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This is MAT 1057.

1. Information received that the Allied Committee of posts and telecommunications of Berlin has amended present postal regulations applicable to Germany to permit non transactional commercial correspondence pertaining to facts only.
2. Italian Government has requested amendment of postal regulations governing Italy and Venezia Giulia so as to permit or correspondence with Germany subject to similar restrictions.
3. Your instructions are requested.

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18 November 1946

Ref. : 4022/332/20

SUBJECT: Short in Trieste.

TO : The Yugoslav Representative
A.G.I.

Your letter no. Br. 1245/46 dated 16 Aug. 46, on the subject of gift parcels from the U.S.A., was forwarded to the Supreme Allied Commander.

Encl.

In reply, I am directed to inform you that the question was discussed with both SAC Venezia Giulia and Air Vice Marshal Saul of USRA at Trieste.

It is thought that what basis there may once have been for complaint relates to conditions which no longer exist. Since the first complaints as to losses were made, remedial measures have been taken and the present scale of losses are believed to be lower than those which used to occur in any large port in peace time.

Practically no complaints of losses are now being received and Air Vice Marshal Saul expresses himself as satisfied with conditions in the port and sees no necessity for the introduction of Yugoslav Personnel. He also expresses the view that as the alleged losses occurred while these parcels were in the hands of USRA, any complaint as to non-delivery should be addressed to him and not to the Allies and that it is his duty to take up the matters with those responsible.

He also points out that "bulk" complaints of port losses are useless for investigatory purposes. He requests that complaints of losses should be lodged at the USRA offices in Trieste immediately on discovery together with full particulars of time, place, wagon number, train, needs of witnesses and of all other relevant details.

The question of the diversion of USRA ships to FINE (Right) is not a matter for the Allies. If such a diversion is desired the Yugoslav Government should take the matter up with USRA.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

/s/ M. CARR

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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DELEGATION OF THE FEDERAL PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA
TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY
Br. 1245/46

16 August 1946.

SUBJECT: Gift parcels from U.S. for Yugoslavia.
TO : Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre.
THROUGH: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.

1. Sending of gift parcels from U.S. to Yugoslavia was organized in 1945, and the quantity of parcels sent during 1946 is continually increasing. The number of parcels sent to Yugoslavia is from 30-70,000 a month. The parcels are loaded on UNRRA ships in New York and unloaded in Trieste wherefrom they continue their way for Yugoslavia by rail. These parcels amount averagely to 20-30% of the total load of each shipment.

2. Unfortunately it has been proved by the Yugoslav authorities that considerable quantities of the gift parcels are continually being stolen on the territory of Trieste by bands of gangsters operating some times also with arms. Railway trucks are being opened, emptied in part or even completely, closed again and re-sealed by the Trieste railway seals.

3. On the Yugoslav requests to the Allied authorities that Yugoslav guards may be allowed to escort the transports, it was replied that the Allied authorities themselves will organize the protection of the loads, but no satisfactory results were seen as yet.

4. I therefore have the honour to request on behalf of the Yugoslav Government :
(a) that urgent measures be taken for the protection of Yugoslav goods crossing the zone of Trieste on their way to Yugoslavia;
(b) that the AMG authorities in Trieste give their agreement for the opening of a Yugoslav Postal Office in Trieste, which office would perform all special work in connection with the forwarding of gift parcels and of other mail going for Yugoslavia or transiting Yugoslavia.

5. An early reply will be appreciated.

/s/ Dr. SLOVEN J. SMODLAK
Acting Representative of Yugoslav
Advisory Council for Italy.

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