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AUG., SEPT. 1946

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From:- Mediterranean Allied Air Committee Secretariat.  
To :- Air Forces Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, Rome.  
Date:- 25th September, 1945.  
Ref :- MAAC/4214/1/AFALS.

ENGINES FOR MOTOR BOATS

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Reference is made to your letter AFSC/683/EX dated 16th August, 1945.

2. You are informed that FORD V-8 engines are not available to the R.A.F. in sufficient quantities to allow any transfer to the Italian Air Force.

3. You are further informed that all engines held by the Ministry of Supply and those in course of hand-over by the Army are "Frozen" until further notice.

4. It is suggested that A.R.A.R. be contacted with a view to obtaining the required engines at a later date.

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

MEDITERRANEAN ALLIED AIR COMMITTEE

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TO ... AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION, R.A.F.  
 FROM ... AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, DETACHMENT, R.A.F. TARRITO.  
 DATE ... 31ST AUGUST, 1946.  
 REF ... S.3/AIR.

MOTOR LAUNCHES I.A.F.

Reference your letter A.F.S.C./683/29 dated August 9th. Attached herewith is a complete census of all Marine Craft held by the Italian Seaplane Wing corrected to date. It is understood that the Carraro Firm have some difficulty in supplying replacements for the Motor Launches but that the other Marine Engine constructors O.M. VIELI, ALFA ROMEO, IMPTA PRASCHI, FIAT SILVANI who build installations for Towing Boats, crash boats etc. can supply if a little pressure were brought to bear in addition to some hopes of payments.!



*[Signature]*  
 WING COMMANDER, COL. J. BING  
 AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION,  
 DETACHMENT, R.A.F. TARRITO.

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MOTOR BOATS LIAISON.

TANKERS.

<u>TOWING MOTOR BOATS.</u>	: Serviceable	No. 3
	: Unserviceable but completed with motor	No. 7
	: Unserviceable without motor	No. 3
<u>CRACK BOATS.</u>	: Serviceable	" 1
	: Under repair	" 1
	: Unserviceable completed with motor	" 2
<u>PASSENGER VESSELS.</u>	: Serviceable	" 1
	: Unserviceable without motor	" 1
<u>MOTOR LAUNCHES.</u>	: Serviceable	" =
	: under repair	" 1
	: To be under repair but completed with motor	" 2
	: To be under repair without motor	" 2
<u>TANKERS.</u>	: Serviceable	" =
	: Unserviceable completed with motor	" 1

BRIDGES.

<u>TOWING MOTOR BOATS.</u>	: Serviceable	No. 1
	: Unserviceable completed with motor	No. 3
<u>CRACK BOATS.</u>	: Unserviceable	" 1
	: Unserviceable without motor	" 1
<u>MOTOR LAUNCHES.</u>	: Serviceable	" 1
	: Unserviceable without motor	" 3
<u>TANKERS.</u>	: Unserviceable	" 1

VEHICLE.

<u>TOWING MOTOR BOATS.</u>	: Serviceable	No. 2
<u>CRACK BOATS.</u>	: Serviceable	No. 2
<u>PASSENGER VESSELS.</u>	: Serviceable	" 1



" 2

" 1

To be under repair without motor

: Serviceable

: Unserviceable completed with motor

BRITISH.TOWING MOTOR BOATS.

: Serviceable

: Unserviceable completed with motor

No. 1 3

CRASH BOATS.

: Unserviceable

: Unserviceable without motor

" 1 1

MOTOR LAUNCHES.

: Serviceable

: Unserviceable without motor

" 1 3

TANKERS.

: Unserviceable

" 1

VEHICLE.TOWING MOTOR BOATS.

: Serviceable

: Serviceable

No. 2 2

PAULSEN. TANKERS.

: Serviceable

" 1

VICE DI VALLI.TOWING MOTOR BOATS.

: Serviceable

No. 2

MOTOR LAUNCHES.

: Unserviceable

" 1

TOTAL.AUGUSTA.MOTOR BOAT.

: Serviceable on the way to be given back by the British.

No. 1

TOWING MOTOR BOAT  
"VALERIE".

: Serviceable

" 1

CRASH BOATS.

: Serviceable on the way to be given back by the British.

" 1

LA SPEZIA.

No. 2.

TOWING MOTOR BOATS. : Unserviceable No. 3  
MOTOR LANTERNS. : Serviceable " 1  
MOTOR LANTERNS. : Unserviceable " 1

GENOVA.

TOWING MOTOR BOATS. : Serviceable No. 2  
CRASH BOATS. : Without motor " 2

MILAS.

TOWING MOTOR BOATS. : Serviceable No. 3  
TOWING MOTOR BOATS. : Unserviceable No. 4  
CRASH BOATS. : Serviceable " 1  
TUNNEL BURNING BOAT. : Unserviceable " 1  
MOTOR LANTERNS. : Unserviceable " 4

PORTO S. SPIRITO.

TOWING MOTOR BOAT. : Serviceable No. 1  
TOWING MOTOR BOAT. : Unserviceable without motor " 4  
MOTOR LANTERNS. : Unserviceable without motor " 2

PORTO DEI LARI.

TOWING MOTOR BOAT. : Unserviceable without motor No. 1

ADRIANI.

CRASH BOATS. : Unserviceable No. 4  
CRASH BOATS. : Serviceable " 4  
TUNNEL MOTOR BOAT. : Unserviceable " 1  
MOTOR LAUNCHES. : Unserviceable " 4

PORTO S. SUTARIO.

TUNNEL MOTOR BOAT. : Serviceable No. 1  
TUNNEL MOTOR BOAT. : Unserviceable without motor " 4  
MOTOR LAUNCHES. : Unserviceable without motor " 2

PORTO DEI VALLI.

TUNNEL MOTOR BOAT. : Unserviceable without motor No. 1

ADRIANI.

TUNNEL MOTOR BOAT. : Serviceable No. 1

CHIATARI.

TUNNEL MOTOR BOAT. : Serviceable No. 1  
CRASH BOATS. : Unserviceable without motor " 2

PAVIA.

TUNNEL MOTOR BOAT. : Serviceable No. 1  
TUNNEL MOTOR BOAT. : Unserviceable " 1



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31<sup>st</sup> August

TOWING MOTOR BOAT. : Unserviceable

DTM PICCHOTTI.

TOWING MOTOR BOAT COVERED: Unserviceable

TOWING MOTOR BOAT COVERED: Without motor

CRANE BOAT. : Unserviceable

TOWING MOTOR BOAT. : Unserviceable

MOTOR LAUNCHES. : Unserviceable

31<sup>st</sup> August

R I P P I L O C C O.

Base	Service.	Motor Boat.	Crash Boats.	Pass. Tnd.	Tankers.	Motor Launches.
Taranto	2 U/S	3 10	1 5	1 1	= 5	= 5
Brindisi	3 U/S	1 3	1 1	= 1	= 1	1 8
Venesia	2 U/S	2 =	= =	1 =	= =	7302
Vigne Valle	3 U/S	2 =	= =	= =	= =	= 1
Augusta	2 U/S	2 =	1 =	= =	= =	= =
La Spezia	3 U/S	= 3	= =	= =	= =	1 1 38
Genova	3 U/S	2 =	= 2	= =	= =	32
Elmas	3 U/S	3 5	1 =	= =	= =	32
		5 20 32	5 9	= 2	= 2	45 32 40

32  
with out  
motor



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From: Air Forces Sub-Commission,  
Allied Commission, ROME.

To: M.A.A.C. Secretariat.

Date: 16th August, 1946.

Ref: AFSC/683/Eq.

ENGINES FOR MOTOR-BOATS.

The Italian Air Force has a requirement of engines for motor-boats. The Italian Air Ministry has endeavoured to obtain them from Italian industrial sources but due to war damage the firm concerned cannot, it appears, turn them out.

2. It is thought that it might be possible for the R.A.F. to supply Ford V8 engines (complete with gearbox) which would be suitable for the commitments.

3. At the present time it is not known exactly how many engines are required.

4. It would be appreciated if you could inform this Sub-Commission whether there are any Ford V8 engines and gearboxes available and if they are could authority be given for handover to the I.A.F.

5. It is considered that all such equipment surplus to R.A.F. requirements will have already been handed over to A.R.A.R. from whom the I.A.F. could purchase the numbers required.

D. C. Walker.

D. C. WALKER,  
Wing Commander,  
for Air Vice Marshal,  
Director,  
Air Forces Sub-Commission.



From: Air Forces Sub-Commission,  
Allied Commission, ROME.

To: Italian Air Ministry,  
Direzione Generale dei Servizi.

Date: 13th August, 1946.

Ref: AFSC/683/Eq.

MOTOR-BOAT - I.A.F. PROPERTY.

Reference your 227563/Ric/2829 Coll. August 3.

2. It is suggested that your Ministry contacts the Civilian Police - Venezia Giulia - Pola and endeavours to recover motor-boat R.A.514.

3. This Sub-Commission is in no position to request the civilian police to return your boat. It would be far more satisfactory for you to arrange it between yourselves.

*D.C.*  
D.C. WALKER,  
Wing Commander,  
for Air Vice Marshal,  
Director,  
Air Forces Sub-Commission.



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From: Italian Air Ministry,  
Direzione Generale dei Servizi.

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

Date: 3rd August, 1946.

Ref: 227563/Ric/2829 Coll.

RETURN OF A MOTOR-BOAT -  
ITALIAN AIR FORCE PROPERTY.

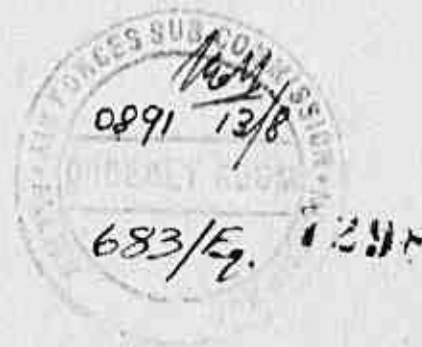
The Unita' Aerea pointed out to this Directorate that a towing motor-boat R.A. 514, Italian Air Force property, perfectly serviceable, is still being used at the Civilian Police - Venezia Giulia - Pola.

In view of the need of marine craft, notified by the Unita Aerea, it would be appreciated if your A.F.S.C. would arrange for the above motor-boat to be returned to the Italian Air Force.

The motor-boat could be transferred by sea to Venice Seaplane Base - Air Sea Rescue Service - towed by some marine craft in service Pola-Venice.

THE DIRECTOR  
Gen. Franco Cavallarin.

(translated by Anna de Bernardis)



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Direzione Generale dei Servizi

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Prot. 1224563

Al LA A.R.S.C./A.C. ROMA  
Tramite Ufficio di Collegamento  
Gabinetto del Ministro

S E D E

Risposta al f. 24.

Oggetto: Restituzione motoscafo proprietà A.A.--.

e, per conoscenza:

- AL COMANDO UNITA' AEREA
- AL COMANDO 2° Z.A.T.

B A R I

P A D O V A

Il Comando Unità Aerea ha segnalato alla scrivente, che è tuttora in servizio presso la Polizia Civile di Venezia Giulia, della Città di Pola, un motoscafo rimorchiatore RA.514 - di proprietà dell'A.A., perfettamente efficiente -

Data la necessità di natanti, segnalata dall'Unità Aerea, si prega codesta A.F.S.C. volersi interessare per la restituzione all'A.A. del suddetto motoscafo.

Nel caso particolare potrebbe essere data disposizione per il trasporto via mare all'Idroscalo di Venezia - Sezione Soccorso -; a rimorchio di qualche Bragozzo in servizio Pola-Venezia.-

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE  
(Gen. di D.A. = Franco CAVALLARIN)

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IL DIRETTORE GENERALE  
(Gen. di D.A. = FRESCO CAVALLARIN)

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From: Air Forces Sub-Commission,  
Allied Commission, ROME.

To: Air Forces Sub-Commission, TARANTO Detachment,  
c/o H.Q. 52 Sub Area C.M.F.

Date: 9th August, 1946.

Ref: AFSC/<sup>683</sup>~~638~~/Eq.

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MOTOR LAUNCHES I.A.F.

Recently the Italian Air Ministry was requested to investigate the position of unserviceable motor launches at Elmas with a view to obtaining engines for same and thereby employ them usefully on the Seaplane Wing.

2. The information now received from the Air Ministry is that the type of engine used on the 6,50 m. launches is now no longer mass produced by the Carraro Firm and although ten have been ordered for some time there appears to be little or no hope of the Air Ministry receiving these engines for many months to come.

3. In view of this information it is thought that the same position must exist on all detachments of the Seaplane Wing and therefore it would be appreciated if you could forward in time for the next monthly conference a general review of the situation covering your detachments at Elmas, Bracciano, Brindisi, Venice etc. and also giving any suggestions you may have as to how this situation may be overcome.

*R. Cartner*  
R. CARTNER,  
Flight Lieutenant,  
for Air Vice Marshal,  
Director,  
Air Forces Sub-Commission.

B/R File on 15/8 to SxO

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