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29 November 1944

Dear Chuck:

Enclosed is a copy of a memorandum from the Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission, on the subject of an interview with Major
General Busloperov.

Sincerely,

ELDERY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Chief Commissioner

576/385

Brigadier General Charles M. Spofford, USA
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5
Allied Force Headquarters
APO 512

1 Incl: 13081/P dtd 23 Nov 44, subject:
"Banking Relations between USSR and Italy"

in your possession

cc: Political Section
Chief of Staff
Finance Subcommittee
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION
TEL: 447

13081/P

23 November, 1944

SUBJECT: Banking Relations between USSR and Italy.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
HQ Allied Commission.

1. Major-General Suslovnikov called on me yesterday to enquire whether the Allied Commission wished to raise any objection to the resumption of reciprocal banking relations between the State Bank of the USSR (Gosbank) and the Banca d'Italia. I pointed out that no trade was passing between the two countries and asked what purpose the account would serve. The General replied that transactions would be small and probably limited to providing funds for necessary diplomatic expenses.
2. I replied that existing financial legislation affecting the control of enemy funds prevented U.S. and U.K. from resuming financial relations of the type proposed. I went on to explain the operation of the AF accounts in the name of Italian banks. It appears that the Gosbank is unhampered by any restrictive legislation and therefore is able to take the lead in resuming Central Bank relations. I stated that there would be no objection to the General's proposal.
3. The General then enquired if the Finance Sub-Commission would wish to supervise all transactions on the account. I replied that we would wish to be informed only if the transactions were such as to re-act unfavourably on the general financial structure. As the operations will not be large we would not wish to control the proposed transactions.
4. The General expressed his satisfaction at this reply, adding that the proposal would certainly be referred to London and Washington.
5. In my opinion the General's request was almost impossible to refuse. It may be stated in parenthesis that the closest relations exist between the Finance Sub-Commission and the Banca d'Italia.

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6. Advances of lire to the Russian Delegation to the Advisory Council have been as follows:

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April	1,075	
May	1,000,755	
June	1,000,455	
July	2,300,350	
August		
September	45	
October	<u>565,974</u>	4,868,754

Other payments to the Russians were as follows, up to 31 October, 1944:

Relief to Nationals	14,200
Remittances through Bank of England (of which 12,000,000 Lire is awaiting transfer from the Banca di Sicilia, Palermo).	17,621,600
Currency exchange, i.e. 24,000 in sterling notes exchanged on 15 September, 1944.	<u>1,600,000</u>

This gives a grand total of 24,101,554

(Signed) A. P. CHAFFIN, SMITH

Colonel,
Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission.

Copy to: Political Section (2)
Chief of Staff

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Travel of Italian
Diplomatic
Representatives
to
Moscow

Quaroni
Messeri
Stocoro
Kavatta,
etc

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Political Sec.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2

B-368.506/72-B

22 August 1944

SUBJECT: Military Travel Authorisation - Breach of Travel Control
TO : Political Section, Allied Control Commission,
o/c Rome Area Allied Command.

1. The following Italian diplomatic personnel departed Taranto for Alexandria 11 August 1944 aboard the "PRINCESS KATHLEEN" (BR.) against Movement order -- "ACC M.O. 395/385 Political Section - Rome 8.7.44"

<u>MESSERI</u> , Girolamo	} Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Rome
<u>STOCORO</u> , Antonio	
<u>ZAVATTA</u> , Dino	

2. It is brought to your attention that Italian diplomatic personnel are included in the categories of persons who require Military Travel Authorisation to leave Italy -- issued by this headquarters (MGS 300.4-4 dated 14 January 1944 as amended 29 February 1944 and Port Security Instruction No. 700 (Italy) dated 4 February 1944 refer - Hq. A.C.C. holds copies)

3. Will you ensure that above instructions are complied with in future.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2:

Lieut. Joseph at
Port Commandants Office

Naples (Movements) said
But no M.T.A. would
be needed for sea voyage.

Ad Di Tommaso, 1st Lt Inf

for S. S. HILL-DILLON
Colonel, General Staff
G-2 (C.I.) Section

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R. MINISTERO
DEGLI
AFFARI ESTERI

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

POLITICAL SECTION

Reference is made to the Ministry's Memorandum
n. 6/246/138, dated 18th inst., concerning the journey of
Signor Messeri and party to Moscow via the Middle East.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs would be much
obliged if the Allied Control Commission could kindly cause
the following telegram to reach Signor Messeri; through
the British Embassy in Cairo or any other British Authority
in the Middle East:

" It is confirmed that Allied Authorities will
kindly provide to all travel and other expenses connected
with your journey and that of two employees. Signed

VIDAU " *Carlo*

ROME, August 22nd, 1944.



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*Unnecessary. To Moscow by car.
Expenses to be paid by AA.*

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kindly provide to all travel and other expenses connected
with your journey and that of two employees. Signed

VIDAU " *Lucio*

ROME, August 22nd, 1944.



6413

*Unnecessary. To Moscow by air.
Expenses journey paid by AA.
(cont. Rebatelli 22.8.)*

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R. MINISTERO
DEGLI
AFFARI ESTERI

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Nr. 6/284/138

Sat to Mr. Halford 20.8

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

POLITICAL SECTION

Reference is made to Memorandum n. 395/385, dated August 8th. concerning the journey of Signor Messeri, with Signori Zavatta and Steccoro, to Moscow via the Middle East.

In this connection, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs hereby acknowledges the Italian Government's obligation to pay the cost of their stay in the Middle East and journey from there to Moscow.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs takes note with thanks that the Allied Authorities in the Middle East have been warned of the party's arrival and that they have been requested to make all necessary arrangements for their stay and onward journey. *re.*

ROME, August 18th, 1944.



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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

Ref #395/385

8 August 1946

AIDE-MEMOIRE FOR THE ROYAL ITALIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

At the request of the Royal Italian Government Allied Authorities have undertaken to facilitate the journey of Signor Messeri, with Signori Zavatta and Stancoro, to Moscow via the Middle East. We shall be glad to receive a formal acknowledgment of the Italian Government's obligation to pay the cost of their stay in the Middle East and journey from there to Moscow. Meanwhile the Allied authorities in the Middle East have been warned of the party's arrival and have been requested to make all necessary arrangements for their stay and onward journey.

Original handed to Warshaw Palace

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Mr. Caccia.

Italian Mission to the U.S.S.R.

Mr. Halford says that Cairo have raised the question as to who is to pay the expenses of Messeri & party's journey from the Middle East to Moscow. Presumably the Italian Government. Following is a draft Aide Memoire:

At the request of the R. Italian Govt. Messeri & party have undertaken the journey.
 "with reference to the journey of Signor Messeri, with ~~Signor~~ *Signor* Zavatta and Stoccoro, to Moscow via the Middle East. We shall be glad to receive a formal acknowledgment of the Italian Government's obligation to pay the cost of their stay in the Middle East and journey from there to Moscow. Meanwhile the Allied authorities in the Middle East have been warned of the party's arrival and have been requested to make all necessary arrangements for their stay and onward journey."

The party is due in the Middle East on the 16th August so this is fairly urgent.

M.H.
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Mr. Halford.

Italian Mission to the U.S.S.R.

With reference to my note to you of the 3th July, in which I asked you to telegraph to the Embassy at Cairo about arrangements for the onward journey of the party travelling to Moscow via the Middle East, we have since been informed that their departure from Toronto has been postponed until August 9th, which means that they should arrive in the Middle East about August 16th.

I shall be grateful if you would telegraph again to Cairo, informing them of the above. At the same time would you kindly ask that Messeri may be accorded the usual diplomatic privileges for his journey, which the U.S.S.R. representative has already promised for him.

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Political Section,
6.8.44.

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

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

No. 110.

18th July, 1944.

With reference to your memorandum No. 43/150/57 of the 18th July which crossed ours of the 14th July to G-5 Section, A.F.H.Q., in which we informed A.F.H.Q. of arrangements made for the journey of Mosseri and one employee, Dino Zavatta, by sea to the Middle East en route for Teheran and Moscow. We also said that it was at first intended to send Stocco with this party, but that the Italian Government had later renewed their request that he might be allowed to return to Spain instead of going to Moscow. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs have now informed us that, after all, Stocco is to go as archivist to the Italian Mission to the U.S.S.R. The party of three, Mosseri, Zavatta and Stocco are due to embark for the Middle East shortly after August 9th.

2. Extra copies of this memorandum are enclosed for the Office of the American Political Adviser and G-5 Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

18th July, 1944.

Subject: Individual Embarkation.

To: H.R. Movements Naples (West Ports),
Personnel and Baggage.

With reference to your Q(M)/P/P/7 of the 14th July,
would you kindly let us know when this party are due to arrive in
the Middle East, so that we can inform G.H.Q. when they can be
expected.

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Ask ASH to telegraph again to ME when
reply received.

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

Rome, July 15th, 1944

Dear Adm. Stone

Owing to the imminent journey to Moscow of the Secretary to the Italian Representative in U.S.S.R., I have the pleasure to enclose herewith a Memorandum for the Political Section of the A.C.C., with which the Ministry asks the customary diplomatic laissez-passer for Messeri.

I would like to emphasize the fact that Messeri, according to the assurances of the U.S.S.R. Representative, will enjoy, during his journey, full diplomatic immunities.

I shall be very grateful if you will kindly authorize the granting of the above said diplomatic laissez-passer.

Very cordially yours

R. Ruffini

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Rear Admiral Ellery W. STONE,
Deputy President of the Allied
Control Commission

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But let the U.S. with some other to include
request for full dip. privileges for this journey,
as provided by Russian.

Ministero degli Affari Esteri

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3MEMORANDUMFOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION- POLITICAL SECTION -

The Royal Ministry for Foreign Affairs, with reference to the exchange of notes concerning the journey to Moscow, via Tenefer, of Signor Girolamo MESSERI, Secretary to the Italian Representative in U.S.S.R., asks the Allied Control Commission to be so good as to grant Signor MESSERI the customary laissez-passer.

Rome, July 1961, 1944.

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SECRET. *Political*Subject:- INDIVIDUAL EMBARKATION.HQ MOVEMENTS NAPLES (WEST PORTS).
PERSONNEL AND BAG GE.
TELE NO. VACANT. 343/215.
DIAL. 15907.

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HTo:- A.C.C.
(Political Sec).
-----Q(M)P/P/7.14 JULY. 44.*Copy given to
Chief Roberts D.7
HON*

Reference your letter of the 11, July.

We are advised by Signor A. Casardi, Segreteria Generale,
R. Ministero degli Affari Esteri, that the move of Signor Girolamo Messeri
and party to Moscow via Mid-East has been postponed. Please instruct him that
the party should now report to Mov Taranto on August 9 for enrouting.

*W. J. 6-13*Major.
for Lt. Col.
A.Q.M.G.(M).LJ/FF.

Memorandum to: G-5 Section,
Allied Force Headquarters,
APO 512.

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

14th July, 1944.

With reference to memorandum No. CC/G/36 of the 5th June from the Chief Commissioner to A.F.H.Q. for the attention of the Chief of Staff, concerning facilities to be accorded to the Italian Government in connection with their mission in Moscow, and the third paragraph of General Gammell's reply dated the 20th June, this is to inform that arrangements have now been made for the journey of Signor Messeri and one employee, Dino Zavatta, by sea to the Middle East en route for Teheran and Moscow.

2. It was at first intended to send with them another employee, Antonio Stoccoro, permission for whose return to Spain had previously been asked for - see memorandum No. 98 dated the 8th June from the Political Section to the Office of the British Resident Minister, copy of which was sent to the Office of the American Political Adviser. By a memorandum just received the Italian Government state that Antonio Stoccoro will no longer go to Moscow and they ask that authority be granted for his journey to Spain, where he will take up his duties at the Italian Embassy there. In this connection please see memorandum No. 98 from this Section referred to above.

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To: Political Section, Allied Control Commission.

From: Office of the Resident Minister.

Subject: Return of M. Antonio Stoccoro to Madrid.

With reference to your memorandum No. 98 of 8th June, we have been informed by the British Embassy in Madrid that in view of the reduction in staff already proposed, the return of M. Antonio Stoccoro to the Italian Embassy is both unnecessary and undesirable. The Italian Embassy have been informed accordingly.

2. The correspondence and application forms attached to your memorandum are returned herewith as requested.

Joan Eden.

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13th July, 1944.

Copy to U.S. Political Adviser.

*Count Robali said Wessan had
insisted that Stoccoro accompany
him to Wessan as architect. W.D.
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To be filled in by the Allied Military Authorities
Da completarsi dai Servizi Militari Alleati

14. From _____ To _____ Serial _____
15. SINGLE/RETURN/TRANSIT
16. Frontier must be crossed
 before _____ Date left _____
17. If return, period of validity
 (to run from date of passage
 of frontier) _____ Date returned _____
18. Compulsory frontier
 post or port _____
19. Date and reference of cover-
 ing letter: Arrival _____ Departure _____

REMARKS

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For the Allied Military Authorities

Date _____

Colonel
 General Staff

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Si accettano solamente applicazioni/ copie battute a macchina,
accompagnate da 4 fotografie.

Only Typewritten applications in duplicate,
accompanied by 4 photographs, will be accepted.

APPLICAZIONE PER AUTORIZZAZIONE MILITARE DI VIAGGIARE
DI PASSAGGIO / ANDARE SOLAMENTE / ANDARE E RITORNARE FRA MESI
APPLICATION FOR MILITARY TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION
IN TRANSIT / SINGLE JOURNEY / TO LEAVE AND RETURN IN MONTHS

1. Cognome Stocco Cognome di nascita
Surname Surname at Birth
2. Nome Antonio
Christian Names
3. Luogo e data di nascita Romana (Sanari) 22-12-1902 domiciliato Alghero
Place and date of birth (Sardinia)
4. Nazionalità attuale italiana d'origine italiana
Present Nationality Nationality at birth
5. Professione Maresciallo CC.RR. impiegato R. Ministero Affari Esteri
Occupation
6. Grado più recente nelle forze armate maresciallo maggiore
Rank last held in Armed Forces
7. Numero, luogo e data d'emissione della carta d'identità
No. Place and date of issue of identity card
8. Numero, luogo e data d'emissione del passaporto 976579 data 8-6-1942
No. date and place of issue of passport
9. Indirizzo attuale Regio Ministero Degli Affari Esteri
Present Address
10. Indirizzo a cui vuole recarsi R. Ambasciata d'Italia a Madrid
Address to which proceeding (Spain)
11. Ragguagli di viaggi all'estero da giugno 1940 in poi. (Le date ed i paesi visitati)
Details of journeys abroad since June 1940 (Dates and countries visited) Solo in Spagna
12. Ragioni complete per il viaggio Ritorno alla madre e marito per gravi esigenze di famiglia e doveri lasciati la sua casa e tutti i suoi interessi.
Full reasons for journey
13. Nomi di bambini di meno di 16 anni accompagnando il postulante e luoghi e date della loro nascita
Names of children under 16 accompanying applicant and place and date of birth

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Dichiaro che i dettigli soprascritti sono la verità.
I certify that the above details are true.

Data 3 aprile 1944
Date

Firma
Signature

Antonio Stocco

Counter signature of Civil
Affairs Officer and Office Stamp

Region and Province

J. Pearson
Capt
Political Section

To be filled in by the applicant — Da completarsi dal postulante

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APPLICATION FOR MILITARY TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION
IN TRANSIT / SINGLE JOURNEY / ~~TO LEAVE AND RETURN IN~~ MONTHS

1. Cognome **Stocco** Cognome di nascita **Stocco**
Surname Surname at Birth
2. Nomi **Antonio**
Christian Names
3. Luogo e data di nascita **Romana (Soma) demarcato Alghero (Soma) 22.12.1909**
Place and date of Birth
4. Nazionalità attuale **italiana** d'origine **italiana**
Present Nationality Nationality at birth
5. Professione **Maresciallo P.R.R. impiegato R. Ministero Affari Esteri**
Occupation
6. Grado più recente nelle forze armate **Maresciallo Maggiore**
Rank last held in Armed Forces
7. Numero, luogo e data d'emissione della carta d'identità **976579 data 8/1/1942**
No. Place and date of issue of identity card
8. Numero, luogo e data d'emissione del passaporto **976579 data 8/1/1942**
No. date and place of issue of passport
9. Indirizzo attuale **Regio Ministero Affari Esteri**
Present Address
10. Indirizzo a cui vuole recarsi **R. Ambasciata d'Italia Madrid**
Address to which proceeding
11. Raggiungi di viaggi all'estero **Solo in Spagna**
da giugno 1940 in poi. (Le date
ed i paesi visitati)
Details of journeys abroad since
June 1940 (Dates and countries visited)
12. Ragioni complete per il viaggio **Ritorno alla sua sede da cui è partito
per grave malattia della madre e dove ha lasciato
la sua casa e tutti i suoi interessi**
Full reasons for journey
13. Nomi di bambini di meno di
16 anni accompagnando il po-
stulante e luoghi e date della
loro nascita
Names of children under 16 accom-
panying applicant and place and Date
of birth

Dichiaro che i dettagli soprascritti sono la verità.
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Data **3 aprile 1944**
Date

Firma
Signature

Antonio Stocco

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Political Section

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of frontier) _____

Date returned _____

18. Compulsory frontier
post or port _____

19. Date and reference of cover-
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Departure _____

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Decision:

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Date _____

For the Allied Military Authorities

Colonel
General Staff

R. MINISTERO
DEGLI
AFFARI ESTERI

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

POLITICAL SECTION.

As the Political Section of the A.C.C. is aware, M.C.O. of the Head Carabinieri Antonio Stocco was scheduled to leave for Moscow with signor Messeri.

Previously (Memorandum 790, dated February 21st) this Ministry had forwarded a request to the Political Section A.C.C. with a view to obtaining the necessary authorization for him to return to the Italian Embassy in Madrid.

As signor Stocco is in absolute need to proceed to Spain where he left all his personal effects, this Ministry would be grateful if the Political Section would arrange for his journey to Madrid where he will take up again his duties at that Embassy. R

ENDING,



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Mr. Helford.

Italian Mission to the U.S.S.R.

Mr. Caccia may have spoken to you some time ago about the journey to Moscow of Messeri, a secretary appointed to the Italian Mission to Moscow, and Zavatta and Stoccaro, employees accompanying him.

You may remember that A.F.H.Q. suggested they should be sent by sea to the Middle East and Mr. Caccia asked me to arrange this. I have now obtained their sea passages and they are due to arrive in the Middle East about 22/23rd July.

As regards their onward journey to Moscow, would you be prepared to telegraph to the Embassy at Cairo something on the following lines:

"Italian diplomat Messeri and employees Zavatta and Stoccaro for Italian mission to Moscow due in Middle East in convoy DXF. 18. Please arrange with Movements G.H.Q. for their onward journey via Teheran, having them met and informed of arrangements made. Soviet visa already granted for Messeri and Soviet Legation Cairo instructed to facilitate his journey."

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Political Section

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Major J. M. Pearson.

Sea Passages for Messeri, Zavatta and Stossoro
to Middle East.

Lieut. Joseph of Naples Movements told me this morning that these three officials should report to Movements (Taranto) by the 15th July armed with the following documents:

- a) A Movement Order. I have given Lieut. Joseph a copy of this so that he will act on paragraph 2. He has also approved the wording of it. Will you kindly sign this.
- b) Each official should sign two of the enclosed certificates.
- c) Attached Appendix "A" should be completed in duplicate with particulars of all three passengers.

These papers will all be handed to Q (Movements) at ~~Port of Embarkation~~ Taranto.

2. I am asking Mr. Halford to send a message to the British Embassy at Cairo asking that arrangements be made with Movements, S.H.Q., for their onward journey via Teheran and that they should be met and informed what has been done.

Political Section,
8.7.44.

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POLITICAL SECTION

8th July, 1944.

MOVEMENTS ORDER.

You will report to Movements (Toronto) by the 15th July and will then proceed by sea to the Middle East, where you will be met and informed of arrangements made for your onward journey to Moscow, via Tahrat, for duty in the Italian Mission to the U.S.S.R.

2. Movements (Toronto) will have been warned of your arrival by H.Q. Naples Movements and will make the necessary arrangements for your passage to the Middle East.

3. Your authority for this move is the Allied Control Commission, Political Section (reference 995/385).

H. A. GACCIA
Vice-President

Copy addressed to each: Messeri, Zavatta, Stocco
and copy sent to Lieut. Joseph.

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POLITICAL SECTION

7th July, 1944.

Memorandum to: Port Commandant's Office.
(Attention: Movements).

It is requested that sea passages to the Middle East may be furnished for the following Italian officials, who are proceeding to Moscow for duty in the Italian Mission to the

U.S.S.R.:

Cirolanno MESSERI - diplomat.
Dino ZAVATTA - employee.
Antonio STOCORO - employee.

On learning when they may be expected to arrive in the Middle East we will telegraph to Cairo asking that arrangements may be made for their onward journey.

H. A. Caccia
Vice-President

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APPLICATION FOR MILITARY TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION
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1. Cognome **MESSERI** Cognome di nascita
Surname Surname at Birth
2. Nome **Girolamo**
Christian Names
3. Luogo e data di nascita **Castellammare del Golfo 14**
Place and date of Birth **novembre 1914**
4. Nazionalità attuale **italiana** d'origine **italiana**
Present Nationality Nationality at birth
5. Professione **funzionario della carriera diplomati-**
Occupation **co-consolare**
6. Grado più recente nelle forze armate **Sottotenente di com-**
Rank last held in Armed Forces **piemento**
7. Numero, luogo e data d'emissione della carta d'identità **N. 3**
No. Place and date of issue of identity card **Brindisi-18/12/43**
8. Numero, luogo e data d'emissione del passaporto
No. date and place of issue of passport
9. Indirizzo attuale **R. Ministero degli Affari Esteri -**
Present Address **Salerno**
10. Indirizzo a cui vuole recarsi **Mosca - U.R.S.S.**
Address to which proceeding
11. Raggiugli di viaggi all'estero **Negli Stati Uniti dal**
da giugno 1940 in poi. (Le date / **1939 al maggio 1942, epo-**
ed i paesi visitati) **ca del suo ritorno in I-**
Details of journeys abroad since June 1940 (Dates and countries visited) **talia -**
12. Ragioni complete per il viaggio **Raggiungere la sua de-**
Full reasons for journey **stinazione.**
13. Nomi di bambini di meno di 16 anni accompagnando il po-
stulante e luoghi e date della loro nascita
Names of children under 16 accom-
panying applicant and place and date of birth

Dichiaro che i dettagli soprascritti sono la verità.
I certify that the above details are true.

Data
Date

16 giugno 1944

Firma
Signature

Girolamo Messeri

Counter signature of Civil
Affairs Officer and Office Stamp

Region and Province

*To be filled in by the Allied Military Authorities
Da completarsi Servizi Militari Alleati*

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(to run from date of passage
of frontier) _____ Date returned _____
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ing letter: Arrival _____ Departure _____

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For the Allied Military Authorities

Colonel
General Staff

To be filled in by the applicant — Da completarsi dal postulante

Si accetta solamente applicazioni scritte a macchina,
accompagnate da 4 fotografie

Only Typewritten applications in duplicate,
accompanied by 4 photographs, will be accepted

APPLICAZIONE PER AUTORIZZAZIONE MILITARE DI VIAGGIARE
DI PASSAGGIO / ANDARE SOLAMENTE / ANDARE E RITORNARE FRA MESI

APPLICATION FOR MILITARY TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION
IN TRANSIT / SINGLE JOURNEY / TO LEAVE AND RETURN IN MONTHS

1. Cognome ZAVATTA Cognome di nascita
Surname Surname at Birth
2. Nomi Dino
Christian Names
3. Luogo e data di nascita Rimini, 4-12-1911
Place and date of Birth
4. Nazionalità attuale italiana d'origine italiana
Present Nationality Nationality at birth
5. Professione impiegato
Occupation
6. Grado più recente nelle forze armate Sergente di Marina
Rank last held in Armed Forces
7. Numero, luogo e data d'emissione della carta d'identità 16237
No. Place and date of issue of identity card Forlì 11.8.1937
8. Numero, luogo e data d'emissione del passaporto
No. date and place of issue of passport
9. Indirizzo attuale R. Ministero Affari Esteri Salerno
Present Address
10. Indirizzo a cui vuole recarsi Mosca - U.R.S.S.
Address to which proceeding
11. Raggiungli di viaggi all'estero
da giugno 1940 in poi. (Le date
ed i paesi visitati)
Details of journeys abroad since
June 1940 (Dates and countries visited)
12. Ragioni complete per il viaggio raggiungere la destina-
Full reasons for journey zione assegnata.
13. Nomi di bambini di meno di
16 anni accompagnando il po-
stulante e luoghi e date della
loro nascita
Names of children under 16 accom-
panying applicant and place and Date
of birth
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I certify that the above details are true.

Data 26 giugno 1944
Date

Firma
Signature

Zavatta Dino

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Affairs Officer and Office Stamp

Region and Province

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REMARKS



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For the Allied Military Authorities

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Colonel
General Staff

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APPLICAZIONE PER AUTORIZZAZIONE MILITARE DI VIAGGIARE
DI PASSAGGIO / ANDARE SOLAMENTE / ANDARE E RITORNARE FRA MESI

APPLICATION FOR MILITARY TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION
IN TRANSIT / SINGLE JOURNEY / TO LEAVE AND RETURN IN MONTHS

1. Cognome STREGGONO Cognome di nascita
Surname Surname at Birth
2. Nomi Antonio
Christian Names
3. Luogo e data di nascita Romano (Sicilia) 22.10.1902
Place and date of Birth
4. Nazionalità attuale italiana d'origine italiana
Present Nationality Nationality at birth
5. Professione impiegato
Occupation
6. Grado più recente nelle forze armate Corasciello CO. 22.
Rank last held in Armed Forces
7. Numero, luogo e data d'emissione della carta d'identità 21, emessa
No. Place and date of issue of identity card
8. Numero, luogo e data d'emissione del passaporto 975379
No. date and place of issue of passport
9. Indirizzo attuale Salerno, R. Ministero Affari Esteri
Present Address
10. Indirizzo a cui vuole recarsi Mosca - U.R.S.S.
Address to which proceeding
11. Raggiugli di viaggi all'estero da giugno 1940 in poi. (Le date ed i paesi visitati)
In Spagna dal Maggio 1938 al settembre 1940
Details of journeys abroad since June 1940 (Dates and countries visited)
12. Ragioni complete per il viaggio destinazione
Full reasons for journey
13. Nomi di bambini di meno di 16 anni accompagnando il postulante e luoghi e date della loro nascita
Names of children under 16 accompanying applicant and place and Date of birth

Dichiaro che i dettagli sopraseritti sono la verità.
I certify that the above details are true.

Data 20 giugno 1944
Date

Firma Streggono Antonio
Signature

Counter signature of Civil
Affairs Officer and Office Stamp

Region and Province

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Da completarsi da Servizi Militari Alleati

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REMARKS



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Date _____

For the Allied Military Authorities

Colonel
 General Staff

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POLITICAL SECTION

5th July, 1944.

Lieut. Joseph,
Movements (West of Italy),
Docks House.

It is the intention to send three Italian officials destined for the Italian mission to Moscow by sea to the Middle East and this Section has been informed by the Sea Transport Liaison Officer that arrangements for the sea passages must be made by the Italian Government themselves. The writer has therefore taken Count Roberti of the Italian Foreign Office, (the bearer of this memorandum) to the M.E.S.B.O., who informed us that he should apply to you.

The necessary military authorisations for this journey have already been obtained and we should be grateful if you will arrange for these three passages to the Middle East, whom we will then ask to arrange the onward journey to Moscow.

UKA
H. A. Caccia
Vice-President

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Major J. M. Pearson.

Reference the attached correspondence concerning the Italian mission to Moscow.

Mr. Caccia instructed me to clear Messrs. Messeri, Zavatta and Stoccoro with the Security Branch here rather than send the applications to A.F.H.Q. Major McKay has nothing against them and I return the travel application forms.

As regards their sea passages to M.S., the Sea Transport Liaison Officer, to whom I spoke after first contacting the Shipping Sub Commission, told me that arrangements must be made by the Italian Government themselves and cannot be made by any British military authority.

Would you kindly tell Signor Prunes this and let us know when arrangements are completed and the approximate date they expect to arrive in the Middle East. We will then telegraph there and arrange their onward journey.

(I realise that A.F.H.Q. will have to be told that Stoccoro is not going to Spain but it might be a little awkward to do this now.)

Would you kindly return the file as soon as possible.

Political Section.
1.7.44.

W. Hopkins

B 389.506/72 Adv. of 29/6
from AC of S, G2, CMF

"Accredited diplomatic and Consular officials"
do not require Military Travel Authorization

1. Please note authority quoted in margin. Please returned one copy of MIA to each applicant
2. Mr. Prunes will see the Shipping Sub Commission in 4 days tomorrow (4 July) about the passages. He will inform us when they have started.
3. File returned -

GSS I
Major 5/7

R. MINISTERO
DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE

Salerno, 26 JUL 1944

N° 4931

Dear Caccia,

The Soviet Representative to the Royal Government has informed that the competent Soviet Authorities have already granted the diplomatic entry visa in Soviet territory to Messeri who, as you know, has been appointed Secretary to our Representative in Moscow, adding that the Soviet Legation in Cairo has received instructions to facilitate signor Messeri's voyage.

Referring to our Memorandum n. 3446, dated 27th May, I should be most grateful if you would kindly let me know the results of the steps taken by the A.C.C. towards the arrangements for Messeri's voyage, via Cairo-Teneran, and the approximative date on which his departure might take place.

Thanking you in advance,

Sincerely yours

R. Rinaldi

Harold Caccia Esq.,
Vice President
Allied Control Commission
Political Section
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R. MINISTERO
DEGLI
AFFARI ESTERI

N° 4949

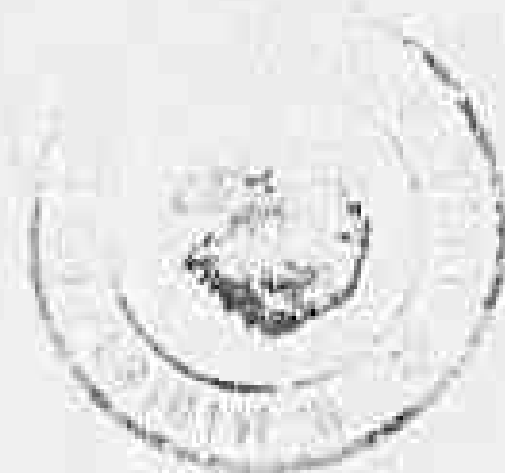
MEMORANDUM PER LA COMMISSIONE ALLIATA DI CONTROLLO

- Sezione Politica -

Facendo seguito al memorandum n. 3443 del 27 maggio, relativo al personale della Rappresentanza del Governo d'Italia presso il Governo dell'U.R.S.S., il R. Ministero degli Affari Esteri informa che dovranno raggiungere Mosca, insieme con il signor Messeri, gli impiegati Staccoro Antonio e Zavatta Dino, dei quali si uniscono, debitamente compilate, le richieste di espatrio.

Il R. Ministero degli Affari Esteri coglie l'occasione per chiedere alla Commissione Alleata di Controllo di voler cortesemente fornire raggiugli circa i passi svolti per predisporre il viaggio aereo del signor Messeri e degli impiegati che lo accompagnano. *cc*

Salerno, 21.5.1944



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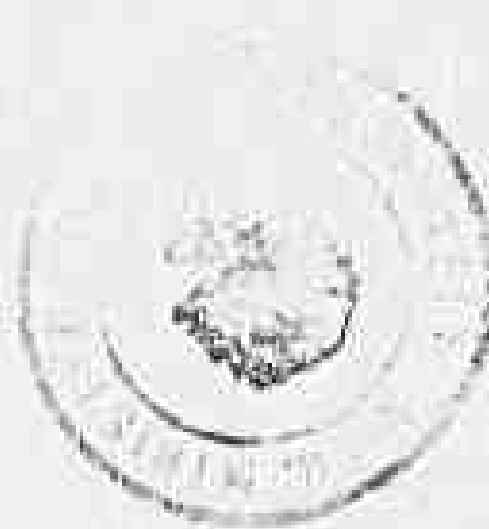
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Palermo, 20.01.1944



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R. MINISTERO

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AFFARI ESTERI

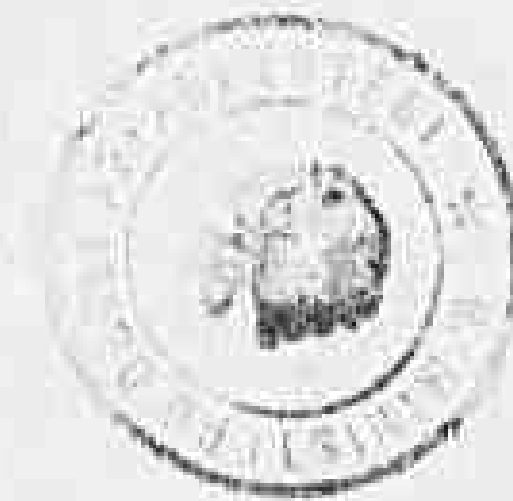
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

-Political Section-

Following Memorandum n. 3418 of May 28th concerning the staff of the Italian Diplomatic Mission in U.R.S.S., this Ministry informs that it has been decided to send to Moscow, with Signor Girolamo Messeri, Antonio Steccore and Dina Zavatta, employees, whose travel applications are here enclosed duly completed.

At the same time this Ministry would be grateful if the Political Section could be so good as to inform as to the outcome of the enquiries made to ensure air passage for Signor Messeri and the employees accompanying him.



Salerno, 26 GIU 1949

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N. 4949

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

-Political Section-

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Salerno, 26 GIU 1944

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J/C Hopkins:

Only action now necessary:

1. Despatch telegram about Mazzotta at once. Please handle yourself.
2. Arrangement for Messeri's journey:
Could Pearson fix with Prunas for sea voyage? When arrangements made, inform Stone.
3. Show Gen Gammell's letter to Capt. Stone for information and then file (don't let Stone keep)

H.A.C.

W. J. P. asked to
 inform Pearson. Not
 intention is to send Messeri,
 Stone & Zavatta by sea to
 W. E.

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

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

No. 9E.

8th June, 1944.

Attached is correspondence relating to the application of
Mr. Antonio Stoccoro to return to Spain.

2. It will be seen that, as it was not realised that authorisation for the journey was required from A.F.H.Q., the matter has already been delayed, and we shall be grateful to know as early as possible whether the Allied authorities agree to Mr. Stoccoro's proceeding to Spain. At the same time we shall be glad if the enclosed correspondence can be returned.

/and application forms

3. An extra copy of this memorandum is enclosed for the Office of the American Political Adviser.

Wol

W. Greene
for information

Political Section
Salerno

5 June 1944

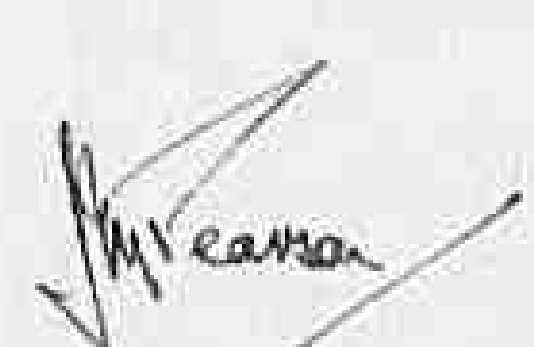
Miss Hopkins:

I am sorry to trouble you with this, but Major Lee has telephoned me twice this morning in connection with the application of Antonio STOCORO to return to Spain.

I attach his papers herewith and I have asked the Italian Foreign Office to let me have a definite "travel order" to say that he is returning to Spain on their business.

I am informed by Major Lee that authority is required however from A.E.H.Q. That will be obtainable through G-2 after perusal of the application papers which I have sent to Commander Lovatelli. I should be much obliged if you could ask the latter to return you the form of application which you can then send to G-2 asking them to expedite reply by telegraph from Algiers.

The original application is dated 21 February and STOCORO is still waiting in Salerno.


J. H. PEARSON

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R. MINISTERO
DEGLI
AFFARI ESTERI

N° 3847

TO WHOM IT MANY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. Antonio STOCCORO is employed by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and is travelling from Italy to Spain in order to resume his duties at the Italian Embassy in Madrid.

Mr. Stoccoro was in Italy on leave at the time of the Armistice and on account of the breakdown of the communications could not immediately return to Spain.

Salerno, June 5th, 1944.



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Political Section
Salerno

5 June 1944

Miss Hopkins:

I am sorry to trouble you with this, but Major Doe has telephoned me twice this morning in connection with the application of Antonio STOCORO to return to Spain.

I attach his papers herewith, and I have asked the Italian Foreign Office to let me have a definite "travel order" to say that he is returning to Spain on their business.

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The original application is dated 21 February and STOCORO is still waiting in Salerno.


J. H. PEARSON

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June 5, 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Allied Force Headquarters
(Attention: Chief of Staff)

1. Reference is made to the recent announcement of an exchange of prisoners of war by the Italian and Soviet Governments.

2. Consequently upon the arrival in Moscow of Zuani, the Italian representative to the Soviet Government, it has become apparent that a special effort will have to be made to get the Italian prisoners of war out of the Soviet Union and back to Italy. It is now the intention that the procedure for the release of the Italian prisoners of war in the Soviet Union will be expedited in the case of the prisoners of war in the Soviet Union.

3. It is requested to communicate to the:

a. The Headquarters of the British Government, London, England, for the Italian Government, London, England. These were transmitted in a letterhead memorandum to the Allied Control Commission, London, England, for the British Government. It is requested that they be forwarded via the British Government, London, England, to the Allied military channels through Gibraltar and Malta.

b. Since this procedure does not appear to be complete, the message has not been delivered to the Italian Government; nor has the Italian Government been informed of this procedure.

c. The British Government to the Allied Control Commission, London, England, for the British Government has not attempted to communicate through the British Government.

d. It is requested to the personnel of General's Staff:

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7. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs has informed the Allied Control Commission of the appointment of Sir John Morsari, an official of the Italian Foreign Service, as Secretary to the Commission; and has indicated that the initial staff of the Commission will be assigned to Moscow. The Ministry has also indicated that necessary arrangements be made so that the party may be able to proceed by air to Russia via Tashkent.

8. In the event of an early landing, an official of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs has indicated that the names of the official personnel involved cannot be given at present because, for reasons of security, these will probably be restricted to the staff of the Italian Legation in Ankara or to members of the Italian Mission in Bucharest and Bulgaria, who, if in Rome, will be reached by the Italian Legation in Italy.

9. No request has been received from the Italian Government to allow Italian personnel to be represented in Moscow; nor has the Allied Control Commission taken the initial steps in this direction.

10. In view of the special circumstances which seem to be involved in this matter, I should like to point out to the Commandant of the Supreme Allied Command, Mediterranean Theatre, as to the situation to be made of the matters raised in paragraph (3) and (4) above, and as to the general position in which it is to be placed in the future. The practical question of the maintenance of an Italian representative in Moscow.

WILLIAM HARRY LANE
Lieutenant General,
Chief Commissioner.

C O P Y

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
AFG 394

CC/C/369

5 June 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Allied Force Headquarters
(Attention: Chief of Staff)

1. Reference is made to the recent announcement of an exchange of representatives by the Italian and Soviet Governments.

2. Consequent upon the arrival in Moscow of Quaroni, the representative of the Italian Government to the Soviet Government, it has become apparent that a decision will have to be reached as to the procedure which will govern his relations and contact with his Government at Salerno. It does not appear that the procedure heretofore established for the maintenance of Italian Missions in neutral countries will be applicable in the case of the representative at Moscow.

3. With regard to communications:

a. Two messages have been received for the Italian Government from Quaroni in Moscow. These were transmitted in a cypher unknown to the Allied Control Commission signals center, but believed to be Russian. I am informed that they reached Naples via wireless from Moscow to London, thence by Allied military channels through Gibraltar and Malta.

b. Since this procedure does not appear to conform to the established policy, the messages have not been delivered to the Italian Government; nor has the Italian Government been informed of their receipt.

c. So far as is known to the Allied Control Commission, the Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs has not attempted to communicate through it with Quaroni.

4. With regard to the personnel of Quaroni's staff:

a. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs has informed the Allied Control Commission of the appointment of Girolamo Messeri, an official of the Italian Foreign Service, now at Salerno, as secretary to Quaroni; and has also stated formally that additional clerical personnel will be assigned to Moscow. The Ministry has asked that necessary arrangements be made so that the party may be able to proceed by air to Russia via Teheran.

b. In response to an oral inquiry, an official of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs has indicated that the names of the clerical personnel

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involved cannot be furnished at present because, for reasons of economy, these will probably be recruited from the staff of the Italian Legation at Ankara or from the staffs of the Italian Missions in Rumania and Bulgaria, who, it is hoped, will be proceeding through Turkey to Italy.

5. No request has been received from the Italian Government for Allied financial assistance for its representation at Moscow; nor has the Allied Control Commission taken the initiative in raising the question.

6. In view of the special considerations which seem to be involved in the matter, I should appreciate receiving the instructions of the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre, as to the disposition to be made of the matters raised in paragraphs (3) and (4) above, and as to the general policy which it is proposed to follow in dealing with the practical aspects of the maintenance of an Italian representative in Moscow.

HOMER MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General,
Chief Commissioner.

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Memorandum to: The Chief Commissioner.

Subject: Staff of Italian Mission at Moscow.

2nd June, 1944.

1. In connection with my memorandum of even date on the subject "Messages from Italian Representative at Moscow to Italian Foreign Office", and particularly with reference to paragraph 7 thereof, the following additional considerations may be of interest in considering the manner in which relations between the Soviet and Italian Governments are to be conducted.
2. The Italian Foreign Office has informed the Political Section of A.C.C. of the appointment of an officer of the Italian Foreign Service, who is now at Salerno, as Quaroni's Secretary at Moscow. The Foreign Office has also indicated formally that additional clerical personnel will be assigned to Moscow; and has asked that "necessary arrangements be made so that the above-mentioned party may be able to proceed by air to Russia via Teheran."
3. In the past, such requests for approval of personnel for Italian foreign missions have been referred to Algiers, to either the British Resident Minister or to the U.S. Political Adviser, as indicated in the agreed allocation of direct concern for the mission involved. While in the present case, and in the absence of agreement regarding concern with Moscow, the request could be referred to G-5 and repeated to B.R.M. and U.S.P.A., the matter of direct concern would still remain to be settled, and it is always possible that the Soviets will try to assert "direct concern".
4. An official of the Italian Foreign Office has orally indicated, in reply to a question, that the names of the clerical and other personnel who will be assigned to Moscow cannot be furnished because, for reasons of economy, these will probably be recruited from Ankara or from the staffs of the Italian Legations in Roumania and Bulgaria, who will be passing through Turkey.
5. We might send a communication to G-5, A.F.H.Q., with copies to U.S. Political Adviser and British Resident Minister, along the following lines:
 - (a) Submit the request for clearance of the Secretary and party, as noted in paragraphs 2 and 4.
 - (b) Pointing out that since the exchange of representation between the Soviet and Italian Governments, and the practical aspects thereof, are not provided for in existing arrangements for Italian missions abroad, the Supreme Allied Commander may wish to consider establishing lines of procedure agreeable both to the Italian and Soviet Governments.

J. H. G.

2. In connection with memorandum 3448 (attached) regarding Minister Gusrori's Staff the I.R.O. would be grateful if arrangements can be made for Messeri to proceed by air to Russia via Teheran. Roberti tells me that the names of the other members of the Staff are not available since, for reasons of economy, they will probably be recruited from Ankara or from Rumania or Bulgaria Legation Staffs passing through Turkey.

Capt. Pearson.

Do you not think it might be better - and quicker from the Italian point of view - if the Ministry could supply us now with the names of the clerical staff for their Mission to the U.S.S.R.? Would you kindly ask the I.G. if these names are available now. I will then write immediately to Algiers.

W. S. P. L. W.

Political Section
30.5.44.

R. MINISTERO
DEGLI
AFFARI ESTERI

N. 5445

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

POLITICAL SECTION

As the Political Section of the A.C.A. is aware, Minister Piero Quaroni, Representative of the Italian Government to the U.S.S.R. is about to leave Kabul in order to take his new duties.

In this connection the Ministry for Foreign Affairs has appointed signor Girolamo Messeri, a Foreign Service official at present in Salerno, as Secretary of said Representative.

Signor Messeri and the clerical staff of the Mission, whose names will be given at a later date, are scheduled to reach the U.S.S.R. with the least possible delay.

The Royal Ministry for Foreign Affairs will therefore be grateful if the Political Section (A.C.C.) will be so good as to cause the necessary arrangements to be made so that the above mentioned party may be able to proceed by air to Russia via Teheran. ✓

SALERNO, 2 July 1948



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

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SALERNO, 29/12/45



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Mr. Green

for information

I should usually write to the British Minister
Office in Algiers, with copy American Political
Adviser. & H.C.O.

Webb
29/12

Mr. Green
29/12/45

REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APC 394.

Reference #505-AM

29 May 1944

SUBJECT: Application of STONGERO, Antonio, for Travel to Spain.

TO : Commander G. Lovatelli, Italian Naval Liaison Officer,
Allied Control Commission, Naples.

1. Mr. Antonio Stongero, an employee of the Italian Embassy in Madrid was on leave in Sardinia when the Armistice took place. He was therefore unable to return to his post, and the Italian Foreign Office is anxious for him to proceed to Madrid again.

2. I enclose herewith his authorization from the Port Counter Intelligence Officer and the original of application for travel, which you will notice bears the date of his original application 3 April 44.

3. I shall be grateful if you will arrange for his passage either by sea or air, as may be more convenient. In the meantime he will await your reply in Salerno.

[Signature]
J. M. PEARSON
Captain,
Political Section

Encs:

1.- Auth. fr Port Counter Intl.
Officer.

2.- Application for travel.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Reference #C08-3T

27 May 1944

SUBJECT: Application of STACCORO, Antonio, for Travel to Spain
TO : Captain John D. Schwarzwald, Port Counter Intelligence
Officer, Peninsular Pass Section, Port Security Station, Naples

1. Mr. Antonio Staccoro, a member of the Italian Embassy in Madrid, was on leave in Sicily when the Axis took place. He was therefore unable to return to his post and the Italian Foreign Office is anxious for him to proceed to Madrid.
2. He bears with him an application for travel which you will notice bears the date of his original application, 3 April 1944. I should be glad if you could assist him in every way possible.

J. M. PEARSON
Captain
Political Section

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Top Secret.

17th May, 1944.

Many thanks for your letter (R 6474/169/G) of the 11th May in which you raise the question how the Italian Minister at Kabul was notified of his appointment to Moscow.

2. I went into this question with Mr. Loxley's friends and their telegram 477 of the 21st April was the result. From it you will note that Garoni received his instructions through the Russians. Consequently the leakage must have taken place by some means other than through the compromised Italian cypher. When Mr. Loxley's friends considered this last month they came to the conclusion that it would be almost impossible to determine which of the remaining possible means was responsible, and they are still of this view.

3. I am sorry that we cannot carry this further.

A. R. Dew, Esq.,
Foreign Office,
LONDON, S.W.1.

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(R 6474/169/G)

Top Secret

FOREIGN OFFICE, S.W.1.

11th May, 1944.

Dear Anuro,

I do not know whether you saw our telegram No. 55 of the 9th April to Resmin Naples on the subject of the exchange of representatives between the Italian and Soviet Governments, but for convenience of reference I enclose a copy.

We are still concerned to discover how the Germans got hold of the news before the appointments were announced in Italy and Moscow. One line of enquiry would be to verify by what means, and when, the Italian Government notified Quaroni of his appointment. If the compromised Italian cypher was used this might have been the source of the leakage. Unless you have already done so, would you therefore put the questions indicated above to the Italian authorities concerned?

*Yrs ever
Aminic*

(A.R. Dew)

H.A. Caccia, Esq.,
Naples.

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CONFIDENTIAL

COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS
 Peninsular Base Section
 APO # 782
 Port Security Section

5 May 1944

SUBJECT : Application of STOCORO, Antonio, for Travel to Spain
 TO : J. H. PEARSON, CAPT. POLITICAL SECTION, APO APO 394,
 U. S. ARMY

1. STOCORO will arrange with the Italian Naval
 Liaison officer in Naples the details of his passage.

2. He will present himself with Military Travel Auth-
 orization and baggage, at the Naples Port Security Office, 4 Piazza
 Municipio at least four hours prior to time of departure for in-
 terrogation and inspection of his baggage.

JOHN C. SCHWARZWALDER
 CAPTAIN P.O.
 PORT COUNTER INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

DISTRIBUTION:
 (2) APO, Capt. Pearson
 (1) SIC
 (1) File

505. Stocoro

John C. Schwarzwald
5-5-44 *Myerson* *Capt*

Political Section:
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FDG 9-5-44
R.B.

Handed to [unclear]
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CONFIDENTIAL

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Civil Affairs Office

May 1, 1944

Dear Sir:

A paraphrase of a telegram from the Department repeating
messages of the American Legation at Kabul about Quaroni
as the Italian representative at Moscow is enclosed for your
secret information.

Sincerely yours,

FW

G. F. Reinhardt

Enclosure
paraphrase of telegram

General Robert, Esquire

Vice President, Allied Control Commission,

Political Section,

Rapla

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Paraphrase of Department of State telegram No. 1277, April 27,
3 p.m., to Algiers repeating a telegram sent to Moscow.

For your secret information, a paraphrase of part of Kabul's
No. 64, April 22, 5 p.m., is repeated below:

Careful examination of the appointment of Quaroni as representative
of the Badoglio Government to Moscow is recommended, since I am con-
vinced that at heart he and his wife are very anti-American and anti-
British. For several months he has been cultivating the Soviet Embassy
here assiduously, and it is probable that he suggested himself for the
Moscow post. In addition, it appears obvious that Soviet consent to his
appointment would not have been given if the Russian Ambassador here
had not received a favorable impression of Quaroni's attitude and views
concerning problems affecting American and British relations with
Russia.

Consequently, since Quaroni is clever, battery, and utterly
unscrupulous, I recommend that our Ambassador in Moscow be advised to
watch his activities carefully.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Civil Affairs Office

APRIL 28, 1944

TO: Samuel Reber, Esquire
Vice President, Allied Control Commission,
Political Section,
Riyas

SUBJECT: Appointment of Italian Minister at Kabul as representative at Moscow.

For your information, the American Legation at Kabul informed the Department of State in a telegram dated April 15, and later repeated here, that the Italian Minister there had received official notification of his appointment as representative of the Royal Italian Government at Moscow. He planned to leave Kabul within two weeks, traveling overland to Tehran and thence to Moscow, presumably by air. The official notification was transmitted through some channel other than the American or British Legation at Kabul.


G. F. Reinhardt

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

13 April 1944

Reference #260

Subject: Application for Travel to Spain.

To : G-2 (C.I.), c/o Headquarters, PBS, Naples.

The attached application is forwarded for favour of action please. I am informed that the Italian Foreign Office attaches no urgent importance to it, and therefore suggests no high priority. They would be pleased, however, if facilities can be arranged in the next few weeks to send this employee to Madrid.

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

Encl
Application for Travel
to Spain

*To: Port Security Officer
Please advise Capt. Pearson's Office
as to any further requirements.*

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(R 5805/169/G)

[CYPHER]

DEPARTMENTAL NO. 1.

FROM FOREIGN OFFICE TO RESIDENT MINISTER NAPLES

No. 55

9th April, 1944.

D. 4.00 a.m. 10th April, 1944.

Repeated to Resmin Med. No. 725.

SECRET

German controlled Radio Paris announced on April 7th that Soviet Government had appointed Professor Kostylev (see your telegram No. 34 from Naples) as Soviet representative to Italian Government and that latter's representative in Moscow would be Quaroni former Italian Minister in Kabul.

2. News about Kostylev has not been published here or in Moscow and competent authorities in Italy and North Africa may wish to investigate leakage.

3. Is there any truth in report about Quaroni.

OTP.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

APO 394

U.S. ARMY

March 30, 1944.

MEMORANDUM TO: Acting United States Member, Advisory Council
for Italy.

SUBJECT: Information concerning Italian Prisoners of War in
Soviet Hands.

Reference is made to your Memorandum of March 22, 1944 concerning the inquiry made by the American Embassy in Madrid as to the possibility of obtaining on behalf of Italian subjects believed favorable to the Allied cause information concerning the well-being of Italian prisoners of war now in Soviet hands. Inasmuch as the question of the treatment of Italian prisoners by the Soviet Government has not been raised in connection with any of the Allied Control Commission's discussions on the subject of Italian prisoners of war, either by the Italian Government or by the Soviet member of the Commission, it is considered that any inquiry which the Control Commission might make at this time would be misinterpreted; and it is suggested that the Department of State might wish to raise the matter directly with the Soviet Government through the American Embassy in Moscow.

396/255

Samuel Reber
Vice President Allied Control Commission
Political Section

OFFICE OF
UNITED STATES MEMBER
ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

Algiers, March 22, 1944.

TO: Mr. Samuel Reber, Vice President, Political Section,
Allied Control Commission, Naples.

SUBJECT: Information Concerning Italian Prisoners of War in
Soviet Hands.

The American Embassy in Madrid has forwarded an inquiry from the American Consulate General in Barcelona as to the possibility of obtaining on behalf of Italian subjects believed favorable to the Allied cause information concerning the wellbeing of Italian prisoners of war now in Soviet hands.

This request is referred to you in the thought that it might be possible for you to ascertain from General Solodovnik or Signor Prunas whether there are any prospects of such information becoming available in the near future.



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

Copy to:

Office of British Resident Minister.

6366

March 29, 1944.

MEMORANDUM TO: Captain J. M. Pearson:

It seems that Stocco might very well apply in the usual way, that is filling the necessary forms which G-2 requires in accordance with their Memorandum to us. His trip could then be submitted for approval by letter rather than by telegram. I think this is better than telling him that travel is difficult just now.

Samuel Reber

File attached.

YMP -
miss Kelly will look for
Ed. Pearson mentioned above
or let us know later
about it.

DMJ

Form of chain of command

Number 6365

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N. 730

MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLITICAL SECTION
ARMED CONTROL COMMISSION

Mr. Antonio STORCORA an employee of the Italian Embassy in Madrid was on leave in Cardinia (Via Lofrauso 10, Alghero) when the Armistice took place. He was therefore unable to return to his post and he has just arrived in this City.

As his services are needed in Madrid where, moreover, he has left all his belongings, this Ministry would be grateful if Mr. Storcora could leave for Spain as soon as possible.

Sal. rub, February 21, 1944.

Ministero degli Affari Esteri

6/685/291

File

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Cable communications with Moscow.

With reference to Admiral Stone's letter to Minister De Gasperi of February 27th, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs can be informed the A.C. that they are unable to reply to Admiral Stone's objections concerning the contents of the telegram no 32 from Moscow, inasmuch as the aforesaid telegram has never been delivered to them.

As regards Admiral Stone's suggestion of furnishing the Italian Embassy at Moscow with a suitable decoded cypher system for confidential communications, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs will take up the matter with the A.C. as to the expediency of this.

W/4

Done, March 3rd 1945

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Mr. Hoffland

Rept. Buckenfield photo
 of aircraft on the phone
 as soon as possible about
 this.

Mr. Hoffland
 Saw Capt.
 Buckenfield
 this on
 9.3.45.
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AMH
 1 May 45

Political Division, attention Mr HALFORD.
From: Cipher Security Mission.

SECRET

8th March 1945

Reference Bur minutes of 23rd February and 2nd March.

1. Marchese Dalla Rosa telephoned yesterday to say that the Foreign Ministry can still find no evidence that they ever received the cited telegram no.38. from MOSCOW, and that so far the copy which they had requested from Allied Commission has not reached them. He stated that deposit of a secure system was under discussion at that moment, but that the Ministry did not consider it possible to reach decision without the copy.

2. Also received in this office yesterday was another telegram from MOSCOW, no.67, to which your attention is drawn as representing in our view an indiscretion at least equal to that of no.38.

Francis Duke

SECRET

FRANCIS DUKE
Captain, AUS

*Capt. Duke will get a copy of
the cyphered text of Moscow te. no. 38
for transmission to the Army.*

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He
gives*

Ref: P/725, P/750

27 February 1945

My dear Minister De Gasperi:

Allied Force Headquarters has informed the Commission that a detailed study has been made of the question of a relaxation of the restrictions on Italian diplomatic communications which in the past precluded the Italian Government from communicating in cipher undeposited with the Allied Authorities and caused them to disclose the contents of their diplomatic bags to the Allied Authorities before dispatch.

As a result of this study it has been decided that, in principle, secret bag facilities now may be allowed the Italian Government for use in correspondence with their representatives abroad. A precedent has been established in that Ambassador Turchiani was allowed to carry with him a sealed diplomatic pouch when he left Italy for Washington.

However, for security reasons, it was decided that it still is not considered possible to grant the Italian Government undeposited cipher facilities and, in consequence, these facilities must continue to be denied them.

In this connection I may say that when the compromised code A.B. 25 was accepted as a brevity code for communication between Italian Foreign Ministry and Italian Embassy Moscow, it was specifically laid down and accepted by the Ministry that this code should be used for non-confidential messages only.

This restriction appears to have been disregarded in telegrams since sent in this code by the Ambassador in Moscow. Particular reference is made to Mosco-Moscow telegram No. 38.

To safeguard security it would be appreciated were the Ministry immediately to submit a suitable system for confidential communication with Moscow. Pending approval of such a system it would appear desirable for the Ministry to instruct Ambassador Quaroni by telegram to arrange for the transmission through Allied channels of any messages whose contents may be confidential.

Very truly yours,

/s/ ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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M. E. Aloide De Gasperi
Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs

895/585-11

Ref: 3/35/389-4

16 February 1948.

Dear Doctor Pensa,

I have looked into the question raised in your letter no. 3/170 of February 5th, of permitting the use of the direct Rome-Moscow radio circuit for telegraphic correspondence in cypher between the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Italian Ambassador at Moscow.

As you are aware, the general question of permitting the unrestricted use of cypher communications between the Italian Government and Italian representatives abroad is a matter for study by the Supreme Allied Commander and I am not able at this present time to give you any further information thereon. For the time being, therefore, confidential messages to Moscow must continue to go by allied cypher and communications channels.

There is, however, no objection to the sending of non-confidential messages in a brevity code by the Rome-Moscow radio circuit and the Director of my Communications Sub-Commission has so informed the Under-Secretary of State for Posts and Telegraphs in his letter no. 119.44.45 of February 12th. Such messages will be despatched after approval by the Political Section and copies of the clear text should, of course, be furnished to the Section for their files in accordance with the present procedure.

Yours very truly,

H. G. 51114

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff
for the Chief Commissioner.

Copy to: Chief Commissioner
Chief of Staff
Communications Sub-Com

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385/385-4

Ministero degli Affari Esteri

Subject: Telegrams in cipher between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Italian Embassy in Moscow.

Collected in the Political Section A.S.

1. Reference is made to memorandum U.F./355/357 of February and 1945, on the above subject.

2. As of January 1945, 1945, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs was advised by the Ministry of Communications of the need for a direct wireless link between Rome and Moscow. The Ministry of Communications furthermore stated that Government messages in cipher should be forwarded through the usual channels.

3. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs was aware that the channels hitherto used are the wireless circuit Rome-London-Moscow which cannot be considered safe from interception than the direct wireless link between Rome and Moscow.

4. It is to be pointed out, however, that the Italian Embassy in Moscow has been instructed not to make use of any code book other than the AR 25, which is not used for confidential messages but only in order to reduce telegraphic expenses. Pending authorization for transmission in secret cipher, no telegram of secret or confidential nature is being directly forwarded to or from Moscow.

5. In paragraph 1 of the Political Section's memorandum under reference it is suggested that the Ministry should dispatch instructions urgently to the Italian Embassy in Moscow requesting them not to make use of the direct Moscow-Rome radio-telegraph link. It appears, on the other hand, that the choice of the circuit by which the messages are transmitted does not depend from the Italian Embassy but from the wireless agency in Moscow, and the latter will obviously choose the cheapest and shortest link.

In view of this fact and of the considerations set forth in paragraphs 3 and 4 above, this Ministry would at least to leave the situation unchanged as regards the transmission

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3. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs understands that the channels hitherto used are the wireless circuit Rome-Moscow which cannot be considered safer from interception than the direct wireless link between Rome and Moscow.

4. It is to be pointed out, moreover, that the Italian Embassy in Moscow has been instructed not to make use of any code book other than the AT 22, which is not used for confidential messages but only in order to reduce telegraphic expenses. Pending authorization of transmission in secret cipher, no use is made of secret or confidential measure is being directly forwarded to or from Moscow.

5. In paragraph 3 of the Political Section's memorandum under reference it is suggested that the Ministry should dispatch instructions urgently to the Italian Embassy in Moscow re-establish them not to make use of the direct Moscow-Rome radio-telegraph link. It appears, on the other hand, that the choice of the circuit by which the messages are transmitted does not depend on the Italian Embassy but on the wireless agency in Moscow, and the latter will obviously choose the cheapest and shortest link.

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Mr. Halpern says to send letter
P/395,385-4 of 16 Feb 45 from Luth to Bureau
and to ignore this memorandum.

RMH
17 Feb 45

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enc.



4-22-2020

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 Draft to issue. I will sign. 7/8/12 — Signed for 10/2
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Partial See:

✓ Ref your mine at 3.
 letter to Mr. Pinner signed
 by Executive Commission and returned
 expedited.
 16 Feb 45.

16/12/12

W. H. Hearn
 Maj

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Political Section

1. You seem to have been misled in writing para. 3 of your minute; it turns out that the Cipher Security Mission only mean that they have no objection to non-confidential messages being sent in a brevity code over the Rome - Moscow radio. The statement that they have no objection to granting this request is not the case.
2. They maintain their restriction that Confidential messages must go by Allied ciphers and communications channels, as the Italians have no secure cipher for this circuit.
3. From the tone of the F.O. letters it is obvious that it is an alteration to this rule that the Italians are requesting; if the permission proposed in para. 1 be granted, I think it should be made very clear that the restriction in para. 2 is being maintained.
4. There is no technical objections to any sort of traffic; I am only concerned with implementing the security requirements of interested offices.
5. If your office will arrange to endorse non-confidential messages, whether in clear or in brevity code, "Authorised for transmission by any means", I will see that the Rome - Moscow link is used for such traffic.

Tel: 489081
Ext: 400

12th February, 1945

J. L. Henderson
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Director,
Communications Sub-Commission

C.C. (Thames):

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Pending the solution of the general question of cipher communications (in which a draft code is being submitted to you), I think we must give an interim reply to sign 'Truman's' letter at Reg A.

I submit a draft for your consideration.

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C.C. (Thru COS):

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Pending the solution of the general question

of cipher communications (on which a draft c/w is being submitted to you), I think we must defer an interim reply to signor Trucchi's letter of May A.

2. I submit a draft for your consideration. I do not think we can go further in para. 2 for the moment.

14/11/45

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COS

See attached draft letter for your approval. Believe this could go out over COS signature? *for*

15th Feb.

Halford

(A. S. HALFORD)

Asst. Political Adviser

Political Section

Comms. S/C.

(1)

Re. see the attached file (5) to return to Ad. Sec. after period).

2. In our memo. no 395/385-4 of Feb. 2nd we draw the Hyatt's attention to the question of making the use of the Moscow-Rome radio link for cypher messages. We have received no direct reply to this memo. but the V/S/S.P.A. has written personally to the C.E. asking that the direct radio link be made available for such messages - letter no. 3/170 of Feb. 5th.

3. In connection with the Cypher Security Mission. From this point of view, there is no objection to granting this request. Cypher messages are already being sent by cable & from London - Moscow, by wireless to Moscow. There is therefore no security objection to the transmission of such messages by the direct radio link.

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(A. S. HALFORD)

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10/11/45

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(A. S. HALFORD)
Asst. Political Adviser
Political Section

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

AFC 394

Communications Sub-Commission

JLH/eps

C.119.44.CS

12th February, 1945

SUBJECT: Rome - Moscow Telegraph Circuit

TO: Under-Secretary of State for P.T.

1. Reference this office letter C.119.27.CS dated 26th January, 1945.
2. There is no objection to non-confidential messages of the Italian Government being sent over this circuit in a non-secret code for purpose of brevity, instead of clear text.
3. Para. 3 of the 'Censorship Regulations' attached to the letter of 26th January, 1945 will therefore be amended to read:

" Italian Government message traffic of a classification below 'Confidential' may be transmitted by this circuit either in clear text or in an authorised brevity code; Italian Government message traffic of 'Confidential' classification will continue to be handled through hitherto authorised channels of communications."



J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Copy to: Executive Commissioner A.C.
Political Section, A.C.
Civil Censorship Group
HQ. Communications Officer, A.C.

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ROUGH TRANSLATION

Rome, February 5th 1945

Dear Admiral,

on the 27th of January, as you are aware, the direct telegraphic communications between Italy and the Soviet Union have been resumed. I was then informed by the Ministry for Communications that the Allied Commission had advised that the Italian Telegraph Offices could only forward telegrams in plain language, both of a private and official character, while telegrams in code, inclusive those addressed from this Ministry to the Italian Embassy in Moscow, should be sent only after the usual control of the Allied Commission.

In this connection I would recur to your kindness in order to have the question of the direct communication in code between this Ministry and the Italian Embassy in Moscow, timely re-examined.

The matter has already been brought to the attention of the Political Section A.C. with Memorandum of October 17th, 1944, copy of which is herewith enclosed. I cannot now, after three months, but reaffirm the considerations set forth in said Memorandum.

I would only like to add that the declarations made by President Roosevelt on the occasion of the re-establishment of diplomatic relations between the United States and Italy, as well as Minister Mc Millan's statements to the Press on the mitigation of the Allied control in Italy, made us hope that full diplomatic prerogatives could be recognized to the Italian Government as regards their relations with Italian Representatives abroad. These

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I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you, dear Admiral, the expression of my high consideration.

signed: PRUNAS

MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

Il Segretario Generale

Roma, 5 Feb. 1949

Caro Ammiraglio,

Come Ella sa, si sono riaperte, il 27 corrente, le comunicazioni telegrafiche dirette fra l'Italia e l'Unione Sovietica. In tale occasione il Ministero delle Comunicazioni, svolti gli opportuni passi presso la Commissione Alleata, mi ha informato che questa ha precisato che potranno essere trasmessi dagli uffici telegrafici italiani soltanto telegrammi di carattere privato e telegrammi statali in chiaro, mentre quelli in cifra, anche se diretti da questo Ministero alla R. Ambasciata in Mosca, dovranno essere spediti soltanto dopo l'abituale controllo della Commissione Alleata.

A questo proposito sono costretto a rivolgermi a Lei per pregarLa di riprendere in esame la questione delle comunicazioni dirette in cifra tra questo R. Ministero e la R. Ambasciata a Mosca. La cosa ha già formato argomento del Memorandum per la Sezione Politica della Commissione Alleata in data 17 Ottobre 1944, che Le accludo in copia, e di cui non posso che riconfermare, a distanza di tre mesi, le considerazioni.

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All'Ammiraglio Ellery W. Stone, U.S.N.R.
Commissione Alleata

R O M A

Macmillan circa l'alleggerimento del controllo alleato in Italia lasciarono sperare che venisse riconosciuto al R. Governo il diritto al godimento delle prerogative diplomatiche nei suoi rapporti coi RR. Rappresentanti all'estero. Tali prerogative sono tradizionali e sole darebbero d'altronde pieno valore alla ripresa dei rapporti diplomatici diretti, che pur ci é stata accordata. Ciò a maggior ragione trattandosi di comunicazioni con una Rappresentanza diplomatica accreditata non già in un paese neutrale, ma presso una delle Nazioni Unite.

Mi é gradita l'occasione per rinnovarLe, caro Ammiraglio, gli atti della mia alta considerazione

H. Funnell

MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLITICAL SECTION, A.C.

The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs takes leave to refer to the recent verbal communication of the Vice President, Mr. Caccia, to the effect that official telegrams directed to the Italian Official Representative in Moscow can only be forwarded at the same conditions at present obtaining in respect of telegrams directed to other Royal Italian Diplomatic Missions abroad, namely, that the text be in clear language or else encyphered with a cypher known to the Allied Commission.

In this connection the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs wishes to point out that such a condition does not appear to be warranted either by the letter or the spirit of the present Armistice conditions. In fact, article 25, paragraph "B" of the Long Armistice Terms (signed at Malta on September 9th, 1943), merely provides that "the United Nations reserve the right to prescribe and lay down regulations governing the procedure for the methods of communication between the Italian Government and its representatives in neutral countries".

The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs fails to see how these provisions, which in themselves hardly appear consonant with the new situation that has evolved during the thirteen months since the signing of the Armistice, can be made to apply to the particular case of the official communications between the Italian Government and their Representative in the USSR which, in fact, is not a "neutral country" but is one of the United Nations and a direct signatory of the Armistice.

This point of view is also borne out by the circumstance that, as far as the Italian Government are aware, no objection has been raised hitherto on the part of the Allied authorities to the normal forwarding of encyphered communications between the Government of the USSR and their Representative with the Italian Government.

In view of the above considerations, the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, has the honour to request that the matter be once again examined with a view to consenting the normal exchange of encyphered communications between the Italian Government and their Representative in Moscow in accordance with the full diplomatic privileges and immunities which have been recognised to the said Representative.

Rome, 17 th October, 1944

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Ref:

395/385-4

2nd February 1945

The Political Section of the Allied Commission presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and has the honour to state that three telegrams in cypher have been received from the Italian Ambassador at Moscow by the newly established wireless link between Rome and Moscow. These telegrams are enclosed herein.

2. The Political Section is desired to draw the Ministry's attention to the regulations governing the use of the Rome-Moscow radio telegraph circuit, a copy of which was communicated to the Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telegraphs by the Communications Sub-Commission of this Headquarters in memorandum No. C.119.27 SS of the 26th January, and in particular to paragraph 3 of those regulations which lay down that Italian Government messages other than those authorized to be sent in clear text will not be transmitted by this circuit but will be handled through the channels of communication hitherto authorized. The Political Section will therefore be grateful if the Ministry will despatch instructions urgently to Signor Guarani requesting him to observe this regulation.
3. The Political Section would be glad to have copies, in due course, of translations of the text of the enclosed telegrams.

The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Palazzo Chigi,
ROME.

5 enclosures: 3 telegrams from Italian
Embassy at Moscow to
Italian MFA.

Copies to: Communications Sub-Commission
Cypher Security Mission.

TO BE RETURNED TO
POLITICAL SECTION

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission
Tel: 439031 Ext: 400

26th January, 1945

In reply
refer to: C.119.27.08

Subject: Rome - Moscow Radio Telegraph Circuit

To: The Under-Secretary of State for P.C.

1. Further to our letter of 20th December, 1944 (C.119.101 CB) and with reference to your Prot. 8/13/4017 of 23rd November, 1944, the release of equipment and assignment of frequencies have been completed and satisfactory exchange of test signals has taken place.

2. Copies of censorship regulations for this circuit are enclosed. It will be observed that ciphered communications of the Italian Government are required to follow present authorized channels. The regulations for the public should be made public by your office at the earliest opportunity.

3. The circuit may be opened on 27th January. This Commission will notify the Russian Embassy to this effect. It is suggested that it be opened to the public on 1st Feb. 1945, so as to allow time for the notices to be circulated.

(Signature)
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Incl: Censorship Regulations
Regulations for the Public.

Copy to: Chief of Staff
Political Section ✓

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CENSORSHIP REGULATIONS FOR ROME-MOSCOW RADIO-TELEGRAPH CIRCUIT:

1. All outgoing and incoming traffic, other than Press, will be submitted to Civil Censorship by the operating company prior to onward transmission or further delivery. Press traffic will be submitted to Field Press Censorship; Press messages may be in English, French or Italian only.
2. Russian Government official messages will be submitted to Civil Censorship for the purpose of checking the authenticity of the message.
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5. All other types of traffic will be submitted to Civil Censorship for censorship. Languages permitted will be English, Italian, French, and Russian.
6. Civilian radio-telegraph traffic other than the classifications covered specifically by these regulations will be subject to complete censorship under the general cable and radio censorship regulations now in force.
7. Subjects which may not be mentioned in clear language messages include: ship movements, military topics of any kind, weather, movements of Allied government official or agents, any other information which may be of aid or comfort to the enemy.

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ROME-MOSCOW RADIO-TELEGRAPH CIRCUIT
REGULATIONS FOR THE PUBLIC

In addition to general Censorship Regulation, the following regulations apply in particular to all civil traffic over the Rome-Moscow radio-telegraph circuit (other than press traffic, which is covered by special regulations):

1. Only messages which are personal in nature will be permitted.

2. All messages filed shall be at the sender's risk and may be acted upon at the discretion of the Censor without notice to the sender.

3. Reports of delivery, sender's corrections and all other services by a communications company at the request of a patron and the giving of any information concerning Censorship's action on any message are prohibited unless permission is obtained from Civil Censorship. This regulation does not apply to cancellations.

Patrons filing "reply prepaid" messages do so at their own risk.

4. The complete name and address of the addressee must appear on the message.

5. Signature.

(a) Sender should be clearly distinguished from any other individual with a similar name.

(b) A surname is rarely considered sufficient identification.

(c) Full name and address of the sender must be recorded on the message form.

6. Messages will not be passed unless the meaning of the text is clear to the Censor.

(a) Messages consisting of address and signature with no text are not permitted.

(b) English, French, Italian, and Russian languages are permitted.

(c) Numbers unrelated to the text are prohibited.

(d) Any word, term, phraseology or language having a double meaning as used, is prohibited.

(c) All messages must be in plain language. Messages in code are not permitted.

7. Forbidden Subjects. Subjects which may not be mentioned in messages include: movements or locations of ships, troops or aircraft; positions of airfields, guns or service establishments; details of operations, arms, munitions, explosives, casualties, damage to any part of the armed forces of the United Nations, or to any transportation; details of location, time, or effect of air raids; details of any defense organization; mention of people arrested or interned; mention of movements of United Nations government or service officials or agents; confirmation of telegraph, cable or radio messages.

SUBJECT: Italian Government Press Telegrams to Moscow.

TO: Political Section.
FROM: Cypher Security Mission

20th February 1945

Subject: Communications with MOSCOW.

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5. If Political Section feels that CSM seeing this particular type of Plain Text news-message would be sufficient check, we could arrange for them to pass Ministry-CSM-Italo Radio with practically no delay: but we said we would consult you first.
6. Would you let us know?

F.R.C.

Example telegram returned to C.S.M. for handling in this manner. 23 Feb 45

Mr. Cady says that we agree to this. 1/4/45

Ref: P/325/385

20 February 1945

1. The Political Section of the Allied Commission presents its compliments to the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and, with reference to their memorandum no. 6/375/156 of February 2nd, has the honor to state that the Ministry's telegram no. 81 of December 13th and Signor Quarenta's telegram no. 59 of November 26th were necessarily held up with other telegrams at this time pending the solution of the question of the use of certain Italian signals by the available means of communication between Rome and Moscow. As the Ministry has aware, this problem has now been worked out by the technical experts of the Allied Commission in agreement with the Ministry's Ufficio Cifra and there should be no further reason for delay in the delivery of such telegrams.

2. As regards the use of the Moscow-Rome radio circuit, the Ministry will already be aware of the terms of the letter addressed to the Secretary General of the Ministry by the Chief of Staff of this HQ., no. 1/325/325-2 of February 16th.

Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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Mr. Walford:

No. 81 to Moscow:

This was a message which said "we have not received Nos. x x x x x and x". The reason the Ministry hadn't received these is because we were holding them. On December 17 we turned these telegrams over to INTEA (see Capt Duke's letter) together with No. 81 for possible reconsideration.

No. 65 of November 26 :

This was one of the early telegrams from Moscow in Aquila which Mr. Catty insisted on holding up. Gus had misplaced it in the files and it was not discovered until the end of January and ~~WMSA~~ it was turned over to the INTEA on February 2.

This of course was an unfortunate accident, but the other telegrams of which the Ministry complains were held intentionally sometimes as long as a month or more.

MWD
12 Feb 45

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Cpl. Decker.

Can you tell
me anything about his
history? H. no.
81 H Dec. 13th. 65
Lescow or Lescow

H. no. 65 H Nov. 26th.
H. Rome?


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TO: Mr HALFORD Political Section
FROM: CSM

9th February 1945

Your note of 8th Feb.

The position at the moment about MOSCOW is

A On Feb. 3rd CSM asked the Ministry to do 4 things.

1/ To wire QUARONI that AR 25 (now deposited with us) was to be used instead of AQUILA of which they have no copy to deposit.

2/ To warn QUARONI in the same wire that AR 25 being compromised may be used only for non-confidential traffic.

3/ To instruct QUARONI specifically to use the Allied (reverse) channel for confidential matter.

4/ To submit at once a good secret system for MOSCOW to take the place of 3.

B. On Feb. 6th we had a further talk about what should be given to MOSCOW as a provisional good system.

C. An hour after this second interview Dalla Rosa rang up to say that, on instructions from his higher authority in the Ministry

1/ He was to break off all discussion with us about a deposited good system for MOSCOW because the Ministry had on the 5th Feb. put in a request to Admiral STONE for release from deposit, and refused to discuss plans for MOSCOW with CSM any further while this was pending.

2/ Ministry would draft a telegram in the sense of A 1 and 2 ~~about~~ but refused to include 3 because it would "jeopardise the question of their release from control".

D. Discussion between CSM and Ministry about any new system for MOSCOW has therefore ceased.

CSM has pointed out to Ministry that owing to Ministry's attitude QUARONI can now only do one of

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two things (a) send nothing confidential (b) disregard his orders and send confidential messages in AR 25 as he has been doing in AQUILA: and that if he does that, the fault lies entirely with the Ministry.

E. The Ministry's present attitude, their delay in submitting, as they have been asked many times by CSM to do, a new system for MOSCOW, and the delays they complain of, seem to us all to arise from one thing, the absence of a plain answer to their repeated requests for de-control. If at any time since we have been here, they could have been told "Control will end in one-three-six-twelve months from now" we could have had them co-operating to fulfil their security responsibilities instead of, as has been quite evident, stalling in the hope of release at any moment.

F. ~~Your~~ para 3.

As far as CSM is concerned, since any route to MOSCOW means W/T and since the only approved code is admitted compromised, the choice of route does not affect the security of cyphers^{ms} of contents. Ministry asked us and we have said that provided the traffic passes through AC we are not concerned.

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ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Telegrams Moscow-Rome
TO : Cypher, Security Matter. *8th Feb. 1945.*

FILE No.

*Re. see the attached memo. from the U.S.
My. No. 6/376/166 of Feb. 2nd.*

2. *I am grateful for your comments. I
personally consider this memo. the subject-
instance.*

3. *The proposal in §3 is no
good for message - in cypher.*

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[Signature]
(A. S. HALFORD)
Asst. Political Advisor
Political Section

Ministero degli Affari Esteri

6/376/166

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLITICAL SECTION A.C.

Subject: Telegraphic communications with Moscow -

1. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs with Aide-Memoire 6/1363/595 of December 23rd, 1944, have drawn the attention of the Political Section to several telegrams directed to the Italian Embassy in Moscow, which reached their destination with considerable delay.

Such is the case of telegram n° 31 of December 13th, 1944, which had not been received by the Italian Mission in Moscow up to the 20th of January.

2. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs feel now compelled to point out that also telegrams from Moscow to Rome, of an urgent and important nature, have reached destination after a period of weeks or months since they were dispatched (telegram 65 of November 26th, 1944, was delivered to this Ministry on February 2nd).

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Rome, February 2nd 1945

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

Explanation given to
Newcomers. C. G. Anderson

Corp. Decker
Want to see him
Telegram we will up and
contacted about A.F.H.A. 10
Send!

A I D E - MEMORANDUM

[Signature]
Subject: *[Signature]*
27 Dec 44

TELEGRAMS TO AND FROM MOSCOW -

Thanks to the courtesy of the Allied authorities all telegrams from the Italian Embassy in Moscow to the Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs are despatched and delivered within a few days.

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It would be much appreciated if it could be possible to extend to the telegrams from Rome to Moscow the same facilities in transmission accorded to those from Moscow to Rome.

Rome, December 23rd 1944



H.C.
W.S. It seems logical that this type of quite speedy in the direction of Rome is at the moment. I think this is the result of the complex security problem

Explanation given to
Netherlands

Telegram we took up and
eventually sent A.F.H.Q. to
send?

A I D E - MEMORANDUM

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Professor:
Director DMD
27 Dec 44

MEMORANDUM TO THE DIRECTOR FROM MOSCOW -

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On 2nd/January the telegram to the Italian Embassy in Moscow arrived. It was sent to reach destination (the Ministry's telegram no 68 of November 3th, 70 of November 5th, 71 of November 10th and 73 of November 12th, all of urgent nature, were received in Moscow on the 12th of December).

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H.H.

W.S.

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Communications
MOSCOW

FROM: MR. CATTY

CAPT. DUKE

Annex. Floor 2. Room 82. Tel. Ext. 519

TO: Political Section

DATE: 10th January, 1945

SECRET

1. Request that you pass the attached memorandum to the Italian Foreign Ministry, together with any messages in code AQUILA which may have been held as unauthorized for delivery.
2. A copy of the memorandum for your files is also attached.
3. This request is based upon letter of authorization for use of code R.A.1, just received from AFHQ in response to our CSM no.37. A copy of the AFHQ letter is also attached for your information and file. A copy of CSM no.37 is now in your hands with request to see and return to us.

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W.S. Foran

H.A. Foran
Jan 11Francis Duke
Captain, AUS

I have passed on CSM no. 37 to Mr. Foran & have also had a full discussion with Mr. Catty & Capt. Duke. The letter will ensure that instructions are sent to Sgt. Quarson to cease using the Aquila cypher. TGA will be used for unconfidential messages & will make time it is possible to send on chain to Moscow direct.

H.A. Foran

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
CIPHER SECURITY MISSION
ROME, 10TH JANUARY 1945

SECRET

CSM no.41

To : Ministry of Foreign Affairs, att. Marchese Galla Rosa
Subject: Approval of Code

1: In reference to your verbal proposal of 4th January, use of code R.A.1 for non-confidential correspondence only between your Ministry and Embassy Moscow is authorized.

2: Attached hereto are messages from Moscow, the delivery of which was unavoidably delayed pending solution of this question. Request that the Ministry furnish clear text copies of these messages to this Commission for its files.

3: Request further that the Ministry, in notifying Embassy Moscow of the present decision, make clear the limitation of use to non-confidential material only. It will be necessary for this notification to be transmitted through Allied secret channels.

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Francis Duke
Captain, AUS

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Allied Force Headquarters
Office of the Chief Signal Officer

X 426.01

SIS/SBS/bak

APO 512 U.S. Army

7th January 1945

SUBJECT: Approval of code.

TO: Captain Francis Duke, Cipher Security Mission, c/o Allied
Commission, APO 394, U.S. Army.

1. Code R.A. 1 has been examined by this office and is hereby
approved for use between Rome and Moscow as outlined in CS
737 of 5th January 1945.

2. In communicating this approval to the Italian Foreign
Ministry emphasis should be placed on fact that R.A. 1 is
a brevity code only and under no circumstances is to be
used for other than non-confidential traffic.

3. Reference paragraph 2 of above memorandum request you make
arrangements directly with GSCS etc for extra copies both for
your office and for ours. SIA is being notified of approval
by this office.

4. Reference paragraph 5 messages in ACHIA being held by
Political Section A.C. may now be released to the Ministry on
the understanding that such traffic be henceforth disconti-
nued.

For the Chief Signal Officer:

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6335
R.E. SCHUKRAFT,
Lt. Col, Signal Corp

H.H.

Commercial facilities will
exist in the near future.
if they do not already. The
additional tels. in cipher
code should now be sent in

There is nothing to do until AFHQ
to the M.F.A. Cypher
Security Mission
should see in detail.

reply to
2.

As regards § 6 of CSN 38 we
have been sending all tels. from Rome
via AFHQ. — i.e. clear texts for
decipherment in U.S. Army cyphers. I do
not know if commercial cable facilities exist
between Rome & Moscow, but presumably if
tels. can be sent by commercial channels
to Angola, they can be relayed from there to
Moscow. The main reason for sending in
confidential tels. in code is economy,
but also, in a certain measure, security
from the transmitting agency.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
CIPHER SECURITY MISSION
6th January, 1945

SECRET

CSM no.38

To : Political Section (Mr. Hopkinson)

Subject: Italian Diplomatic Correspondence with Moscow

1. Thank you for letting us see the file attached herewith. We presume that the copies of the Italian Moscow-Rome messages will be filed in your Section as ordinary traffic.

2. In reference to the Foreign Ministry's memorandum 6/1418/613, it is true that code Aquila is in possession of Allied authorities, but not in this theatre. The essential fact is still that authorization for the use of this code has not been secured or indeed requested. The Ministry's explanation might be a useful face-saving device if any such were required; but none is necessary, since no accusations have been made and the only question is how to arrange a means of communication within the regulations.

3. It is believed that a satisfactory solution is in view, as outlined in CSM no.37 attached hereto. It should be noted that this solution would however apply only to non-confidential traffic.

4. The question of confidential traffic still stands as outlined in CSM no.26A, of which you have a copy, and our cover letter to you of the same date (para 2). For your information, Marchese dalla Rosa has subsequently stated that the Ministry would not be inclined to avail itself of Allied cipher channels to Moscow even if they were provided. I believe nevertheless that the step taken in CSM no.26A was a sound one, for we still do not know how soon the Ministry will have its own systems, and in the meantime it may face the necessity of communicating on confidential matters and have no other channel available.

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5. Specifically with reference to your suggestions appended to the Ministry's Memorandum:

1. Request for authority to take this action is now before AFHQ (CSM no.37 para 5).

2. Request to this effect, already made of the Ministry. (CSM no.26B para 3), has not so far been complied with, but would in effect be complied with in case AFHQ conforms to suggestions of CSM no.37 (See especially para 5).

6. In recent conversations with Marchese dalla Rosa, the Ministry's understanding of certain regulations has not been clear to us, and your clarification is requested. It is our understanding that telegrams in clear, whether outgoing or incoming and whether press or official, may be dispatched or received in English, Italian, or French. Is this true of Rome-Moscow traffic? If so the only reason for the use of a code for non-confidential traffic would appear to be that of economy.

*all have
at present
in clear
from 1944
multi-paragraph*

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Francis Duke
Captain, AUS

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6/1418/613

Ministero degli Affari Esteri

UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTO A.A.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CIPHER SECURITY MISSION - A.A. -

Reference is made to MEMORANDUM 684 26 5 of December 17th concerning the British links with Moscow. Herewith enclosed is the only plain text message of the 9 telegrams received from the British Embassy in Moscow, which were sent in "Aquila" cipher.

As has been the case since the Ministry wishes to point out that the "Aquila" code is in possession of the Allied Authorities, a copy of it having been handed to the British Embassy in Moscow by that British representative.

It can be therefore ascertained that the Italian Embassy in Moscow has indeed received and is using the "Aquila" code.



Rome, December 30th, 1944

ENCL.

Mr. Caltan

(Livia P.P.)

This is the explanation.

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- I think we should now
- (1) find in all other telegrams in this cipher which we have received
 - (2) ask the Ministry to issue instructions to their reps. abroad to stop using it.

[Signature] Jan 5
Pol. Sec.

FROM: MR CATTY

CAPT. DUKE

Annex, Floor 2, Room 63. Tel. Ext. 513

TO: Political Section

DATE: 17 December 1944

SECRET

1. Herewith CSM no.26B addressed to Italian Foreign Ministry, with copy for your files. Request that your section attach the eight incoming telegrams referred to, and one outgoing, and deliver to the Ministry.

2. Also attached for your information and file is a copy of request being sent to AFHQ (CSM no.26A). If this request is favorably received, as we have reason to think it will be as a result of Mr Catty's recent conversations, the Moscow link will enjoy facilities parallel to those of Bucharest pending a more final solution.

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Francis Duke
Captain Signal Corps

*Telegrams in code, No. 81, & 26B
handed to Attakini
18 Dec 44*

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
CIPHER SECURITY MISSION
APO 354, U.S. ARMY

SECRET

17 December, 1944

CEM NO. 26B

To : Marchese della Rosa, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Subject: Communications with Moscow

1. Herewith eight telegrams addressed to your Ministry, recently received from the Italian Embassy Moscow. These telegrams are not in authorized cipher, and have therefore been held until now pending the receipt here of instructions from higher authority. They are being handed to you in order to complete your files, but this action does not imply any change in existing restrictions on the use of unauthorized ciphers.
2. It is requested that your Ministry supply the plain language of the above telegrams to this Commission for its files.
3. It is further requested that the Ministry draft a telegram to Embassy Moscow stating that no further messages in unauthorized ciphers can be received. Such a telegram will be transmitted by Allied channels.
4. Ministerial telegram no. 51 to Moscow, which has been held tentatively, is returned herewith for possible reconsideration if desired in view of paragraph 1 above.
5. Steps are now being taken to procure regular means of secure communication in this link if possible, and it is hoped that such means can be supplied in the near future.

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Francis Duke
Captain, AUS

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 894, U.S. ARMY

SECRET

CSM no. 26A

17 December, 1944

To: Signal Section AFHQ

attention Lt. Col. W. E. Schukraft

Subject: Italian Diplomatic Communications with Moscow

It is requested that Italian Foreign Ministry and Italian Embassy Moscow be authorized to communicate regularly in both directions through secret allied telegraphic channels up to such limit of volume as may be prescribed.

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Francis Duke
Captain Signal Corps

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TO: POLITICAL SECTION
 FROM: CSM ANNEX Floor 2 Room 45.
 DATE: 15th Dec. 1944

No; 81 ROME TO MOSCOW (all three copies returned).

A. Evidently Ministero has realized from receiving a message more recent than 72, that 67 to 72 have not reached it.

B. We cannot do otherwise than hold 67 to 72 for the moment.

C. We are in favour of also holding this telegram from going out, for the moment.

D. We agree with Political Section in desiring earliest possible decision of MOSCOW issue. Mr Catty is making a personal visit at this moment to AFHQ and will enquire their view as to this situation.

I have consistently recommended that we should tell the Italians that we have told them this and why, and I propose to do so unless Mr Catty on returning from AFHQ has direct orders to the contrary.

6/12/44

Ben. Dec. 18

I understand from Mr. Catty that his has now been satisfactorily cleared with AFHQ and that he is drafting a note to AFHQ.

ALLIED ~~CONTROL~~ COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: COMMUNICATIONS WITH MOSCOW

FILE No. _____

TO : CIPHER SECURITY MISSION

14 DEC 1944

Please see attached outgoing telegram No. 81 to Moscow.

The reason the Ministry has not received 67 to 72 is that they were received in undeposited cipher and are being held.

Under the circumstances, do you agree to dispatch of this message?

JM Decker

Chief Clerk
Political Section

Encl.

Did we get
6326
No 73

TO: POLITICAL SECTION

FROM: CSM ANNEX FL . 2 PM 45

DECEMBER 7th 1944

My note of 4th December and your minute attached.

Our thought was that if we told them that these telegrams have come in a code which we recognise and which is not deposited, and asked them to lend us the code, they would then ask to have the telegrams. We would have to refuse that or else allow the code in question to become "deposited de facto", a very undesirable precedent in our opinion.

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TO: POLITICAL SECTION MR HOPKINSON

FROM: CIPHER SECURITY MISSION ANNEX FL. 2 Room 43.

DATE: 4th December 1944

SUBJECT: Telegrams from Italian Representatives MOSCOW in non-deposited cipher.

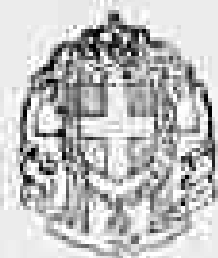
1. My note of 28th November, and your minute on it. There are now six of these (Nos. 62, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71 of dates between 28th Nov and 2nd December) held by AC, and we think they certainly should continue to be held.
2. But we don't think that any useful purpose would be served by telling the Ministry that we have them. It would, we think, be wiser for AC to keep on trying to get a final solution of the question, towards which this Mission has already made a suggestion.
3. Telegrams returned herewith.

F.R.C.

I am not clear why you object to our retaining
the Ministry sent these telegrams have
arrived and permitting us to have them
they are in an unauthorized copy.
We can always ask them to let us
have them back

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Dec. 5

*Ministero delle Corporazioni*

DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL PERSONALE
DELLA PREVIDENZA E DEL COLLOCAMENTO

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

4 December 1944

9 am

Mr. Catty

Please see Mr. Hopkinson's remarks regarding the
last coded telegram from Quaroni.

Also please note three further coded telegrams
(Nos. 68, 69 and 71) which just arrived.

DM Decker

Chief Clerk
Political Section

Encls

HH

TO: POLITICAL SECTION
FROM: MR CATTY CSM, ANNEX FLOOR 2 ROOM 46 (Please note change of room).

DATE: NOVEMBER 29th 1944

Moscow to Rome NO 1153. 25th Nov. (attached)

1. This, as you will have realized when you brought it to our notice, is not in any of the Cyphers deposited with AC, and therefore we assume that AC will not pass it on to Ministero Affari Esteri.

We haven't passed this on
normal channel
it's better to
DM Decker
30 Nov 44

2. We can see what code it is in. It is in one of the old pre-Armistice Codes completely compromised with the Germans. It must have made part of its journey by W/T and can therefore have been intercepted and read by the Germans.

3. I imagine you will not intend to say anything to the Ministero about receipt of this message and that therefore GUARONI may well go on using this insecure cypher. This seems to us to illustrate the desirability of coming to some decision.

see.

4. Has anything been heard of the proposal of a solution which we suggested on Nov. 12th and which I ~~understand~~ understand was referred to Foreign Office in an Embassy telegram of 14th or 15th Nov.?

FR.

Attached. Moscow to ESTER, Rome NO 1153 25th Nov.
MC 96/26.

Mr. Catty

I suppose this is one of his messages which Guarani

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completes name get through

to the use of F.D. I should like to see you had better to stop Guarani using this cypher

Mr. Decker

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WITHDRAWAL NOTICE

TO: Political Section

FROM: C.S.W.

DATE: 2nd January 1945

Subject: Recent telegrams from MOSCOW for IMFA (Nos: 79.
80.81.82.83.85.87.89.) returned herewith.

A: We think that, as something has been done towards obliging
Ministry and helping on our part to straighten their books,
we should do no more until they do what we ask them.

B. This was the view taken by AFHQ when we consulted them.

F.R.C.

He right.

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TO: Political Section

FROM: CSM Annex Pl. 2 Rm. 45

DATE: 27th Dec. 1944

SUBJECT: Five recent telegrams from MOSCOW for INPA

A. Returned to you herewith NOs:79.80.81.82.83.

B. We think that you should hold these at any rate until the Minis-
tero has acted on our letter to them of the 17th December.

Mr. Caltus

~~Mr. Caltus~~

I think we had better
send them along with a
reminder about sending us
the dehydrated tents. ~~Planned~~ and issuing instructions to
~~different instructions~~ Moscow to stop
sending them in this
system.
I believe there are now some more in.

W. Dec 27

also
attached
sent
quitting

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

Q⁶ 438/216MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLITICAL SECTION A.C.

Subject: Text in clear of nine telegrams in code from
Italian Embassy - Moscow.

Reference is made to Memorandum of the Political Section
no P/395/385 of February 12th, 1945.

Herewith enclosed are the deciphered clear texts of the
nine telegrams in code from the Italian Embassy in Moscow.

Rome, February 17th, 1945



H/66

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Ref: P/595/385

12 February 1945

MEMORANDUM TO: Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1. There are forwarded herewith nine telegrams in code which have been received from the Italian Embassy in Moscow.
2. It is requested that the deciphered clear texts of these messages be promptly furnished the Political Section.

WILLIAM W. SCHOTT
Vice President, Political Section

9 Encls: As in Para 1 above.

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Cpl. Decker.

Let them know.
(or any others as well)
go forward to the
Maj. with the request
that copies of the
above be promptly
furnished to us.

AM 6616
10/2/45

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United States

Post Office

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Political Section, AC

Room 10, 2d floor

From

Cable & Radio Center, Rome

All says to hold until the Ministry
action on letter of 2 Feb 45.

WLD 6315
2 Feb 45

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The volume is

Contra

Political Section, United
Commission

HA 6312

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On named after

Com. J. J. J.

to critical action, which

Examination of 6313

Photocopies were
just received.

Cpl. Decker

There is a hold ^{DND}
until the by. M. have instructed Feb 11 68
me to stop using this channel. 6811
if it is

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C.S.M.

If the attached are in "Aquila" Code,
I assume they should be passed on to the
Ministry, with the usual request for clear
texts.

*Answered verbally
by telephone.*
3 Feb 45

DM Decker
Chief Clerk
Political Section
AH 21

6310
3 Feb 45

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Mr. Hafford:

The attached telegrams have just been received.

Cpt. Duke informed me this morning that he has instructed the IMFA to send orders to Quaroni to use some code other than Aquila which they have in common. He says he sees no objection to turning the Aquila code telegrams over to IMFA, unless we wish to press them for clear texts of those already delivered.

DMA 6309
10 Feb 45

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Mr. Halford:

The attached two telegrams
have just been received.

RMH
7 Feb 45

R. H. Halford

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MESSAGES FROM MOSCOW

in Aquila Code

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DUPLICATE FOR OUR FILES</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Feb 10	Yes	77924
" "	"	12270
" 8	"	24578
" "	"	65276
" 1	No	39442
" 1	"	51967
" 6	"	39507
" 6	"	65828
~~" 6~~	~~"~~	~~No 27~~
" 2	Yes	38741

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission
Tel: 489031 Ext: 400

26th January, 1945

In reply
refer to: C.119.27.68

Subject : Rome - Moscow Radio Telegraph Circuit

To : The Under-Secretary of State for F.T.

1. Further to our letter of 20th December, 1944 (C.115.101.68) and with reference to your Prot. 3/15/4017 of 25 November, the release of equipment and assignment of frequencies have been completed and satisfactory exchange of test signals has taken place.

2. Copies of censorship regulations for this circuit are enclosed. It will be observed that ciphered communications of the Italian Government are required to follow present authorised channels. The regulations for the public should be made public by your office at the earliest opportunity.

3. The circuit may be opened on 27th January. This Commission will notify the Russian Embassy to this effect. It is suggested that it be opened to the public on 1st Feb. 1945, so as to allow time for the notices to be circulated.

J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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Incl: Censorship Regulations
Regulations for the Public.

Copy to: Chief of Staff
Political Section

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POLITICAL SECTION
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
ROME

TO: CIPHER SECURITY MISSION

For your information, since
we turned over to the IMFA the
Moscow code telegrams, the attached
five additional ones have been
received.

RM Decker
22 Dec 44

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Please allow letter from f. 1/11/44
 ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
 G-5 Section
 APO 512

Political Sec. 5269
 TBJ/jjj

G-5: 311.1-8

9 December 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Communications with Russia.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. Reference is made to your 395/385 of 26 November.
2. In the circumstances, Signals this HQ have ^{now} agreed to arrange for their onward transmission. The messages sent by you with the above letter ^{and} subsequently are now being passed as desired.

For the Acting Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

T. B. Jackman
 Lt. Colonel.

Copy to: - Sigs SIS

HEADQUARTERS
 10 DEC 1944

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

Ref: 395/385

26 November 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters

SUBJECT : Italian Communication with Russia

1. With reference to your telegram 7 50270 and other correspondence in regard to the cypher communications between the Italian Government and the Italian Ambassador in Moscow, the following difficulty has arisen. Until recently the Italian Government sent their telegrams to Moscow through Soviet channels. A few weeks ago, however, they started sending their telegrams to the Political Section with a request that they should be transmitted through British or American channels.

2. This request was referred to the Foreign Office by the British Embassy, who were informed in reply that the British Government felt unable to accede to it for fear of causing misunderstandings with the Soviet Government. The Embassy were instructed to inform the Italian Government that communications through British channels could not be permitted and to suggest that they should be sent either through commercial or through Soviet channels. After consultation with the Allied Commission the Embassy telegraphed to the Foreign Office pointing out that in the first place the question of control of trans-communication was an Allied not merely a British responsibility and secondly it would be embarrassing to insist on the Italian Government taking action which is technically contrary to the arrangements laid down by Allied Force Headquarters, unless the text of telegrams sent through commercial or Russian channels were simultaneously communicated to the Political Section. It was pointed out that the Russians might be expected to object to this on account of the threat to the security of their own cyphers. The Embassy suggested to the Foreign Office that it would be preferable to wait the decision in regard to the provision of an independent deposited cypher for the Italian Representative in Moscow before making representations to the Italian Government. Meanwhile, the telegrams have been held up and the Italian Government have been informed accordingly.

3. A telegram has now been received by the Foreign Office from the British Ambassador in Moscow saying that he has been informed by the Italian Ambassador that the Soviet channels were given up when the Rumanian Government made their final request for an armistice, as a result of which the Peoples' Commissariat for Foreign Affairs said that they were unwilling any longer to accept messages lest there should be a misunderstanding with the British and American Governments. The

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Soviet Government suggested that the Italian Government should make a fresh approach to the Allied Commission for freedom to communicate with its representative in Moscow. This is, of course, in line with the proposal made by General Souslanov reported in the telegram to Allied Force Headquarters, No. S-356 of 27 October 1944.

4. The Foreign Office have not yet commented on this telegram but meanwhile it is suggested that, as there are also technical difficulties in the way of transmitting these telegrams in the cyphers of the United States Embassy, Allied Force Headquarters might be willing to transmit the telegrams through military channels. The recent telegrams addressed to Moscow sent to the Commission by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs are accordingly enclosed, and the Political Section request that they may be informed whether Allied Force Headquarters are prepared to arrange for their onward transmission.

For the Chief Commissioner:

H. L. A. A. HOPKINSON
Acting Vice President, Political Section

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Nov. 20TO POLITICAL SECTIONMR HOPKINSONPERSONAL

FROM: MR CATTY CSM

DATE NOVEMBER 15th 1944

A. Herewith typed copy for your retention of the memo which we submitted to you on 15th November, and which was before the meeting on that day.

B. As I said yesterday I hope some arrangement can be made for this Mission to see copies of the telegrams exchanged with Foreign Office or AFHQ. It seems reasonable that in our position in the matter here we should know at any given time what is being proposed or has been agreed by Foreign Office or AC. I raised this with Mr CACCIA some time ago.

F.R.C.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S. ARMY

13 November, 1944

Memorandum to Political Section from CSM (F.P. Catty)

Subject: Communications between Foreign Ministry, Rome,
and Italian Embassy, Moscow

1. The alternative possibilities seem to be:

a. Channel: Arranged by Russians

Cypher: Either (a) Russian, or
(b) Italian not submitted to us, approved
by us as secure, nor deposited with us.

Effect would be:

1. The route must be at least in part wireless; therefore traffic would certainly be intercepted by the Germans and probably by the Japanese.

2. Not knowing what cypher used, we could give no guarantee that the enemy could not immediately break it. It might indeed be one of those already known to be compromised with the Germans.

3. We should have no idea what information was being passed out of Italy by this potentially insecure channel.

4. Italy being still a theatre of operations, military security would, it seems evident, be concerned.

b. Channel: Allied Embassies

Cyphers: British or American

Effect:

1. In this case, security from the enemy would be that of the Allied cyphers used, and a guarantee of security would be possible.

2. This method would involve knowledge of the contents of individual British or American telegrams by (a) the Italians and (b) if the Russians are to be kept informed, the Russians also.

If the Russians are not informed, their position will be that we are carrying telegrams out of Moscow whose contents they do not know.

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c. Channel: ~~Italian Embassy~~ Any available.

Cyphers: Italian cypher not submitted to us, approved by us, nor deposited with us.

Effect as regards military security of messages leaving Italy would be the same as a above.

c. Channel: Allied Commission.

Cyphers: Italian cyphers submitted to us, approved by us, and deposited with us.

Effect:

1. Security as regards the Germans and Japanese of messages passing in and out of Italy could be guaranteed by us.

2. The Russians would not know the contents of messages leaving Moscow nor the security value of the cypher unless we told them both.

3. If we did tell them, the traffic and the system would cease to be secure from the Russians. The Italians would have to be told that, and might not like it.

Technically it could be managed that this did not affect the security of Italian systems to other posts.

2. All these alternatives offering some difficulty from either the angle of military security or that of political expediency, here is a suggestion of a way out.

One notes that it is on outgoing traffic from Italy only that the question of military security for the Allied Command is paramount. The Russians on the other hand will be most concerned with the security of what leaves Moscow, i.e. (to us) incoming traffic into Italy.

Suggest therefore a different treatment for the two kinds, namely:

Outgoing, Italy to Moscow, to be in a cypher submitted to us, approved by us as secure from the enemy, and deposited with us,

Incoming, Moscow to Italy, to be in any cypher or by any channel of communication the Russians and the Italians like to arrange, the Russians to decide whether they want the cypher submitted to them or not.

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This, though an unusual arrangement, might fairly claim to meet the military security interests and those of political expediency in an unusual situation. It could be extended, if necessary, to traffic between Rome and other allied capitals where the military security interest was primarily Russian, as in Italy it is British and American.

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R. MINISTERO
DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE

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Provisione
Rome, 28th October, 1944.

Dear Caccia,

In the course of a recent conversation concerning the question of our telegraphic communications with Moscow, you suggested that the matter might be usefully taken up again in connection with the formal re-establishment of diplomatic relations between Italy and other Countries.

As you know this re-establishment has now happily taken place, and will shortly be implemented by an exchange of fully-fledged diplomatic representatives, enjoying all the customary privileges and immunities amongst which, in the first place, that concerning communications.

I shall therefore be very grateful if you will kindly submit the question to the proper quarters. The matter is particularly urgent in the case of Moscow, but will, as I hope, call also for a prompt solution in the case of London and Washington.

Thanking you in advance, believe me,
dear Caccia,

Sincerely yours

Harold A. Caccia Esq.,
Vice President,
Allied Commission.
Roma.

R. Rinaldi

*Substantive 3-354 2 00200
Rome, 28.10.44. 04.31 445*

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 SEPTEMBER REVEREND PD PAPER TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE FOR ACTION ONE INFO TO BRITISH
 ROADS AND UNITED STATES POLITICAL ADVISED FROM ALLIED COMMISSION FROM STONE
 PERSONAL PAPER GENERAL GROMOV DATED TODAY TO SUPPORT REQUEST OF ITALIAN
 GOVERNMENT THAT IT MAY BE PERMITTED TO HAVE CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATION WITH ITS
 REPRESENTATIVE IN MOSCOW WITHOUT DISSEMINATING CLEAR TEXT AND KEY TO CODE PD PAPA
 TWO PD SINCE DECISION CONTAINED IN YOUR MEMORANDUM DATED SEPTEMBER EIGHT WILL HAVE
 EFFECT IN VERY IN BY SUCH THREE FOUR SEVEN OF TWO EIGHT SEPTEMBER EIGHTH
 ITALIAN GOVERNMENT MAY COMMUNICATE WITH THEIR REPRESENTATIVES IN LONDON AND
 WASHINGTON BY MEANS OF CODES AND CIPHERS NOT DISCLOSED WITH ALLIED COMMISSION PD
 I SHALL BE GLAD OF EARLY REPLY AND TO KNOW WHETHER ANY DECISION TAKEN REGARDING
 LONDON AND WASHINGTON WILL AFFECT MOSCOW OR OTHER ITALIAN MISSIONS TO UNITED
 STATES WHO HAVE RESUMED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

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 J. A. QUAYLE
 Major, R. A.
 Staff Officer to A/CC

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27 October 1944

TO: Acting Chief Commissioner

FROM: Political Section

I attach the papers in our file about Italian communications with Moscow. For some reason which does not appear on the paper, A.P.D.'s memorandum of 30 September in reply to your memorandum of 21 September was referred to us and we acted on it on the 4th October. We repeated that decision to both Lanza and Roberti on the 18th October in reply to their memorandum of the 17th.

In the light of these papers I attach a redraft of your proposed telegram to A.P.D.A.

H. A. GACCIA

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R. MINISTERO
DEGLI
AFFARI ESTERI

Mr. 6/744/341

W.S. ^{again} Prunas & Robert told today of
our instructions (para 2 GS 31-22-10 d-
30 Sept).

(N.B. if adequate Secret communication is established
with prospective Italian Rn in London &
Washington, the
Russian case can be reviewed)

ATC 18/4

MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLITICAL SECTION, A.C.

The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs takes leave to refer to the recent verbal communication of the Vice President, Mr. Cacciola, to the effect that official telegrams directed to the Italian Official Representative in Moscow can only be forwarded at the same conditions as present obtaining in respect of telegrams directed to other Royal Italian Diplomatic Missions abroad, namely, that the text be in clear language or else enciphered with a cipher known to the Allied Commission.

In this connection the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs wishes to point out that such a condition does not appear to be warranted either by the letter or the spirit of the present Armistice conditions. In fact, article 25, paragraph "B" of the Long Armistice Terms (signed at Malta on September 8th, 1943), merely provides that "the Allied Nations reserve the right to prescribe and lay down regulations governing the procedure for the passage of communication between the Italian Government and its representatives in neutral countries".

The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs fails to see how these provisions, which in themselves hardly appear consistent with the new situation that has evolved during the thirteen months since the signing of the Armistice, can be made to apply to the particular case of the official communications between the Italian Government and their Representative in the USSR which, in fact, is not a "neutral country" but is one of the United Nations and a direct ally of the Allies.

This point of view is also borne out by the circumstances of what, as far as the Italian Government are aware, no objection has been raised hitherto on the part of the Allied Authorities to the forwarding of enciphered communications between the Government of the USSR and their Representative with the Italian Government.

In view of the above considerations, the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, has the honour to request that the matter be once again examined with a view to consenting the usual exchange of enciphered communications between the Italian Government and their

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Russian case can be revised!
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The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs takes leave to refer to the recent verbal communication of the Vice President, Mr. Casoria, to the effect that official telegrams directed to the Italian Official Representative in Moscow can only be forwarded at the same conditions as present obtaining in respect of telegrams directed to other Allied Italian Diplomatic Missions abroad, namely, that the text be in clear language or else enciphered with a cypher known to the Allied Commission.

In this context on the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs wishes to point out that such a condition does not appear to be warranted either by the letter or the spirit of the present Armistice conditions. In fact, article 25, paragraph "B" of the Long Armistice Terms (signed at Trieste on September 24th, 1943), merely provides that "the United Nations reserve the right to prescribe and lay down legislative provisions the procedure for the ratification of communication between the Italian Government and its representative in neutral countries".

The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs fails to see how these provisions, which in themselves hardly appear consonant with the new situation that has evolved during the thirteen months since the signing of the Armistice, can be made to apply to the particular case of the severed communications between the Italian Government and their representative in the USSR, which, in fact, is not a "neutral country" but is one of the United Nations and a direct signatory of the Armistice.

This point of view is also borne out by the circumstances that, as far as the Italian Government are aware, no objection has been raised hitherto on the part of the Allied authorities to the forwarding of enciphered communications between the Government of the USSR and their representative with the Italian Government.

In view of the above considerations, the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, has the honour to request that the matter be once again examined with a view to conceding the normal exchange of enciphered communications between the Italian Government and their representative in Moscow in accordance with the full diplomatic privileges and immunities which have been recognised to the said representative.



1011, 17th October, 1944.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 311.22-10

30 September 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Coded Telegram presented to ACC for
transmission to Moscow.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission,
APO 394 (Attn: Acting Chief Commissioner)

1. Under date of 21 September 1944 you addressed
a memorandum to this Headquarters on the above subject.
It appears that you have been requested by the Italian
Ministry of Foreign Affairs to forward a coded message
to the Italian Mission in Moscow.

2. You may accept such messages for transmission
only if accompanied by a clear text and the key to the
code.

/s/ CHARLES H. SPORFORD
/t/ CHARLES H. SPORFORD
Brigadier General, U.S.C.
Asst. Chief of Staff G-5

Copy to: - U.S. Political Adviser
British Resident Minister
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*Italian Eq (is
del Balzo) told Oct 1*

Copy given to Com Sub Com

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21 September 1944

MEMO DATED 20. 0-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters, AFHQ 512

The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs today handed us a coded telegram for the Italian Mission in Moscow with the request that it should be forwarded by Allied means.

The Ministry said that it was in a code which had not been deposited with the Allied authorities and they enquired whether this was an insuperable bar. In reply to our enquiry, they admitted that in the past "a few messages" had been sent through the good offices of the Russian Delegation. In explanation they mentioned that the Allied authorities had been good enough to facilitate the despatch of staff to their Mission in Moscow and this seemed to indicate at least a tacit acquiescence in the establishment of direct relations between Italy and the U.S.S.R.

If it is desired that we should insist upon the attitude that relations between Italy and foreign powers must be through the Allied Control Commission, we should demand not only that the messages should be given to us but they should be presented in clear and unobscured form by means of an approved code. The Italian Government might find it difficult to refuse this for two reasons. First, on technical grounds they are probably using a code which is compromised. Secondly, if no telegrams are presented to us for forwarding through an approved Allied channel, it will be plain to the Allied Governments that the Italians are refusing to carry out the obligations of the armistice. In view of the position of the Russian Delegation here with its direct radio circuit to Moscow, it may be impossible to obviate this, but it is by no means certain that the Italian Government would wish to incur the displeasure of the Allied Governments for the sake of not disclosing their correspondence with their representative in Moscow.

WILLIAM R. STONE

Captain, GMR

Acting Chief Commissioner

cc: U.S. Political Advisor
British Resident Minister
Political Section

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PRIORITY
ACTING CHIEF COMM.

IN VIEW OF MANY INQUIRIES FROM ALLIED AS WELL AS ITALIAN SOURCES CMA I SHALL BE GRATEFUL FOR INFORMATION WHETHER ANGLO DASH AMERICAN DECLARATION REGARDING ITALY IS NOW TO BE CONSIDERED IN FORCE CMA OR WHETHER IT IS INTENDED TO INSTRUCT THIS COMMISSION TO COMMUNICATE IT OFFICIALLY TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT PD PARA TWO PD PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE CMA FOR INFO TO BRITISH RESIDENT MINISTER AND UNITED STATES POLITICAL ADVISER FROM ACC FROM STONE PERSONAL PAREN PARTICULAR POINTS ON WHICH QUESTIONS ARE ASKED ARE PAREN ABLX PAREN WHETHER THE STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONS OF THE ALLIED COMMISSION WILL CONTINUE AS UNDER ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION UNTIL SPECIFICALLY MODIFIED IN ANY SPECIAL INSTANCE SEMICEN PAREN BAKER PAREN WHAT WILL BE THE POSITION OF ITALIAN REPRESENTATIVES IN WASHINGTON AND LONDON AND WILL THEY CMA FOR INSTANCE CMA BE ALLOWED DIRECT CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATION WITH ITALIAN GOVERNMENT BY MEANS OF CODES AND CIPHERS NOT DEPOSITED WITH ALLIED COMMISSION PD PARA THREE PD I PRESUME THAT NO CHANGE OF TITLE OF COMMISSION IS TO BE MADE UNTIL SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS ARE RECEIVED.

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ELLERY W. STONE, Captain USNR, Acting Chief Comm.

S E C R E TSir Noel Charles
Hon. Alexander Kirk

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Chief of Staff

20 June 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Lt. Gen. Noel Mason Macfarlane,
Chief Commissioner, Allied Control Commission.

In your memorandum No. CC/G/369 of June 5 you asked for guidance on the facilities which should be accorded to the Italian Govt. in regard both to communications with the Italian diplomatic mission in Moscow and to the provision of additional staff for the mission.

2. It is the opinion of this Headquarters that no useful purpose would be served in endeavouring to ensure that all communications between the Italian Government and Signor Quaroni pass through the Allied Control Commission and the U.S. or British Representatives in Moscow. If the Italian Government were to agree to such an arrangement, it could be assumed that only such communications as they did not mind the U.S. and British authorities seeing would pass through this channel and that the others would be sent through the Soviet Commissariat for Foreign Affairs and the Soviet Representative in Italy. If, however, the Italian Government should ask the Control Commission to forward any particular message to their representative in Moscow, it should be accepted and forwarded. Conversely, any message from Signor Quaroni received through Allied channels should be delivered to the Italian Government by the Control Commission, provided it can be read by the Control Commission. Any message from Signor Quaroni received by the Control Commission in a code or cypher which they cannot read, should not be passed on to the Italian authorities, since it can be assumed that any such message will also have been passed through the Soviet channel. It is of course understood that there can be no question of Italian operated stations operating the Moscow link but that material will be handled over existing facilities.

3. There is no reason why the Control Commission should not provide facilities for Italian officials to be sent to Moscow, on condition that nothing is known against them personally. Such officials should not, however, be given high priority; and the journey of Signor Messeri, for example, could well be made by sea from Italy to the Middle East, en route for Teheran and Moscow.

For the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre:

David Noel
for J.A.H. GABELL,
LIEUTENANT GENERAL,
CHIEF OF STAFF.

Headquarters Allied Control Commission

September 14, 1944.

The Political Section of the Allied Control Commission
encloses herewith undecipherable cable received from Moscow
to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Rome, for such disposition
as the Soviet Delegation may deem fit.

The Soviet Delegation on the Advisory Council for Italy
Via Caste, 5,
ROME

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Quaroni

CC/G/359

June 5, 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Allied Force Headquarters
(Attention: Chief of Staff)

1. Reference is made to the recent announcement of an exchange of representatives by the Italian and Soviet Governments.

2. Consequent upon the arrival in Moscow of Quaroni, the representative of the Italian Government to the Soviet Government, it has become apparent that a decision will have to be reached as to the procedure which will govern his relations and contact with his Government at Salerno. It does not appear that the procedure heretofore established for the maintenance of Italian Missions in neutral countries will be applicable in the case of the representative at Moscow.

3. With regard to communications:

a. The messages have been received for the Italian Government from Quaroni in Moscow. These were transmitted in a cypher unknown to the Allied Control Commission Signals Center, but believed to be Russian. I am informed that they reached Naples via wireless from Moscow to London, thence by Allied military channels through Gibraltar and Malta.

b. Since this procedure does not appear to conform to the established policy, the messages have not been delivered to the Italian Government; nor has the Italian Government been informed of their receipt.

c. So far as is known to the Allied Control Commission, the Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs has not attempted to communicate through it with Quaroni.

4. With regard to the personnel of Quaroni's staff:

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a. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs has informed the Allied Control Commission of the appointment of Cirilano Massari, an official of the Italian Foreign Service, now at Salerno, as Secretary to Maroni; and has also stated formally that additional clerical personnel will be assigned to Moscow. The Ministry has asked that necessary arrangements be made so that the party may be able to proceed by air to Russia via Tenerife.

b. In response to an oral inquiry, an official of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs has indicated that the names of the clerical personnel involved can not be given at present because, for reasons of security, these will probably be recruited from the staff of the Italian Legation at Ankara or from the staffs of the Italian Missions in Bucharest and Belgrade, who, it is hoped, will be proceeding through Turkey to Italy.

5. No request has been received from the Italian Government for Allied financial assistance for its representation at Moscow; nor has the Allied Control Commission taken the initiative in raising the question.

6. In view of the special circumstances which seem to be involved in the matter, I should appreciate receiving the instructions of the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre, as to the disposition to be made of the matters raised in paragraphs (3) and (4) above, and as to the general policy which it is to adopt to follow in dealing with the practical aspects of the maintenance of an Italian representative in Moscow.

WILLIAM MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General,
Chief Commissioner.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 934

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2 June 1944

3 June 44

MEMORANDUM TO: Chief Commissioner

SUBJECT: Messages from Italian Representatives at Moscow to Italian Foreign Office

1. In general, the existing rules for incoming Italian Government messages, so far as I have been able to determine, cover messages:
 - a. "in Allied cyphers over the military radio circuits to Algiers";
 - b. in clear or in cypher "over the commercially-operated cables Naples-Rome... to Madrid and Lisbon only";
 - c. in clear text, dealing with routine non-secret matters, "over the commercially-operated radio circuits Naples-U.S. and Naples-U.K." to U.S. address.
2. The messages in question have
 - a. come to a cypher unknown to the ACC signal center; therefore presumably not in an "Allied cypher";
 - b. come over the route: wireless Moscow to London; military channels London to Gibraltar to Malta to Naples.
3. Incoming messages conforming to the conditions set forth in para 1 are to be delivered to the ACC signal center for
 - a. direct delivery to the Italian Government;
 - b. delivery of a de-cyphered copy to the Political Section, whose approval is not required before delivery to the Foreign Office.
4. The messages in question have NOT been delivered to the Italian Government since they were undecipherable and none of the foregoing conditions could be fulfilled.
5. In practice, communications with Italian missions other than Lisbon or Madrid, are all routed via Allied channels, and, if in cypher, in an Allied cypher.
6. A possible solution to the present problem would be to suggest that communications between the Foreign Office and Moscow be handled through ACC via Allied channels and either the British or American mission at Moscow.

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It is possible, of course, for the Italian Government to communicate with the representative at Moscow through the Soviet Representative at Salerno and the Commissariat for Foreign Affairs.

7. We might:

(a) notify the Italian Government of the receipt of the messages, noting that they are in a code unknown to the Allied Control Commission, and asking what arrangements the Foreign Office wishes to make for communicating with Moscow.

(b) notify AFHQ of the receipt of the messages, pointing out that they have come in an apparently Russian cypher through Anglo-American channels from London, and that in view of the special considerations involved the Supreme Allied Commander may wish to make a general decision as to procedure governing such matters as communications, personnel, provision of funds for the mission, etc.

J. h. G.
J. N. Greene, Jr.

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Col. Moxfort

2 messages from Buenos Aires, addressed to
"Estad. Bari" and signed "Anarini". Have come
in in a code unknown to the Signals
Office - we believe it may be a Russian
code.

Do you approve of sending to the Foreign
Office something along the lines of the attached?

J. G. Deane

J. L. Lee

Are the Italian
Govt. allowed to use
codes or cipher without
telling us know?

Wm. H. L. 6335

Unrecovered Cable

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

APO 394

May 30, 1944.

MEMORANDUM TO: Royal Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs
SUBJECT: Cable Messages

Messages Nos. 1 and 2 addressed to Esteri, Bari, from
Guaroni, Moscow have been received in a code which is unknown
to the Allied Control Commission.

If you will forward cipher tables for the code with
which you propose to communicate with Moscow, we shall be glad
to expedite transmission of the messages.

Political Section

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Office of the Chief
of Staff

20 June 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Lt. Gen. Noel Mason MacFarlane,
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2. It is the opinion of this Headquarters that no useful purpose would be served in endeavouring to ensure that all communications between the Italian Government and Signor Quaroni pass through the Allied Control Commission and the U.S. or British Representatives in Moscow. If the Italian Government were to agree to such an arrangement, it could be assumed that only such communications as they did not mind the U.S. and British authorities seeing would pass through this channel and that the others would be sent through the Soviet Commissariat for Foreign Affairs and the Soviet Representative in Italy. If, however, the Italian Government should ask the Control Commission to forward any particular message to their representative in Moscow, it should be accepted and forwarded. Conversely, any message from Signor Quaroni received through Allied channels should be delivered to the Italian Government by the Control Commission, provided it can be read by the Control Commission. Any message from Signor Quaroni received by the Control Commission in a code or cypher which they cannot read, should not be passed on to the Italian authorities, since it can be assumed that any such message will also have been passed through the Soviet channel. It is of course understood that there can be no question of Italian operated stations operating the Moscow link but that material will be handled over existing facilities.

3. There is no reason why the Control Commission should not provide facilities for Italian officials to be sent to Moscow, on condition that nothing is known against them personally. Such officials should not, however, be given high priority; and the journey of Signor Messeri, for example, could well be made by sea from Italy to the Middle East, en route for Teheran and Moscow.

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For the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre:/s/ Daniel Noel
Maj. Gen.for J.A.H. GAMMELL,
LIEUTENANT GENERAL,
CHIEF OF STAFF.*Original to Supreme Allied Commander
Mediterranean Theatre*

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ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Chief
of Staff

20 June 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Lt. Gen. Noel Mason MacFarlane,
Chief Commissioner, Allied Control Commission.

In your memorandum No. CC/3/562 of June 5 you asked for guidance on the facilities which should be accorded to the Italian Govt. in regard both to communications with the Italian diplomatic mission in Moscow and to the provision of additional staff for the mission.

2. It is the opinion of this Headquarters that no useful purpose would be served in endeavouring to ensure that all communications between the Italian Government and Signor Quaroni pass through the Allied Control Commission and the U.S. or British Representatives in Moscow. If the Italian Government were to agree to such an arrangement, it could be assumed that only such communications as they did not wish the U.S. and British authorities seeing would pass through this channel and that the others would be sent through the Soviet Commissariat for Foreign Affairs and the Soviet Representative in Italy. If, however, the Italian Government should ask the Control Commission to forward any particular message to their representative in Moscow, it should be accepted and forwarded. Conversely, any message from Signor Quaroni received through Allied channels should be delivered to the Italian Government by the Control Commission, provided it can be read by the Control Commission. Any message from Signor Quaroni received by the Control Commission in a code or cypher which they cannot read, should not be passed on to the Italian authorities, since it can be assumed that any such message will also have been passed through the Soviet channel. It is of course understood that there can be no question of Italian operated stations operating the Moscow link but that material will be handled over existing facilities.

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For the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre:

/s/ Daniel Noel
Maj. Gen.

For J.A.H. GARDNER,
LIEUTENANT GENERAL,
CHIEF OF STAFF.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

CO/C/369

5 June 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Allied Force Headquarters
(Attention: Chief of Staff)

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4. With regard to the personnel of Quaroni's staff:

a. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs has informed the Allied Control Commission of the appointment of Girolamo Mosconi, an official of the Italian Foreign Service, now at Salerno, as Secretary to Quaroni; and has also stated verbally that additional clerical personnel will be assigned to Moscow. The Ministry has asked that necessary arrangements be made so that the party may be able to proceed by air to Russia via Tehran. 6263

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NOEL HATCH MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General,
Chief Commissioner.

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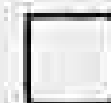
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
AFG 394

5 June 1944

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Major General,
Allied Control Commission,
Chief Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

APO 394

May 30, 1944.

MEMORANDUM TO: Royal Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs

SUBJECT: Cable Messages

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Political Section

By a/c communication, not provided to IFO
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J. H. G.

File

Ref: 5/385/395

20th January 1945

SUBJECT: Transmission of cable to
Italian Embassy in Moscow.TO : G-5 Section, Allied Force
Headquarters.

1. Reference your letter G-5:311.22-10 of January 14th.

2. The telegram which the Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs wish to address to the Italian Embassy in Moscow, which is returned herewith, has not been shown to the Soviet Representative on the Allied Commission. It is not the practice of the Commission to submit any telegrams to the Soviet Representative, and the Chief Commissioner would certainly not wish to create such a precedent. The Soviet Representative has no right under the Armistice Terms or under the arrangements set up for the Allied Commission to obtain to see such telegrams. Moreover the Soviet authorities have themselves refused to send Italian Government telegrams, and the Soviet Representative himself suggested to the Chief Commissioner that the Italian Government should be allowed to use their own cypher. As owing to the decision of Allied Force Headquarters this is not to be permitted and as the United States and British Embassies are also unable to send them, the procedure agreed upon for the transmission of confidential Italian Government telegrams through Allied military channels will have to be continued. In the circumstances, the Chief Commissioner would be grateful if the telegram in question could be forwarded to its destination without any further delay.

For the Chief Commissioner:

M.L.D'A. ROBINSON,
Acting Vice-President,
Political Section.

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1 enc: Tel. No. 87 dated
30.12.44 from Italian
MFA for Italian Embassy
at Moscow.

Copies to: U.S. Political Adviser,
British Resident Minister,
U.S. Embassy,
British Embassy.

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19th January, 1945.

Subject: Transmission of cable to Italian Embassy in Moscow.

Jan. 14th. Ref. your letter G-5: 30.22-10 of-

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Draft Letter to:

G.5, A.F.H.Q.

Mr. Macfarland

Will you send a letter in via memo off please?

W. J. Tamm

and as per U.S. and

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Ref. 125. Jan 55
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Mr. Macfarland

Will you send a letter in via your office please?

Ref. Jan 55

and as per U.S. and British Embassies are also unable to send them,

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Chief Commissioner's
minutes, below)



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POLITICAL SECTION, A.C.

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 ECONOMIC SECTION

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 REPARATION SUB-COMMISSION
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 LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION (M.I.)
 LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION
 NAVY SUB-COMMISSION
 PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COMMISSION
 SHIPPING SUB-COMMISSION

 MISSION DIVISION
 CIPHER SECURITY DIVISION

FOR Appropriate Action

☐ Info and Retention/Return
☐ Approval and Return
☐ Consent and Return

☒ See Mr. SCHWABER/HOPKINS'S and
 WELCH'S Remarks

REMARKS:

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
 G-5 Section
 APO 512

FJS/mls

14 January 1945

G-5: 311.22-10

SUBJECT: Transmission of Cable to Italian Embassy in Moscow.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

Reference the attached message, it is presumed that the Soviet member of the Allied Commission has seen and concurs in its transmission. However, a statement to that effect would be appreciated prior to dispatch.

For the Acting Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

F. J. Slaughter
 F. J. SLAUGHTER,
 Captain, A.G.D.

Incl:
 msg. to Italian Embassy, Moscow.

HH

The Soviet member of the AC.
 was not consulted before this msg. was submitted to AFHQ for
 dispatch. Is there any reason why he sh^d be? It seems to
 me that any Soviet objection sh^d be raised in Berlin, ^{6 lines}
 not here.

To: Chief Commission

It has not been our practice
 to submit the contents of the Italian ^{from 10/1/45} telegrams to the
 Soviet delegation. They have no right to demand such consultation
 under the armistice terms, and they have expressly refused
 to continue to transmit Italian files on the grounds that it might be
 embarrassing to us. I think it would be a dangerous precedent to show
 it to them.

Jan. 17.

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For the Acting Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

Incl:
msg. to Italian Embassy, Moscow.

F. J. SLAUGHTER,
Captain, A.G.D.



6237

Mr. Halford -
I quite agree.
This type of message
should be submitted
in Hanoi for
transmission
in clear.

DMR
16 Jan 45

Political 7965

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

TBJ/JJJr

G-5: 311.22-10

14 January 1945

SUBJECT: Transmission of Italian Government Message.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

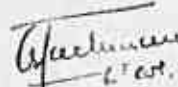
1. Reference is made to Political Section's P/395/305 of 6 January requesting that Message No. 2 of January 4 be transmitted by Allied Military channels to the Italian Embassy at Moscow.

2. The message however appears to be a purely personal one and unless there are very special circumstances it cannot be passed over Allied Military channels. It will be appreciated that the passing of messages over the military circuit to Moscow is only normally allowed to cope with official telegrams which otherwise could not be delivered.

3. The message is accordingly returned herewith but may be represented if there are very special circumstances of which full details should be given.

4. The Political Advisers here have been consulted before this reply has been sent.

For the Acting Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

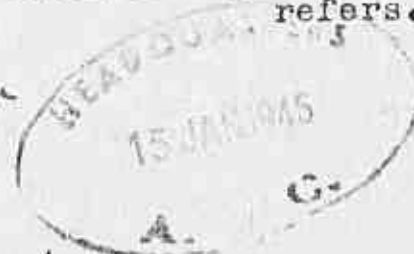


T. B. JACKMAN
Lt. Colonel.

Incl:
as above.

Copy to:- British Resident Minister) Your endorsement on IRS
U.S. Political Adviser) G-5: 311.22-10 of 10 Jan.
refers.

*I have handled the message
under the American Embassy
which is to go to the light
in the name of 82 above.*



16/1/45

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

TBJ/JJR

G-5: 311.22-10

14 January 1945

SUBJECT: Transmission of Italian Government Message.
TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. Reference is made to Political Section's P/395/305 of 6 January requesting that Message No. 2 of January 4 be transmitted by Allied Military channels to the Italian Embassy at Moscow.

2. The message however appears to be a purely personal one and unless there are very special circumstances it cannot be passed over Allied Military channels. It will be appreciated that the passing of messages over the military circuit to Moscow is only normally allowed to cope with official telegrams which otherwise could not be delivered.

3. The message is accordingly returned herewith but may be represented if there are very special circumstances of which full details should be given.

4. The Political Advisers here have been consulted before this reply has been sent.

For the Acting Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

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T. B. JACKMAN
Lt. Colonel.

Incl:
as above.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INTERMEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Press Tels to It Enby Moscow FILE No.

TO : Mr. Halford.

10 Jan

1945

From : Cypher Security Mission

I have reviewed your note.
 from Gen. G. H. We think they could. We didn't think
 that with the material here had even been any objection to
 superior level. non-secret It best telegrams being sent to
 the Soviet Union. non-secret It best telegrams being sent to
 Moscow in plain in Italian by Commercial
 channel: but perhaps you would confirm this
 with Political Section.

AH-11/1/45
 I suggest we ask IMFA

to send press tels to Moscow in the
 normal way, i.e. enclose in
 Italian. Otherwise, non-confidential
 telegrams. DD 10 Jan 45

F. L. Catty

Cattellini will inform

ME A - 12 Jan 45

POLITICAL SECTION
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

ALLIED ~~CONTROL~~ COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Press Tels. to IV. Engh. Moscow. FILE No.

TO : Cypher Security Minia.

8th Jan. 1945

As you can see, tels. to the IV. Engh. at Moscow are at present being despatched by military channels through AFHQ. It seems, however, inevitable to clutter up military lines with press tels. such as the attached.

(^o the AC. Pres. not send these tel. dir. in Italian by commercial channel?)

~~Cip. 66 M. We think they could pass
any message but it is somewhat
undesirable. FR. C. L.~~

H. Alfred
for H/V.P. (br.).

JLH/epc

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION

APC 394

Communications Sub-Commission
Tel: 489051 Ext: 400

4th January, 1945

In reply
refer to:

C.119.13.08

Subject: Rome - Moscow Radio Telegram Circuit

To: A.F.H.Q.
Atx: C-5

Reference your 311.22.10 dated 17th December, 1944.

1. Para. 3 has been dealt with and the release of the necessary equipment is expected about 14th January vide A.F.H.Q. telegram FX 75641.

2. There are some points that require your decision on permitted classes of traffic and censorship control.

3. It is considered that for the time being Italian Government traffic to and from Moscow should continue to be passed by the present Allied Military channels.

4. The Civil Censorship Branch can arrange for post-transmission censorship of clear language telegrams in English, French, Italian and Russian: If military security requirements demand pre-transmission censorship there may be staffing difficulties on the Russian language. Field Press Censorship can only cover English, French and Italian.

5. The following regulations are therefore suggested:

a. Italian Government traffic to and from Moscow will continue to be passed by present channels.

b. Russian Government official traffic in code will be passed without censorship.

c. Press traffic must be in English, French or Italian and will be passed through Field Press Censorship.

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C.119.13.03

4th Jan. 45. Continued.

d. Any other traffic in clear may be in English, French, Italian or Russian, and will be subject to censorship by the Civil Censorship Branch, to ensure that military security is not endangered.

6. Will you please consider whether 'post-transmission' or 'pre-transmission' censorship is required for the traffic in para. 5 d above.

7. This letter has been approved by the Political Section of this Commission.

For the Chief Commissioner:

J. L. Henderson

J. L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Copy to: Political Section, A.C. ✓

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FX 75641
DEC 28 1944

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FOR CHIEF OF COMMUNICATIONS INFO DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS AND SICO, AC ROME,
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With reference to your message of 26 December to AFHQ, only it is requested that you release the 20 KW IRS transmitter complete to ITALORADIO on or about 15 January 1945 with receiving and antenna equipment if available. It is contemplated that this transmitter will be used for a ROME-MOSCOW circuit supervised by the Allied Commission and will be placed in effect as soon after 15 January as possible. All addresses please acknowledge.

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