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Magistrati's telegram No. 115, April 22, from the Italian Legation at Bern to the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

De facto relations must be maintained with the republican direction railroads at Verona by the Federal railroads direction, as Your Excellency is aware. It is desirable, in connection with efforts to neutralize effectively the neo-Fascist organizations action, that the Royal Communications Ministry appoint through this Legation Dr. Vittorio Fazio, chief inspector State railroads and head of State railroads until now, also as general representative in liberated Italy of direction State railroads. Fazio, who works closely with this Legation, should also be sent general instructions. I find his experience and cooperation useful to me, and appreciated as well by the American and British Legations and Swiss railroad authorities.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

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SUBJECT: Development and operation of all Italian Railways.

TO : Distribution as below.

1. By the terms of General Order 60, 22 October 1943, the rehabilitation, technical development and operation of all Italian State and privately owned railways, except for those portions which may from time to time be returned to civilian operation under the supervision of the Transportation Sub-Commission of the Allied Control Commission, are vested in the organization of the Director General Military Railway Services.
2. As a result no railways or sections of railways either Italian State or privately owned, will be put into operation without the consent of Director General Military Railway Services which will be obtained through the Transportation Sub-Commission, H.Q. A.C.C.
3. Materials, however damaged, found on a railway must be carefully safeguarded and not disposed of to private persons, and all coal stocks must be frozen.
4. In the forward areas, where State Railway officials may be in some doubt as to their position, they will be instructed to report to the Rome headquarters of the Italian State Railways.

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NORMAN E. FISKE.
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no. 6/414/188

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Rome, September 2, 1944



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