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ITALIAN CIVIL AVIATION, CUSTOMS & IMMIGRATION
CONTROL
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Please refer to Para 13. Minutes of monthly general staff conference.

A copy of Enclosure 2A (which is not yet official) and any other correspondence relating to Customs and Immigration which would be of interest to Milan and Paris should be sent to the OCO of those Detachments.

W. J. J. J. J.
29/9/46

M4AIR IIIRef Enclosure 11A

This is an Italian responsibility. The I.A.M. They have listed the controlled airfields in I.A.M. but Pessara is not included. Ask the I.A.M. how they intend to deal with these landings on uncontrolled airfields.

I would suggest that they make the firm Giorgi Brothers follow the same procedure they adopted on the occasion quoted in 11B. The firm appears to have acted correctly.

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W. J. J. J. J.
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Have opened this file on Customs and Immigration Control.

Enclosure 1A is a copy of 64A on 29/1/45.

Enclosure 2A - 7A were introduced from 29/1/45.

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M2AIR IIIRef 7A.

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① Diplomatic or diplomatic passports were included among those travellers exempted from Station Customs.

③ Please obtain the British and American Embassy reactions to the present ^{6/1/48} plans and at the same time obtain the Station

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W. J. J. J. J.

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AIR III

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- ① Diplomatic or diplomatic passports were included among those travellers exempted from Station Customs.
- ③ Please obtain the British and American Embassy reactions to the present ^{6/1/46} plans and at the same time obtain the Station Government's reaction to a new plan which adds Diplomatic officials to the list of exempted persons.

W. J. J. J. J.
18/9/46

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From :- Mediterranean Allied Air Committee Secretariat,
RAF Liaison Section with S.A.C. HQ,
A.P.H.Q., Caserta, G.M.F.

To :- Officer Commanding Ciampino Airport, Rome (A.P.O.)
Officer Commanding R.A.F. Station Ciampino.

Date :- 17th December, 1946.

Ref :- MAC/4215/1/AMALS.

ITALIAN CUSTOMS CONTROL FACILITIES AT CIAMPINO

Numerous complaints have been received by this Secretariat and other Sections in A.P.H.Q. that the Italians are not being afforded the necessary facilities to carry out Public Security checks and normal customs duties.

2. It is reported that civilian passengers have landed at Ciampino and been conveyed from the aircraft direct to Rome without passing through the Italian Customs.

3. It is therefore directed

- (a) That you co-operate with the Italian Authorities by allowing them either adequate office space or to build offices on both the British and American sides of the airfield.
- (b) That all civilian passengers landing at Rome be directed to the Italian Public Security Office before leaving the airfield.
- (c) That proper telephonic communications between the Public Security Offices and the American and British sides of the airfield be put into operation.

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(Signature)

S.J.B. HAMILTON
Wing Commander
Secretary to The

MEDITERRANEAN ALLIED AIR COMMITTEE

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Copies to :-

A.F.S.C. A.O. Rome
H.Q. Alcoa Rome. Public Safety Division A.P.O. 794 (Your AG/14374/PS dated 25th November, 1946 refers).

A.F.H.Q. G-2 (for info.)
G-5 (Your 940.23 dated 2nd December, 1946 refers).

Ch. L. L.
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(Signature)

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REPUBLIC OF ITALY
Public Safety Division
APO 73

AC/16374/23

11 December 1946.

SUBJECT: Aeroporto di Ciampino.

TO: Ministry of the Interior
Director General of P.S.

1. I refer to your letter P.S. Sec. 2 No. 300/61858/3-25 of 10th November 1946.
2. This matter has been referred to Allied Force Headquarters for action and their reply thereon is awaited and will be communicated to you when received.
3. Meanwhile, the Air Force Sub-Commission, although it is not their responsibility, have discussed the matter with both the British and American Officers Commanding at the Ciampino airport who have stated that they will do all they can to facilitate the work of the Customs and Immigration Officials.
4. Therefore if the details can be arranged locally with these officers, no objection will be raised to Italian guards being stationed at the two main gates, and to Italian officials meeting each aircraft and checking up civilian passengers.
5. Unfortunately the buildings available on both sides of Ciampino are already congested and it is regretted that at present no buildings can be set aside for Italian officials. There is however ground space available on both sides for the erection of such accommodation as is desired and it is therefore suggested that your Department should send a responsible official to discuss this matter with the two Commanding Officers to arrange for the allotment of such space and to put the necessary arrangements in hand to erect temporary or permanent accommodation.
6. The question of installation of such telephone lines as are required should also be agreed with these officers but the installation must be carried out through Italian channels.

Copy to: Air Forces S/C ✓
S/C (Ciampino Airport) ATC
S/C (Ciampino Airport) RAF
AFHQ 4-5

H. Green
DCE
E. J. W. Colonel
Director.

16/12 1946

LOOSE MINUTE

To : DIRECTOR.

Ref. M. 13 I discussed Enclosures 26A and B with the Deputy Commander A.T.C. Ciampino, Lt. Col. BIRDSELL, on Tuesday 3rd December, 1946. In Enclosure 26B The Italian Public Safety Division make specific requests which can also in part be granted on the American side of the airfield.

- (1) The A.T.C. Authorities agree with the G.C., R.A.F. in the matter of space available for guard quarters. No building or part of a building is available at this time but there is ground space available for the erection of adequate quarters. T.W.A. plans to enlarge the terminal building in the near future and are including in their plans, offices for customs officials.
- (2) Lt. Col. Birdsell stated there was no objection to enlarging the number of security police on the airfield. He suggested the Customs people place a guard on the main gate to check papers. An American guard is already located at this gate.
- (3) The A.T.C. Command is ready to give as much aid as possible to establish an efficient Customs Service at Ciampino.
- (4) The telephone situation is a responsibility of the Ministry of the Interior and not of the Allied Authorities, Col. Birdsell stated.
- (5) It is believed that if the civilian airline companies were briefed on the situation existing at Ciampino, it might aid the Customs people in carrying out a more efficient check of passengers.

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A.T. MEISS, LT. A.C.
ORG. II.

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LOOSE MINUTE

To : DIRECTOR. (Ref. 16A)

Ref. M.13. I discussed Enclosures 26A and B with the Officer Commanding R.A.F. Ciampino on Saturday 30th November, 1946.

In Enclosure 26B the Italian Public Safety Division make specific requests which can in part be granted on the R.A.F. side of the airfield.

- (1) To their request for premises for 15 - 20 guards the R.A.F. are not able to allocate a building or part of a building but in their letter Ref. CPO/15 a/Org. dated 23rd November, 1946 (Enclosure 16A on AFSC/39/6/Air) they confirm that there is ground space available for the erection of a building large enough for officers and for living quarters for all personnel.
- (2) The customs and immigration officers will be given every facility to check passengers leaving and entering aircraft and leaving and entering the airfield by the main gate.
- (3) The two customs posts are at present connected together through the R.A.F. and American telephone exchanges. If they require a private line it must be their own responsibility to have it installed.
- (4) The O.C. R.A.F. Ciampino is anxious to have these officials settled in permanent offices as they are now occupying space in the passengers lounge in the terminal building. He pointed out that all the buildings on the R.A.F. side were overcrowded and it was therefore impossible to give them rooms anywhere in the site.


L.E. JARMAN, G/C,
S.S.O.

2nd December, 1946.

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From:- R.A.F. Unit Ciampino (3.F) C.M.F.

To :- Air Forces Sub Commission, Allied Commission, Rome.

Date:- 23rd November, 1946.

Ref :- CFC/150/001.

ITALIAN CUSTOMS FACILITIES.

15A.

Reference is made to Mediterranean Allied Air Committee Secretariat letter MAAC/4215/1/AFAC, dated 18th November, 1946, addressed to this Unit with copy to your formation.

2. Attached herewith is a copy of a letter received from the Inspector of Customs Rome for your information, which was forwarded to Air Headquarters, Italy, and also the reply from that Headquarters, stating that the Italian Government are to be allowed the necessary facilities for the setting up of a Customs organisation on the R.A.F. side of this airfield.

3. It is confirmed that adequate space is available at the main entrance of this Unit, immediately behind the terminal building for the erection of a suitable building, and it is requested that your formation inform the Italian Government accordingly.



N.B. Morris

(N.B. MORRIS).
Wing Commander, Commanding,
R.A.F. Unit Ciampino, C.M.F.

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DOZANA DI ROMA

SEZIONE SERVIZIO CLAMPINO

TO:- R.A.F. Unit Ciampino (SP) Rome, C.M.F.

Date:- 28th. August, 1946.

Ref:- No. 21

Subject:- CUSTOMS SERVICE.

Referring to the Organisation Customs Service attached at the CLAMPINO Airport the undersigned in charge of the Sub-Commission applies to the courtesy and kindness of this Command for the confirmation of the verbal statement already made to him for adequate space of ground in the vicinity of the entrance of this camp on which to construct the buildings necessary for the lay out of the Customs Service.

Thank you I remain dear Sir, faithfully.

Signed ANGELO CARUSO,
INSPECTOR OF THE CUSTOMS HOUSE.

CUSTOMS OF ROME SAN LORO LEO STATION

or at

The Customs Station of the American T.W.A.

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COPY.

From:- Air Headquarters, R.A.F. Italy. 6C.
 To :- R.A.F. Unit Ciampino (SP) C.M.F.
 Date:- 29th October, 1946.
 Ref :- AH I/3030/ORG.

ITALIAN CUSTOMS FACILITIES. *not to us.*

Further to your CPO/107/ORG dated 17th September, 1946, and our postagram AH I/3030/ORG dated 8th October, 1946, regarding the setting up of customs facilities at Ciampino Airfield. *not to us*

2. In accordance with A.F.H. letter AG 091.311 C/S-O dated 26th January, 1946, copy enclosed herewith, it has been agreed to allow the Italian Government the necessary facilities.

3. You are, therefore, in conjunction with A.F.A.I.S. A.F., Rear R.A.F. Italy, to make necessary arrangements for the setting up of customs facilities at R.A.F. Unit (SP), Ciampino Airfield.

(SND) V.A. LAURIE,
 Wing Commander,
 For Group Captain,
 Staff Officer i/c Administration,
AIR HEADQUARTERS, R.A.F. ITALY.

Copy to:- A.F.A.I.S., A.H.Q. (REAR) R.A.F. ITALY.

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ARMED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
AFM 5121335/4h
26th January 1946.

10 AC 091.341 9/3-0

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SUBJECT :- Rehabilitation of Italian Customs Service.

TO :- General Officers Commanding

All Corps

Number 2 District

Number 3 District

Commanding General Peninsular Base Section, 120-782.

1. Active steps are at present being taken to re-open private trade between Italy and other countries. A prerequisite of the resumption of such trade is the establishment by the Italian Government of the necessary legislative and administrative machinery to effect the appropriate controls.

2. In this connection the most important objects of the Italian Government are :-

a. To effect currency control and ensure the use of Italian foreign exchange only for the purchase of essential imports.

b. To prevent the export of products needed in the Italian economy.

c. To institute the proposed export subsidy and import exchange schemes, (The Italian Government propose to subsidize exports and levy a corresponding surcharge on imports).

d. To re-establish normal customs controls.

3. Before adequate controls can be made effective it will be necessary for the Italian Government to re-open the Italian Customs Services both on the mainland of Italy and at all ports, (except in those areas remaining under Allied Military Government, the special position of which is being considered separately).

4. The Italian Government is instituting a survey of the problems involved in re-instituting their customs services at ports. Local Italian authorities are therefore likely in the near future to ask for assistance from Allied Commanders and port authorities.

5. In giving such assistance, Allied Commanders will make it clear that Italian Customs have no jurisdiction over personnel or stores moving on Allied military account. They will also ensure the military requirements continue to have overriding priority and that no delays are caused to Allied shipping or transportation by customs control.

6. When firm proposals submitted by Italian authorities, Allied Commander should give them all possible assistance including :

a. The release of accommodation at present used by the Allied there existing accommodation can be vacated without detriment to Allied Commitments.

b. Allowing Italian authorities to establish supervision of entry into and exit from port areas of Italian personnel and goods.

c. Notification to the Italian authorities of the arrival of goods imported on Italian account in ships or other means of transport operated and/or controlled by the Allied authorities.

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administrative machinery to effect the appropriate controls.

2. In this connection the most important objects of the Italian Government are:
 - a. To effect control and master the use of its own foreign exchange only for the purchase of essential imports.
 - b. To prevent the export of resources needed in the Italian economy.
 - c. To inhibit the proposal to set up military or industrial enterprise outside, (the Italian Government proposes to subsidize under the long corresponding arrangements in force).
 - d. To re-establish normal customs supervision.
 - e. Before adequate controls can be made effective it will be necessary for the Italian Government to re-open the Italian Customs Services both on the frontiers of Italy and at all ports, (except in those areas remaining under Allied military government, the special position of which is being considered separately).
 - f. The Italian Government is instituting a survey of the problems involved in re-opening their customs services at ports. Local Italian authorities are therefore likely in the near future to ask for assistance from Allied Commanders and port authorities.
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 - b. Allowing Italian authorities to establish supervision of entry into and exit from port areas of Italian personnel and goods.
 - c. Notification to the Italian authorities of the arrival of goods imported on Italian account in ships or other means of transport operated and/or controlled by the Allied authorities.
 7. The majority of the requirements of the Italian authorities should have only local implications. Only those proposals which involve major policy need be referred to this Headquarters.

Contd...../2.

8. In general, the maximum assistance and cooperation should be given to the local Italian authorities in the re-establishment of their Customs Services, so long as essential military requirements are not thereby prejudiced.

THE COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

EDWARD R. SHULARD
Colonel, AGO
Adjutant General.

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From :- Mediterranean Allied Air Committee Secretariat.

To :- R.A.F. Unit Ciampino (S.P.), C.M.F.

Copy to:

Air Forces Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, Rome.

Date :- 18th November, 1946.

Ref :- MAAC/4215/1/APALS.

ITALIAN CUSTOMS FACILITIES.

Reference is made to conversation between W/O. Norris and W/O. Hamilton on the above subject.

2. Attention is drawn to A.F.C. Italy letter reference AMI/3034/OMI, dated 29th October, 1946 (not so second addressed), and you are requested to make necessary arrangements for the setting up of customs facilities at R.A.F. Unit (S.P.) CIAMPINO.

(
S.J.B. HAMILTON
Wing Commander
Secretary to The

MEDETERANAN ALLIED AIR COMMITTEE.)



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From : Air Forces Sub Commission, A.C., Rome.
To : Air Forces Sub Commission, A.C., Bari.
Date : 14th October, 1946.
Ref : AFSC/39/6/Air.

ITALIAN CIVIL AVIATION

CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION CONTROL.

With reference to your letter AFSC/3/24/1/Air dated 3-10-46, it is not certain to which complaint you refer as the only correspondence we have in our file regarding customs irregularities is the one forwarded by you on 17-9-46.

2. A copy of this letter is attached together with a copy of a letter from M.A.A.U. on the same subject.

L. E. Jannan
L. E. JANNAN, G/C,
Air Vice-Marshal,
Director,
Air Forces Sub Commission.

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From: Air Forces Sub Commission - Bari Detachment -

To: Air Forces Sub Commission - A.C. - ROME -

Date: 3-10-1946

Ref.: AFSC/B/24/1/AIR

It is requested that a copy of the letter concerning complaints about Customs procedure at Bari be forwarded to this Detachment. On Enquires to O.C. Flying, Traffic Officer, and Italian Civilian Customs personnel no information regarding these complaints has been elicited.

W. C. Ollason
W.C. OLLASON G/C
Officer Commanding
Bari Detachment
A.F.S.C.



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Replacement 29/6/AIR and
minute to me

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FROM: AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, A.C. RIME
TO : AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, BARI DETACHMENT
DATE: 7TH OCTOBER, 1946
REF : AFSC/39/6/AIR

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In reply to your letter AFSC/B/59/AIR dated 17th September, 1946, requesting latest instructions on foreign aircraft landing on Italian airfields you are referred to attached letter, AFSC/33/AIR dated 7th October, 1946.

2. It is requested that this information be passed on to all Unit Commanders concerned.

Refer to
enc. 148
in file AFSC/36/AIR
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Paul Cole
PAUL COLE, 1st Lt. A.C.
for Lt. Col. Frank E. Marek
Director

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From: Air Forces Sub Commission - Bari Detachment
To: Air Forces Sub Commission, Allied Commission - ROME -
Date, 17-9-1946
Ref: AFSC/B/59/Air

The attached letter has been received from Comando 4^a Zona with a request for clarification of existent regulations.

I have pointed out that to the best of my knowledge this is purely an Italian responsibility but they appear to have no policy on the matter. They are referring this to their H.Q. in Rome and have asked me to get any information which is available.

It would be appreciated if you could forward the latest instructions available.

W.C. OLLASON G/C
Officer Commanding
Bari Detachment
A.F.S.C.

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COMANDO 4^a ZONA AEREA TERRITORIALE
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO

Prot. n. Cd/2121

Date, 12 Sept. 1946

To: AIR FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. BARI

SUBJECT: LANDING OF AN ENGLISH CIVIL AIRCRAFT ON THE PESCARA
AIRFIELD

We inform you that on the 1st Sept. ult. an English civil aircraft, G A H J F, Capt. of crew PAUL MAC DONALD WUEBER coming from Nizza, landed on the Airfield of Pescara in which he carried out a load of grapes for the firm GIORGI BROTHERS of Bologna and left in the same day at 10.45 hrs for Nizza, direct successively to London.

The above firm notified to Airfield Command of Pescara that some other transports of grapes will be carried out.

For the operations of the Custom Office the same firm GIORGI had before advised the relative organs of Finance, which provided to send to the place two agents. Control of the goods loaded on the aircraft by Vice Brigadiere commanding of the Detachment of Carabinieri of the Airport has been carried on, for part of the Airport Command.

The air crew was furnished of the regular passport and a note relative to the leaving from Rome, wherefrom the aircraft landed for Pescara has been noted on the book of the Board.

We notify the above matter for information of this Air Forces Sub Commission, asking to communicate to the writer whether there is any irregularities for this transports of the goods, to inform the Command of the Airport concerned.

Col. i IL COMANDANTE

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From : Air Forces Sub-Commission, A.C. ROME.
To : C.C. Bari Detachment,
" " Milan "
Date : 30th September, 1946.
Ref. : AFSC/39/6/AIR.

CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION

With reference to the enclosed minutes of a conference held at Ciampino Airport, stating the proposed regulations on Customs and Immigration and passed to you for information and guidance, it must be noted that these are not official.

Any further information will be forwarded to you immediately.

J.K.M.
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A. T. NEISS
A. T. NEISS, LT. A.C.
FOR AIR VICE MARSHAL,
DIRECTOR,
A.F.S.C.

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CONFERENCE AT CIAMPINO AIRPORT RELATING TO ESTABLISHMENT
OF CUSTOMS BY THE ITALIAN MINISTRY OF FINANCE ON AUGUST
7, 1946

1. At this meeting the following airlines were represented: -

T.W.A.,
B.O.A.C.,
P.A.A.,
K.L.M.,
A.B.A.

and French Airlines.

Representative from the Italian Air Force were present.

2. Customs will apply to all, with the following exceptions: -

PERSONNEL

1. All Allied Military,
2. U.S. War Dept. Civilians, Diplomatic Officials,
3. Diplomats on Diplomatic Passports,
4. British civilians other than revenue passengers.
(Non revenue personnel would be equivalent to
U.S. War Dept. civilians).

CARGO

1. All mail to A.P.O.'s.,
2. Diplomatic Pouches,
3. Mail to any Military installation,
4. French equivalent A.P.O. (Postes Auxiliary Armes).

3. It was requested by the Italians that this control be put into effect at all fields where there was Allied Control and that Diplomats be exempted from customs fee but not baggage inspections. This was to be recommended to M.A.A.C. by Lt. Col. Crow.

4. Two customs offices will be set up at Ciampino, one for the British side of the field and one for the American side, with the main office on the American side.

5. The above regulations are not yet officially approved.

H.H. HAGAN, LT. 5999
AIR CORPS.

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FROM : AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, A.C., ROME
TO : MEDITERRANEAN ALLIED AIR COMMITTEE SECRETARIAT
DATE : 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1946
REF : AFSC/39/6/AIR

CONFERENCE AT GRAMPINO AIRPORT RELATING
TO ESTABLISHMENT OF CUSTOMS BY THE ITALIAN MINISTRY
OF FINANCE ON 7 AUGUST 1946

Reference is made to your MAAC/4202/AFALS dated 13 September, 1946, and in particular to paragraph 3.

2. ^{2A} We wish to inform you that our letter reference AFSC/39/1/AIR dated 13 August, 1946, is not the official recommendation listed by the conference held on the above dated, but a copy of the minutes taken by a representative of this Sub-Commission.

3. The only information to be considered at this time is the official recommendation sent by Lt. Col. Crow to C.G. MTOUSA for approval.

4. ^{3A} Enclosed you will find a copy of the official ^{8A, B, C} recommendation sent to C.G. MTOUSA and a replying letter of acknowledgment sent by Col. Brown, Air Adviser G-4, Hq. MTOUSA.

5. In view of the above correspondence not being complete, and that personnel subject to custom inspection is still in a debatable stage, we do not consider it advisable to refer this matter to the American and British Embassies.

6. Any further information on this matter will be immediately forwarded to you.

J.K.M.
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P.F.
PAUL FAVARO, 1ST LT. A.C.
for Lt. Col. Frank E. Marek,
Director
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Air Forces Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512In reply
refer to

15 August 1946

SUBJECT: Italian Customs Services.

TO : Commanding Officer, ATC Station Ciampino, Rome, Italy.

1. Inclosed herewith your letter, 7 August 1946, regarding Italian Customs Service meeting, and comments relative thereto from this office and from G-5, MTOUSA.

2. The G-5 Section has retained one copy of your letter. This request of the Italian government was approved in a letter dated 26 Jan., 1946, AG 091.311 C/O, subj: "Rehabilitation of Italian Customs Service". G-5 will also answer ES/1362/F, which is now in possession of AFHQ, and pertains to the same subject.

3. Any further information gathered on this subject will be immediately forwarded to you, or if important telephoned first. However, Inclosed correspondence is more or less conclusive on Italian rights and obligations of Allied authorities to permit whatever arrangements are necessary to rehabilitate customs and permit normal functions.

3 Incls: 1 ltr (as above)
1 min G-4 (Air) to G-5 8/8
1 min G-5 to G-4 (Air) 12/8

J.W.BROWN,
Colonel, AC
Air Advisor, G-4

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ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS
APO 512,

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File G-5 : 972.51

Suspence:

SUBJECT: Italian Customs Services

No.	From	Phone	To	Date	Ref. Minute 1.
2	G-5	41	G-4 (Air)	12 Aug 46	1. It is considered that this Headquarters is concerned only with allied personnel and property and it is not therefore considered proper that instructions should be issued which will cover persons who do not come under this heading (e.g. any civilian.....in direct support of a Government).

2. It is considered reasonable that at the same time that the Italian Authorities are granted customs jurisdiction over non-Allied persons and property they should also be granted facilities to establish reasonable medical and internal security control of entrants.

3. It is not considered that any bickering between the various Italian Ministries is a concern of the Allies. Customs are normally a Ministry of Finance matter and presumably on an Italian Air-field the Ministry of Air provides the facilities - e.g. inspection huts. However which Department is going to be responsible for a particular part of the general personnel and property import control is an Italian matter for them to arrange amongst themselves.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

S/ D. KERR
Major RASC

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

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SUBJECT Italian Customs Services

No	From	Phone	To	Date
1	G-4 Air	508	G-5 Attn: Maj Hightower	8/8

1. The attached inclosure relative to Italian Customs Services, from the CO, Ciampino, Rome, is forwarded for your comments relative to permission for Ciampino Station Commander from this theater to allow Italians to proceed.

2. Information indicates some bickering between the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Air as to which should control the customs, and at the meeting, altho not related to the subject, the Ministry of Air brought up the question of being sanitary and airfield inspection personnel.

3. As in paragraph 7, attached letter it is deemed reasonable that a letter from this headquarters clarifying the situation, and instructing the CO Ciampino of his duties and responsibilities in this situation be dispatched,

4. If the general contents of this letter could be communicated to this office in time before the 12th of August, assurance could be given the CO Ciampino that this headquarters either concurs or does not concur in arrangements tentatively made.

For and in the absence of the Air
Advisor:

S/ HAROLD R. POTTER
Air Representative, G- 4

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From:- Mediterranean Allied Air Committee Secretariat.

To:- Air Forces Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, Rome.

Date:- 13th September, 1946.

Ref:- MAAC/4204/AFALS.

COMPLAINTS AT CIAMPINO AIRPORT RELATING TO ESTABLISHMENT OF
CUSTOMS BY THE ITALIAN MINISTRY OF FINANCE ON 7th AUGUST, 1946.

Reference is made to your AF39/39/1/Air. dated 13th August, 1946,
and in particular to paragraph 3.

2. A copy of your letter was passed to the United States Political
Advisor to the Supreme Allied Commander for information who now comments
that he does not agree to diplomatic officials being subject to baggage
inspection.

3. In view of the above it is requested that this matter be referred
to the United States and British Embassies for their reaction to the present
system as outlined in your above mentioned letter.

4. Request results of your inquiry be forwarded to this Secretariat.

H. Hamilton

(S. J. B. HAMILTON)

Wing Commander

Secretary to The,

MEDITERRANEAN ALLIED AIR COMMITTEE.

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From : Air Forces Sub Commission, A.C., Rome.
To : Italian Air Ministry.
Date : 17th September, 1946.
Ref : AFSC/39/16/21

ITALIAN CIVIL AVIATIONCUSTOMS CONTROL - BARI

This Headquarters has received information that the Italian Ministry of Finance have complained that they were unable to establish customs control at R.A.F. Station Bari.

2. It is requested that you inform the Ministry of Finance that the lay out at Bari is ideal for passenger reception and security control and the baggage store suitable for customs inspection and that they will receive full co-operation from the R.A.F. to establish these facilities.



L.E. JARMAN, C/O,
for Air Vice-Marshal,
Director,
Air Forces Sub Commission.

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From : Air Forces Sub Commission, S.C., Rome.
To : Mediterranean Allied Air Committee,
A.M.Q. Italy, R.A.F., C.M.F.
Date : 17th September, 1946.
Ref : AFSC/39/6/air

ITALIAN CIVIL AVIATIONCUSTOMS CONTROL - BARI

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With reference to your letter MACC/4204/AFSC dated 14th September 1946, the Italian Air Ministry have been asked to inform the Ministry of Finance that the R.A.F. will co-operate in the establishment of Customs control at Bari.

2. In reply to para 2 of your letter, our letter AFSC/39/Air dated 25th July 1946 to M.A.A.C., and repeated to A.M.Q. Italy, lists all the airfields and seaplane bases on which the Italian Government wish to establish Customs and immigration offices. Bari airfield is included on this list.



L. E. JAMBIAN, G/C,
Air Vice-Marshal,
Director,
Air Forces Sub Commission.

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copy to AFSC Bari.

From: Mediterranean Allied Air Committee Secretariat

To: Air Forces Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, RCEAF.

Date: 14th September, 1946.

Ref: MAAC/ALCOM/AFMIS.

ITALIAN CUSTOMS FACILITIES.

A complaint has been received from the Italian Ministry of Finance that they have been unable to establish Customs Control at R.A.F. Station, Bari.

2. So far as can be ascertained no approaches have been made by the Italian Air Ministry to install Customs facilities at Bari. The layout for passenger reception, security control and baggage stores is suitable for the inclusion of Customs inspection.

3. You are requested to inform the Italian Ministry of Finance that they will receive full co-operation from R.A.F. Station, Bari in this matter.

P. J. B. Hamilton
 (S. J. B. HAMILTON)
 Wing Commander
 Secretary to The
 MEDITERRANEAN ALLIED AIR COMMITTEE.

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HEADQUARTERS
1419TH AAF BASE UNIT - ROME, ITALY
EUROPEAN WING, EURD-ATC
APO 512, US ARMY

7 August 1946

SUBJECT: Italian Customs Services

TO : Commanding General
Mediterranean Theater of Operations
APO 512, U.S. Army.

1. A meeting was held this date at this Headquarters concerning the establishing of Italian Customs Services at Ciampino Airfield, with representatives of the Italian Ministry of Finance, Italian Ministry of Air, Air Forces Sub-Commission, European Air Transport Services, Air Transport Command, Trans-World Airways, Pan American Airways, British Overseas Airways Corporation, Dutch KLM, Air France and Swedish ABA Transport Corporation.

2. The purpose of this meeting was to inform all Military and Civilian Agencies concerned of the plan to, in the near future, begin subjecting certain personal luggage and cargo to inspection by Italian authorities upon departure and arrival on this airfield, in accordance with the instructions outlined in letter AG 091.311, Allied Force Headquarters, Subject: Rehabilitation of Italian Customs Service, dated 26 January 1946.

3. All parties present generally agreed to the practice. However, it was determined that certain exceptions to the inspection should be made; and it was recommended that these exceptions, as listed hereafter be generally applied throughout Italy at pertinent airfield. Except: (1) Allied Military personnel; (2) Diplomats and Personnel travelling on Diplomatic Passport; and (3) Any civilians travelling as other than revenue passengers, which generally is that category of personnel whose travel is in direct support of a government, all personnel who implane or deplane at Ciampino Airfield in the terminal under control of the U.S. Army Air Forces or under control of the Royal Air Forces will be required to allow their personal luggage to be inspected by the Italian authorities and will comply with customs regulations. Except further: (1) Cargo and mail addressed to an Army Post Office, in the case of U.S. or British mail and in the case of French mil. Post Aux Armes; (2) Diplomatic cargo and pouches; and (3) Cargo destined for a military installation; such as the Commanding General MTOUSA, RAF 149 Staging Post, etc., which may not bear an APO number; all cargo on or off-loaded at Ciampino will be subject to inspection by Italian Customs Service and customs regulations complied with.

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4. During the meeting it was brought out that other airfield in Italy which are used as terminal points for flights originating outside of Italy are Capodichino at Naples and the airfield at Udine and Bari. It is suggested that any rules that are made be applicable to each installation.

5. As regards Ciampino, space has been made available in the Passenger Terminal for the main office and baggage room of the Italian customs service, and a branch agency will be set up and space allotted by the Royal Air Forces on the opposite side of the field. It was the opinion of the representatives of the Italian Ministry of Finance that personal luggage belonging to Diplomats and personnel travelling on Diplomatic passport should be subject to inspection, which reportedly was the practice during peace time; it is recommended that such personal luggage not be made to inspection.

6. The anticipated date on which this service will begin is 13 August 1946.

7. It is requested that action be taken on the recommendations contained in Paragraph 3 at that earliest possible date and any comment relative to the desires of your Headquarters concerning the service be made.

ROGER E. CROW,
Lt. Colonel, AC
Commanding

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THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR

CONFERENCE AT CIAMPINO AIRPORT RELATING TO ESTABLISHMENT OF
CUSTOMS BY THE ITALIAN MINISTRY OF FINANCE ON AUGUST 7, 1946.

1 At this meeting the following airlines were represented: T.W.A.,
B.O.A.C., P.A.A., K.S.M., A.V.A., and French Airlines. Representatives
from the Italian Air Force were present.

2 Customs will apply to all, with the following exceptions:

PERSONNEL

1. All Allied Military.
2. U.S. War Dept. Civilians. *Dip. officials*
3. Diplomats on Diplomatic passports.
4. British civilians other than revenue passengers.
(Non revenue personnel would be equivalent to
U.S. War Dept. civilians.)

CARGO

1. All mail to A.P.O.'s.
2. Diplomatic pouches.
3. Mail to any Military installation.
4. French equivalent A.P.O. (Postes Auxiliary Armes.)

3 It was requested by the Italians that this control be put
into effect at all fields where there was Allied Control and that
Diplomatics be exempt from customs fee but not baggage inspections.
This was to be recommended to M.A.A.C. by Lt. Col. Crow.

4 Two customs offices will be set up at Ciampino, one for the
British side of the field and one for the American side, with the main
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From: Air Three Sub-Commission, Allied, Commission, Rome.

To: Mediterranean Allied Air Committee Secretariat,
A.H.Q. Italy, C.I.E.

Date: 25th July, 1946.

Ref: ATSC/32/AR.

ITALIAN CIVIL AVIATION.

With reference to your letter of 15/7/46, dated 10th June, 1946, the Italian Government propose to establish Customs and Immigration Offices on the following:

AIRPORTS.

Rome
Naples
Florence
Bari
Trieste
Catania, Sicily
Messina
Cagliari
Genoa

Cagliari
Cagliari

Cagliari

Cagliari
Bari

SIA WARE HOUSES.

Augusta, Sicily

Indicates airports controlled by Allies.

2. All these airports are scheduled for international traffic in agreement with P.C.A.C. (International Conference on the Air Routes of Europe and the Mediterranean. Paris April, 1946).
3. It is hoped that where possible the Allied authorities will provide accommodation in existing buildings; alternatively they should permit the erection of suitable accommodation on the airfield adjacent to the landing area.
4. The Italian Government also notify of our intention to introduce payment for petrol, oil, and aircraft services by civilian pilots landing on the following Italian controlled

AIRFIELD.

Brindisi

Cagliari

ITALIAN CIVIL AVIATION.

With reference to your letter dated 11/11/1946, dated 14th June, 1946, the Italian Government proposes to establish Civil Aviation Commission on the following:

MEMBERS.

Italy
France
Poland
USSR
Belgium
Czechoslovakia
Yugoslavia
Greece
Spain

Chairman
Czechoslovakia

General

Chairman
Italy

STAFF MEMBERS.

General, Italy

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Bologna
Trieste
Turin
Milan
Venice

Genoa.

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STAFF MEMBERS.

General, Italy.

5. It is requested that you notify the Italian Government's proposals to all concerned and permit their representatives to negotiate direct with the Allied Airfield commanders for the allotment of existing accommodation or the siting of new buildings.

(Sd) L. J. JAMES, C/O.
for
AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS,
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AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

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