.

END OF EXTRACT:

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Yours sincerely

/s/ A. Rambold

Junior Commander M. Hopkins.

Sir A. Rambold.

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

41/150/2

24th June, 1944.

Dear Miss Hopkins,

You will have seen from the message from Dr. Passera enclosed in my letter of June 21st that he has apparently done nothing to find out whether the Imam of the Yemen approves of the repatriation of his Mission. According to the Office of the Resident Minister in Cairo, the Governor of Aden advised Dr. Passera as long ago as May 19th that it would be necessary for him to obtain the consent of the Imam before he or any of his Mission left the Yemen. Therefore he has only himself to thank for the continued delay and you might so inform the Italians if they make any more enquiries about him.

Yours sincerely,

Ugin Passera

Would you kindly note +
put with the file. *A. Rumbold*

A. Rumbold.

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IFC informed accordingly - *25/6*

Junior Commander Hopkins.

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

41/150/2

21st June, 1944.

Dear Miss Hopkins,

With reference to our memorandum of May 22nd about Dr. Passera and his Medical Mission in the Yemen, I shall be grateful, provided you see no objection, if you will pass on the peculiar message from Dr. Passera of which the English text provided by Dr. Passera's office, is enclosed herein.

Yours sincerely,

A. Rumbold

A. Rumbold.

Junior Commander Hopkins.

Algeria Pearson

③ Handed over 27/6 - 1/4/45

② Wd. & kindly pass on to Sir
Pearson and return pp sent for Sir
information. 26/6

Copy of Translation supplied by Dr. Passera
of his message to the Italian Government.

Royal Office of Italian Foreign Affairs.

Reply to telegram No. 13 of 30th March 1944. No. 19 May 30.
My preceding communication concerning Rossi and Pavetti had object of pointing out the two most active elements of disaggregation of Mission and intercourse with this Government. My request for aggregate repatriation of Mission signified almost everybody incurred incorrectnesses deficiencies responsibilities which ought to be examined in due residence. Only Toffolon, Sanfilippo, Lombardi have been always irreprehensible. I have the duty of informing that Audisio does not give any assurance owing to scarcity of his moral and military gifts because he has firstly aided Rossi with his uncertain behaviour and undisciplined conduct and now from six months about has exercised work of denigration against Rossi together with Demarchi with whom he cohabits. If sanitarians must be left I subordinatesly request to include among those who repatriate Audisio and Demarchi for disciplinary reasons of which I shall give report in due course, and Lombardi for reasons of exuberance of staff, and to examine convenience of entrusting temporary direction to Toffolon or to a surgeon whom Government should make him arrive readily even from Asmara and who should be entrusted with medical attendance on person of Lama and surgical service in hospitals of Sanaa. Dionisio with Bertaso and Di Francesco, Pavetti and his wife have left Yemen to Eritrea respectively first days of November 1943 and last days of January 1944. After departure of Pavetti this Mission has retaken intercourse with this Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and intercourse with this Government are becoming normal. I remain in waiting of orders.

Sgd. TANCRREDI PASSERA.

Use 19/6

Extract - 5/150/46 7.6.44 - Sir A. Rumbold to J/Cdr. Hopkins.

7. Your memorandum No. 84 of May 10th about Dr. Passera in the Yemen. You have now had an answer in the form of our memorandum of May 22nd telling you that the authorities in the Middle East have tried to discover what the attitude of the Imam was.

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Office of the British Resident
Minister at A.F.H.C.,
5, rue Professeur Cartillot,
Algiers.

22nd May, 1944.

To: Political Section,
Allied Control Commission.

From: British Resident Minister's
Office.

Reference: Your memorandum No. 41 of
May 10th.

The Office of the Minister Resident
in Cairo informs us that no travel
arrangements are under consideration for
the repatriation of Dr. Passera and his
medical mission until the attitude of the
Imam of the Yemen is known. They have
asked the Governor of Aden to discover
what the attitude of the Imam is.

FOR

Captain Pearson

Transmitted 2/5/44

W. J. K. K. K. K.

Re: 2 return file for the 26/5

Memorandum to: Office of the British Resident Minister
at Allied Force Headquarters,
ALGIERS.

From: Political Section,
H.Q. Allied Control Commission,
APO 394.

No. 21.

10th May, 1944.

With reference to your memorandum No. 41/150/2 of the 6th May, enclosing text of a further message from Dr. Passera, which has duly been passed to the Italian Government, the latter now enquire whether a decision has been reached by the Allied authorities regarding repatriates from the Yemen, which formed the subject of our note No. 68 of the 7th April. We shall be grateful to learn what the position is at present.

2. Before this memorandum was drafted the matter was referred to the Office of the High Commissioner, who state that they are prepared to deal with it in the future, should you wish them to. If so, would you kindly send them the relevant papers.

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Office of the British Resident
 Minister at Algiers
 2, rue Professeur Bachelier,
 Algiers.

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To: Political Section, A.S.G.
 From: Resident Minister's Office.

With reference to your memorandum
 No. 63 of April 7th, we enclose herewith a
 further message which Dr. Passaro wishes
 to be transmitted on his behalf to the
 Italian Government. This message contains
 one passage enclosed in your memorandum
 under reference which was only part of the
 message.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #505-PE

8 May 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. H. A. Caccia, Political Section, ~~XXXX~~ Hq ACC, Naples.

1. Roberti came to see me this afternoon and made the following requests:

- (1) a reply to memorandum 2456 concerning Professor Galante's journey to Spain;
(2) with reference to their memorandum 1649 of 28 March concerning repatriates from the Yemen.

(I understand these papers are with you).

Yemen pp. 10/10/44
Set the High Commission's office to telegraph.

J. M. Pearson
J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

I agree. You might say that we will deal with it in the future if they want us to or will let us have the p.p.

I think a reminder through

Sir A. Remond asking how matters stand

Mac 3/50

Miss Hopper please draft ref Sh A

Remond's memo 41/15572 of 6 May below Mac 3/5

Memorandum to: Office of the British Resident Minister
at Allied Force Headquarters,
ALGIERS.

From: Political Section,
H.Q. Allied Control Commission,
A.P.O. 394.

No. 68.

7th April, 1944.

Attached are copy of a memorandum from the Italian Government concerning their Medical Mission in the Yemen and a telegram which they would like forwarded to Lt.-Col. Tancredi Passera.

2. It will be seen that the name of Rossi is included among those whose repatriation we are asked to arrange. Before forwarding this memorandum we asked the Ministry of Foreign Affairs whether they wished to omit Rossi's name from their telegram, as it was understood that he wished to remain in the Yemen. They reply, however, that they would like his name included in case Rossi should change his mind about embracing Islam and remaining in the Yemen, and now wish to return to Italy. They want him to have the choice of returning or not as he wishes.

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From
Capt. Pearson
6/6/44

2. With reference to telegram No. 321 (No. 13 to Yemen) which you forwarded for enquiry in connection with the inclusion of Rossi's name, the Italian Ministry would like the telegram sent please in its present form, in case Rossi should change his mind about embracing Islam and remaining in the Yemen and now may wish to return to Italy. They wish him to have the choice of returning or not as he wishes.

Capt. Pearson

See pencil notes w attached.
Would you kindly act.

Plan Handed over for alteration. WLS
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R. MINISTERO
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AFFARI ESTERI

No 1649

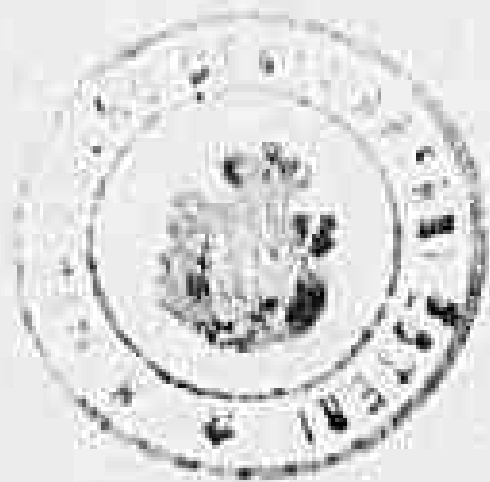
MEMORANDUM
FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION

With reference to your Memorandum N. 3730 of the 26th January this Ministry would be grateful should you be so good as to forward the enclosed telegram to Lieutenant Colonel Tancredi Passera, Director of the Italian Medical Mission at Sanaa, Yemen.

This Ministry would also be grateful if you would ask the appropriate Allied authorities to further the request that Col. Passera is authorized to submit to the Yemenite Government in order to obtain the release of a number of Italians, including Dr. Dionisio, a well known orientalist, who are now interned.

This Ministry would also appreciate it if you would be so good as to further the repatriation of Passera, Rossi, Sanfilippo and the Italians who will eventually be released from internment.

R.P.
Salerno, March 28th, 1944



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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APC-394

25th March, 1942.

MEMORANDUM

FOR ROYAL MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

With reference to my memorandum of January 26th, in which I have the names of the persons understood to comprise your Medical Mission in the Yemen, a contact list has now been received and is given below:

Dr. Tancredi Passera
Dr. Vittorio Rossi.
Dt. Luigi Marucci
Dr. Carlo Toffolon.
Giulio Audisio (Chemist).
Dr. Maria Luisa de Karchi (Lady doctor) and one child.
Attilio Sanfilippo (Secretary).
Nello Lombardi (Interpreter).
Inaco Borroni (Electrician).
Emilio Geminali (Engineer).

2. I am also informed that Signor Lenzani (not Tanroni, as stated in my previous memorandum), the agent of the Societa Coloniale Italiana, who is not a member of the Mission, and Dr. Rossi of the Mission wish to remain in the Yemen. It is confirmed that the Favettis are now in Eritrea and that Pretti has left the Yemen.

Vice-President
Political Section.

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Office of the British Resident
Minister at Allied Force H.Q.,
5, rue Professeur Curtius,
Algiers.

41/150/2.

20th March 1944.

mmj.
HAZ

My dear Korda,

My letter No. 41/150/2 of February 27th,
about the Italian Medical Mission in the Yemen.

2. I enclose a corrected list of the names
of the members of the Mission.

3. The Aden Secretariat state that Signor
Lanzani (not Tanzoni) the agent of the Società
Coloniale Italiana, who is not a member of the
Mission, and Dr. Rossi of the Mission wish to
remain in the Yemen.

4. It is confirmed that the Favettis are now
in Eritrea, that Pretti has left the Yemen, (and
that the five Italian refugees mentioned in para.
4 of the letter from the Minister of State's Office
in Cairo No. 46(1)/44 of January 13th (copied to
you in my letter of January 21st) have also left.)
None of these people were members of the Mission.

Yours ever,
A. Halford.

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H.A. Caccia Esq.

LIST OF MEMBERS OF ITALIAN MEDICAL MISSION
IN THE YEMEN.

Dr. Tancredi Passera
Dr. Vittorio Rossi
Dr. Luigi Merucci
Dr. Carlo Toffolon
Giulio Audisio. (Chemist)
Dr. Maria Luisa de Marchi (Lady Doctor) with one child.
Attilio Sanfillippo (Secretary)
Nello Lombardi (Interpreter)
Inaco Borroni (Electrician)
Emilio Geminiani (Engineer)

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Office of the British Resident
Minister at Allied Force H.Q.,
Algiers.

27th February, 1944.

41/150/2

My dear Harold,

My letter No.41/150/2 of January 21st
about the Italian Medical Mission in the
Yemen.

2. I enclose an extract from a
telegram from the Secretary of State for
the Colonies to the Governor at Aden dated
February 7th which provides a little extra
information for your personal use.

Yours ever,
A. S. Halford.

H. A. Caccia, Esq.

EXTRACT

I am very glad that the British Medical Mission has been successfully withdrawn from Sana.

In paragraph 8 of your Saving telegram No.388 of 24th August you referred to the desirability of the Italian Medical Mission also being withdrawn from the Yemen. You will now have learned from my telegram No.11 (addressed to Minister of State No.3) that there is no objection to their repatriation provided that the consent of the Imam can be obtained and the necessary arrangements made. However if their departure proves impossible their continued presence in present circumstances would seem to be of small political importance. Their replacement by a fresh British Mission would no doubt be desirable in principle but at the moment there is such a shortage of British doctors that I do not think it would be justifiable to press for diversion to this work of doctors at present employed on work of urgent national importance.

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

APO 304 U.S. Army

January 20, 1944.

MEMORANDUM

FOR ROYAL MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

In reply to your Memorandum No. 278 of the 7th November last, asking for information about the Italian nationals in the Yemen, I enclose translation of a message to Marshal Badoglio from Dr. Passera, head of the Italian Medical Mission in the Yemen.

It is understood that the Mission comprises the following members:

Dr. Innocenti Passera - Head of the Mission
 Dr. Vittorio Rossi - Surgeon at Sana'a Hospital.
 Cav. Attilio Sanfilippo - Accountant to the Mission.
 Giulio Audisio - Chemist.
 Dr. Maria Luisa de Marchi (with one child) Lady Doctor.
 Nello Lombardi - Interpreter.
 Ineco Barroni - Occasionally employed on Yemeni Government W/T Station
 Signor Favetti and wife - Manager of Tazarini & Co.
 Dr. Luigi Merucci - Doctor
 Signor Tanzoni - Manager of S.I.A.M.E.
 Dr. Carlo Taffacconi - Doctor
 Emilio Geminiani.

It is believed that another member of the Mission, Alberto Pretti, returned to Eritrea in 1942. Dr. Rossi and Signor Tanzoni apparently wish to stay in the Yemen, but according to recent information the Favettis intend shortly to leave the Yemen by ship for Eritrea.

There is no objection to the repatriation to Italy of the Italians in the Yemen provided that consent of the Imam can be obtained and the necessary arrangements made.

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Political Section

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

21st January, 1944.

41/150/2.

My dear Mr. Ad,

My letter No. 41/150/2 of January 17th.

2. I enclose a copy of a letter which we have now received from the Minister of State's Office on the subject of the Italian Medical Mission in the Yemen. You will doubtless let us know what further action you wish us to take.

Yours ever,

A. S. Halford

A. S. Halford

H. A. Caccia, Esq.

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COPY

Office of the Minister of State,
10, Shai Tolmat,
Cairo.

46(1)44.

13th January, 1944.

Sir,

1. I have the honour to transmit herewith, in original and translation, a letter from Dr. Passera, the Head of the Italian Medical Mission in the Yemen, addressed to the Government of Marshall Badoglio, concerning the repatriation of the Mission to Italy.

2. The Foreign Office and the Colonial Office have been consulted, and the latter have informed me that there is no objection to the repatriation to Italy of the Italians in the Yemen, provided that the consent of the Dham can be obtained and the necessary arrangements made. It is agreed that the message from Dr. Passera to Marshall Badoglio may be forwarded through the normal channels, and I should be grateful if it could now be transmitted to its destination.

3. For your information, I understand that the Mission comprises the following members:-

Dr. Tancredi Passera - Head of the Mission.
Dr. Vittorio Rossi - Surgeon at Sam's Hospital.
Cav. Attilio Santillano - Accountant to the Mission.
Giulio Audisio - Chemist.
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Signor Favetti and wife - Manager of Tassarini & Co.
Dr. Luigi Serucci - Doctor.
Signor Tanconi - Manager of S.A.N.E.
Dr. Carlo Taffaolen - Doctor.
Enrico Ceminiani.

4. I understand that another member of the Mission, Alberto Pretti, returned to Eritrea in 1942. Dr. Rossi and Signor Tanconi apparently wish to stay in the Yemen. According to a recent telegram from the Governor of Aden, the Favettis intend shortly to leave the Yemen by dhow for Eritrea, and five Italian refugees were reported in November last to be awaiting passage by dhow to Massawa.

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TRANSLATION OF LETTER FROM HEAD OF ITALIAN MEDICAL MISSION IN THE YEMEN
TO MARSHAL SAKHAWI'S GOVERNMENT

This communication follows my preceding request for the repatriation of the Italian Medical Mission in Yemen which I sent on 17th August 1943. The condition of the Italian Medical Mission in Yemen are more and more difficult owing to the growing hostility from this Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, supported by anti-Italian behaviour of Dr. Rossi and Sig. Favetti agent of S.A.M.E. The former, who is the nephew of the Admiral Legnani, is taking the proper steps with this Government for becoming a convert to the Mohammedan religion, obtaining eventually the Yemenite citizenship making himself sure of his permanence in Yemen, because he does not desire to re-enter Italy for avoiding disciplinary and legal measures in consequence of gross faults he has made previously. The latter, who was before a hierarch, in Eritrea, of the suppressed Fascist party, endeavours to protract, as long as possible, his useless permanence in Yemen with object of lucre and for avoiding eventual liabilities in other country. They are both on intimate and close terms with the foretold Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and develop against the Italian Mission a campaign of denigration which is prejudicial to our prestige, and our intercourse with this Government. If it is not possible, at present, to give orders for the repatriation of the Mission to Italy, I pray to examine the opportunity of conveying the order for the urgent removal of all the staff of the Mission to Asmara, including Favetti, to whom must be transmitted the order of closing the Agency of the S.A.M.E. If His Majesty the Emperor were to request a personal physician, I express my subordinate opinion, it may be convenient to allow him that, making the physician reach Yemen from Eritrea after our departure and authorising me to communicate that to this Government. Stop. The Chief of the Italian Medical Mission in Yemen, Lieutenant Colonel Doctor Tascetti Passera.

Office of the British Resident
Minister at Allied Force H.Q.,
5, rue du Professeur Cartillet,
Algiers.

17th January 1944.

42/150/2

My dear Mr. [unclear],

The answer to your question about the lack of progress in the matter of the Italian refugees and the medical mission in Yemen is that your cable No. 876 of November 10th was first passed to the Liaison Section for action and then transferred to Civil Affairs and - no action was taken on it. We have now telegraphed to the Foreign Office asking them to get busy.

[Signature]
A. S. Halford.

H. A. Caccia Esq.

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TO ALLIED AUTHORITIES ITALY
 ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WILL BE GRATEFUL FOR ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE ABOUT REFUGEES
 IN YEMEN AND FOR ANYTHING THAT ^{CAN} ~~COULD~~ BE DONE TO FACILITATE THEIR REPATRIATION PD
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AUTHENTICATED:

KENYON A. JOYCE
 Major General, U.S.A.
 Deputy President

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AUTHENTICATED:

ROBERT E. DOE
 Major, A.C.D.
 Secretary of Mission

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R. MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

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MEMORANDUM

FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

(POLITICAL SECTION)

With reference to our Memorandum No. 278 dated November 7, 1943, it would be much appreciated if information could be obtained about the group of Italian nationals in Yemen.

These men, refugees from Ethiopia, were reported by the Italian Embassy at Ankara to be without funds and desirous to return to Italy.

Information would also be appreciated about the Italian Medical Mission at Sanaa headed by Dr. Passera.



R. Passera

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FATIMA

Arrange please for this message be delivered to Marshal Badoglio, number 24 dated 13 November from Italian Ambassador at Angola.

Reference my despatch number 2845/3 of October 16. Dr. Passera of Italian Medical Mission in the Yemen asks for repatriation of Mission. FATIMA FOR JOYCE FROM C-2 FREEDOM SIGNED CINC CITE FROM. Serious reasons make repatriation urgent necessity.

Major Doe

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Mr. F. H. J.

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

Brindisi, li 7.1943

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Memorandum: for the Allied Military Mission.-

Information has been received through the Italian Embassy in Ankara to the effect that a group of about 30 Italian nationals, formerly in Aethiopia, are at present in Yemen, lacking means and desirous to return to Italy.-

The Italian Sanitary Mission at Sanaa is not in a position to provide for their upkeep or travel.-

It would be much appreciated if a way could be found to facilitate the repatriation of the Italian nationals in question. Dr: Passera, head of the Mission in question, should be in a position to give information as to the exact number and identity of the members of the party concerned.-

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See our Tel No 865 of -

re: Italy

Telepam. AFHQ attached

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See our Tel No 865 of 3834

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Telegrams: AFHQ attached

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Major, A.G.D.
Secretary of Mission 3833

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16 November

Dr. Passera of Italian Medical Mission in the Yemen asks for repatriation of Mission.

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The following message, telegram No. 25 of November 22, is from the Italian Ambassador at Angola to the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

1. Reference your telegram No. 101 and my telegram No. 24. This Embassy has been unable, despite all efforts, to secure any information on the subject of the Yamen Medical Mission other than that contained in its despatch No. 2645/3 of November 16. Embassy cannot moreover ascertain amount of repatriation costs. It takes from 3 to 4 months to receive a reply from Sana'a (last news dated from September 7th). FATIMA FOR JOYCE FROM 02 FREEDOM SIGNED GING CITE FREEDOM. I submit that further communications should be addressed through the good offices of the British direct to Doctor Passera

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLITICAL SECTION A.C.C.

Reference is made to the Aide-Memoire of the A.C.C., Political Section, dated 3rd inst. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs wishes to acknowledge that the Italian Government will pay the travel expenses from Bagdad to Constantinople for the Italian Minister in Jedda and his staff, who repatriated in 1942.

Rome, August 24th 1944.



Copy given to Mr. Halford
26.8.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

3rd August, 1944.

AID. MEMOIRE FOR THE ROYAL ITALIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN
AFFAIRS.

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2. The British authorities desire this matter to be brought to the attention of the Italian Government, from whom they will be glad to receive a formal acknowledgment of the Italian obligation in this matter.

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Ref. 16/94/44

FROM: A.S. Halford
TO: Mr. Caccia,
Political Section, A.C.C.

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3. The F.O. would be grateful if the above could be brought to the notice of the Italian Government and a formal acknowledgment of their obligation be obtained from them.

of the British authorities

1st. Aug. 1944.

(fm) A.S. Halford.
C.A.S.

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TRANSLATION

Letter from Ministry of Foreign Affairs:

TELESPRESSO No. 3437

URGENT

TO: Royal Italian Embassy, Ankara

Place : Saudi Arabia
Subject: Rent of Royal Seat at Jidda
Refer : Our Telespresso No. 1002 of 8 March 1944

To adhere to renewed requests by the British Authorities here, please let me know if your Embassy has any way of ascertaining the basis of credit claimed by Signor Banacelara, also ~~ANACELARA~~ if he could receive a portion at least of these holdings.

THE SECRETARY GENERAL

/s/ Prinas

Prinas received 30/8

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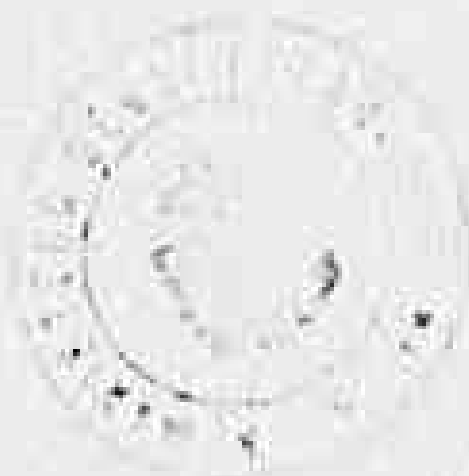
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

POLITICAL SECTION

With reference to a verbal request made on even date by Mr. Caccia, the Royal Ministry for Foreign Affairs has the honour to inform the A.C.C. that the Italian Embassy in Ankara has been requested to inform whether it has been possible to obtain sufficient evidence of the claims presented by Mr. Banalacara, in order to justify at least a partial payment of the rent arrears which are apparently due to him. *RC*

SALERNO, 23 MAG 1944



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POLITICAL SECTION

21st May, 1944.

Roger Makins sent me a copy of your letter to him No. B 127/127/25 of the 7th February about rent for the Italian Legation premises at Jeddah and I spoke about it to Prunas, the Secretary General of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs. As a result he instructed the Italian Embassy in Ankara "to invite Mr. Banalacara to produce such evidence in his possession as to justify the amount he claims in order that this Ministry may comply with his request."

I have reminded him from time to time and did so again yesterday, but no reply has yet been received. This is unsatisfactory, but communication takes a long time. Meanwhile I will continue to keep this in Prunas' mind.

R. M. A. Hankey, Esq.,
Foreign Office,
LONDON, E.W.1.

M.H.:

A letter was sent
to Amara.

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~~Mr. Walcott~~
on 3 May received
Pinner AM21/4.

R. MINISTERO
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AFFARI ESTERI

MEMORANDUM

for the

POLITICAL SECTION (A.C.C.)

Mr. Caccia has called the attention of this Ministry on the request of Mr. Banalacara, proprietor of the building where the Italian Legation in Gedda was housed, to receive, at least, partial payment of rent arrears which apparently are due to him by the Royal Government.

In accordance with such a desire, the Italian Embassy in Ankara is being instructed to invite Mr. Banalacara to produce such evidence in his possession as to justify the amount he claims in order that this Ministry may comply with his request.

R.P.

Salerno, March 3rd, 1944.



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Salerno, March 3rd, 1944.



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Capt. Penney

See second para above. Capt. Penney we have not seen any Tel. giving such instructions but perhaps they are waiting to Ankara. Mr. Caccia suggested you might mention it at the Ministry.

W.M.
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② By June 20

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

11/5/1503

19th February, 1944.

My dear H.A. Caccia,

I enclose a copy of a letter from Robin Hankey about the Italian Legation premises at Jeddah. A copy of Jordan's despatch No. 99 of December 16th was forwarded to you under reference 11/5/1503 in late December or early January and the relevant despatch from the Italian Embassy at Ankara (No. 3055/25), in which was enclosed a copy of the Embassy's note No. 3036 of November 30th to the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, was sent on to you under cover of Aubrey Halford's letter No. 5/150/34 of December 15th.

2. As Robin Hankey admits, it is really no business of ours, but we like to do little things for Ibn Saud whenever we can. You might therefore think it worth while to speak to Prunas. If he agrees to some provisional settlement, I have little doubt that we shall have to provide the funds!

Yours ever
R. Makins
Roger Makins.

H.A. Caccia, Esq.

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FOREIGN OFFICE, S.W.1.

(E 127/127/25)

7th February, 1944.

Dear Roger,

Jordan has sent to the Resident Minister at Algiers a copy of his despatch No.99 of the 16th December in which he reports that Ibn Saud has invoked our good offices in settling amicably with the Italian Government the arrears of rent of the Italian Legation premises at Jedda for the last three years.

Correspondence between the Italian Embassy at Ankara and the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs on this subject will be found amongst the documents enclosed in Busk's letter to Caccia No.930/88/43 of the 6th December last. The Italian Embassy's note No.3036 of the 30th November last gives all necessary information and from this you will see that the Embassy refused to pay the rent on the ground that they had no means of checking the claim.

This is not really our affair, but since Ibn Saud has asked for our assistance we should like to help him if we can. While the Italian Government may be unwilling to accept the claim in its entirety, they may be prepared to pay something on account since it is fairly obvious that some rent is due to the landlord. If you think it would help in any way, we should be grateful if you would put in a word with whoever is concerned.

I am sending a copy of this to Jordan.

Yours ever,

Robin Hankey

(R.M.A. Hankey)

R.M. Makins, Esq., C.M.G.
Algiers.

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No. 99.

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No action necessary ^{COPY}
now; but this paper will be
essential ^{Agreed}
request us to get
Badoglio's action
paraphrased ⁵

British Legation,
Jedda.

16th December, 1943.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Saudi Government have approached me regarding the actions of the Turkish Chargé d'Affaires in Jedda in his conduct of affairs arising out of the protection of Italian interests in this country by the Turkish Government.

2. It appears that the Turkish Chargé d'Affaires on instructions from his government has been disposing of the cars, engines, furniture and fittings of the Italian Legation in Jedda and has made no provision for the payment of the rent of the Legation premises which are owned by a Saudi subject. The amount of rent due is £1,500 gold and the Saudi Government were at first disposed to place a seizure on the Legation fittings and to sell them for the account of the landlord.
3. Wiser counsels prevailed however and now as the Saudi Government can obtain no satisfaction from the Turkish representative the King has sought our good offices in order that this matter may be settled amicably.
4. The Turkish representative claims that he is acting on a request from the Badoglio Government, not from the previous government, and he has no option but to carry out the instructions received by him.
5. In the circumstances the Saudi Government request that you will intervene through the offices of the Minister of State Resident in Algiers or other suitable authority in order to ensure that the claim of the Saudi landlord is met from the proceeds of the sale of the Legation's cars and fittings or in some other way.

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The Right Honourable Anthony Eden, M.C., M.P.,
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 Foreign Office.

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