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JUN 14 RECD
CC 0934

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

HHS/pm

PER.153.8.CS

13th June 1945.

SUBJECT: Cipher Security Mission.

TO : A.F.H.Q. (att: G - 5).

1. Reference is made to your telegrams FX 76318 and 76319 of 16th May 1945, by which we were informed that the Italian Government was to be allowed to communicate by undeposited cipher with their representatives abroad.

2. The granting of such authorisation to the Italian Government appeared to render unnecessary the further retention of the Cipher Security Mission which had been attached to the Allied Commission and consisted of Mr.F.H.Catty and Miss.S. DeHaan of the Foreign Office and Captain Francis Duke, Sig.C. (A).

3. After consultation with Mr.Catty and Captain Duke it was agreed that Mr.Catty would contact the Foreign Office and Captain Duke S.I.S. A.F.H.Q. Upon receiving confirmation from both individuals of concurrence from their principals that further presence of the Cipher Security Mission at A.C. was unnecessary, arrangements were made for the departure of Mr.Catty and Miss DeHaan for London and of Capt. Duke for A.F.H.Q.

4. This is to inform you of the above.

For the Chief Commissioner:

H.H.SCUDDER
Lt.Colonel, Sig.C.
Director.

30 Pg to Chief Commissioner.

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13th June, 1945

PER.153.9.CS

My dear Mr. Ambassador,

As you know authority was granted by A.F.H.Q. on May 16th for the Italian Government to communicate with its representatives abroad by undeposited cipher.

This action rendered unnecessary the further attachment to this Commission of the Cipher Security Mission consisting of Mr.Catty from the Foreign Office and Capt.Duke of the U.S.Signal Corps. In agreement with the Foreign Office and A.F.H.Q. it was therefore arranged for their mission here to be terminated and both Mr.Catty and Capt. Duke have now returned to their home stations,having left Rome about ten days ago.

I regret that through oversight you were not previously informed of their departure.

Yours very sincerely,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

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

The Honourable Alexander Kirk
United States Ambassador
American Embassy, Rome.

Chief Commissioner

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COPY

REF: 251/156/EC

30 May 1945

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My dear Mr. Ambassador:

Thank you for your letter 254/2/45 of 23 May 1945. Arrangements are being made for Mr. F. R. Cetty and Miss. S. G. de Hann, who have been attached to the Communications Sub-Commission of this Commission, to be returned to London. They will travel by air with Priority 2.

The attachment of these two persons for work in this Commission has been much appreciated and their services during their time here have been of great value; I am sorry that we now have to lose them.

Yours very sincerely,

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Sir Noel Charles, Bart, KCMG,
British Ambassador,
The Embassy,
Rome.

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C O P Y

British Embassy

Rome

23rd May 1945

254/2/45

My dear Admiral Stone,

I have been informed by telegram from London that the attachment of Mr. F. R. Catty and Miss S. G. de Hann to the Communications Sub-Commission is to be terminated and it is desired that they should both return to London by air with priority 2.

I should be very grateful if you woyld kindly give the necessary orders for their journey.

Youre very sincerely,

NOEL CHARLES

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone
USNR
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission.

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WO 204/1551/22

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To Ambassador Kirk:

For information and return.

Returned with thanks

E.W.S.

Chief Commissioner

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MAY 21 1945
CC/534

Mr. Rider
Sorry

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TO: Chief Commissioner's Office

21st May 1945

Herwith your copies, for retention, if desired, of CSM/D 1004-1007.

Would be grateful if you would return copy of this cover sheet to us as a receipt.

Done
D.H.O.

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CSM/a 1004
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FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE W/T THREE D
NO. 467 16TH MAY1945

Your dispatch no.3102/534 of 20th April (Dept note: Not available), received only recently in the Direzione Generale here;

The Status of the balance of payments as communicated by the Federal Department is in general agreement with the situation of (?or according to) IstCambi, keeping in mind however that the residual bank loan (the equivalent of 60 million on exchange), listed as the last entry in the reference dispatch, is not to be added to the total of our debt, but that on the contrary that total should be reduced by the exchange value of the gold transferred by the Bank of Italy, which was originally deposited as guarantee for these loans.

Please telegraph.

DI NOLA.

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CSM/D 1006
648

FROM. M.F.A(ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
NO. 155 16TH MAY 1945 W/T ONE 'A

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Your No. 167 (Dept note: CSM/D 975). Agreed.
I concur with the last part of your telegram.

DE GASPERI

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CSM/D 1005
2645

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
NO. 151. 16TH MAY 1945 CABLE THREE D

(Sent also to Washington as no. 105)

Paris newspapers state that French occupation in Northern Italy implies rectification of frontiers. Marshal Alexander has stated that the occupation is only temporary. The Italian Government and public are alarmed. The Ambassador at Paris has been instructed to make representations to the French Government. Please make representations also to the British (U.S) Government.

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SECRET DE GASPERI (Summ. by CSM Rome)

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CSM/D 1007
R 159/19

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . F.O. A. ROME
NO. 567 17TH MAY 1945 CABLE TWO A

My no. 539 (Dept note: CSM/D 985)

I have sent en clair a summary of the ordinance (?blocking enemy) (1 grp corrupt). The new provisions have further impressed our colony and (1 grp corrupt) very grave harm and threat to our interests in SPAIN. I must point out the very serious moral implications of the omission of Italy from the countries whose citizens have the right to possess sums up to 50,000 pesetas. No explanation has been given of the me of this omission, although it was permitted to Norway, Bulgaria, Greece, Jugoslavia, Roumania; Albania, Czechoslovakia. Further the possibility of the appointment of inspectors by the Spanish Government puts our great companies in a very serious position, because (1 grp corrrpt operations, because of the state of war and the lack of contact with the head offices, (2 grp corrupt) irregularities to have taken place, especially on the fiscal side. Only yesterday (1 grp corrupt) to unblock the Embassy, legation and Consular funds (?after they had been blocked) contrary to all usage in such matters. Up to today ~~(-)~~ that is, ten days since the day of the decree of blockage ~~(-)~~ no standards or criteria of judgment on the question have been adopted by (?the competent commission).

Tomorrow I shall see [illegible] and Ambassador ARMOUR and shall try energetically to obtain the application of variable standards (?beginning with the BANCA LAVORO, well known to the Allies since the Armistice.

GALLARATI SCOTTI

(Dept note: by CSM. The text is very defective especially at the beginning, but the general sense is believed to be accurately represented).

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Mr. Rider

MAY 18 RECD
CC 1530

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TO: Chief Commissioner's Office

18th May 1945

Herewith your copies , for retention, if desired, of CSM/D 986-1003.
Would be grateful if you would return copy of this cover sheet to us as a receipt.

Done 18/V

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Mr. Kirk:
For information and return.
Returned with thanks.
W. F.
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CSM/D 986
2556

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
NO. 149 13TH MAY 1945 CABLE THREE D

Marshall ALEXANDER, whose Chief of Staff as you know has been in BELGRADE for some days, states that the conversarions with TITO which took place on this occasion were purely and strictly military. He added that the questions is now outside his authority and has been referredto the highest political authorities in London and Washington. It istherefore more urgent and necessary than ever that Your Excellency endeavour to do everything possible there according to the directions which you now have , to wit:
1. Avoid discussion of final allocation of zones which form part of the ntaional territory, and postpone any decision in the matter until the time of the Peace Treaty.
2. Insist that Venetia Julia as far as the 1939 border must be provisionally administered by organizations which, as has been the case in other parts of Italy according to the terms of the Armistice, will fully and effectively guarantee that that populations will live together in orderly fashion.
Make every possible effort in this sense.

(One A)
Please also make it known there that the local situation has worsened in the last few days. The reign of terror is mounting. 4000 persons have disappeared from GORIZIA. 700 are understood to have been shot at TRIESTE. Jugoslav Partisans, whi can hardly be considered to be organized troops, have crossed even the line of the ISONZO. For the present the Anglo-American troops are looking on passively.
Repeat that the question of Venetia Julia and the events in progress profoundly affect that internal situation of Italy, which is now going through a particularly delicate phase, and seriously disturb and complicate it.
DE GASPERI

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(Dept note: Identical text sent to Washington as no. 101 W/T; first part 2 A and second part 3 D. The choice of systems for the four parts of the two messages is considered to be seriously erroneous.)

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CSM/D 987
2514

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
NO. 147 12TH MAY 1945 W/T ONE A

In my no. 146 (Dept note: Repetition of CSM/D 981) I send you the text of the instructions which I have given today to the Ambassador at London and Washington.

On the basis of that telegram please make an objective and friendly exposition both of the situation and our attitude. Say that we do not desire to hasten the Soviet Government to take a position, but only to inform it in a friendly way so that it may have at its disposal all the information necessary for exact judgment and decision. it is clear in any case that since the magnificent insurrection of our northern provinces against the Germans, and the rapid liquidation of the fascist Chiefs, new democratic Italy believes it has the right to be at least better understood, especially with regard to her decided aversion to any nationalist policies and her parallel desire to establish really lasting and solidly friendly relations (that is, not based upon coups de main or coups de force); first of all with her neighbours.

DE GASPERI

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CSM/D 988
N 99/15

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
TO . M.F.A ROME
NO. 107 14TH MAY 1945 W/T THREE D

I have drawn theattention of the State Dept. to the news in today's newsp apers of regulations drawn up by French troops in Italian frontier regions occupied by them, and mentioned the assurance (?which was) given this Embassy concerning the withdrawal (1 grp o corrupt) troops immediately after cessation of hostilities.

I was informed in this connection that, according to news just received here, Marshal ALEXANDER had already instructed the French Troops to leave the territory occupied by them in Italy.

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CSM/D 989
198/15

FROM. ITALIAN CONSUL GENERAL TANGIERS
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 47 14TH MAY 1945 CABLE TWO D

My no. 46 (Dept note: CSM/D 983)

The question of blockage of property has produced great anxiety and confusion. (1 grp corrupt) has published an edicty (?with extensive provisions for) Spanish Morocco without mentioning TANGIERS.

(Two more sentences corrupt and obscure: Mention is made of legal controversy of Anglo-American desires, of collaborators with Germans and Social Republicans).

CAPRANI GA DEL GRILLO

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CSM/D 990
119/15

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER DUBLIN
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO% 42 8TH MAY 1945 ?CABLE TWO D

Very corrupt message; appears to requeet details, for publication in Ireland, of conditions in North Italy under the Neo-Fascists, mistreatment of Italian internees in Germany, and the execution (?of Fascists at MILAN).

CONFALONIERI.

(Summary by CSM Rome)

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CSM/D 991
M 67,98/15

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NOS. 109-110 14th MAY 1945 W/T THREE D

Reports delivery to State Department of a Note Verbale concerning situation in Venetia Julia, and receipt of reply that 1. State Dept.'s information agrees with that of Italian Govt. 2. Situation would be cleared up along the lines previously laid down, and 3. The President is being kept informed.

The State Dept. also informed me that the question of Venetia Julia is no longer one between the Allies and TITO, but among the "Big Three", and that there is no agreement at present between Alexander's HQ and Marshall TITO, but only a temporary modus vivendi until final agreement can be reached among the "Big Three".

TARCHIANI

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(Summary by CSM Rome)

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CSM/D 992
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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR ~~CHANCERY~~ LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 244 14TH MAY 1945 CABLE THREE D

The TRIESTE question is exciting public interest, and may be considered to be a "test case" for relations among the Allies . I have had the meeting with LAW mentioned in my no. 233 (Dept note: CSM/D 955).

CARAFFINI

(Summary by CSM Rome)

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CSM/D 983
2545

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN MINISTER STOCKHOLM
NO. 105 23TH MAY 1945 W/T ~~THREE~~ TWO D

Please inform Ambassador TALIANI that the Ministry here is doing all it can to improve their position, even though other channels. I authorize you tor equest the Swedish Government to exert every possible protection for our colleagues interned in CHINA and JAPAN and our interest in general.

As you justly remarked, the evolution of the situation and above all the fact that now the pseudo fascist republican Government has ceased to exist, should make the NANKING and JAPANESE Governments drop all their objection to a Foreign Power exerting its protection over our interests. All objections over repatriation of our colleagues interned in TOKYO and SHANGHAI should also be dropped, according to international customs.

In this sense, please ask the Swedish Government to take energetic action both at TOKYO and NANKING.

Please telegraph

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CSM/D 994
86/15

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER LISBON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 137 14?TH MAY 1945 CABLE THREE D

As far as PORTUGAL is concerned, the reopening of the Rome-Lisbon telegraphic circuit is merely a technical question. When ITALCABLE Rome is prepared to take over the service it need only serve notice (?to MARCONI) indicating the stations. (?Call signs), wave length, and categories of service accepted in Italy.

ROSSILONGHI

(Summary by CSM Rome) SECRET

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CSM/D 995
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FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 466 15TH MAY 1945 W/T THREE D

Your no. 0114 (Dept note: No such number received). To points 1 and 2 the answer is yes. Point 3 has been referred to the Ministry of the Interior.

As long as Allied Control continues at the Italo-Swiss frontier, you are authorized to visé ordinary passports, including those for Swiss Citizens travelling to Italy for the reasons in the last part of the above telegram; provided they hold the approval of competent Allied Authorities.

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CSM/D 996
N 184/16

FROM. ITALIAN EMBASSY B.A.
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 208 15TH MAY 1945 W/T ONE D

The telegraph companies, which some days ago announced the reestablishment of private services to Italy, have all cancelled the announcements (?explaining) that it was an error of the New York branch (?es).

It is pointed out here-by Italians in particular-that Italy is the only liberated country with which telegraphic communication is not permitted.

In view of the pronounced interest in the matter here, I should like to have more information if possible.

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CSM/D 997
N 145/16

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER LISBON
TO . M.F.A.ROME
NO. 139 15TH MAY 1945 CABLE THREE D

Comandante LINDEMANN requests, through the Foreign Ministry LISBON, 2000 Rupees equivalent to about 15,000 SCUDI, for legal expenditure on the 27 sailors who having (?refused to appeal) are now awaiting to appear before the GOA Tribunal. Please telegraph instructions.

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CSM/D 998
N 187.185/16

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 248-9 15TH MAY 1945 N CABLE TWO A

Your no. 145 (Dept note: CSM/D 981)
Today I saw Mr HARVEY and again brought to his attention the situation already described to him and now known in every detail.

Cable three D

He could only confirm the verty strong position of both Allied Governments, corresponding exactly to information in today's Times (1 grp corrupt) all Italian territory (1gr corrupt) in Marshal ALEXANDERAs zone of occupation absolu- tely excluding the possibility of any intervention tending to advance (1 grp corrupt), which can be taken only at the Peace Conference. A note to this effect, very firm though not in the form of an ultimatum and in friendly terms, has been sent to BELGRADE. I took advantage of the opportuni- ty to point out the situation which has arisen as a result ofthe entry of French troops into PIEDMONT and LIGURIA; HARVEY told me that he did not think I ought to be much concerned by this. He hoped (?that it would be) of short duration, being an interpretation (?by extension) of the strategic mission of the French army. He suggested again that the question ought to be settled in a friendly way between Italy and France and thus is especially one for the Italian Ambassador at PARIS.

It is my impression that the Foreign Office, though re- gretting the occurrence, does not attribute immense impor- tance to the incident and hopes that the Italian Government will relieve it from the embarassing position by reaching a direct understanding with FRANCE by a spirit of direct trust and understanding which it does not consider hard to realize in the present state of relations.

CARANDINI

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FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR ~~ROME~~ MADRID
NO. 305 15TH MAY 1945 CABLE TWO A

Your nos. 532, 535 and 539 (Dept note: First two not received in Allied Commission; 539, CSM/D 985).

Inform the Spanish Government that requests are being lodged with ~~the~~ both the Spanish and Allied Embassies for the revocation of the blockage of Italian property which was learned of here with extreme surprise, the more so, because the Portuguese government took parallel measures at the same time against German property only.

I add that in handling the note to the Spanish representative it shall be made clear that if the provision is not modified at once it will be difficult for us not to proceed to the sequestration of Spanish property in Italy.

Continue to do everything possible and report by telegraph.

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CSM/D 1000
2610

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN CONSUL GENERAL TANGIER.
NO. 50 15TH MAY 1945 CABLE TWO D

Your no. 46 (Dept note: CSM/D 983)

The Italian Government was never asked to ratify Bretton Woods.

The ~~Ital~~ measures taken with regard to us by the Spanish Government have no~~t~~ grounds in our opinion, especially as the Portuguese Government in adopting similar measures aimed at German property only.

Steps are being taken, in both MADRID and ROME, with both Spanish and Allied Governments, to obtain abrogation of the measures taken towards us, which are the more unjustifyable since liberation of North Italy.

Specifically it is certain that the measures taken by the Spanish Government cannot be applied to the Tangier Zone, because of the special Statute in vigor ~~there~~ there and our position in that statute.

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CSM/D 1091
M 86/17

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 560 16TH MAY 1945 CABLE THREED

My no. 507 (Dept note: CSM/D 948)

The members of the crew of the S 83 , as soon as they were released by Spanish authorities, presented themselves before the Italian Consul General at BARCELONA, and stated that they were air (?personnel) in permanent service and were ready to return to Italy and appear before a military court. They also furnished information and statements confirming to Spanish authorities the Italian ownership of the plane, thus strengthening our claim to the craft. I shall send the statements by bag and am ~~a~~ authorizing the Air Office to provide for maintenance of the men.

GALLARATI SCOTTI.

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CSM/[illegible] 1002
M [illegible]5/16

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 171 15TH MAY 1945 W/T to wo D

Transmitting by courier today lists of our officers and (?number) of troops liberated from the 64/Z (POZNAN) concentration camp. They are: 4 Admirals, 15 High Ranking Officers, 48 Junior Officers and 33 Non Commissioned Officers (1 grp corrupt) military personnel.

Have no details on their present condition, will telegraph later.

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M/D 1003
M 135/16

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FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER STOCKHOLM
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 173 15TH APRIL 1945 W/T TWO D

The Swedish Foreign Ministry, reports that the Group of Italian personnel interned in their quarters in JAPAN amount to 43 people, amongst whom is Ambassador INDELLI and wife to be found near TOKYO in the vicinity of DENNEDEN-CHOFU.

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Mr. Kirk
Ews

SECRET

MAY 16 RECD
CC 1555

TO: Chief Commissioner's Office

16th May 1945

Herewith your copies, for retention, if desired, of CSM/ 983-985.
Would be grateful if you would return copy of this cover sheet to us as a receipt.

Done 16/5

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Mr. Kirk:

For information and return.

from EWS
17/V
Jan K

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SECRET CSM/D 983
N 136/12

FROM. ITALIAN CONSUL GENERAL TANGIERS
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 946 11TH MAY 1945 CABLE TWO D

Blockage by SPAIN of property of citizens of the Axis (?and of other occupied territories), in pursuance of Bretton Woods agreements, raises question of the intentions of the (?Spanish) Government in this regard. It does not appear that the High Commissioner at TETUAN has the taken any measures to extend it to the MOROCCAN Zone or (on the basis of military occupation) to TANGIERS.

(?Spanish b anks here) have already suspended withdrawals of deposits of Italians.

Apart from the general political question and the complex administrative situation here, since in virtue of article 8 of the statute the international agreements are applicable to TANGIERS when all the powers (? of ALGECIRAS) sign or agree, please telegraph for my guidance whether ITALY also (2 grps corrupt) (?and any other instructions).

CAPRANICA DEL GRILLO

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CSM/D 984
N 155/13

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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 540 12TH MAY 1945

CABLE THREE D

GALLARATI SCOTTI reports that he has attempted to persuade the Spanish Minister of Justice to reprieve or at least shorten the prison terms of the Italian refugee soldiers, already saved from execution but condemned to 30 years' imprisonment. The matter will be studied by Spanish authorities and further consultations will be held.

(Summary by CSM Rome)

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CSM/D 985
N 173/13

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 539 11TH MAY 1945 CABLE TWO A

The Italian community here is in ferment, exasperated by the decree of 5th May which paralyzes all financial and commercial activities and puts us morally on the same level as the Germans and their Neo-Fascist collaborators, while they are in fact (?in a more advantageous position than ours, having been) notified in time and hence having been able to take adequate measures. I am making representations to the Spanish Government, the Allied Embassies, and the competent technical offices, in order to mitigate the disastrous effects of the decree. But (2 grps corrupt) Your Excellency to point out to Allied Authorities the very grave effects of a measure which, while it is intended to strike at the transfer of enemy assets, threatens healthy and vital Italian interests.

GALLARATI SCOTTI.

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TO: Chief Commissioner's Office

14th May 1945

Herewith your copies, for retention, if desired, of CSM/D 973-982.
Would be graterul if you would return copy of this cover sheet to us as a receipt.

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Returned with thanks.
Kirk

Mr. Kirk!
For information and return.
E. W. S.

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CSM/D 975
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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 167 ?9TH MAY 1945 W/T ONE A

Your no. 134 (Dept note: CSM/D 974)

As you will be able to see more clearly from my report 160/19 of 18th April, it is perfectly clear that the agreement does not indicate recognition of the Warsaw Government.

The necessary information having been furnished by us, I must point out to Your Excellency in the interest of o Italians in POLAND and also in our own interests (as brought out for example in your dispatch 43/05193/45) that it is desirable not to exceed in theother direction.

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CSM/D 973
N 56/10

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO . MF.A. ROME
NO. 165 ?9TH MAY 1945 W/T T WO D

The Chinese Ambassador to MOSCOW has informed the Italian Ambassador that the Executive YUAN as of 26th December 1944 voted to restore former rights to Italian citizens and property in China, by withdrawal of war measures. (Apparently the withdrawal is not yet effective).
(Summary by CSM Rome)

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CSM/D 981
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FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
NO. 145 11TH MAY 1945 CABLE TWO a

(Parallel message to Washington as no. 99,?W/T ONE A)
Informs the Ambassador that the Italian Government has made strong protestations to British and U.S. Embassies and the Allied Commission, against JUGOSLAV acts of sovereignty of administration, and of occupation, and "régime di terrore" in VENETIA JULIA, and TRIESTE in particular. Instructs the Ambassador to make similar representations to the Foreign Office.

(Signed DE GASPERI)
(Summary by CSM Rome)

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GSM/D 980
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FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER DUBLIN
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 41 4TH MAY1945 ?CABLE TWO D

A large part of Irish public opinion has been greatly confused by the series of reports of the complete collapse of German power since - especially because of the rigorous censorship - it has not been able to r ealize clearly the (1 grp corrupt) of the situation, and many were convinced that the Military victories of the United Nations were being exaggerated in the interests of propaganda.

The acts of liberation of the North Italian patriots were received here as a revelation of ourpowers of recovery, and the fact that many industrial plants were saved is thought to have determined our economic restoration. (?News) of the execution of MUSSOLINI and his cabinet has caused even greater astonishment, since it has never been possible here to publish the (1 grp corrupt) committed in their names by the Blackshirts and the Gestapo; hence many Irishmen were not in a position to foresee the extent of the reaction. The news of the executionw was published in the local press without comment and with few particulars. I have asked the Irish Foreign Ministry to permit, now at any rate, anti-fascist (I grp corrupt) by means of some publications on the subject of true conditions in Italy under Fascist régime.

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Among supporters of "New Ireland" the dissolution of Germany has caused profound disappointment mixed with apprehension in conisderation of the even (1 grp corrupt) power of the USSR, with which the Government has never been willing to have relations (?of any kind).

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CSM/T 979
2462

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR ANKARA
NO. 1 32 9TH MAY 1945 W/T T WO D

In view of the present military events in the DODECANESE please report on the situation of Italian civilians and armed forces as it has been since the reports in your dispatches nos. 151 and 162 (Dept note: Not available).

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CSM/D 978
2502

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
NO. 143 10TH MAY 1945 W/T TWO D

Your no. 151 (Dept note: CSM/D 945)

I call your Excellency's attention to the decision of the heads of the Italian Socialist Party on May 8th to open a public subscription to contribute to the reconstruction of proletarian institutions at TRIESTE. I am sending the complete text of the decision by bag, and meanwhile inform you that the heads of the Communist Party have fully adhered to the subscription.

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CSM/D 977
N 68/10

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER DUBLIN
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 40. ?3RD MAY 1945 ?CABLE TWO D

According to news just telephoned from London, the Reich will capitulate this evening or tomorrow.

To the great relief of the Government no German representative has attempted to reach Ireland, and now, since the confirmation of the death of GOEBBELS and GOERING (sic) and the complete breakdown of organization within Germany, it is believed that no such attempts should occur.

At one time the possibility was aired (?that) PETAIN (1 grp corrupt) (?greatest secrecy) transported here by a German aircraft.

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CSM/D 982

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FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
NO. 144 10TH MAY 1945 W/T ONE A

Your 146 and sequels (Dept note: CSM/D 945). You know from my preceding telegrams that the question of Venezia Julia in general and of TRIESTE in particular has recently brought about a definite declaration of policy by all parties including those of the Left. The order of the day as stated in my no. 2399/c (Dept note: CSM/D 972); in which the indisputably Italian character of TRIESTE is reaffirmed, has been approved unanimously, that is to say with the participation of the Communists. Now it is perfectly true that the scanty remnants of a nationalist mentality may possibly seize hold of such questions and exploit them for their own ends. But it would be perfectly false to consider as part of the same nationalist parcel the honest effort which Italian democracy is making today to settle justly and equitably the problems which are so close to us and which, if badly and inequitably resolved today, would threaten to arise again, tomorrow in those very nationalistic terms from which, as far as we are concerned, we intend to separate ourselves in every possible way.

DE GASPERI

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CSM/D 976
N66/10

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER STOCKHOLM
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 169 9TH MAY 1945 W/T TWO D

The Swedish Foreign Ministry transmitted to me that the following message from Ambassador TALIANI; interned at SHANGHAI:

"Our situation still humiliating without protection or assistance. Although surrounded by difficulties we count on surviving upon what we can obtain here. We reaffirm our unalterable faith and devotion".

It is possible that in view of the changed situation the Japanese and NANKING Governments will not reject (1 grp corrupt) request for de facto protection of Italian interests by Sweden. Please inform me whether I am authorized to ask the Swedish Foreign Ministry to exercise what de facto protection may be possible in Japan and in Nanking China.

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CSM/D 974
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FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
NO. 134 4TH MAY 1945 W/T T WO D

Yout telegram of 28th April (Dept note: "ot received in Allied Commission).

We shadl publish an almost identical communiqué . It is understood that the agreement is strictly limited to the intended purpose of assistance; and that it does not imply recognition by us of the Warsaw Government, which the International situation as you know does not make feasible or advisable for us until the situation changes.

It is further understood tht the Delegates are to be Delegates of the Red Cross.

DE GASPERI.

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TO: Chief Commissioner's Office

11th May 1945

Herewith your copies, for retention, if desired, of CSM/D 963-972.
Would be grateful if you would return copy of this cover sheet to us as a receipt.

Done
D.T.S. 11/5/45

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CSM/D 963
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FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER RERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME 7TH MAY 1945 W/T TWO A
NO. 591

My no. 572 (Dept note: Apparently CSM/D 938; the original numbering is confused).

REMO CHABOD (refer my telegram no. 190) (Dept note: CSM/D 509). - who arrived today from the VAL D'AOSTA - tells me that HRH the Krincess of FIEDMONT arrived at CASTELLO DI SARRE where she had been expected since 27th April. Her arrival aroused enthusiasm among the population and partisan formations with some exceptions among extremist elements. CHABOD also reports (?that) , contrary to prior agreement, French troops are occupying the whole region of the VAL D'AOSTA as far as the PONTE SAN MARTINO, under the pretext of joining (1 grp corrupt) troops coming out of the VAL DI SUSA. This has produced considerable agitation and alarm in the region.

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CSM/D 964
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FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 594 ?7TH MAY 1945 W/T Three D

My 593 (Dept note: CSM/D 958)
Duchesses Anna and Irene AOSTA with their children entered SWITZERLAND and went through BERNE to LAUSANNE. They ask permission of the following telegrams.
Messages of personal greetings follow for HRH the Prince of PIEDMONT, HRH AIMONE di SAVOIA-AOSTA, HRH the DOWAGER Duchess of AOSTA, and Countess DE NOBILI.
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Summary by CSM/ Rome.

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CSM/D 96.
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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 525 6TH MAY 1945 CABLE TWO A

According to instructions in your no. 2171/c (Dept note: Available: Circular instructing delivery of protest at Italy's exclusion from San Francisco Conference to Governments at Ankara, B.A., London, Madrid, Berne, Dublin, Lisbon, Stockholm, Moscow: Dated 26th April). I Showed the Spanish Foreign Minister the note from the council of Ministers regarding Italy's exclusion from the San Francisco Conference. Having read it attentively, he expressed his full agreement with the Italian Government's point of view, and asked me to transmit his appreciation for the significant act, which he interpreted as an invitation to closer collaboration in the(?future towards) reorganisation in of the peace, and solidariety between nations of antique culture towards this end.

I then thought it opportune to mention the desire of the Italian Government to examine the possibility of including Italian Officials interned in Japan in possible early exhanges of Spanish and Japanese diplomats. The Foreign Minister answered that he saw very grave difficulties (1 grp corrupt) and certain of opposition and (1 grp corrupt) by the Japanese in this regard, considering the obstacles which the Spanish themselves must face in the current negotiations; but that he assured me of his strong and cordial and positive interest both as Minister, and as mad of good will, for the additional purpose of giving tangible proof of Spain's complete understanding of the grave difficulties which the Italian Government and Your Excellency, are meeting and overcoming. I may add that the Foreign Minister's remarks about the Italian Government were the more significant in that the execution of MUSSOLINI have produced in large segments of public opinion - even among intellectuals and non-falangists - a current of collness towards us which is becoming evident in the press, and whose effects I can eal also feel in my own outside contacts.

GALLARATI SCOTTI

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OSM/D 966
N 120/06

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FROM. ITALIAN EMBASSY B.A.
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 195 5TH MAY 1945 W/T ONE D

(1 grp corrupt) an official note (?from) the Foreign Ministry confirming the Argentine Government's attitude of sympathy and solidarity towards Italy. The Argentine delegation headed by CARCANO, the Ambassador at London, will reach San Francisco soon. Newspapers here have published articles favourable towards us which I am transmitting in a Press telegram.

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CSM/D 967
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FROM. ITALIAN EMBASSY B.A.
TO . M.F.A. ROME (text very defective)
nO. 196 8TH MAY 1945 W.T ONE D

My no. 195(Dept note: CSM/D 966) Sense appears to be that the Argentine Foreign Ministry has sent a note of recognition of Italy's contribution to the War effort, and has sent a similar communication to the ~~Italian~~ Argentine delegation at San Francisco.

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CSM/D 968
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FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN EMBASSY B.A.
NO. 108 5TH MAY 1945 W/T ONE D

Your no. 113 (Dept note: CSM/D768)
This Ministry's information regarding the BONONI Company is incomplete because of the present state of our records. Hence we leave it to your Embassy using any information at your disposal, to judge what action should be taken in the protection of our interests, especially considering the financial structure of the company.

You should also keep in mind the general instructions of our no. 67(Dept note: Not available: According to records of Cypher Security Mission it did not pass through Allied Commission, but would have had date March 24th to 27th).

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SECRET CSM/D 969
2377

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO. ITALIAN EMBASSY B.A.
NO. 110 5TH MAY 1945 W/T ONE D

Please express to the Argentine Government our great pleasure at its participation at the San Francisco Conference, and add that we hope that because of the never-forgotten friendship of Argentina, her delegation will at every propitious occasion put forward the necessity that the new democratic Italy be finally accepted as an equal within the community of Nations.

DE GASPERI.

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CSM/D 970
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FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
NO. 138 7TH MAY 1945 CABLE THREE D

Your no. 217 (Dept note: CSM/D 937)

ANTONI has been instructed to furnish the desired information, which will be sent to you as soon as possible together with other material hastily assembled relating to Italian policy towards aliens in Venetia Julia in pre-fascist times.

A further documentary collection and detailed elaboration of the subject is also in progress. But it would be well for you to send urgently the publications, articles, and other manifestations of Jugoslav propaganda; to provide us with an exact notion of the arguments used and make our reply more effective.

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CSM/D 971
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FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
NO. 442 6TH MAY 1945 W/T ONE A

Your no. 572 (Dept note: apparently CSM/D 938)

With respect to the rumors concerning the return of HRH the Princess of Piedmont to Italy, information recently received leads to the belief that the inhabitants of VAL D'AOSTA have begged the Princess to remain among them for a while, reaffirming by her presence the ancient italianity of the valley.

The above for your information and guidance.

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CSM/D 972
2399:c

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN EMBASSIES AT WASHINGTON, LONDON AND ANKARA.
2399/C 6TH MAY 1945 THREE D

Circular containing resolution of the Council of Ministers of 3rd May reaffirming Italian claims respecting eastern frontier, and Italian desire that her interests in the region should remain unprejudiced until the peace. DE GASPERI

Summary By CSM Rome

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Mr. Kirk

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TO: Chief Commissioner's Office

9th May 1945

Herewith your copies, for retention, if desired, of CSM/D 945A & 955-962.

Would be grateful if you would return copy of this cover sheet to us as a receipt.

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Mr. Kirk:

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Returned with thanks. Kirk 14/5/45

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CSM/D 956
N 87/06

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 522 5TH MAY 1945 CABLE TWO A

Yesterday the Council of Ministers with Franco presiding approved the text of the " FUERO DE LOS ESPANOLES", which will be presented to the Cortes. On the occasion of the vote, according to trustworthy information, there will be created a council of the Kingdom (sic) to which the principal (?officers) of state will belong. This move seems to be desired by Franco in order to facilitate further changes in internal policy.

GALLARATI SCOTTI

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CSM/D 957
N 86/06

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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 519 5TH MAY 1945 CABLE THREE D

My no. 514 (Dept note: CSM/D 950)
The British Air Attaché has already taken measures to furnish Spanish authorities with the information at the proper time, and will arrange for fuel for the return flight.

GALLARATI SCOTTI

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CSM/D 959
N 118/ 06

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 590 5TH MAY 1945 W/T THREE D

After liberation about 3,000 Civilians entered Italy with the backing of Swiss Authorities and with the agreement of CLNAI. The frontier is now closed by order of American authorities. I am keeping in close contact with Swiss and Allied authorities and CLNAI (?to secure) gradual and orderly repatriation. To this end it may be necessary for an official of this Legation to go to Milan within the next few days.

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CSM/D 960
M 59/07

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 158 5TH MAY 1945 W/T TWOD

I made to DEKANOSOFF the communication contained in your 2099/c (Dep t note: Available if required: Instructs Ambassadors to Allied Governments to request greater participation ~~of~~ Italy in care of Italian P.O.W.'s:dated 23rd April) I particularly called attention to the contribution of Italian Partisans to t he liberation of North Italy. The prisoners are the sons of the same Italian people who have done (2 grsp corrupt) greatest responsabilities of the past.

DEKANOSOFF replied that the question of the prisoners must be discussed with the Allies, and added: Italian Partisans have been magnificent and deserve that their achievements should be taken into consideration. As to our ~~Govern-~~ ment (1 grp corrupt) he repeated that the Soviet Government is doing everything possible for them he does not see how under present circumstances the Italian could do any more. But he will study the question with regard to the Russian Sector and speak to me again.

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CSM/D 961
N 60/07

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO . M.F.A. ROME W/T TWO D
NO. 159 5TH MAY 1945

I had already talked in preliminary fashion to the People's Commissary for Foreign Affairs about the question of your no. 1997/c (Dept note: available if required: Directs Ambassadors to Allied Governments to point out the extent of war damages suffered by Italy and to assert claim to recovery of materials: dated 19th April). I spoke of it again to DEKANOSOFF. He pointed out that the question must be discussed with the Allies, but added as a personal statement that it did not seem to him that the requests proposed would easily find a favourable reception. From the practical point of view in consideration of the State of Destruction within Germany, the possibilities of effective reparations in kind or otherwise are more than doubtful: Russia for her own part doesnot consider this in her plans of reconstruction. Further, in principle, for what little there will be obtainable it will be necessary to establish an order of precedence: Italy, which has been at war with Germany for a comparatively short time, (? and) has also - he was sorry to have to recall it - her part of responsability for what has occurred, can at best only come among the last. I naturally took exception to the last part of his remarks/ He repeated that the decision will have to be taken in agreement with the Allies.

As to the recovery of Italian property carried away (2 grps corrupt) personal (?ly), he told me that in principle he was obliged to acknowledge our right to its return: in practice - Russian experience in Roumanian and elsewhere had shown - certain identification of origin is found to be excessively difficult.

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SECRET CSM/D 962
N 58/07

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 160. 5TH MAY 1945 W/T TO D

Concerning the question in your no. 2119/c (Dept note: Available if required: States that Italian Government is entering claim through Allied Embassies for return of works of art taken by Germans ; or compensation if not recoverable dated 24th April) also raised in preliminary form before the People's Commissar for Foreign Affairs, DEKANOSOFF answered- still speaking personally -- that in principle our right to return was unquestionable. He pointed out however that much of what was taken to Germany had been destroyed or sent abroad and that except in cases where the works are unique, identification is not easy.

As to our right to compensation, the principle seemed to him open to discussion and in any case there was a question of precedence here also.

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CSM/D 958
N 85/06

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 593 57TH MAY 1945 W.T THREE D

Duchesses Anna and Irene AOSTA have arrived from Germany at the Swiss frontier with the children, all in good health accompanied by Countess BELLEGARDE and Commandant LONGANESI CATTANI and companions. I am taking steps to secure their early entry into Switzerland and all necessary assistance.

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CSM/D 945A
91/04

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 146 3RD MAY 1945 W/T ONE A

Secert. Your no. 125 (CSM/D 915)

All the information which I have been able to obtain on the subject seems to me to agree that the Soviet Government has answered the Jugoslav Government that in so far as it is concerned it does not oppose Jugoslav claims for the ISONZO frontier. According to a reliable source the attention of the Jugoslavs has been drawn to the possibility of American opposition in the matter of TRIESTE and Western Istria, and to the desirability that if the opportunity arises they endeavour to influence the sentiment of the American public...
(Continues as nos. 147-51, CSM/D 945)

(Dept note: by CSM: Decipherment of the above was supplied to us by M.F.A. at our request. We supplied M.F.A. with texts of nos. 148 and 149, parts of the same message which they had been unable to decipher.)

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CSM/D 955
N 118/ 05

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 233 4TH MAY 1945 CABLE THREE D

Most recent information according to which TRIESTE and GORIZIA have been occupied by New Zealand troops, leads to the belief that your 2284/c (Dept note: available if needed), is at least partly superseded. In addition, press reports, while they lead to the supposition that Marshal TITO's Staff was premature in announcing the occupation of FIUME and TRIESTE (a point which it would be desirable to investigate) today state that German troops have surrendered purposely to the Allies, having refused to capitulate to JUGOSLAV Partisans units, whose heterogeneous (1 grp corrupt) is proved by (?press dispatches) which mention the use of the Italian language between Allied and Partisan patrols at the moment of their junction (1 grp corrupt) TRIESTE. Noteworthy also is an item by correspondent COOPER from TRIESTE to the Daily Express, which mentions the presence of 3000 CHETNIKS in the hills to the South (?under orders of) MIHAILOVICH, who is supposed to be in BOSNIA at present. It appears that they are refusing to come to an agreement with TITO because "they rest their hopes in the English and the King". Naturally, as I have been doing for some time, I continue daily to act along the line indicated by Your Excellency in every conversation at the Foreign Office or elsewhere. The most formal recent steps have been taken after receipt of your telegrams nos. 89, 106, 110, 1995/C (Dept note: CSM/D 762, 836, 847, 880). Finally I direct attention to my no. 171 (Dpt note: Available: not translated because obscure owing to defective text: appears to report interview at Foreign Office), and to my confidential letter of 20th April to His Excellency the Minister. Since the firm and well founded official communiqué of 1st May could not have been more explicit, and again yesterday I insisted upon our point of view as regards the Eastern frontier, with support from the Undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs, I do not think it best to return to the same argument within so few hours without introducing new elements. Hence unless ordered otherwise I shall await the next opportunity, (3 grps corrupt) very soon, to return (1 grp corrupt) Foreign Office, and in any case shall talk with Richard LAW, whom I should see very soon.

CARANDINI.

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Mr. Kirk

MAY 7 RECD
CC 1840

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TO: Chief Commissioner's Office

7th May 1945

Herewith your copies , for retention, if desired, of CSM/D 931-954.

Would be grateful if you would return copy of this cover sheet to us as a receipt.

Done 7 May 45 L.H.S.

CYPHER SECURITY MISSION

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Hq., A.C.,
9 May 45

Mr. Kirk:

For your information. Please return when this has served your purpose.

May thank you E.W.S.

Hon. Alexander Kirk,
American Ambassador.

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CSM/D 941
N 48/03

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 575 ? 1ST MAY 1945 W.T THREE D

Your no. 161 of 20th February (Dept note: CSM/D 684).

Swiss authorities have noted with satisfaction our recognition of the debt contracted with Swiss banks in 1940. They have stated that they are prepared to negotiate as soon as possible for an extension of the credit and postponement of interest payments. (?it would be well,) in order to avoid the accumulation of interest, for ISTCAMBI assets to be allotted to the service of this debt. These assets, in ordinary and special accounts which are still blacked, come to about 2,200,000 francs, besides a few very small amounts in the other currencies.

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CSM/D 942
M 79/03

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER STOCKHOLM
TO . M.F.A. ROME W/T THREE D
NO. 159 2ND MAY 1945

Please transmit the following telegram, from the Military Attaché here to the Army General Staff:

"348. 1st May. Sequel to my letter no. 347 of 26th April.

"Military measures taken in the last few days by the Swedish Government towards the Norwegian frontier consist in reinforcements of the frontier guard near transit points (?and of) the arrival of certain units from the interior to stop and regulate possible inflow of German units. (?About 3,000 have been called). No further mobilization measures appear to have been taken. (1 grp corrupt) 280,000 men are (?in the army), of whom only 180,000 are mobilized, and (?of) these 120,000 in the regular armed forces as the so-called Army of Neutrality; the remainder in auxiliary units. Deployment plans evolved by the General Staff con--tinue to have an entirely defensive character. For this reason, in addition sto the political considerations already mentioned, I consider intervention in Norway unlikely.

"ROERO DI COSTANZA".

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CSM/D 943
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FROM. ITALIAN EMBASSY B.A.
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 191 2ND MAY 1945 W/T ONE D

Subjects most desired for publication are: Italian war effort, ~~luring~~ living conditions in Italy and reconstruction problems, questions of foreign Policy and especially those of our direct interests, general attitude of public and party opinion.
(Summary by CSM Rome).

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CSM/D 944
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FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
NO. 275 26TH APRIL 1945

CABLE TWO A

Please send exact reports of the intended use and present status of the 355,317,50 pesetas derived from the sale to the Spanish Government of the R.O. 43 planes.

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CSM/D945
90/04 AND 92-3-4-5/04

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 147-51 4 MAY 1945 W/T ONE A

(Dept.Note: First of six parts wholly undecipherable.)

....the American public. I think the unexpected transfer to WASHINGTON of the Jugoslav Ambassador here is to be connected with this consideration. SIMIC was the first Jugoslav foreign representative to declare loyalty to TITO's Government. He is highly thought of here, and at BELGRADE he is considered to be reliable for reasons which include his family ties. His previous career and his general comportment also serve to make him partidularly fitted to dispel the impression in AMERICA that TITO's Government is Communistic.

The above confirms my impression that the Soviet Government, though favorable towards Jugoslav claims, does not yet wish to commit itself fully. Neither the interview with TITO nor Your Excellency's statements of Press Telegram 1998 of 9th April (Dept.Note: not available) were printed in MOSCOW newspapers, which continue to ignore the question. The impression here is that the Italian people are indifferent to the question of TRIESTE and that Italian claims are merely a residuum of nationalist mentality among intellectual conservatives who do not represent the real sentiments of the people. In the indirect conversations on the subject which I have carried on, I have tried in every way to dispel this impression. But I have no great confidence in the result. Clear manifestations (?made by the parties to) organisations which are recognized here as most representative of the working masses, especially for example the General Labor Confederation, might be much more effective. It is well to remember that the basis of Russian policy today is still the Pan Slavic (?movement), and that RUSSIA cannot consistently offer real opposition to Jugoslav claims. Nevertheless, if and to the degree that possible reactions of Italian workers may be the factor to which RUSSIA will give even limited weight, this if it is possible seems to me to be the only way to seek to influence the Russian Government.

Dept.Note by CSM: The above is the first message to be passed in the secure system recently provided for the Rome-Moscow link.

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CSM/D 946
N 91/05

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 154 4TH MAY 45

W/T TWO D

Reports exchange of compliments between QUARONI and HERRIOT. The latter, on his way back to FRANCE after his liberation, expressed sympathy for ITALY and her leaders, and a desire to cooperate towards the reestablishment of friendly relations between FRANCE and ITALY. (Text very defective.)

Summary by CSM, ROME.

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CSM/D 947
N 79/04

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 506 2ND MAY 45 W/T TWO D

My no.468(Dept.Note:CSM/D898).

The plane which landed at BARCELONA is a SAVOIA MARCHETTI S83, Serial no.NDH34013. On the tail rudder it has the Croatian shield with white and red quarterings. Under the paint of the shield a German emblem can be made out. On the (?fuselage) are the small (?lower case) letters DALAT, and on the other side OP(1 gr corrupt). Please inform me of the origin of this plane.

GALLARATI SCOTTI

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CSM/D948
N 81/04

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 507 2ND MAY 45

CABLE TWO D

My no. 485 (Dept.Note: CSM/D925).

I am reliably informed that the SAVOIA MARCHETTI plane reached BARCELONA from MILAN and that the flight was arranged by MUSSOLINI personally. The machine was evidently meant to carry to (1 gr corrupt) Sra. VON HALEM, the PETACCI family, and presumably important valuables. I understand also that MUSSOLINI showed great anxiety until he had news of its arrival. It appears that he gave MANCINI two letters, one for FRANCO and one for SERRANO SUNER, relying especially on the latter because of personal friendship. From the preceding it seems clear that the machine, although camouflaged as Croatian, is Italian property. I have already sent a note to the Spanish Government requesting the internment of the personnel and claiming the plane (1 gr corrupt) and valuables. I should be grateful for any evidence to prove that the plane is Italian state or private property, and if possible the origin of the valuables. I should also be glad if you will confirm the news of CLARA PETACCI's execution, because there has been a rumor here which seems worthy of attention that she arrived in the same plane under a false name.

GALLARATI SCOTTI

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CSM/D 949
N 49/05

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. ?511 4TH MAY 45

CABLE TWO A

The Spanish Director of Civil Aviation has told the Italian Adjunct Air Attaché that Spanish authorities have approved the draft text, and asked whether the Italian Government has approved. Col. BONI is disappointed at the delay in the answer, and points out that the negotiations were carried out at our request and that SPAIN is now willing to renew air connections with ITALY immediately.

GALLARATI SCOTTI

Summary by CSM, ROME.

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CSM/D 950
N 54/05

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 514 4TH MAY 45 CABLE THREE D

Ambassador SANGRONIZ leaves for ROME by air from BARCELONA on the 9th, and the Ministry requests the following data urgently:

1. Wave length for contact between plane and ROME airport.
2. Radio stations along route and their wave lengths.
3. Weather reports from SARDINIA and ROME, to be sent to BARCELONA airport up to 0830 on the 10th.

Please send at once. I have also requested the help of the U.S. and British Embassies.

GALLARATI SCOTTI

Summary by CSM, ROME.

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CSM/D 951
N 81/05

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 515 4TH MAY 45

CABLE TWO A

There were persistent rumors that FRANCO had tried to approach DON JUAN by sending the well-known Neo-monarchist AREILZA, a trusted person who is highly regarded by the Spanish Foreign Ministry, and possibly also Count FONTANA, (?recently) returned from the U.S. But I have learned that both AREILZA and FONTANA are in MADRID because DON JUAN sent word that while he was willing to receive any Spaniard he saw no reason for a meeting of political character. This irritated FRANCO considerably. (?It does not follow) that similar approaches may not still be attempted. On the whole FRANCO's position within the country is as described in my dispatch 2226-800 of 8th April. But this much is new: Events in North ITALY just after Liberation have impressed him and made him more inflexible in his attitude, in the fear that any change in the present (?1 gr corrupt) might produce the gravest consequences. Besides, the international situation makes it obvious that concessions must be made to the public opinion of the victorious Allies. Because of this (?in his usual way) he has simply put off until a later time (possibly 18th July, anniversary of the uprising which put him into power) the application of the plan for more or less real reforms which were to have been combined as the expected "FUERO DE LOS ESPANOLES". But the declaration of war against JAPAN appears (?to have been dropped), since he has realized that it would not have the effect among the Allies that he first expected (my no.407)(CSM/D829).

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GALLARATI SCOTTI

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OSM/D 952
N 55/05

FROM ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 583 ?4TH MAY 1945 W/T THREE D

After the liberation of North ITALY, BEZZOLA showed an attitude so strongly in favor of the autonomy of CAMPIONE that it became necessary to remove him at once. I have temporarily appointed SEBASTIANI, and await further instructions.

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Summary by OSM, ROME.

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CSM/D 953
N 115/04

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FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 223 3RD MAY 45

CABLE THREE D

Long message to the effect that English press and public opinion, despite "negative impressions" of executions at MILAN, has been so favorably impressed by the Italian part in the liberation of North ITALY as to create a much more favorable atmosphere for peace negotiations, from the Italian point of view.

CARANDINI

Summary by CSM, ROME

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CSM/- 954
69/04

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 88 3RD MAY 1945 CABLE TWO A

At the State Department I was told today that, although definite news was lacking, it appears that Allied Authorities have taken military and civil control of TRIESTE - (one grp) where it is believed they - found - officials but few Yugoslav troops.

There was as yet no news of Anglo American military movement towards FIUME.

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Mr. Kirk

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MAY 4 RECD
CC 1655

TO: Chief Commissioner's Office

4th May 1945

Herewith your copies, for retention, if desired, of CSM/D 931-940.

Would be grateful if you would return copy of this cover sheet tp us as a receipt.

Done 4 May 45 DTG.

CYPHER SECURITY MISSION

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Mr. Kirk:

For information and return.

J.A. Quarton
for E.W.S.

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CSM/D 931
N 79/01

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER STOCKHOLM
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 156 30TH APRIL 1945 W/T TWO D

The fact that the surrender offered by HIMMLER to the Western Powers was sent through Swedish channels does not imply that there was any initiative in this matter on the part of the Swedish Government. Count FOLKE BERNADOTTE nephew of King GUSTAV, being in Germany as Vice-President of the Swedish Red Cross to direct the evacuation of Swedes, met HIMMLER, who asked him verbally to transmit the offer of surrender to the Western Powers through their STOCKHOLM Legations.

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CSM/L/0332
K 96/01

FROM. ITALIAN EMBASSY B.A.
TO . H.F.A. HOWE
NO. 166 30TH APRIL 1945 W/T ONE D

My no. 165last part, and 175 (Dept note: Both available. No. 165 Reports requests made of Allied Embassies to remove Italian firms in Argentine from Black List. No. 175 reports measures taken by Argentina to control foreign-owned firms following declaration of war.)

The Argentine Foreign Minister told me confidentially that in general no restrictive measures will be taken against our firms included on the Black List. He further stated that he had taken steps towards abolition of the List in consequence of Argentine participation in the war.

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OSM/D 933
W 83/01

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 492 30TH APRIL 1945 CABLE THREE D

(18) The Spanish Foreign Money Institute suspended quotation of the Reichsmark from the 27th.

GALLARATI SCOTTI

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CSM/D 934
M 95/01

SECRET

FROM . ITALIAN EMBASSY B.A.
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 184 30TH APRIL 1945 R/T CNE D

May I express to Your Excellency the immense exultation of the Italians of Argentina because of the liberation of the sacred soil of their mother country and their fervent hopes for the future.

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CSM/ 935
N 93/01

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 490 30TH APRIL 1945 CABLE THREE D

The Italian Naval Attaché communicates that at BILBAO the work of repairing the SS MADDA (1 grp corrupt) April 24th was preceded by signature of agreement consigning the ship to the Spanish Government. I am beginning negotiations for signature of the charter according to the stipulations made for the TROVATORE. Please inform the Ministry of Marine.

GALLARATI SCOTTI.

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CSM/D 936
N 93/01

FROM. ITALIAN EMBASSY B.A.
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 183 30TH APRIL 1945 W/T ONE D

From PARENTI to Head Office ITALCABLE.

"In agreement with Ing. CARGSIO, INPLATENSE has arranged for financing with the French and Italian Bank for South America, using as security a mortgage on real estate with no personal guaranty.

Am sending (1 grp corrupt) requested by air".

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SECRET CSM/D 937
N 91/01

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 217 30TH APRIL 1945 CABLE THREE D

Jugoslav propaganda , which has been intensified with great effect on English public opinion, affirms that the misgovernment of alien populations is not to be imputed to Fascism only because it (?took place) immediately after the annexation (1 grp corrupt). An energetic reply should be made at once. Please ask (1 grp corrupt) I.R.C.E. and send me urgently exact data on treatment of aliens in the pre-fascist period.

Meanwhile I am furnishing data available to me to specialized English students whose objective opinion would have the authority.

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CSM/D 938
SECRET N 89/2

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 571 30?TH APRIL 1945 W/T TWO A

My no. 569 (Dept note: CSM/D 922).
For the Minister. Decipher personally.
Please telegraph urgent instructions in case HRH the Princess of Piedmont asks to be joined by one or all of her children. Please telegraph also whether HRH the Lieutenant General thinks it desirable that the Prince of Naples or all ~~his~~ the children (1 grp corrupt) go to live with Countess DI CALVI. Meanwhile, I have arranged for all necessary (1 grp corrupt).
No. 571 (Second part) repeats Swiss press reports concerning the Princess of Piedmont's crossing into Italy on foot, and the possibility of a Council of Regents for Italy. (Dept note: by CSM: last paragraph summarized; preceding paragraph complete.).

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CSM/D 939
N 87/02

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 570 30?TH APRIL 1945 W/T TWO D

Your no. 414 (Dept note: CSM/D 913)

Director-General of Commerce HOTZ, who will soon leave for PARIS, has told me that negotiations with Italy may begin at BERNE within a month. He suggests that Swiss counter proposals submitted through Col. Jenny be studied carefully meanwhile as well as problems of traffic through Genoa.

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Summary by CSM Rome

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SECRET CSM/D 940
N 58/02

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 496 1ST MAY 1945 CABLE THREE D

While press and official reactions to MUSSOLINI's execution were moderate and correct, public opinion reacted against the macabre exhibition of the bodies, as evidenced by anonymous telephone calls to this Embassy. Students demonstrated around the University.

GALLARATI SCOTTI.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Items contained here in are identified by the following numbers:

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Date 5 May 45

To Hon. Alexander Fark

Cypher Security Mission Summaries
CSM/D 919 — 940 inclusive
for info & return

Received by Blackburn

Organization Political Adviser (A)

Time 3:00 pm Date 7/5

Please sign original and return IMMEDIATELY to:

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Chief Commissioner

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Mr. Kirk

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MAY 2 REC'D
CC 1615

TO: Chief Commissioner's Office

2nd May 1945

Herewith your copies, for retention, if desired, of CSM/D919-930.

Would be grateful if you would return copy of this cover wheet to us as a receipt.

Done 2/5/45

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Mr. Kirk:

For information and return.

J.A. Quayle

for W.W.S.

Done 10/5

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CSM/D 919
47/29

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 482 28TH APRIL 1945 CABLE THREE D

The STEFANI bulletin, published by the Press Offic of the Fascist Mission, has ceased publication.

GALLARATI SCOTTI.

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CSM/D 920

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 214 28TH APRIL 1945 CABLE THREE D

Marshal PETAIN's arrival in FRANCE has been (1 grp corrupt) here with some apprehension because of the possible repercussions of his trial. It is believed that the French Government has reason for anxiety both because of the public support which the old marshal still has, and in view of possible revelations.

Adjournment of the trial sine die would seem to answer to the train of thought

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CSM/D 921
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FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 568 29TH APRIL 1945 (CABLE ONE A)

Urgent. Personal; for the Minister.

H.R.H. Princess of PIEDMONT left unexpectedly this morning by car. It seems that her intention was to enter ITALY in the region of VAL D'AOSTA.

She chose not to be accompanied by any of her suite and is travelling with a group of Val d'Aostans whom she trusts.

The young princes are still at GLION. The Swiss authorities have been informed.

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CSM/D 922
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FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO .M.F.A. ROME
NO. 569 29TH APRIL 1945 CABLE ONE A

Personal: for the Minister.
My no. 568 (CSM/D 921)
I am informed, 17.30. hrs, that H.R.H. Princess of PIEDMONT has reached GRAN SAN BERNARDO on the frontier between ITALY and SWITZERLAND and is now crossing.
She expects to stay the night in that neighbourhood and will go on tomorrow, Monday 30th, to (group corrupt) DI SARRE where she will be met as soon as possible by a Gentleman of (several corrupt groups).
The Allied Authorities have been informed.
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CSM/D 923
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FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
NO. 67 24TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

Please inform whether the last phrase in quotations of your no. 55 (Dept note: CSM/D 870) is to be understood as included in the text of the verbal communication made you by the State Department in your no. 54(Dept note: CSM/D 869), this in relation to press statements according to which the Jugoslaves have occupied CHERSO and LUSSINO.

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SECRET CSM/D 924
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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 70 28TH APRIL 1945

CABLE TWO A

Your no. 67 (Dept note: CSM/D 923) reached me this morning. The phrase indicated is part of the verbal communication of the State Department. In connection with this phrase I today drew the attention of the State Department to the news telegraphed to me concerning the Jugoslav occupation of CHERSO and LUSSINO.

(Last sentence corrupt/ May be a request for further data "1933 frontier" appears.)

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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 485 28TH APRIL 1945 CABLE T WCA

MY no. 468 (Dept note: CSM/D 898).

Following a further investigation by the Italian Consul General, Barcelona, I inform you that in the S 84 plane which reached Barcelona from CROATIA (or North Italy as seems more probable) the following persons arrived: 1. Lawyer ENRICO MANCINI with a Fascist Government diplomatic passport. 2. MARIA MANCINI alias MIRIAM PETACCI of SAN SERVOLO, his wife. 3. ARTURO ROSSETTI alias PETACCI the father. 4. GIAN (2 grps corrupt) HINI ROSSETTI alias PETACCI the mother. 5. MONTI DI VAL SASSINA and wife, with Croatian diplomatic passport. 6. GEORGES GILBAUD French citizen, with Vichy diplomatic passport, on a special mission according to his statement. 7. Sra. VON HALBE, wife of the German Minister to LISBON, with son. 8. JACQUES GUERARD with a Nansen passport, bearer of a letter (?from) Ambassador VON RAHN recommending him to Spanish civil and military authorities. Crew. CIRICLI, former LATI commander, ADRIANI MERANI, ALBERTO GIUSTOLI, ENRICO BELLOTTI. Passengers and crew were interned at BARCELONA. Later, on orders from MADRID, MANCINI and wife, ROSSETTI and MONTI were released. I am (?maintaining close contact with Allied Embassies here, and will report further.

GALLARATI SCOTTI.

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CSM/D 926
N 32/30

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 488 28TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

Today I went to see Minister LEQUERICA (5 grps corrupt) (?pointed out) to him the desirability of taking measures to (1 grp corrupt) and keep watch on the PETACCI family. The Minister told me that he had already taken steps to confine (?them to their) hotel until they could be sent out of SPAIN.

I also (?pointed out) the necessity of thorough investigation of the self-styled CONTI DI VAL SESSINA (evidently a false name) with a fiscal passport, further suspect because of the sum of 400,000 Swiss francs which he exchanged at BARCELONA.

Finally I insisted that measures be taken against supporters of the Neo-Fascist dissidents and I was assured that he would interest himself in the question.

GALLARATI SCOTTI.

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SECRET CSM/D 927
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FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER LISBON
TO . M.P.A. ROME
NO. 115 29TH APRIL 1945 CABLE ONE A

In the Portuguese ship mentioned in my no. 76 (Dept note: not received in Allied Commission) Sig. DOS SANTOS, the new Portuguese Minister to Rome, will sail. I have obtained facilities for the PRUNAS and BILJ families to leave on the same ship. Sailing is from LISBON for CIVITA VECCHIA in about ten days.

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CSM/928
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FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 562 28?TH APRIL 1945 W/T TWO D

Italian internees impatient to return to Italy. For civilians arrangements must be made for frontier control; meantime the Swiss are releasing those requested by CLNAI. Military personnel controlled by Military Office of Legation, in agreement with the Swiss. Some Partisans have already returned.

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(Summary by CSM Rome)

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FROM. ITALIAN EMBASSY B.A.
TO . M.F.A.ROME
NO. 180. 29TH APRIL 1945 W/T ONE D

Your no. 67 (Dept note: Rome-B.A. no. 67 not dispatched through Allied Commission according to CSM records). The Argentine Ministry communicates to me confidentially that local authorities have severely reprimanded the persons in question, and warned them to abstain from any further activity. (?He) assured (?me) that if the offense is repeated further measures will be taken (?and) asked this Embassy to keep him informed. I am following the matter also in relation to the question of my no. 113(Dept note: CSM/D 768).

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CSM/D 930
M 49/30

FROM. ITALIAN EMBASSY B.A.
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 181 29TH APRIL 1945 W/T CYP D

Ing. DI TELLA has proposed to me to return to Italy by way of the U.S. and has asked for an entrance visa for Italy. He is an Italian citizen naturalized in ARGENTINA, who enjoys an excellent social and economic position and notable prestige hereabouts.

He is an anti-fascist of moderate views who is favorably known to the U.S. Embassy here. He collaborates effectively in the work of this Embassy and is one of the principal organizers of the Committee for Aid to Italy here. SENNO (Sept note: May be corrupt group) would accompany him in order to reach agreement in Italy for the organization of aid for children.

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To: Ambassador Winant
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APR 30 RECD
CC 1430

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TO: Chief Commissioner's Office

30th April 1945

Herewith your copies, for retention, if desired , of CSM/D 898-918.

Would be grateful if you would return copy of this cover sheet to us as a receipt.

Done
30/IV/45

CYPHER SECURITY MISSION

SECRET

Mr. Kirk.

For information and return.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner

Returned with thanks.
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CSM/D 898
76/26

FROM. ITALIAN EMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 468 23RD APRIL 1945 CABLE THREE D

A Savoia Marchetti aircraft of Croatian nationality reached BARCELONA this morning with an Italian crew and passengers of other nationality amongst whom many Croats. The crew and passengers were interned. Further details to follow.

GALLARATI SCOTTI

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CSM/D 899
H 81.26

SECRET

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 549 25TH APRIL 1945 S/T TWO A

My no. 547 (Dept note: CSM/D 890).
According to further unconfirmed reports from a good source, the Germans and Fascists have evacuated the Lake Maggiore area as far as and including ARONA, without executing demolitions.
With reference to your no. 145 (Dept note: CSM/D 539), TIBALDI plans to enter the area today or tommorow.

BERIO

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CSM/D 900
80/26

BERNE-ROME No.551
(Sequel to no. 549, CSM/D 899)

On the basis of reports recently received from DOMO-DOSSOLA it appears that a German and Neo-Fascist column, while evacuating the VAL D'OSSOLA with numerous motor vehicles, was attacked and destroyed near GRAVELLONA and BAVENO. The railway line from ISELLE to DOMODOSSOLA is fit for operation, while the stretch DOMODOSSOLA-ARONA is temporarily broken at [illegible] because of damage, not heavy, to some (?switch frogs) (Ital. SCAMBI).

BERIO

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SECRET

C38/D 901
N 83/26

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 201 24TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO

In a long interview of April 13th with the competent Assistant Undersecretary of State, I set forth among other things the gravity of the consequences which would be produced - in our relations with France and in other respects - by the occupation of any part of our national territory by French Military units. He replied that it had not been intended, but be it was exclusively a question (1 grp corrupt) of the Allied General Staff, the latters might have had to change its plans because of strategical requirements. I replied that, (1 grp corrupt) from this point of view, I thought it my duty to point out that more dangerous reactions (?were) to be expected among Patriots, whose collaboration, which is known to be so highly valued by Marshal Alexander, might even be transformed into open hostility. I have the impression that my interlocutor understood the situation perfectly. (?and will be sure to make answer). I shall bring the matter up again, using the arguments of your no. 117 (Dept note: Text same as C3M/D745).

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CSM/D 903
56/22

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 199 21ST APRIL 1945 CABLE THREED

My no. 184 (Dept note: CSMD/ 835).

The Foreign Office has assured me that the British government (2 grps corrupt) with the Allied General Staff to remedy the difficulties reported by me and in accordance with your dispatch no. 03073. At the same time (?it was pointed out) that from the moment when the Italian refugees enter French territory they come under French sovereignty , and therefore it is essential that the Italian Government interest the French Government as to their fate. On the other hand if they (1 grp corrupt) in German territory, these Italians (1 grp corrupt) under Allied Jurisdiction.

SECRET CARANDINI.

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CSM/D 904
N 81/27

SECRET

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 203 25TH APRIL 1945 CABLE THREE D

My no. 199(Dept note: CSM/D 903)
I have had a conversation with MASSIGLI and took the occasion to describe the situation of the Italian refugees who are moving out of Germany towards FRANCE. I told him that, on the basis of what the Foreign Office had told me, the Italian Ambassador at PARIS would certainly receive instructions to approach the competent French authorities, but I counted on his personal intereVention, which, considering the prestige which he enjoyed at the QUAI D'ORSAY, might hasten the adoption of the necessary measures.

MASSIGLI took an immediate interest in the matter.

CARANDINI

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CSM/D 905
N 83/27

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 206 25TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

Sequel to my no. 203 (Dept note: CSM/D 904)
I also took occasion to mention to MASSIGLI the question contained in your no, 110 (Dept note: CSM/D 847)
Note: Two lines of imperfect text seem to have the sense that the Foreign Office also has spoken or will speak to him about it. Reference to London-Rome no. 202 (not yet available). Ends: "to be continued in my no. 207".
CARANDINI

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SECRET CSM/D 908
N 78/27

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 475 25?TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TOO A

Minister LEQUERICA has expressed to me the satisfaction of the Spanish Government at the normalization of relations between England and Spain with the appointment of Ambassador Sir VICTOR MALLET. LEQUERICA is very pleased at the choice of the new British representative, who is one of the best career diplomats and reaches MADRID preceded by the real successes attained at his most recent post, STOCKHOLM.

GALLARATI SCOTTI.

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SECRET

CSM/D 909
N 102/27

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO ;M.F.A. ROME
NO. 555 26?TH APRIL 1945 W/T THREE D

In OSSOLA services have been functioning regularly for two days (?under) communal administration directed by the Committee of National Liberation (?organized) (1 grp corrupt) legality. I am in contact with the Committee which (?assures me) that everything is proceeding in perfect order.

BERIO

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CSM/D 910
N 96/26

SECRET

FROM. ITALIAN REPRESENTATIVE BUCHAREST
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 205 25TH APRIL 1945 W.T EN CLAIR

WIDMAR reported freed from inprisonment.
(Summary by CSM Rome)

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CSM/D 911
2111

FROM M.F.A. ROME
TO ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
NO. 126 24TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

Your unnumbered telegram of 21st April (Dept.Note: CSM/D 879).

I agree that contact with the Jugoslav Embassy there is unnecessarily. In any case the communications which we wished to make have been made through other channels.

DE GASPERI

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CSM/D 916
N 54/28

FROM ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 557 ?27 APRIL 1945 W/T TWO A

I transmit the following from the Military Attaché to War Ministry "Cabinet":

"41. Among the officers who have lately requested employment in N.E. ITALY is General CALVI. Please inform urgently whether there are specific orders regarding him. General CALVI begs that H.R.H. the Lieutenant General Be informed. MILITARY ATTACHE."

BERIO

Dept.Note by CSM: Text of above defective in some passages, but general sense is believed to be complete.

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CSM/D 918
68/29

SECRET

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 561 28TH APRIL 1945 W/T THREE D

After the fighting which lasted till this morning TIRANO and VALTELLINO are now under Partisan control up to the STELVIO PASS. No serious damage is reported.

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SECRET CSM/D 902
75/26

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 472 25TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

Before ISTCAMBI shares can be sold to Spanish banks, certain guarantees are required (exact nature obscured by defective text): authorisation requested to furnish the guarantees. Nominal value of shares 1,400,000 pesetas.

GALLARATI SCOTTI.
(Summary by CSM/D Rome)

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CSM/D 906
80/27

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 207 25?THE APRIL 1945 CABLE THREE D

To a remark of his in this sense, I answeredMASSIGLI that I could certainly understand that German troops were being attacked on the Italian frontier; but I was frankly afraid of the reactions of public opinion and (?resulting official reactions) upon future relations between the two countries if there had taken place a French occupation of any part of our territory which might suggest feelings of revenge towards the new Italy. I agfeed with him - and this was the tone of the conversation - that in the face of the present ruin a firm Italo-French friendship was indispensabel, and ought not to be retarded by questions which could not be considered as being of vital importance.

MASSIGLI assured me that there was no intention of revenge, and that the claim to certain Piedmontese valleys - which we had mentioned by chance - was merely the effect of the hot-headedness of certain insignificant Savoyard groups.

I report the above for your information and because of the particular cordiality and frankness with which my interlocutor expressed himself this time as well.

CARANDINI

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CSM/D 907
82/27

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 208 25TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

The Assistant Undersecretary of State, confirming what I reported in no. 202 (Dept note: not yet received) (1 grp corrupt) said today, as his personal impression, that if French troops had entered Italy it had happened exclusively as a result of strategic military plans of the Allied General Staff. He had no information that the French Government had ever put forward, for reasons of prestige, requests of any kind for occupation of Italian territory.

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CSM/D 917
N 53/28

FROM ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 559 ?27TH APRIL 1945

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W/T TWO A

Former Consul AMERIGO GIGLI, now employed in the Neo-Fascist Office at ZURICH, asked through (?personal messenger) to see me to make a communication "in the interests of the administration". I thought it best to see him. During the short conversation, held in the Royal (?Ministerial lodgings), he told me that some days ago at COMO he had seen BONARELLI, who charged him to see me to inform ROME that he and his colleagues were occupying themselves with saving the M.F.A. archives in possession of the Neo-Fascists. He suggested that the Ministry arrange as soon as possible for a qualified person to come to the spot and take them over. D.I.E. and Private Affairs archives are at CADENABBIO, the others at SALO.

In my opinion the communication ~~the communication~~ is (?intended as an appeasement offering)(Ital.ANODINA). The reasons for it are obvious. GIGLI, who during the conversation tried vaguely to justify his conduct and that of his colleagues, is still nevertheless employed at ZURICH.

BERIO

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CSM/D 915
2141

FROM M.F.A. ROME
TO ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
NO. 125 25TH APRIL 1945 W/T TWO D

Your no.125 (Dept.Note: CSM/D861).

The inquiry confirmed the early evidences, which have already been communicated to you.

You know from my preceding telegrams that our policy is one of waiting, based on the reasons known to you. Hence we do not intend to open direct conversations on the central problem of our relations with Jugoslavia, but only, after re-establishment of normal relations, to prepare a more propitious ground and atmosphere between the two countries.

Thus our objectives are limited, but their accomplishment seems to be an indispensable first step, useful to both parties. Furthermore it is one which nearly all the United Nations have already taken.

Guide yourself accordingly in your contacts with the Jugoslav representative there.

I await with interest the information mentioned in your no.129 (Dept.Note: Not received in Allied Commission).

In this connection keep in contact with the Soviet Government also, and re-affirm to that Government our firm intention of peaceful and fruitful collaboration with the South Slavs and the consequent necessity that they constitute a bridge and not a chasm between ITALY and the great Slavic family.

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SECRET CSM/D 914
2112

FROM MKF.A. ROME
TO ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
NO. 124 24TH APRIL W/T ONE D

Your no.124 (Dept.Note: CSM/D 860).

For your information and guidance you should know, à propos of the offer of reciprocity at which SCIUBASIC hinted, that the Jugoslavs have in ITALY, for various reasons, innumerable representations from the Advisory Committee to the Partisan Mission at ROME. It is therefore evident, and would be in any case, that there would be no hindrance to our acceptance of a delegation of the Jugoslav Red Cross.

DE GASPERI .

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CSM/D 913
2103

SECRET

FROM M.F.A. ROME
TO ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
NO. 414 23RD APRIL W/T THREE D

Your nos.537-8 (Dept.Note: CSM/D 875-7).

Swiss aid will be needed as soon as liberation of North Italy has taken place. Prior negotiations will take time. Especially urgent are placement of orders for electrical machinery and agreements between industrial groups as to supply of electricity.

Please communicate the Italian desire to the Swiss Government, and I am confident that you will be able to confirm the statement of the Swiss Government that negotiations with ITALY will follow immediately upon those with FRANCE.

PRUNAS

(SUMMARY BY CSM ROME)

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CSM/D 912
2140

FROM M.F.A. ROME
TO ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
NO. 263 25TH APRIL CABLE ONE A

In reference to letter (Ital.FOLIO) no.0727 of the Air Attaché there, you are informed ~~xxxx~~ in confidence that the possibility is being examined of furnishing PIAGGIO aviation motors to SPAIN. Instructions will follow.

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DI NOLA

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Mr. Kirk

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APR 26 RECD
CC 1815

SECRET

TO: Chief Commissioner's Office

26th April 1945

Herewith your copies, for retention, if desired, of CSM/D 878-897.

Would be grateful if you would return copy of this cover sheet to us as a receipt.

Done
APR 26 [illegible]

CYPHER SECURITY MISSION

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Mr. Kirk:

For information and return.

J A Quayle Major
for E.W.S.

27 Apr 45

Mary Stark.

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C3M/D 878
1673

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
NO. 100. 5TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO D

(Same as C3M/D 858 omitting words "and Soviet".)

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.. as my duty to report that (?I have not) yet entered into contact with the Yugoslav Representative here.

A personal friend whom I asked kindly to act as an intermediary for this purpose and who enjoys my confidence and is well informed as to the latest situation observed to me, with justice, that the Yugoslav Embassy here is largely composed of elements supporting King PETER's Government and therefore scarcely if at all influential with TITO.

As far as my information goes, the present Chargé d'Affaires, VLADIMIR CRIBAR though he is (?at the same time from here) Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs, and a creature of SUBASICH, is completely in the dark as to what is going on in his own country. If he were to intervene in the various questions which we have at heart, this might indeed be regarded in BELGRADE as a suspicious interference and have an effect contrary to that intended.

CARANDINI

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SECRET

CSM/D 880
1995

FROM. H.E.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON AND MOSCOW
NO. 1995/C 19TH APRIL 1945 TWO D Cable to London
W/T to Moscow

I call your attention to the statement made by me yesterday in the Cabinet on Italo-Jugoslav relations, reported in today's Press telegram. The Italian point of view is clearly and publicly expounded there. The Italian Government considers that relations between the two countries ought to be put on a higher place than daily polemics and casual incidents. You know from my telegram of the 12th (Dept note: CSM/D 836) that a concrete preliminary initiative has been undertaken in this connection.

The Italian Government is of the opinion that the question in dispute between the two countries cannot be prejudiced under any circumstance by contingent elements or situations, but rather should be faced when passions of war have died down and the two Governments have behind them the authority and the weight which they can obtain only from the liberation of the whole national territory and from the freely expressed will of the people, in conformity with the rights and interests of the nation.

You will see that our desire for an understanding with Jugoslavia is repeatedly and explicitly emphasized.

Please draw the attention of the Government there to the statement and amplify it yourself, insisting particularly on the necessity of precluding any possibility of hasty unilateral or violent solution, and on the consequent desirability of allowing time and events to mature.

It is superfluous to tell you that one of the fundamental directives of our internal and foreign policy is to suffocate and stamp out all nationalist extremism; which has led us to ruin and Europe to the ~~revenge~~ verge of collapse. This in our opinion is a directive which, if it is really desired not to inflame dangerous foci of infection again, ought to become general throughout Europe.

DE GASPERI

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CSM/D 881
82/19

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. T628 18TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

(?Your dispatch) no. 011 of 15th March.

Spanish authorities on being sounded out last December showed reluctance to become involved with the English Government. Besides, in accordance with the above dispatch, considering particularly the special (?sensitiveness) (Ital. sensibilità) of the British Embassy here in a period of great (1 grp corrupt) with the Franco Government, and remembering the resentment and (1 grp corrupt) faithful collaboration (1grp corrupt) Diplomatic Mission, I thought it best to mention to the British Chargé d'Affaires (2grps corrupt) which the Italian Government has been obliged to adopt in the defense of its interests in the questions of the POLLENZO and the DUCHESSA d'AOSTA. The British Chargé d'Affaires informed today that his Government (1 grp corrupt)ed that a third State must enter into this question while it was possible to discuss it directly between Rome (1 grp corrupt). (?I) replied that that was determined by English law, and quoted that (1 grp corrupt) paragraph of your telegram. The Chargé d'Affaires asked me to postpone action until further instructions are received (?from the respective) Governments following the new attitude assumed by London.

(Dept note: by CSM: Above text in exceptionally bad condition. Accuracy of translation cannot be guaranteed).

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SECRET

CSM/D 682
N 67/24

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 449 23RD APRIL 1945 CABLE THREE DO

The Minister of SANTO DOMINGO here informs me of his Government agrément for the appointment of SCADUTO MENDOLA.

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( ) C3M/D 883
SECRET N 32/124

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID SECRET
TO. M.F.A. ROME
NO. 445 23RD APRIL 1945 CABLED TWO A

For months the Allied Embassies here had insistently requested that the Spanish Government discontinue the air service (LUFTHANSA) between SPAIN (1 grp corrupt) north and Germany, alleging - according to a note of May 1944 - that the air service (1 grp corrupt) served to transport German agents to SPAIN; and (?uncontrolled) (Ital. inesplorati) goods into occupied countries, besides export of wolfram. The Spanish Government replied that it would be able to comply with the request provided the Allied Governments were able to furnish assurance that Spanish (1 grp corrupt) couriers to SWITZERLAND would be passed by FRANCE with the usual guarantees. This having been conceded, the Spanish Government has assured the Allies that (2 grps corrupt) more landings of German "LUFTHANSA" machines (Dept note:sentence appears incomplete at this point) will not in the judgment of the Allied Embassies prevent abusive landings of German planes which (11 grp corrupt).

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SECRET CSM/D 884
2038

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
NO. 119 20TH APRIL 1945 I/T ONE D

My 114 (Available: authorizes appointment of WIDMAR as agent representing Italian interests in BUDAPEST).

The BUCHAREST legation informs me that WIDMAR was arrested by Hungarian authorities following a dispute with the Free Italy Committee which has arisen among Italians and is led by a certain ROSSI, who has taken over protection of Italian interests of his own accord.

WIDMAR, former legation employer, refused allegiance to the Fascist government and in grave times and difficult circumstances during Nazi domination he took care of protection of Italian interests and property and assisted anti-fascists in BUDAPEST.

Please put the above before the Russian Government in order that it may intervene with Hungarian authorities and obtain WIDMAR's release. If Hungarian and Allied authorities do not wish him to remain in BUDAPEST he could be sent to STAMBUL. In this case the responsibility for Italians would ~~be~~ still remain in the hands of the local committee, created in an atmosphere already disturbed by internal schism. Hence please ask the Soviet Government whether it cannot allow an Italian group to be attached to the Control Commission with temporary and exclusively administrative duties, which could be chosen from the personnel of our Legations in the area.

PRUNAS.

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C.S.M./D 885
2069

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW W/T TFOD
NO. 123 22ND APRIL 1945

The Governmental Representatives of the Union of Italian Jewish Communities requests you to transmit the following message to Dr SONNENSTEIN.

"We learn from the Italian Ambassador at MOSCOW that a Committee for Jewish affairs has been set up, and that you are President. We have here a Committee to investigate Jewish Deportees who have information that altogether about 6,000 Italian Jews were deported, most of them to the Camp at AUSSCHWITZ. We shall be deeply grateful for whatever you can do to discover the whereabouts and the fate of our co-religionaries who may have been transferred to POLAND, and to provide all possible help to the survivors. Naturally our Committee holds itself completely at your disposal and wishes to cooperate in every way.

Please act as intermediary for future communications between the LUBLIN Committee for Jewish Affairs and the Italian Jewish Union. "Union of Italian Jewish Communities".

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C3M/D 886
2046

FROM. M.E.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR ANKARA
NO. 129 21ST APRIL 1945 W/T TO C D

For the Military Attaché . The following is transmitted on behalf of the War Ministry:

"208062/D in response to letter 201/AE of 7th March. By agreement with the Air Ministry you are temporarily assigned the duties of Air Attaché. Since the files, in the possession of the Naval Attaché, will not be required for the future exercise of this function, they should be sent under seal as soon as possible to the Air Ministry, by diplomatic courier. With regard to the salary you may correspond directly with the Air Ministry.

"By order of the Permanent Undersecretary LOMBARDI".

PERSICO

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SECRET

CSM/D 887
2082

FROM. H.E.A. ROSE
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
NO. 124 22ND APRIL 1945 CABLE T&C D

Your no. 183 (Dept note:CSM/D 834)
SALVATORELLI having refused, compilation of the preface has been given, independently of our initiative, to REUTER correspondent CECIL SPRIGGE, who has given assurance that his work will reach there in time.
DE GASPERI

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CSM/D 888
2066

FROM. A.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN EMBASSY B.A.
NO. 101 22ND APRIL 1945

W/T ONE D

Your no. 105 (Dept note: CSM/D 743)

The Ministry of the Interior approves request to postpone return, made by Questore ERNEST CAMMAROTA. Please follow the course of Signora CAMMAROTA's illness and report to this Ministry.

PERSICO

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OSS/D 569
E 57/24

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 544 24?TH APRIL 1945. #/T TWO A

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I have information from a trustworthy source that during the night between the 21st and the 22nd materials which had been stored for some time in the (?railway station storehouses) at ISELLE, so that no more (1 grp corrupt) remain there than can (14 grps corrupt) to endanger railway installations.

The SIMPLON tunnel is undamaged and likewise the TC (1grp corrupt) factory. The line has been only slightly damaged.

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CSM/D 889
56/25

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . R.F.A.ROME
NO. 547 24?TH APRIL 1945 W/T TWO A

My no. 544 (Dept note: CSM/D 889)
(Following text badly corrupt. Out of 35 groups ;
only the following appears:)
.... ISEKLE is said to have been evacuated last night
by.....

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SECRET CSM/D 891
N 55/25

FROM ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 543 ?24 APRIL 1945 W/T 3 D

Repeats news carried in the press concerning refugees at the German-Swiss border. Continues:

For the present there is no indication that fascists are appearing at the Italo-Swiss border. ORESTE BONOMI, who at first succeeded in entering SWITZERLAND, was escorted back to the border.

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SUMMARY BY CSM ROME SECRET

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CSM/D 892
N 61/25

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 457 24 APRIL 1945 TABLE TWO A

This Embassy's no.1439 (Dept.Note: CSM/D290).

Spanish authorities have taken measures to close the military (1 gr corrupt) office of the so-called Republican Fascist Agency. My information however is that the heads had an inkling of this some time ago, evidently forewarned by the police, so that ten days ago they moved files and typewriters to their private lodgings.

I put the question to the Foreign Ministry whether the decision precludes the complete elimination of fascist agencies, as might have been hoped. It was replied that tomorrow the closing of the military agency would be followed by that of the press agency, while the (3 gr unintelligible) of the (1 gr corrupt) agency would take on an exclusively administrative character. It was added that the Spanish Government could make no other decision because it (1 gr corrupt) important interests in North ITALY, where its consul was still active at MILAN in protecting the interests of the Spanish subjects who remain there.

Since the personnel of the suppressed office will not be able to leave Spanish territory, they will be restricted to a designated area under police surveillance.

The question was also asked whether the Spanish Government, in consequence of this decision, would take measures to refuse recognition (3 gr corrupt) passports and other official documents already issued by the so-called Agency. The answer was negative. It was then pointed out how regognition of the above-mentioned documents, besides being gravely injurious to the interests and prestige of the Royal Italian Government, went somewhat beyond strictly administrative tolerance.

The Spanish decision was motivated solely by the ineluctable course of the war.

GALLARATI SCOTTI

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CSM/D 893
N 59/25

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 455 ?24 APRIL 1945 CABLE 2 A

I am informed that some days ago the German Embassy here began (1 gr corrupt) to burn its most confidential files.

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GALLARATI SCOTTI

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CSM/D 894
N 60/25

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 456 ?24 APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

Sequel to this Embassy's no.95 (Dept.Note: CSM/D423).

From the French Representative here I have learned (18 gr corrupt) that the Spanish Government withdrew its troops from the Republic of ANDORRA three days ago. The decision was communicated officially to the French Representative, but it is not believed that it will form the subject of a press communiqué.

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CSM/D 895
N 54/25

FROM ITALIAN MINISTER LISBON
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 110 24TH APRIL 1945. CABLE TWO D

I transmit the following telegram from the Italian Naval Attaché to the Ministry of Marine:

"To: Marina, Rome, 24th April 1945.
Folio no.84 of 9th March 1945, addressed to the Mercantile Marine (Dept. Note: Not available).
The Portuguese Merchant Marine informed me on the 23rd that the Italian SS GERARDIA, now at CAPE VERDE, is about to be towed to LISBON for necessary repairs. I asked an explanation of this unexpected decision (I am corrupt) your Ministry informed, and shall report.

Signed NAVITALIA."

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CSM/D 896
K 53/25

FROM ITALIAN MINISTER LISBON
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 111 ?24 APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO D

I immediately requested of the Portuguese Foreign Ministry an explanation of the unexpected decision to transfer the GENARCHIA to LISBON, communicated to us by the Portuguese Mercantile Marine. The Ministry after inquiry informed me that competent authority had deemed it best, for the sake of the interests and the safety of our ship, and in view of the anxiety expressed by us (your telegram no.47)(Dept.Note: CSM/D641), to move her, taking advantage of the presence at CAPE VERDE of a ship able to tow her. It was added that obviously the move did not prejudice Italian rights and interests in any way. I expressed every reserve because of the circumstance that the move was made without the previous consent of the Italian Government, and also asked for written confirmation of the above.

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C3M/D 897
R 88/25

FROM ITALIAN EMBASSY BUENOS AIRES
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 172 24TH APRIL W/T ONK D

Your no.91 (Dept.Note: C3M/D701).

The LATI agent informs me that he is unable to take steps at the BANCO CENTRAL here to deposit the previously discussed funds of this Embassy, unless the LATI authorities revoke the powers of COPPOLA, who is legally his superior and whose instructions he is therefore bound to follow. In this connection it appears that COPPOLA is trying to avoid transferring the Embassy funds, and that he requested the payment of considerable sums, which GARCIA CONDE agreed to in part on the grounds of (?assisting him).

To avoid prejudicial interference or possible further (?claims against) GARCIA CONDE, it would be desirable for LATI authorities to clarify COPPOLA's position by arranging, if he still holds the title of PROCURATOR GENERAL for the American zone, to give him the necessary orders; -- or if he does not, to telegraph (?in clear) to GARCIA CONDE at this Embassy and afterwards to confirm by air, instructing him (? or corrupt) duty to ignore COPPOLA's orders and specifying that his powers are revoked.

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Ambassador Kirk

APR 23 RECD
CC. 1710.

TO: Chief Commissioner's Office

SECRET

23rd April 1945

Herewith your copies, for retention if desired, of CSM/D 856-877.

Would be grateful if you would return copy of this cover sheet to us as a receipt.

Done 24/4/45

CYPHER SECURITY MISSION

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Mr. Kirk:

For information and return.

J. A. Quayle.

24/4/45

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CSM/D 856
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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. ?424 ?17TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

(Dept note: Gives details of plan for (?equalization of credit balances) (Ital: LIVELLAZIONE CLEARING) between SPAIN and ITALY. Is this item desired?).

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CSM/D 857
N 86/19

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO 195 18TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO D

Postponement of the Parliamentary (1 grp corrupt) on POLAND, announced today, coincides with rumours, which have also appeared in the press, that the Soviet Government has negotiated directly a basis for a new Government with POLISH members of the liberated nation movement at MOSCOW, excluding the LUBLIN Committee itself from the negotiation. According to (1 grp corrupt), the decision will be announced at S. FRANCISCO after the necessary agreement between MOLOTOV, EDEN, and STETTINIUS. Because it is significant, even if it should prove incorrect, and in case you think it desirable to verify it, I give also the report which reached me through a Polish diplomat, that STALIN, having learned of ROOSEVELT's death, asked the U.S. Ambassador what act could best prove his sympathy for the American people. At the latter's suggestion MOLOTOV's departure and the reestablishment of contacts over the Polish question were decided in a few hours. It is certainly true that among members of the Polish Government in London it is believed - not without apprehension - that the YALTA agreements on this subject (? are about) to be realized.

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Qam/D 858
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FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
NO. 104 5TH APRIL 1945 W/T ONE D

Instructions to request of Jugoslav and Soviet authorities that 2000 Italian internees including Minister PETRUCCI and former Italian Legation personnel be repatriated when ZAGREB is liberated.

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(Summary by CSM Rome)

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SECRET CSM/D 860
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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 124 17TH APRIL 1945 W/T ONE D

MY no. 65 of 5th March (Dept note: Not received in Allied Commission).

I repeated to SCIUVASCIC the request to send a delegate of the Italian Red Cross, and mentioned that reports circulating in Italy of treatment received by Italians in Jugoslavia (2 grps corrupt) damaging to the developement of future relations and that the presence of our delegate would be the best way to refute such rumours. SCIUVASCIC replied that the question is still under study because of the numerous practical difficulties connected with negotiations in progress between the Jugoslav Government and UNRRA, (?which must handle repatriation). He then added in veiled terms that, since the Red Cross delegate would probably have other responsibilities beyond his restricted official scope, it was difficult to examine the case without an offer of reciprocity.

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SECRET CSM/D 861

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR ROSSONI
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 129 17TH APRIL 1945 R/P CMB D

Your no. 113 (Dept nde: CSM/D 836) reached me a few hours (?after) Marshal TITO's departure: otherwise I might have been able to speak of it directly with him. The Jugoslav Ambassador here left for SAN FRANCISCO a few days later. However , I communicated the contents of the telegram which related to the incident at ROME to the Jugoslav Chargé d'Affaires here, with whom my personal relations are also very good. He assured me that he would telegraph at once. I call Your Excellency's attention to the desirability of keeping BELGRADE informed as to the results of the inquiry (1 grp corrupt) through me. As to the desirability of establishing direct relations between Italy and Jugoslavia, I had already spoken personally to SCIUVASCIC in view of his (2 grps corrupt) reported in my no. 124 (Dept note: CSM/D 860), and expressed myself more or less along the lines of your telegram. Still speaking personally, I had expressed the opinion that it would probably be better for the two countries to discuss all questions of common interest directly rather than through a mediator. With regard to restoration of direct relations, SCIUVASCIC replied that up to now the Jugoslav Government, not having had any intimation of such desires on the part of the Italian Government, had not been able to examine the question. With regard to pending questions first saying that he ~~also~~ as also was speaking personally, he answered that his experience of the last 25 years, including the period before Fascism, made him doubtful as to (? how much to favour) (Ital: PREFERENZA DA DARSI) direct negotiations.

Speaking to the Jugoslav Chargé d'Affaires here, and referring to my conversation with SCIUVASCIC - which he knew about - I told him that I was now in a position to speak no longer personally but in the name of my Government of ~~my~~ our desires and of the desirability of direct relations. He (1 grp corrupt) he would telegraph to BELGRADE immediately.

The impression which I brought away ~~with~~ from my conversation with SCIUVASCIC is that the Jugoslavs feel in every respect sure of their position as far as concerns (? negotiations with us), and that they have nothing to gain

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(? therein).

For obvious reasons I shall report by bag as to the impressions and information which I have been able to secure in this matter during recent months. My impression is that, on the whole, opinion in every direction is rather unfavourable to us. During the conversation with SCIUVASCIC he insisted several times on the very bad impression on Jugoslav public opinion of the ROATTA affair, which produced many doubts as to the real intentions of Italy.

Concerning our desire to normalize relations with Jugoslavia, I had already spoken to the Soviet Government on the basis of instructions in your no. 32 of last August 30th (Dept note: Not available): I returned to the subject several times on my own initiative, but so far I have received only vague expressions of pleasure. However I shall bring up the question again, and telegraph.

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CSM/D 862
1822

SECRET

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR ANKARA
NO. 110 11TH APRIL 1945 W/T WORD

Allied Authorities authorize the repatriation of REXHAI BEGA. Please settle details of journey with Allied Mission s in TURKEY.

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CSM/D 863
N 85/19

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR ANKARA
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 146 18TH APRIL 1945 W/T T WO D

Your no. 110 of 111th April (Dept note: CSM/D 862)
Please ask Allied Authorities to send direct instructions to the British Embassy here, which tells me that it has not yet received instructions concerning repatriation of BEGA RMX, King of ALBANIA.

GUGLIELMO INETTI

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CSM/D 864
1940

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FROM. N.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN EMBASSY LONDON
NO. 112 17TH APRIL 1945

CABLET TO D

FOR GUIDOTTI.

Your no. 4. (Dept note: CSMD 819)

Please communicate to the Norwegian Government that the appointment of BENTZON has been especially welcome because his friendly sentiments towards ITALY are known to us. Credentials are not required for him as "Representative". But make it clear how much we should be pleased if BENTZON from the time of his arrival were regularly accredited as Minister, as with the representatives of almost all the other states with whom our relations were broken, most recently for example CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

For yourself no special credentials are ~~three~~ thought necessary, as your appointment is provisional and the Royal Government intends as soon as ~~possible~~ it is possible, and agreeable to the Norwegian Government, to send a Minister accredited to the King of Norway with regular credentials.

DIANA

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CSM/D 865
1948

FROM . M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
NO. 246 17TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO D
ENZO STORONI and ETTORE LATRONICO to go to Madrid to study food purchases.
(Summary by CSM/ Rome)

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C3E/D 866
1949

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FROM. M.F.A.ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
NO. 247 17TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO D

RICCIO appointed Counsellor in the Embassy at SANTIAGO.

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(Summary by C3E/Rome)

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CSM/D 86

SECRET

FROM . .F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN MINISTER STOCKHOLM
NO. 86 19TH APRIL 1945 WZ 1400

Please ~~inform~~ inform me urgently of the result of steps taken by you as result of our no. 47 of 23rd February (Dept note: CSM/D 573) concerning exchange of CAPPINI.

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FROM : N.F.A. RIO
TO : ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY
NO. 461 18TH APRIL 1945

SECRET

CSM/S 868

W/T TWO D

Your no. 519 (Dept note: Available if required: requests information).

The Head of the Mission to RIO is to leave by sea within a few days. Hence the Embassy is expected to reopen during the second half of May.

For SANTIAGO financial arrangements are still being made. Accordingly I shall communicate as soon as possible

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CSM/D 870
N 56/20

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 55 ?18 APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

No (?new developments have occurred) with respect to the communication which you know of. made some time ago by the Allied Commission, according to which "the authority of AMG would be extended to liberated territories as far as the 1939 frontier". I assure you of my continued interest.

TARCHIANI

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CSM/D 871
R 28/20

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 430 18TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

Reports relaxation of censorship on foreign journalists in SPAIN, and resumption of direct contact between journalists and the Spanish Foreign Ministry. Ends: "This decision is another effort to acquire sympathy among Allied Democratic circles".

GALLARATI SCOTTI

(SUMMARY BY CSM ROME)

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CSM/D 872
K 26/20

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FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 432 18TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

Reports arrival of U.S. technicians to rebuild and enlarge Spanish airports.

GALLARATI SCOTTI

(SUMMARY BY CSM ROME)

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CSM/D 873 ~~866~~

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
NO. 252 19TH APRIL 1945 CABLETWO D

Comm. VERRANDO sends the following to Your Excellency:
"With regard to the War Debt. I have given to Director General DINOLA a memorandum proposing future negotiations with the Spanish Government as approved by you in principle; but the question has been left for further study and instructions will be communicated to you later.

As of first April I have been relieved of the office of Commercial Commissioner in order to resume my private occupations. My personal good wishes. Please deposit my credits for March with the BANCA LAVORO".

GRAZZI

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C3X/D 875
H 90/21

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 9 (GUIDOTTI) 20TH APRIL CABLE TWO D

Your no.112 (Dept.Note: C3X/D864), received here 20 April.

Today I made the communication referred to in the above telegram to the Secretary General of the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Sir.KOYLSTAD repeated to me what I had already reported to you (my dispatch no.? of ?th April), i.e. that since His Government is still the guest of the British Government, it has been thought best to follow its example and for the present appoint only a "representative", but with the intention of regularising the situation as soon as possible. This time he went on to say that Minister BENZON will be able to request from ROME that a letter of credentials be sent him, and that for this reason the Norwegian Government (illegible or corrupt), if the situation here permits, to be able to normalise relations even before returning to OSLO.

With regard to BENZON's mission, while I do not know what the present Italian ceremonial usage is, since I was very promptly received by the King of Norway (my telegram no.8 and dispatch ?C/? of ?th April)(Dept.Note: telegram available if required, dispatch unavailable), it seems to me absolutely necessary that BENZON be received even without credentials by the LIEUTENANT GENERAL.

With regard to my own mission, I am glad to tell you that, although I had no instructions from you until now, I had already clearly stated my position to the Norwegian Government.

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CSM/D 876
N 52/21

SECRET

FROM ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 537 9TH APRIL 1945 S/T 2WO A

Reports communication from Director of Swiss Commercial Division, to the effect that the Swiss Government recognizes the importance of Italo-Swiss commercial relations, but considers that conversations on the subject should be postponed until possibilities of trade may be more clearly seen than at present.

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CSM/S 877
N 51/21

SECRET

FROM ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 538 20 APRIL 1945 R/2 TWC A

Whereas SWITZERLAND evidently intends to wait until completion of liberation of ITALY before beginning commercial conversations, it is believed that SWITZERLAND will be willing to provide reconstruction credits for ITALY at the proper time. This belief is strengthened by information supplied by Col.JENNY, U.S., in SWITZERLAND by agreement with Minister RUNT to discuss the subject with the Swiss.

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CSM/D 874
1996/C

FROM U.F.A. ROME
TO ITALIAN AMBASSADORS TWO D
LONDON AND MOSCOW CABLE TO LONDON
NO. 1995/C 19TH APRIL W/T TO MOSCOW

Before leaving for WASHINGTON, GAVRILEVIC, Jugoslav Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs, made statements to the ING which included the assertion that about 700,000 Jugoslavs against 200,000 Italians live in VENETIA JULIA.

The JULIAN ACTION COMMITTEE in ROME has handed to the IUS office here a communiqué which contains Julian population data drawn from 1910 and 1921 censuses.

The above for your records, and for your use for the purpose of clarification in case of opportunity.

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RHUMAS

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SECRET CSM/D 869
N 57/20

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 54 18TH APRIL 1945 CABLETEC A

SECRET. My no.20. (Dept note: CSM/D 808).

I have continued to discuss the question of Venetia Julia in conformity with your no. 763. In that connection the following exactly quoted verbal communication was made to me today.:

"The State Department was interested to know our point of view and comments on the question, (3 grps corrupt) had called his attention, and was being followed. The "closest attention" would continue to be given to the question. The U.S.A. will do "everything (1 grp corrupt) possible". In conformity with general policy as to all disputed areas, it is desired to avoid any "unilateral action" which might prejudice the final decisions to be reached on the question.

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CSM/D 859
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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO . M.F.A. ROME W/T ONE D
NO. 123 17TH APRIL 1945

Your no. 104 (Dept note: CSM/D 858).of
I spoke to SCIUVASCIC about the questions of the personnel of our Legations, and of the Italians at ZAGREB. He (1 grp corrupt) me of his interest and added:" despite the fact that PETRUCCI during his stay at the BELGRADE Legation showed himself to be very hostile to Jugoslavia".
Soviet authorities, whom I (?had) approached previously on the subject, did not take up my request but ~~rather~~ told me that it was rather a question for Jugoslav authorities to deal with.
In view of the significant reservations made by SCIUVASCIC concerning Minister PETRUCCI (? I should) advise consulting the Allies as well. In this connection I understand (1 grp corrupt) BELGRADE Col. Charles THAYER, U.S., former Legation Secretary, who being almost engaged to PETRUCCI's daughter is certainly disposed to do as much as (1 grp corrupt) personally in his behalf.

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APR 19 RECD
CC 1610

TO: Chief Commissioner's Office

19th April 1945

Herewith your copies, for retention if desired, of CSM/D 840-855.

Would be grateful if you would return copy of this cover sheet to us as a receipt.

Done

SECURITY MISSION

Mr. Kirk:

For information and return.

Returned with thanks
after use.

Room 3

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SECRET

CSM/D 841
N 65/15

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 190 14TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO D

Aside from the General dismay and even though the progress of the war renders the death of President ROOSEVELT of less grave consequence; here there are serious apprehensions because of the resulting uncertainty especially in relation to the possible evolution in the policy of the U.S.State Department. Neither the new President - who is relatively little known - nor the new Secretary of State seems to have enough experience in foreign policy, or to enjoy enough authority befor their public, to prevent fears here in London, on the eve of peace, of some dangerous diversion from the prefectly straight and parallel lines of policy which CHURCHILL and ROOSEVELT had succeded in maintaining, not without some (I grp corrupt) periods, thanks especially to their profound mutual esteem and personal friendship. EDEN's flight to attend the funeral suggests how much urgency and importance is attributed to the immediate restoration of direct contact.

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CSM/D 840
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FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 527 14TH APRIL 1945 CABLE THREE D

I have made a further approach to the Political Department with a view to ascertaining its point of view in regard to the proposed decree relating a centre for the study of reconstruction for ITALY. Naturally, with the arrival of (LA) FRANCESCA and the consequent return to normality of our Commercial Office, the activities of the Centre will again come within the orbit of that Office. STOPPANI is of the opinion that by his supporting action (2 grps corrupt) on an official level, the unofficial recognition already received from the President of the Confederation is sufficient for his purposes.

Please inform H.E. CO(T)ONNETTI of the above.

(Summary by CSM Rome)

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SECRET CSM/D 842
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FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 530 14TH APRIL 1945 CABLE THREE D

The Political Department informs me that after having considered our request that SWITZERLAND should undertake the protection of Italian interests in GERMANY it is very sorry to have to say definitely that it still adheres to is view previously expressed. Even apart from the question of principle, the Department points out that at the moment all communication by Swiss authorities with GERMANY has been cut and that therefore the proposal is not practically possible.

I tried to argue that the situation in GERMANY will change and that effective assumption of our interests might be possible when SWITZERLAND can communicate with her consuls. But the reply was that one cannot foresee a return to normal conditions ~~that like~~ in GERMANY. The Department thinks that the Anglo-American authorities should assume the protection of our interests.

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CSM/D 843
N 84/15

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 119 14TH APRIL 1945 W/T ONE D

Your no. 110 of 10th April (Dept note: CSM D846).
I have spoken to the People's Commissar who will inform me of the decision of the military authorities. The Russian procedure with regard to foreigners of any nationality, liberated from German imprisonment, is to give no information as to their number, points of concentration or movements, but only to group them at embarkation points as means of transport permit. I also point out that the Soviet Government recognizes the validity only of its own interrogations of foreigners of whatever nationality. Information received from all directions shows that liberated prisoners are receiving excellent treatment from Soviet authorities. As to concentrating our soldiers at ODESSA, I refer to my no. 82 (Dept note: not received) reporting the intention of the Soviet Government to send them to ------ (? after the completion of plans for their repatriation).

QUARONI
(Summary by CSM ROME)

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C.A/D 844
N 60/15

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 414. 14 TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

This Embassy's no. 231 of 11th May 1944.

Commander Italo ZAPPOLI has approached the Royal Italian Consulate General here to ask what would be the effect if he belatedly made his submission. It appears that he has already made contact with the British Embassy. Since 1943 and until now, Italo ZAPPOLI's demeanour has been reserved, his conduct has not attracted notice, and he has avoided contacts with the ~~neo-fascis~~ Republicans. Please inform me what action (? I should take) in view of ZAPPOLI's action.

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CSM/D 845
N 69/15

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER LISBON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 100. ? 14TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO D

I transmit the following for ITALCABLE:

"British authorities still distrust MAGNANI because of new evidence. Since the report of Dr. (I grp corrupt) DUARTE SILVA was unenlightening, it is urgently necessary to replace MAGNANI. The British Embassy here will communicate with the Embassy in Rome in connection with the travel facilities of his successor. I recommend the choice of a man of strong moral character, because the situation (?at) San Vincenzo is difficult because of the presence of dissidents."

(Summary by CSM Rome).

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CSM/D 846
1780

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
NO. 110 10TH APRIL 1945 W/T ONE D

Legation at BUCHAREST communicates that 500 Italian prisoners liberated from Camp CESTI have been sent to the USSR for certification. As Italian and Roumanian authorities have already interrogated and certified these prisoners, and the Allied Commission had already begun a selective individual examination, it is not understood why it has been decided to send them to the USSR for new examination.

Please examine their position and try to have them concentrated at ODESSA in order to be repatriated.

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CSM/D 847
1930

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN EMBASSY LONDON
NO. 110. 15TH APRIL 1945 CABLE? TWO A

Your no. 171 of the 31st March (Dept Note: available if wanted).

The Royal Italian Embassy Washington telegraphed on the 5th April As follows:

(Text of CSM/D 808)

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CSM/D 848
25/16

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 419 14TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

I have already sent you in a press telegram the official communiqué of the Cabinet about the new (? ~~effe~~ forms of) pardon applicable to crimes committed during the revolution.

In view of the ambiguous form in which the communiqué was drafted, I sought and obtained the following information from the competent authorities.

The paragraph about Political responsibilities (Sic) whose - are declared, i.e. defined (?has the) meaning that - sent - and not pursued with prosecutions.

There are excluded - from this i.e. from the policy of generosity, those political (?personages) who, - (?when) recalled by FRANCO to SPAIN, did not present themselves and are therefore punishable for insubordination. Among these are included LARGO CABA (LLE) RO, N - - , MAURA DEL VAYO, PRIETO, LERROUX etc.

The above decision of the Government is another gesture by the FRANCO Government to try to capture the sympathy of democratic circles of the Allied Powers.

(Translation by CSM Rome)

Note by CSM/ Text as received by us is extremely corrupt, but above is believed to be reliable.

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CSM/D 849
64/16

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR B.A.
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 161 15TH APRIL 1945 CABLE ONE D

The situation in the ARGENTINE is now passing through a delicate phase, of which the following are the principle elements:

The internal situation (? has not) yet cleared up, seeing that the Government has not yet adopted the measures expected for the resumption of normal constitutional conditions. However the democratic elements are intensifying their Government (?i ;e. electoral) campaign and are demanding the complete withdrawal of the Armed Forces from public affairs. On the other hand there are clear signs that Colonel PERON, at present Vice-President, is a candidate for Presidency. The declaration of war, in veiw of the circumstances in which it was made, has aroused no special comment from public opinion here. The recognition of the FARRELL Government has been kept by the Allied Governments within the limits of correct diplomatic form.

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CSM/D 850
N 31/17

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 192 16TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO D

Your telegram no. 1801 (Dept note: Rome-London 103, available if required).

The contents of (1 grp corrupt) 1654 (Dept note: CSM/D 802) received here 6th April, formed the subject of a note verbale of 7th April, presented on the 10th to the head of the Western European division. I reported in dispatch no. 830 of 11th April that the (Note verbale?) was received with reserve by the British, since the question of possible replacement of the Italian Gold has not yet been taken up by the proper authorities. In this connection I recall my telegram no. 93 (Dept note: Not received in Allied Commission). (2 grps corrupt) state in a preliminary answer (?to) telegram no. 1838 (Dept note: CSM/D 839) that the British press ~~sepk~~ spoke not of special markings of the Bank of Italy, but of twenty lira pieces of 1832. Today's papers announces that disciplinary measures were taken against the censor of Patton's army who (2 grps corrupt) the news. The News Chronicle relates this to (1 grp corfupt) steps (?taken by?) the Italian Covernment at WASHINGTON.

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CSM/D 851
1942

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN MINISTER STOCKHOLM
NO. 84 17TH APRIL 1945 W/T TWO D

I authorize payment of 3,000 crowns to Sig. ERIKSSON to aid interned officials. Part of this should be used for these internmd in CHINA.

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SECRET CSM/D 852
N 76/17

FROM. ITALIAN EMBASSY BUENOS AIRES
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 164 16TH APRIL 1945 W/T ONE D

Your no. 75 (Dept note: Available if required)
(Requests terms for Argentine meat shipments).

In the course of the conversations referred to in my nos. 145 and 156 (Dept note: no. ~~134~~ 145 in CSM/D815: no. 156, available if required), I put before the Argentine Foreign Minister the proposal for purchasing meat, emphasizing the absolute impossibility of our furnishing transport. The Minister promised to take the matter up but mentioned again the known difficluties. Later the offices conserned informed me that: 1. On the basis of inter-American agreements, Argentina has underteken to limit her navigation to countries of (?this) continent. 2 Therefore the Argentine Government was unable to accede to the requests of France and the Holy See. 3.Since the declaration of war it is expected that Argentine navigation will be subject to the control of the proper Allied Authorities. 4. Argentine will soon request the latter to allow here a certain tonnage to carry her products which are required by the United Nations, and her own indispensable supplies. If the above authorities and inter-American bodies accede, the advance return to us of some of our ships which were sold here would be considered. (Next sentence appears corrupt or incomplete; general sense seems to be that in any case efforts will be continued to reach a concrete solution).

In this connection I inform you that various American and European countries are now carrying on negotiations to (1 grp corrupt) Argentine food products.

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OSM/D 853
1936

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN MINISTER STOCKHOLM
NO. 83 16TH APRIL 1945 W/T TWO D

At present this Ministry has no other means of arranging for protection of our interests in Soviet occupied German territory and we are therefore induced to accept the Swedish offer even in the limited form proposed. Please thank the Swedish authorities, but ask them at the same time to keep us informed concerning concrete possibilities. which may arise at an opportune moment of exercising protective functions in our favour, in order that we may be able to re-examine the situation in case such protection proves to be (? insufficient) (Ital; INCONSISTENTE).

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CSM/D 854
R 1700

FROM. K.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
NO. 221 6TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

For your personal information, this Government intends to send to Madrid a delegation to negotiate for new settlement of the war debt. You will be ~~in~~ informed when to ask the Spanish Government whether it agrees.

DE GASPERI

(Summary by CSM Rome)

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CSM/D 855
N 49/17

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO. M.F.A. ROME
NO. 7423 16TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

Your no. 221 (Dept note: CSM/D 854)

I am glad (2 grps corrupt) the sending of a Commission to negotiate over our war credits. (1 grp corrupt) my opinion through Cmdr VERRANDO.

Some time ago I expressed to LEQUERICA and SANGRONIZ my personal conviction that it would be well to begin negotiations again at the beginning in relation to the new situation. At the same time I have thought it good tactics to (1 grp corrupt) and solve the current problems one at a time. As soon as (1 grp corrupt) reached a solution as to restitution of the equivalent of ten thousand tons of wheat, which we hope will be soon, I think it would be well to send competent technicians promptly for final negotiations over the question of credits, which for my part I think are now capable of solution.

SANGRONIZ comes to ROME with the best intentions in this matter. His intervention may be an important aid. This is why we are requesting all possible facilitations for his journey on your part in agreement with the Allies, and I hope for favourable action.

GALLARATI SCOTTI.

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CSM/D828
M75/11

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO S.I.A. ROME
NO. 393 10TH APRIL 1945 CABLE 2 A

My dispatch 1950/714 of March 27th (Dept.Note: Not available).

The draft sent under the above number, prepared by the Air Minister in collaboration with our Adjunct Air Attaché, was sent to the Foreign Minister for preliminary study from the political point of view. In a meeting between MAYALDE, Col.ROEU, the Counsellor of this Embassy, and the Adjunct Air Attaché, a final form was agreed on to be submitted simultaneously to higher authorities. Compared with the abovementioned draft, the present text shows the following variations:

1. Art.4 cancelled because it repeats Art.21.
2. In first line of Art.13, omit "to aeronautical rules".
3. Art.15 replaced by an article which provides that each party shall furnish fuel and lubricants to the other's economy on the same terms as its own.
4. Art.16 entirely (1 gr corrupt).
5. Art.19 omitted.
6. Art.20 changed: instead of "the high contracting parties shall provide for their respective companies to assume", read "the high contracting parties shall advise their respective companies to assume". In addition omit "with precedence for its own (1 gr corrupt)".

Added to the proposed draft are the preamble and the two articles which follow:

1. The Spanish and Italian Governments, wishing to maintain air communication between the two countries, and pending extension of the (1 gr corrupt) between the two countries, (Dept.Note: Succeeding text very corrupt, but mentions abrogation of the Air Pact of 12th Apr 1940).

Art.19. By agreement the high contracting parties may change Articles 1 and 2 of this agreement, adding new lines or (?changing) the terminals.

Art.21. Sets the effective date of the agreement and (Dept.Note: Remainder of sentence doubtful. Mentions a term of six months.)

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I do not believe that this draft will be further modified by the Spanish. Please inform me whether you wish any changes made, keeping in mind that in this Embassy's opinion this is the most that the Spanish Government will concede. I am sending the full text by bag.

GALLARATI SCOTTI

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CC 1628
APR 16 RECD

TO: Chief Commissioner's Office

16th April 1945

Herewith your copies, for retention if desired, of CSM/D 815-839.

Would be grateful if you would return copy of this cover sheet to us as a receipt.

CYPHER SECURITY MISSION

Done
D.H.E.
16 Apr 45

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C3M/D 815
77/10

FROM. ITALIAN EMBASSY B.A. SECRET
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 145 9TH APRIL 1945 CABLE ONE D

Your telegram No.76 (C3M/D/89)

I made the communication to the Argentine Minister for Foreign Affairs ad interim, who took note of it with great pleasure and asked me to transmit to Your Excellency the cordial appreciation of the Argentine Gvt. as well as his own.

The Minister made a point of emphasizing the friendly attitude which the Royal Italian Government had shewn during the recent complex circumstances and expressed his hope that the traditional friendly relations we had always maintained would have a prosperous future.

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SECRET CSM/D 316
42/11

FROM. ITALIAN LEGATION BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 514 10TH APRIL 1945 W/T THREE D

The death of MAZZOLINI was announced by a Neo-Fascist newspaper as being due to illness. Various obituary notices have been published. From a reliable source I have been informed that there is no reason to believe that the official version is inexact.

BERIO

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SECRET CSM/D 817
46/11

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 510 9TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

STUCKI informed me this morning that the mother of CIANO has applied for admission to SWITZERLAND, and that this has been refused her.

He told me most categorically that there was no truth in the well known rumours that MUSSOLINI might possibly enter SWITZERLAND. On the contrary, he told me that Rachele MUSSOLINI has asked for permission to enter SWITZERLAND in order to (?take) to a clinic her daughter Anna Maria, who is suffering from paralysis but that the mother was refused, though the daughter was admitted on the understanding ~~by the~~ that she be taken in charge at the frontier by the Swiss Authorities.

Finally he informed me that GRAZIANI and ROSSONI had been recently reported to be at a place a few kilometres from CHIASSO. Orders had been given to the authorities on the spot to see that they were turned back if, as was believed to be their intention, they tried to pass the frontier.

BERIO
(Translated by CSM, Rome).

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CSM/D 818
80/11

PROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . F.O. ROME
NO. 506 8TH APRIL 1945 CABLE TWO A

Following is from our Military Attaché for the Ministry of War, Office of the Minister's Private Secretary. (Gabinetto):-

"No 19.

The Swiss Military Authorities are asking us to make agreements with them as to way in which, after the liberation of Northern Italy, (?we can arrange) the repatriation from SWITZERLAND of Italian military refugees and interneés.

In my opinion the situation would require
1. Closure of the frontier at the right moment and as far as is possible (?under the) care of C.L.N.A.I. (The /Liberation Committee). SWITZERLAND to take similar measures.
2. (?immediate) return into ITALY of individuals or units of C.L.N.A.I. these to be (?sent) in the directions indicated by the Committee.
3. Later mass repatriations on a progressive system of which details and times would be fixed by the Central Government (in Italy), bearing in mind that the Allied Military Authorities will also have an interest.

We think here that it is urgent that the matter be arranged and the necessary staff put onto it. If this is not done, it could well be that, as the Swiss Authorities have determined to prevent any chaotic or uncontrolled movements, serious incidents will occur.

Please (reply). BIANCHI."

BERIO

(Summary by CSM, Rome)

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CSM/D 819
76/11

FROM. ITALIAN EMBASSY LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO.4 (of GUIDOTTI's series) 9TH APRIL 1945.CABLE THREE D

Minister BENTZON, who has been appointed to be Norwegian Representative in ROME, has asked me to let him know whether the Italian Government desires him to bring with him his letters of credentials or whether these should be presented later, when he is accredited as Minister in full.

As BENTZON is expecting to start soon, please let me know as quickly as possible.

As far as my own position is concerned, BENTZON, who at present is chef du protocol, told me that I shall be received tomorrow by the Minister of Foreign Affairs and that from then on I shall fully assume my functions as Italian Representative.

He observed, however, that if Your Excellency should decide to give me also a letter of credentials this also can be presented later without prejudice to the full discharge at once of my functions.

GUIDOTTI

(Translation by CSM)

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CSM/D 820
N 72/12

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER STOCKHOLM
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 139 11TH APRIL 1945 R/T TWO D

The Swedish Red Cross representative in Japan, ERIKSON, has visited the former members of the Royal Italian Embassy at TOKYO, interned together with JANNELLI, who are well but in need of supplies. Permission requested to disburse 3000 crowns for this purpose.

GUARNASCHELLI

(Summary by CSM ROME)

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OSM/D 821
H 85/12

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 37 11TH APRIL 1945 CABLE? TWO D

(Bad text): appears to report protest published in P.M. against reappointment of SEGRE to consular service, in view of his record in BOSTON 1935-8, and further protest sent also by P.M to State Department. Appointment as Consul in San Francisco therefore inadvisable. SEGRE has expressed personal desire not to be recalled to ROME but to be consulted in advance concerning an appointment in Europe, preferably Switzerland. (Last sentence particularly doubtful).

TARCHIANI.

(Summary by OSM ROME)

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CSM/D 822
M 94/12

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR ANKARA
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 135 10TH APRIL 1945 W/T ONE A

Financial credits in TURKEY belonging to persons residing abroad are blocked. But the law allows transfer of such credits through export of certain commodities, details follow by bag. In January 1944 the ARRIGONI Co. of MILAN sent a certain SEGNALARDO to STAMBUL to use such credits for commodities including fish.

Following passage obscure: TRIESTE and German Authorities mentioned. Sense seems to be that Royal Italian Embassy requested Turkish Government, 7th January 1944, to block commodity as well as money exports to North Italy, and Minister SVOBODA answered 8th March 1944 (? that all exports would be blocked to both occupied and liberated Italy).

(Continued:) This prohibition is still in effect. This Embassy recommended in dispatch no. 16 of 31 March that your Ministry request the Turkish Government that the prohibition of exportation of Turkish commodities to Italy be limited to German-occupied territory.

GUGLIELMINETTI

(Summary by CSM Rome)

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SECRET CSM/D 823
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FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN LEGATION BERNE
NO. 382 10TH APRIL 1945 W/T THREE D

BENZONI appointed to PARIS as Councellor.
Please make arrangements so that he can reach his post at the date which will be precisely given later.

DE GASPERI

(Summary by CSM Rome) SECRET

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C8C/D 824
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SECRET

FROM. ITALIAN EMBASSY LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 5 (of GUIDOTTI's series) 12TH APRIL 1945 ?CABLE THREE D

On the 10th and 12th of this month I had an audience with the Norwegian and Czech Ministers of Foreign Affairs respectively.

GUIDOTTI.

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SECRET PSM/D 825
1773

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
NO. 36 10TH APRIL 1945 ? CABLE THREE D

Please ask the Ministers in WASHINGTON, of GUATEMALA, NICARAGUA and HONDURAS, for approval of the appointment of GUGLIELMO SILENZI as Minister to GUATEMALA, MANAGUA, and TEGUCIGALPA.

With reference to Your Excellency's telegram No. 10 of the 14th March (Dept note: available if wanted) please ask for the approval of theesame SILENZI for EL SALVADOR.

DE GASPERI

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SECRET CSM/D 826
N 100/ 13

FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO. M.F.A ROME
NO. 521 12TH APRIL 1945 W/T TWO A

The Military Attaché tells me that as soon as orders arrive for repatriation of the refugee carabinieri to South Italy, Swiss authorities will issue the authorization without delay if French authorities do not object. But I should inform you that the North Italian National Liberation Committee and Allied authorities, in view of the expected liberation of North Italy, recommend that by agreement with Swiss authorities, measures be taken in advance to permit organization at the Italo-Swiss frontier of a military police control over repatriation of refugees, to prevent possible escape of neo-fascists. For this purpose it would be necessary to use all available carabinieri, guardia di finanza, and police. I recommend this plan but request Your Excellency to telegraph whether you approve. If so, the return of the carabinieri to South Italy would be abandoned.

BERIO

(Summary by CSM Rome)

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SECRET 63 /0827
R95/13

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 406 ?11TH APRIL 1945 CABLE 2 A

(TEXT DEFECTIVE)

I have the following on the best authority: DON JUAN's manifesto has led to the preparation by the FRANCO régime of new positions for its defence (?and) attempts to absolve itself with the Allies. Almost at the same time as the decision to break off relations with JAPAN, (?there was published) an official communiqué on the meeting of the political committee which announces approval by the committee of the new Spanish Constitution (FUERO DE LOSE (1 gr corrupt)ES). The proposed law will be studied by the National (1 gr corrupt) Council. My authority informs me that the law will probably establish (2 gr obscure) and "Kingdom", but does not name the Monarch or the reigning family; and will provide for Constitutional guarantees and for an early election. By this means it is intended to counter the move by the Pretender (?and) profit by the state of indecision caused by (1 gr corrupt). In this connection I inform Your Excellency (?that the resignation of ALBA from the LONDON Embassy has not yet been accepted by FRANCO) and that several resignations of eminent personages are expected.

Sig. GOICOECHEA, former (1 gr corrupt) of the Monarchist party, has sent DON JUAN a letter (?which casts) doubt upon the timeliness of the manifesto, and which defends FRANCO's record. I am following developments closely; in close contact with the Allied Embassies.

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GALLARATI SCOTTI

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CSM/D° 829
N 103/13

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 407 12 TH APRIL 1945 CABLE ONSA

The Cabinet hasdecided to break relations with JAPAN without prejudice to the claims for indemnity presented to the Japanese Government for losses of Spanish lives and propertly. I was informed yesterday in advance of the action by a High Official, who added very confidentially that it is a prelude to a declaration of war, which will take place probably after a few weeks, perhaps in order to save the Spanish Mission at TOKYO.

With this decision SPAIN is trying to align herself "in articulce mortis" with the Allies in the last phase of the war.

GALLARATI SCOTTI.

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SECRET C3M/D 830
N 51/13

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
TO F.F.A. ROME
NO. 38 4 14TH APRIL 1945 CABLETTO D

The Secretary of State replied in a note dated 7th April to my note of 29th March concerning our participation at SAN FRANCISCO. He confirms the State Department's position as reported in my no. 17 (Dept note: C3M/D 779) as follows: 1 The Conference is intended solely to develop an organization for internal security, not to decide questions of territory reparations etc. Hence observers for non invited nations are not planned. 2. A careful reexamination of the decision by the invited nations confirms that there is no possibility of attendance by observers for non-invited nations.

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TARCHIANI.

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OSM/D 831
R 52/13

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 40 ?12TH APRIL 1945

CABLE TWO D

Your bag telegram (sic) no. 03111 of 12th March arrived only of 9th April.

I transmit the following for ARIO:

"The council for the International Institute of Agriculture (? is telegraphing) to STETTINIUS immediately requesting an invitation to have a representative or an observer at the SAN FRANCISCO Conference.

LAURA LUBRINSA FRONTONE"

TARCHIANI

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CM/D 832
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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 185 13TH APRIL 1945 SECRET CABLE TWO D

The Canadian High Commissioner (?informs me) that his Government agrees to assignment of an Italian Representative to OTTAWA with personal rank of Consul General. Please inform whether I should take action. The High Commissioner offers to arrange transport. I have been informed that the Canadian Government refused to recognize the Protecting Power because the Argentine representative there seemed to be (?an intermediary for) (Ital. THANITE) the Fascist Republican Government. In any case the question may now be considered settled.

CARANDINI.

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cg /D 833
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PROB. ITALIAN DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVE B.A.

TC . R.F.L. ROME.

NO. 158 13TH APRIL 1945 W/T CSM L

PARENTI, Director of Implantese Co., informs ITALCABLE that action must be taken in Rome (?through the Spanish representatives) to instruct the B.A. branch of of the Bank of Italy to (?release) the shares deposited with it, in order that the shares may be assembled by 30th April.

SENSI.

(Summary by FSS Rome)

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N 103/14

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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LISBON
TO . MFA ROME
NO. 183 13TH APRIL 1945 W/T TWO D

A London editor on 10th May will publish MUSSOLINI's book (?TEMPI DEL BASTONE E CAROT). It is recommended that an explanatory foreward be written by an anti-fascist-SILONE or SALVATORELLI - to avoid an unfortunate effect on English public opinion.

CARANDINI.

(Summary by CSE Rome)

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SECRET CSM/D 835
N 98/14

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 184 13 TH APRIL 1945

CABLE TWO D

I immediately consulted the Foreign Office concerning the contents of your dispatch no. 03073/C of 10th March. Meanwhile I learn from a responsible allied military source that the High Command, at the beginning of this month, had not yet given instructions concerning treatment to be applied to the Italians who are met with in Germany. ninety thousand of these appear to be in territories already liberated especially in the zones of oprations of the American 3rd and 7th armies and the French army. In the absence of the aforesaid instructions, they are without assistance, left to the initiative of the individual commanders, and are marching in groups towards France. I therefore called the attention of the Foreign Office to the grave political and other consequences, which may result from this situation, and I was assured that immediate interest would be taken.

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SECRET CSM/DB36 1834

FROM S.P.A. ROME
TO ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
NO. 113 12TH APRIL 1945 #/T 1 D

(Duplicates to WASHINGTON:no.44 and LONDON:no.106)

A bomb explosion -- which caused no deaths and slight damage -- near the quarters of a Jugoslav partisan mission at ROME has provoked a violent anti-Italian campaign at BELGRADE. Investigation showed that the bomb exploded in the garden of a Catholic institution next to the mission. Its real target is therefore uncertain. Nevertheless, if the investigation indicates any Italian responsibility, severe punishment will follow. You know how strong and deep our desire is for an understanding with Jugoslavia. In our opinion this desire ought to be given reality by preliminary normalization of diplomatic relations between the two countries. Please convey the above to your Jugoslav colleague. You may add that our efforts to establish contact with TITO have had no success, and that the Jugoslav representative on the Advisory Committee for ITALY in residence here (SUBOTICA the son) seems to avoid rather than to seek opportunities for contact. Emphasize in a very friendly way that it is important in our opinion to put Italo-Jugoslav relations, with a mutual effort of good will, on a higher plane than that of daily press polemics and casual incidents.

Please inform the Government to which you are accredited of the above.

(Summary By CSM ROME)

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CSM/D 837
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FROM ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 374 7TH APRIL 1945 T/T TKO A

(Dept note: Close paraphase sent to Stockholm as no.77 dated 11th April)

Please deliver the following telegram to the E.N.I.T. representatives there:

"The Special Delegate (Ital. COMMISSARIO STRAORDINARIO) for E.N.I.T., the sole legal representative appointed (?by) the President of the Council of Ministers, confirms to the representatives abroad that it is their duty not to maintain relations with the illegal Government or with enemy governments. Please send an immediate report on the present situation.

"MARINELLI, Special Delegate."

At the same time I request you to send your own report covering the political attitude of the E.N.I.T. representative and any connections he may have with Neo-Fascist and enemy Authorities and elements.

DI ROMA.

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CSM:d 338
1815

FROM. M.F.A ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
NO. 41. 11TH APRIL 1945

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Most urgent.
Your no. 36.
I approve SEGRE as head of the Consulate General at SAN FRANCISCO, where he is to proceed as soon as possible.

DE GASPERI

(Dept note: See also Washington-Rome no. 37, CSM/D 821, also dated 11th April).

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C3E/D 839
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FRO . M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADORS LONDON. WASHINGTON. MOSCOW
CIRCULAR 12TH APRIL TWO D

Our no. 1654/C (Dept note: C3E/D 802)
Press reports state that in the gold found in Germany was included all or part of the Italian gold, bearing the Bank of Italy's special mark. Please ascertain whether thereport is true, and to what extent.

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APR 12 RECD
CC. 1552

TO: Chief Commissioner's Office
12th April 1945

Herewith your copies, for retention if desired, of CSM/D809-814.

Would be grateful if you would return copy of this cover sheet to us as a receipt.

CYPHER SECURITY MISSION.

13 April 1945

Dear Mr. Kirk:

The attached is forwarded herewith for your information. Please return when it has served your purpose.

Thanks so much.

E.W.P.

The Hon. Alexander Kirk,
American Ambassador,
Rome.

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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 389 7TH APRIL 1945 SECRET CABLE ONE A

Your no. 180 (Dept note: CSM/D775)

I thank your Excellency for your expression of confidence, and for the instructions, which already form the basis for my course of action with the Spanish Government. I shall follow with the fullest comprehension any suggestion which may convey your opinions to me. I am confident that favourable results can be secured without deviating from the ideal spirit and purpose which today animate the Italian Government.

From a conversation with LEQUERICA today I brought away the impression that possibilities, to which I called Your Excellency's attention, and which was probably a result of the polemics of our press, has been overcome for the present. But it is necessary to reach the desired solutions as soon as possible, intensifying our efforts and profiting by the opportunity of the moment. of concrete solutions must now be the endeavour

My contacts with the Allies are continual and are understanding on both sides. Since the most recent talks with Ambassador ARTOUR I feel myself in perfect agreement with the line to be followed by the democratic nations in SPAIN. The present situation is not yet clarified, and shows no indications of early change from within. I am following attentively and very closely the movements and reactions which are developing these days as a consequence of the Manifesto of DON JUAN and that of the Republicans. I shall send a detailed report on this. It will be my first duty to inform Your Excellency promptly concerning (?the best means) of coordinating our diplomatic activity with the Allies as the situation develops.

GALLARATISCOTTI

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N 74/08

FROM. ITALIAN EMBASSY LONDON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 173 7TH APRIL 1945 SECRET CABLE TAGGED

An article in the Times from PARIS, which I am sending by today's bag, reports the appointment of Ambassador NAGGIAR as delegate to the preliminary five-power conference for the administration of Colonial territories. The choice of NAGGIAR is probably attributed to the fact that he is a Levantine and if I am not mistaken has carried out important tasks in Syria before being Ambassador at MOSCOW and in CHINA. I understand that he is not hostile to us and was on very good terms with (?His Excellency) MOSSO.

According to the article, the French Governmente is not opposed to Italian administration, at least partial, of Italian possessions in Africa.

MIGONE.

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CSM/D311
N 59/08

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
TO . F.F.A. ROME
NO . 27 7TH APRIL 1945

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CABLE TWO D

I immediately made enquiries at the State Department concerning (integralpart?) radio transmission, according to (I grp corrupt) furnished me yesterday by telephone. The State Department had received a telegram on the subject from the American Commission (sic) in ROME, and had begun study of the question, which has also been referred to the Federal Communications Commission for examination. I pointed out the reasons which favor granting the Italian Government's request, and the State Department undertook to give me an answer within the week.

TARCHIANI

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OSM/D812
N 11/09

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO.113 6TH APRIL 1945

SECRET W/T TWO D

Yesterday MOLOTOFF called in the Japanese Ambassador SATO, and told him that the Soviet Government is denouncing the Russo-Japanese neutrality pact of 13th April 1941. The Soviet declaration, referring to the entire period between the ratification of the pact and the events of today, runs literally as follows: "Since that time the situation has radically changed. Germany attacked Russia, and the Japanese allied with Germany, aided her in the war against Russia. (1 grp corrupt) Japan made war against the U.S.A. and Great Britain, Russia's allies. Under such conditions the neutrality pact between Japan and Russia has lost its meaning and its extension has become impossible". (?While it is the result), as far as antecedents are concerned of the (?most) important Soviet concessions at the Crimea Conference, the Russian's action was foreshadowed in STALIN's speech of 6th last November, 6th, which by calling Japan an "aggressor" brought to an end a period of prudent reserve in MOSCOW's policy towards TOKYO, and - while it conforms with a general plan of revenge which is apparent in every aspect of Soviet diplomatic activity - is linked with an increasing preparation of Russian public opinion for the Asiatic phase of the world conflict at the moment when the European phase is approaching its end. It is more than evident that for Russia the final solution of the situation which is now coming into being is to liquidate the Asiatic account and wipe out the shame of TSUSHIMA.

The thing that cannot be forecast with certainty is whether in the last analysis this object will be achieved by diplomatic pressure, or by the successful of avenging arms thrown into the midst of the struggle, or by a last minute entry (Ital ACCESSIONE CAUDALE) into the final phase of the struggle in the Pacific. This is true in consequence of a complex of internal factors, because of the variety of aspects of Soviet-Anglo-American relations, and also because of the unknown factor in Japanese policy, which since the relinquishment of the SAKHALIN Oil concessions at the beginning of last year and until the recent events, has been singularly prone to a timid acquiescence in MOSCOW's demands.

Nevertheless its immediate effects are notable, especially upon the principle protagonist of the Pacific war, the United States, where the Soviet declaration, like STALIN's

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Speech on the eve of ROOSEVELT's reelection, will have the effect of a strong tonic in preparing the country for a total effort in the war against Japan. And in the Inter-Allied framework, the Soviet gesture is directed solely towards the United States. It has indeed the character of the punctual observance of a pledge evidently contracted as a concession with full value returned, so much the more important (1grp corrupt) in which on other questions a certain tension appeared to be showing itself.

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CSM/D 813
31/07

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO . M.F.A ROME
NO.112 6TH APRIL 1945 W/T ONE D

Herewith repetition requested by you (CSM.Note.of CSM/D783: paragraph four; of which our text also was corrupt):

"The latter Government has the particular support of BRITAIN who is believed to intend to make it -(group appears to be "convenience", the sense of which is not clear to translator) in numerous representations in MOSCOW where there will be convened as soon as possible a Consultative Committee for POLAND whose duty it will be to make final decisions.

The difficulty of communications, which may possibly prevent arriving at - plan, the ruptures which have occurred in the unity of Polish émigrés, the - which has occurred in the progress of the internal political life of POLAND of which the political personalities in liberated territory will -, make one anticipate that there will prevail (four grps still apparently corrupt) attachment to the country and that the provisional Government, remaining the basis for the formation of a new Government, will have a pre-eminent part in its final composition."

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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WHASHINGTON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 34 9th April 1945 CABLE TWO A

I have taken the matter up with the State Department presenting the arguments which you communicated to me to the effect that any form of occupation by the French of our territory is absolutely undesirable.

The State Department shewed a full comprehension of the motives which inspired our request and has got into touch with the Military Authorities concerned with the matter. It has today let me know the decision, which is that even if military operations should make necessary the participation of French troops (one grp corrupt), these would be (one grp corrupt) immediately withdrawn as soon as hostilities were finished: that the (group corrupt) occupation of the North will be entirely carried out by Anglo-American forces; and that there will not be any possibility of (groups corrupt) occupation by French.

In thanking the State Department, I again drew its attention to the way very serious ill-consequnnces caused by the actions of coloured Moroccan troops and asked him to represent to the Military Authorities the necessity of (corrupt ?avoiding) the employment of (grcup corrupt ?such) troops in Italy.

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CSM/D 808
N 50/07

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
TO . M.F.A ROME
NO. 720 5TH APRIL

CABLE TWO A

Your no. 15 (Dept note: ~~Csm/D~~ available if wanted)
I have several times raised with the State Department the question of the occupation of Venetia Julia, putting forward the arguments which you know. While the State Dept. has arranged to bring the matter before the Military authorities I have been assured in the most formal manner:
1. That it is still the firm intention of the U.S. Government that territorial questions shall remain unprejudiced until the Peace Conference, and 2. That the territory in question will be occupied only by the Allied Forces now fighting in Italy, not including troops of interested (I grp corrupt) However, it is stated that understandings exist inthis matter between the U.S. and British Governments and the Soviet Government. I shall be sure to follow (I grp corrupt) vital question with the most vigiland attention.

TARCHIANI

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CSM/D807
51/07

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 21 6TH APRIL

CABLE TWO A

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My reports no.88 and 116 (Dept note: not available) our participation in the Far Eastern conflict has been submitted to the examination of the competent U.S. Military authorities according to the provisions of the armistice. According to what I was told, the question has not been referred to the inter-allied military organization; (?because) it is believed that the British Government has been approached directly through its representative in Rome or the Italian Ambassador at London. I refer to the considerations put forward in report no.88 (page 7 point 1) and if you deem it necessary I should be grateful if you would telegraph any information pertinent to point 2 (same page) which I might use in connection with the above.

TARCHIANI

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CSM/D806
M 53/07

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FROM; ITALIAN MINISTER BERNE
TO . M.F.A ROME
NO. 497 (2 Parts)

W/T TWO A

Following telegram from the Military attaché in Berne for the War Ministry for His Excellency CASATI.

Captain REMO (grp corrupt) CHABOD and brother ALDO have arrived in Switzerland from GRENOBLE following the difficulties made for them by the French authorities; they would be grateful for details concerning their work: For my part please telegraph whether their payment should be taken care of by this office (?after its) financial situation has been improved; this remains critical, there being up till now no regular financing by the Legation (except for?) modest advances sufficient to pay partially for the most pressing debts.
General BIANCHI

Summary by CSM-ROME

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CSM/D 805
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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO . 381 5TH APRIL CABLE TWO A

Your no. 187 (Dept note: CSM/D774)

As I reported in detail in dispatch no.712 of 27th March (Dept note: Not available), I took urgent steps with the Foreign Minister with reference to the most summary trial to which ZANONI and the other four soldiers were to be subjected. Although they were arrested with arms in hand together with Spanish maquis, and therefore liable to be put to death, they were sentenced to only 12year's imprisonment, a light punishment in consideration of the possibility of amnesty, and of the pressure which can still be applied to obtain their liberation. I have arranged to supply to these Italians, because of their wretched condition, complete new outfits and aid in the form of food and money, with the primary purpose of impressing upon them the fact that the Italian Government is not abandoning them. At BARCELONA I was assured that the mildness of their sentence is due to the energetic and timely intervention of this Embassy and of myself.

In a forthcoming interview with the Foreign Minister I shall inform him in accordance with the last two paragraphs of your telegram referred to above.

GALLARATI SCOTTI.

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CABLE TTC D

FROM : ITALIAN MINISTER TO NORWEGIAN GOVT. LONDON
TO : M.F.A. ROME
NO. 1 3RD APRIL

Took office today QUIDOTTI. SECRET

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FROM. ITALIAN MINISTER STOCKHOLM
TO . M.F.A ROME
NO. 132 4TH APRIL

CSE/D 803
N 62/05
R/T TWO d

Confidential. The Swedish Foreign Minister of whom I made the request of your no:62 (Dept note: CSE/D 719), replied confidentially as follows.

1. If the Swedish Legation should remain in Berlin after Soviet occupation, it would no longer be able to act as a diplomatic mission and protection of (I grp corrupt) interests in Russian-occupied German territory would be incumbent upon the Swedish Legation in Moscow.

2. It is impossible to know at present whether Soviet occupation authorities will permit the staff of the Swedish Legation in Berlin, or Swedish consul in Germany (all honorary and of German Nationality) to occupy themselves with Swedish interests. The Swedish Government however is desirous of acceding to the Italian Governments request, but for the above-mentioned reasons does not think it practical to assue the formal protection of Italian interests in Soviet-occupied German territory. But it is disposed to instruct the Swedish Legation at Berlin to offer its good offices to Italian citizens as far as may be possible, although it foreseen that the possibilities of protection will be very slight. Please telegraph whether I may accept this limited protection in fact (or possibly DE FACTo) offered us, unless you think best to take the other measures

GUARNASCHELLI

(Dept note: by CSE: Considerations expressed in footnote to CSE/D746 would appear to apply equally to the present message.)

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SECRET CIPHER 802
1654/C

FROM. M.F.A. ROME
TO . ITALIAN AMBASSADORS London, Moscow, Washington.
No. 1654/c 3rd April CABLE TWO D

As you know, during the German occupation of Rome the Gold in the Bank of Italy was moved away by Nazi authorities. Immediately after the liberation of Rome the Italian Government notified Neutral Powers of the removal and asserted its right to the gold.

It is now considered proper to take the same action with Allied Governments. Will you therefore address to the Government to which you are accredited a Note Verbale in the following terms:

(Text follows: is this required?)

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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID SECRET O /D 801
TO . M.F.A. ROME N 58/05
RC. 376 4TH APRIL CABLE T WO D

SILENZI is acceptable to the Government of COSTA RICA.
GALLARATI SCOTTI

(Summary by CSM ROME)

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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 375 4TH APRIL

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G3b/D 800
N 59/05
CABLE TWO D

THE VENEZUELAN Minister to Madrid (I exp corrupt) his Government has given his agrément to the appointment of Minister CARTSIMO

GALLARATI SCOTTI

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CSM/D 799
N 22/05

FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO. M.F.A. ROME
NO. 103 3Rd April SECRET W/T ONE D

According to the first information which I have been able to obtain concerning BENES's visit, the conversation with reference to Foreign Affairs was based upon the Russo-Czech treaty of 12th December 1943. With reference to international affairs, BENES as you know had for some time made (I grp corrupt) that (I grp corrupt) (? the liberation of) Czechoslovakia he would replace the London Government with new personalities having (I grp corrupt) closer contact with the country. Meanwhile here in Moscow, in agreement with representatives of liberation movements in Slovakia and Subcarpathian Russia, called together to meet him, a partial reconstitution of the Government has been undertaken. FIERLINGER, Ambassador to Moscow and a person very well regarded here, (?becomes) Prime Minister. SLOBODA, Czecho-slovak commander on the Russian front, Minister of War: MASARYK for the moment retains the portfolio of Foreign Affairs. The Slovak element, headed by SCHROBER, has had a preponderant influence in this change: the Slovaks are very highly regarded here because in Slovakia the popular movement of revolt against the Germans assumed much greater size and vitality than in Bohemia and Moravia. The Slovaks wish, for the sake of the future of Slovakia, a practical form of federation with absolute parity at the center between Czechs and Slovaks.

The same constitutional change is desired in Subcarpathian Russia, where the situation is more complicated by the increasing tendency of the population to unite with the Soviet Ukraine. BENES personally favours a federal government and has given formal assurance of this here, but he is meeting with strong resistance among older Czech political elements. (? The Prime Minister) too is of the opinion that in liberated Czechoslovakia the question of collaboration with the Germans should be treated with discernment, remembering the special situation in which Czechoslovakia found herself at the moment of German occupation. He also inclines, with reference to the SUDETEN Germans, to discriminate between "Good" and "bad", and to expel only the latter from the country. The Slovaks on both

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points favour radical solutions. The Soviet Government has been kept informed of all these discussions. I do not find that there has been any discussion of the question of TES-CHEB: as always both (I grp corrupt) and Czechs believe that (? their right to the region was absolute).

Equipment has been promised by the Russians to double the Czechoslovak army (now 5 divisions it appears), as well as aid of various kinds to reconstruct Czechoslovakia after liberation.

GUARONI.

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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO . M.F.A ROME
NO. 104 3RD APRIL

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COM/D 798
N 21/05
R/T CKR D

In the course of the conversation held with me, BENES expressed gratification that the last act he had accomplished in London was the re-establishment of diplomatic relations with Italy, and expressed the hope that he would soon see an Italian representative (?appointed).~~accn.~~ He repeated to me the assurances already given to CARANDINI and SFORZA that the Czechoslovak Government will do ~~a~~ all it can to aid Italians liberated within its territory.

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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW SECRET OSW/D 797
TO . M.F.A. ROME NO.20./05
NO. 105 3RD APRIL W/T ORIG D

In my opinion the Russian request that the UKRAINE and White Russia be admitted into the Security Council is not only dictated by the desire to establish a certain equilibrium with the representatives of the Dominions, but must above all be considered as recognition of the increasing national consciousness of the two republics.

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FROM. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADRID
TO . M.F.A. ROME
NO. 377 4TH APRIL

CSM/D 756
R 57/05
CABLE TEC A

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In my telegrams no: 312, 327, 335 (Dept note: Madrid Rome 312, CSM/D 716: 327, CSM/D 761: 335 not received), I have informed Your Excellency of the developement of conversations with the authorities concerning the stipulation of a provisional air agreement for an Italian line to BARCELONA. In dispatch 714 (Dept note: Not available) I sent a draft of the agreement. Colonel BIANCHI (I grp corrupt) pretext (?looked at) the above-mentioned documents, and realising (I grp corrupt) to complement the work done by this Embassy towards the rebirth of Italian commercial aviation by international agreements with foreign powers, even though provisional, for the operation of an air line, (?he) expressed the opinion that it was necessary to sign as soon as possible an agreement which may be modified and improved later according to the future real needs of the service. The essential point- according to this officer- is not to lose the opportunity of operating an air link with Spain.

Agreeing with the point of view outlined, I beg Your Excellency to send me instructions at once by which I may proceed to an agreement as soon as possible, profiting by the favourable disposition of the Spanish Government, and putting the matter in my name before the Air Minister personally.

GALLARATI SCOTTI.

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APR 10 RECD
CC 0900

TO : Chief Commissioner's Office
FROM: Cypher Security Mission
DATE: 9th April 1945

Subject: CSM Summaries.

A. Thank you for returning this b atch.

The summaries of which we requested return in para D of the letter of 29th which you attached were actually not this batch but the whole set of former summaries which you have already returned to us. This batch was really intended for your retention if you desired and we are now making a copy on each occasion specially for you for this purpose.

B. If you don't think it necessary to r etain each batch after you have seen them, you could destroy them, or return them to us as an additional copy for our records.

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Attached CSM. D. 777 to 783.

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APR 5 RECD
CC 1545

FROM: CYPHER SECURITY MISSION

TO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER

2nd April 1945

Herewith, as requested, copies of our Translations and Summaires numbered CSM/D734-795.
Please return copy as receipt.

Done 5/4/45

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CSM/D784
N26/01

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO.101 30TH MARCH W/T 1 D

U.S.S.R., which already maintained diplomatic relations with MEXICO, COLOMBIA, URUGUAY, CUBA, and COSTA RICA, recently announced establishment of relations with CHILE (----- December), NICARAGUA (17 December), DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (8 March), and VENEZUELA (14 March). No information concerning BOLIVIA and SAN SALVADOR. As to ECUADOR, TASS recently denied a statement by a responsible person in QUITO that reestablishment of relations with RUSSIA might be considered "already a fact".

QUARONI

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FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO M F A ROME
NO. 100 30TH MARCH

CSM/D785
N 25/01
W/T ONE D

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The composition of the Soviet Delegation to the San Francisco Conference, presided over by the Ambassador (1 grp corrupt) Washington, and consisting solely of undistinguished officials, has been much commented upon in diplomatic circles here. To judge by the reaction of the Moscow press and official organs at the time of the French refusal, it would appear that the thesis of the Soviet Government is that, the Great Powers having agreed on a plan of international organization at Dumbarton Oaks and the Crimea, other participants can only accept or reject it; and that any proposed of amendment, from wherever it came, would only weaken the agreement already reached. I therefore think that the relatively modest choice of the Soviet delegation means that the Soviet Government does not intend to accept any important discussions and emendations of (2grps corrupt)

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FROM ITALIAN CONSUL GENERAL TANGIERS
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 35 31 MARCH CABLE 2 D

From news received from nearby French MOROCCO it does not appear that the situation of Italians resident there has improved with the reestablishment of diplomatic relations; Permit me to suggest that this question be kept in mind by the new Ambassador at PARIS.

SECRET CAPRANICA DEL GRILLO

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CSM/D787
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FROM ITALIAN EMBASSY LONDON
TO M.F A ROME
NO. 170 31ST MARCH CABLE 2 D

Your no.84 (Dept.Note: CSM/D769).
It is my duty to inform you that a competent official of the Polish Foreign Ministry here has told me that he has information from the Chargé d'Affaires at ROME that GUIDOTTI has been accredited to his Govcrnment also. The Czechoslovak Government ~~xkxa~~ already formally transferred: I shall make contact with Czechoslovak authorities here to learn the means of (?making our appointment).

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CSM/D788
N73/01

FROM ITALIAN EMBASSY BUENOS AIRES
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 134 31ST MARCH W/T 1 D

The State Department has informed the U S Embassy here that the French Government has asked the British Government to remove from the Black List the French and Italian Bank for South America, pointing out that it is an enterprise controlled by the mother country in the interests of Xxx the French.

(Details follow: is material on this subject desired?)

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From MFA, ROME

To Italian Ambassador, BUENOS AIRES.

No 76. 31 3 45 Cable One D

You should tell the Argentine Minister for Foreign Affairs in the name of the Royal Italian Government in reply to the official communication made to you that we are very happy that the solidarity between our countries, never denied, should now be reinforced and renewed by the most recent initiative of his Government.

It is our firm and fervent belief that the co-pperation between our two countries can now enter on phases which will be ever more definite and cordial.

DE GASPERI.

(Translation by CSM , ROME)

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CSM D 790

From MFA, ROME
To Italian Ambassador, MADRID.
No 208. 31 3 45 Cable, Three D

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Your telegram 143 (CSM D 486)

The Ministry of the Interior informs us that, owing to present circumstances imposed by the state of war, it is not at present possible to grant an entry-visa for ITALY to the journalist MARTINEZ TOMAS.

In informing him, please make it clear that the refusal is due entirely to reasons of a general nature inherent in the present war situation.

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(Translation sent by CSM, ROME)

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CSM/D791
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FROM ITALIAN M.F.A. ROME
TO ITALIAN EMBASSY BUENOS AIRES W/T 1 D
NO. 78 3RD APRIL

I transmit the following ISTCAMBI communication:

"1001. Please transmit the following dispatch to our representative Dr.FRASCA:

"'Arrange at once to pay to the Italian Embassy there the whole of our funds which are in your safe-keeping. We are assigning reference no.14088, Thursday 29th March, omitting the amount. ISTCAMBI.'

"We further request the Embassy to telegraph date and amount of transfer. The funds are to be held subject to our disposition, and used exclusively according to previous instructions from this Institute. Signed, Director ISTCAMBI."

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CSM/D792
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FROM ITALIAN MINISTER BERIO
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 483 ?2.4.45 W/T 2 D .

Your dispatch no.2776. (Dept.Note:Not available.)
The ITALCABLE representative for SWITZERLAND, SCHIAVI (and not ROTTHEI) has stated that he considers himself to be under the MILAN management. While pointing out the desirability of arranging immediately for his replacement, I propose the name of Ing.PIO FRANCO MARTINUZZI, who is technically fitted for the work and favorably known to this Legation. Please telegraph instructions.

BERIO

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C3M/D793
N67/03

FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MOSCOW
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 102 31ST MARCH W/T 1 D

My no.96 (Dept.Note:C3M/D763).

A TASS communiqué today states that the Soviet Government, before the March 22nd Declaration (?regarding) the Provisional Polish Government, had informed the British and U.S. Governments that if it should not be possible to reorganize the Polish Government soon enough, it would be well in its opinion to invite the WARSAW Government to SAN FRANCISCO as a Government which (1 gr corrupt) de facto power and enjoys the support of the Polish people. It had requested the two Governments to examine and decide the question by mutual agreement. The fact that the WARSAW Government had not yet established diplomatic relations with Gt. Britain and the U.S.A. cannot constitute an impediment to the invitation, for the Soviet Government has consented to the participation in the Conference of governments like INDIA, PARAGUAY, etc;, with which RUSSIA has no diplomatic relations.

The communiqué adds that the Soviet Government has informed the U.S.A. that it awaits an early reply on the matter, and the provisional Polish Government (1 gr corrupt) support the entire Declaration of 22nd March.

The Soviet Government's thesis (2 gr corrupt) that the mutual decision at the CRIMEA Conference has already recognized the WARSAW Government in the character of a basic Government, independently of its ulterior transformation.

(1 gr corrupt) the above statement (1 gr corrupt) I think that the Soviet Government's action has the purpose of hastening the progress of current conversations for the convocation of Polish representatives at MOSCOW. According to (3 gr corrupt) the only difficulty which remains unsettled is that the English are insisting on admission to the Conference of (?ROMER) MICOLAICIC and other (3 gr corrupt) persons who have much regard in English public opinion. The Polish Government objects that ROMER is a person with no political background: that M. and his friends were pronounced (1 gr corrupt) decision at the CRIMEA Conference: that in general it cannot accept the collaboration of persons and

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groups who are not in agreement with the three fundamental programs of the WARSAW Government, that is, the only valid Constitution that of 1921, recognition of the new frontier, and adhesion to agrarian reform. Introduction into the Government of elements whose attitude on these questions is at least (1 gr corrupt) would mean paralyzing the Polish Government at a moment when (1 gr corrupt) needs to gather all its energy for the work of rebuilding the country.

The impression in Soviet and Polish circles is that in general the English and American Governments, even though more or less unwillingly, are convinced that the Polish question has in fact been settled in favor of the WARSAW Government and that, especially before becoming concerned with (2 gr corrupt) to find a way to get out of the difficulties in which they have placed themselves before their own public because of not having understood the realities of the situation in time; that in one form or another the Polish Government will be invited to SAN FRANCISCO, if not at the beginning at least during the Conference. Further, the WARSAW Government, which in the recently liberated provinces of Poland has found more favorable (1 gr corrupt) than it expected, and feels sure of its position, is less and less disposed to make concessions to its rival.

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FROM ITALIAN EMBASSY LONDON
TO [illegible] F A ROME
NO. 172 3RD APRIL

CSM/D 794
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CABLE TWO A

The Soviet Government's stand, and more particularly its request for three votes and its decision not to be represented by MOLOTOFF, has produced a wave of pessimism - and of resentment in some quarters - regarding the prospects for the San Francisco Conference. (4rps corrupt) of postponement has been brought forward by the Press, which has pointed out that it is not desirable for top political figures to be absent from their posts at the moment of German collapse. (1grp corrupt) also authoritatively informed that the British Government favours postponement and is taking action accordingly.

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FROM Italian Ambassador Madrid
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 373 3RD APRIL

CSM/D795
N 48/94
CABLE TWO D

Quotation at some length from official Bulletin of the Cortes, no. 86 of 23rd March, concerning "extraordinary credit to pay Spanish exporters for shipments of reserve supplies to Italy".

(Dept note: by CSM: Please inform if full text desired).

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ALLIED COMMISSION
CYPHER SECURITY MISSION

APO 394 U S ARMY

To : Chief Commissioner
From : Cypher Security Mission

29th March 1945

Subject: Translations and Summaries made from Italian Foreign Ministry's telegrams.

A. Attached herewith, as requested today, the whole set of translations and summaries made by this Mission since it began to act under item 4 of its Terms of Reference on 23rd October 1944.

B. The distribution given to these by C.S.M. on specific instructions from Director, Room 17, Foreign Office has been .....

2 Copies to Director (as above).
1 copy to Political Section, Allied Commission, until notified recently by Political Division that these were no longer required.
1 copy (since 5th December 1944) to Signals Intelligence, AFHQ.

C. The Mission has hoped to recover, for transference to you, the set held by Political Section, but finds on enquiry of Political Division today that these have been destroyed.

D. The attached file, retained by us for reference, is therefore the only copy in Allied Commission. As reference to former telegrams is sometimes required in our work, we would be grateful if the file could be returned as soon as convenient.

E. As from today, copies of new translations or summaries will, as requested, be filed by us with Chief Commissioner's Office.

F. R. CATTY.

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Returned as requested ine para D.

From: Office of Chief Comme.

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FROM ITALIAN CHARGE D'AFFAIRES
BUENOS AIRES

TO F.O.A./ROME
NO. 125 25TH MARCH 1945 W/T 1 D

My no.31 (Dept.note: C5M/0529).

The Buenos Aires agent of Istamci has paid at my request 219,575 pesos representing the sum referred to in this Embassy's telegram 683 of 1943 (Dept.Note:Not available), handed over to him by this Embassy in August of that year. With reference to my no.104, please give me instructions as to utilisation. As to the remaining assets of Istamci, I confirm my no.31.

For your further information, the cryptographic material of Istamci is held by this Embassy.

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FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR/MADRID
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 359 27TH MARCH 1945

CABLE 2 A

I believe that I conformed with the intention of the Italian Government when I omitted from my visits of protocol to high civil and military authorities here, a visit to the Ministerial Secretary of the Falangist party, in order to demonstrate a clear political separation from it, even if my action should have some less favorable effect upon the discussions now under way. I am taking this initiative in advance of the new U.S. Ambassador, but have good reason to believe that he will follow the same course.

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FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR/WASHINGTON
TO M.F.A./ROME
NO. 717 CABLE 2 A

American agencies will certainly have transmitted the text of statements made yesterday to certain reporters at the State Department regarding the question of ITALY's admission among the United Nations, "which lies beyond the power of decision of the WASHINGTON Government alone", and regarding the participation of only the United Nations in the SAN FRANCISCO Conference, uninvited States being excluded (1 gr corrupt: possibly "as observers"). Before making the statement, the State Department had informed me of it. Today the New York Times published the news without special comment and without particular emphasis. I am reporting in detail by bag regarding this decision, which does not agree with assurances given me earlier by a high personage. While calling attention to my report no. 395/88, I beg you to furnish me all possible facts regarding the British, Soviet, and French position concerning our question (?with regard to) the SAN FRANCISCO Conference, from which I may derive a basis for my actions here.

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FROM ITALIAN MINISTER/BERNE
TO M.F.A. ROME
NO. 472 RECD ROME 30.3.45 W/T 2 D

Recommends Professors ZANOTTI BIANCO and AMADEI for Italian Institute of Culture, LAUSANNE.

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(Summary sent by CSM Rome.)

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FROM ITALIAN MINISTER/BERNE
TO M.F.A./ROME
NO. 475 RECD ROME 30.3.45 S/T 2 A

I have information from a dependable source that Neofascist and German troops recently scoured the valleys of VALTOURNANCHE and VAL D'AYAS, forcing Partisan troops to leave the area temporarily without any losses. The purpose of the operation seems to have been to keep passage to the Swiss frontier open for Neofascist leaders. In VAL D'AOSTA, however, Patriot formations are understood to be at present reorganizing and gaining strength.

French troops are said to be preparing to occupy areas of PIEDMONT, particularly VAL D'AOSTA, in collaboration with the Allies.

After DUGONI's departure for ROME, the brothers CHABOD were ordered for the same reason to leave French territory, and they are now in SWITZERLAND. Contingents from the VAL D'AOSTA now stationed near (1 group corrupt: may be LYONS) (CHAMBARAN) have been left to shift for themselves).

The foregoing is causing justifiable alarm as to the real intentions of the French.

Dept. Note by CSM: Since BERNE long persisted in using the brevity code for reports on the military situation, it is presumed that the choice of a secure system for the above message is due to the most recent and strongest warning on the subject, sent by M.F.A. on 6th March at the urgent request of this office.

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CSM D 782
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From: Italian Ambassador ; MOSCOW

To: M.F.A., ROME

No 97; 28 3 45 (W/T Cne D)

The Chinese Ambassador here, Dr FOO PING , who is a person of - importance in the KUOMINTANG and much thought of in Government circles in CHUNGKING, recently took occasion to speak to me as follows :

His Government was considering with attention the matter of establishing relations with ITALY. He explained that the Chinese Government was proceeding with great caution in respect of the Allies and was following the policy which for its part it considered appropriate to the different countries of EUROPE, solely within the scope of a post-war settlement. For this reason it had not hitherto wished to take an initia-tive which, especially in view of experience elsewhere, might hurt susceptibilities and give an impression different from the intention.

Dr. FOO PING added that now, as the European conflict was drawing to a close, they did not (?fail to realize) at CHUNGKING the value of relations with our country which, by virtue of its historic traditions, was always (?considered) by CHINA as an important factor in post-war EUROPE.

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§ Translation sent by CSM;ROME)

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CSM D 783
161/28

From Italian Ambassador, Moscow
to M.F.A. Rome.

No 96 27 3 45 (W/T One D)

After a period of waiting which followed the CRIMEA Conference, the discussions for the settlement of the Polish problem here entered upon a constructive phase and are moving at a faster pace, it being the intention three Governments to liquidate the question before the beginning of the SAN FRANCISCO Conference.

The three parties to the question have reached agreement regarding the exclusion from the discussions and from any activity inherent in them of the Polish groups and political parties. These have however been criticising and opposing the CRIMEA decisions.

There remains therefore on the scene the Provisional Polish Government, political personalities from liberated territory, and a group of Polish emigres who are not part of the Government of LONDON;

The latter Government has the particular support of BRITAIN, who is believed to intend to - it in numerous representations in MOSCOW, where there will be convened as soon as possible a Consultative Committee for POLAND whose duty it will be to make final decisions.

(Note by CSM : The next sentence is too corrupt in the text as received in Rome to be certainly read. The general sense clearly is that there has been a division of opinion among Polish emigres)

Evidently the suicidal negative attitude of the Polish Government in LONDON has acted as a catalytic element in the new situation.

For your information - the United States are following these negotiations without any excessive interest, but the British Government is taking an active part in them.

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(Translation sent by CSM; ROME)

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A/CC 311.5

23 September 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: G-2, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your Memorandum GSI/GSI/10/44 of the 14 September 44 regarding the departure of a joint Anglo-American mission whose object will be to go into the question of Italian Government communications with their missions abroad and communications between such missions.

2. As this mission will presumably report in the first instance to Allied Force Headquarters at Caserta before coming on to Rome, we attach a copy of the latest revision of Executive Memorandum No. 46 which sets out the present procedure regarding Italian Government message traffic. We would suggest that this memorandum would repay study by the mission before proceeding to this Headquarters.

3. As commentary on the proposed terms of reference for the mission we should be grateful for some elucidation on point 1 which lays down that the mission shall watch Italian diplomatic communications and their security. As regards point 2, it is our understanding that the provision of suitable means of communications for the Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Italian missions abroad is a military responsibility which in the past has been carried out by the Communications Sub-Commission through the Chief Signal Officer at AFHQ. We understand from your memorandum of the reference that this procedure should continue. As regards point 3, we would inquire by what means the mission intend to keep the Foreign Office and State Department informed of the contents of Italian telegrams. As the mission is to be set up within the framework of the Allied Control Commission, we presume that this reporting will be done through normal ACC channels to AFHQ and that it will be for AFHQ to arrange that these communications are forwarded to London and Washington. As regards the suggestion that the mission should also have the function of keeping the Allied Control Commission itself informed of the contents of Italian telegrams we must point out that these telegrams should, as at present, go at once to the Political Section who have to deal with the Italian authorities about all the subjects raised therein. It could only lead to delay if the Political Section did not receive these telegrams at least simultaneously with the mission. As regards point 4, the Communications Sub-Commission has already sent to Allied Force Headquarters full information regarding Italian ciphers in use and as requested in your memorandum, we confirm that these will continue to be forwarded to AFHQ for approval prior to their being brought into use. As regards lines of communications we should repeat that our understanding is that these are under military control and that all information on this subject should only be given by the Chief Signal Officer at AFHQ.

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Letter A/CC 321.5 dated 23 Sept 44 (Cont'd).

4. Guidance on the above points would be appreciated before the arrival of the mission.

5. As billets and office accommodation will have to be provided for the mission we should be grateful if you can inform us as soon as possible of the exact number of the mission and the proposed date of arrival.

ALLEN W. STOKE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

Copies to: C-in-C, Allied Force Headquarters
U.S. Political Adviser
British Resident Minister
Chief Signal Officer, AFHQ
U.S. Representative to the Advisory Council of Italy
British High Commissioner
Political Section
Communications Sub-Commission

} Taken by Mr. Schmidt, Pol. Sec., to AFHQ, 23 Sept 44.
} By hand of Captain Slaughter

Letter prepared by Mr. Caccia, Political Section

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EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM NUMBER 46

ITALIAN GOVERNMENT MESSAGE TRAFFIC

1. INTERNAL

(a) Italian Government messages within Government territory, except Sardinia, are not subject to censorship; messages may be in clear or in cipher. They may be subject to inspection, if required, to check the official nature of the message.

(b) Italian Government messages to or from Sardinia are liable to censorship; ciphers will therefore only be used on this channel that have been approved by Allied authorities and of which copies are held. The censorship exercised will be laid down by the Communications Sub-Commission from time to time, in accordance with instructions from the military authorities concerned.

2. EXTERNAL

(a) Italian Government messages may be passed over the commercially operated submarine cables from Naples to Malta or from Brindisi to Malta for Italian Missions, etc. abroad. Messages are subject to the approval of the Political Section, A.C.C.; they may be in clear or in the codes and or ciphers approved by Allied Force Headquarters. The detailed procedure for dealing with this traffic is given in Attachment "A".

(b) Italian Government messages may be passed over the commercially operated radio circuits from Italy to the United States or the United Kingdom for any addresses dealt with by the operating companies. On these circuits, messages are subject to the approval of the Political Section and also to Field Press Censorship in case of Press messages; they may only be in clear and will be of an entirely non-secret nature such as press releases. The detailed procedure for dealing with this traffic is given in Attachment "B".

3. GENERAL

Italian Government messages may be passed over Allied operated circuits, telegraph, cable or radio, as arranged with the military authorities concerned from time to time. These arrangements will be made the subject of instructions issued as required.

M. S. LUSH.
Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner.

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ATTACHMENT "A"

PROCEDURE FOR DEALING WITH ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TRAFFIC OVER THE COMMERCIALLY OPERATED CABLES, NAPLES - MALTA AND BRINDISI - MALTA.

1. All messages will bear the message instruction "FIL" (to be transmitted by landline or cable only) at the beginning.

2. Outgoing messages may only be addressed to Italian Embassies, Missions, etc. abroad.

3. Outgoing messages for transmission in clear. Messages will be handed in by the Italian Government to the Political Section, Headquarters, A.C.C. Rome. After approval they will be forwarded by the Political Section to the HQ Adjutant's office with an endorsement on one copy "Approved for transmission over commercial cables IN CLEAR" signed by the HQ Adjutant's office and passed to the A.C.C. Signal center for transmission to the military signal office controlling the cable office.

4. Outgoing messages for transmission in cipher. Cipher and clear text copies will be handed by the Italian Government to the Political Section, HQ's A.C.C. After approval they will be forwarded by the Political Section to the HQ Adjutant's office, with an endorsement on one cipher copy "Approved for transmission over commercial cables IN CIPHER" signed by the endorsing officer. A ciphered copy will then be authenticated by the HQ Adjutant's office and passed to the A.C.C. Signal Center for transmission to the military signal office controlling the cable office. A second cipher copy together with a clear copy will be sent by the HQ Adjutant's office to the A.C.C. Signal center, for check; after check, both these copies will be returned to the Political Section with any necessary comment. It should be noted that cipher copies of approved messages may be passed for transmission without being delayed for the check by A.C.C. Signals for agreement of texts.

5. Incoming messages. Incoming messages, in clear or in cipher, will be delivered without delay to the Italian Government. A clear copy of each message will also be delivered to the Political Section.

6. All charges by the cable company will be met by the Italian Government.

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ATTACHMENT "F"

PROCEDURE FOR DEALING WITH ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TRAFFIC OVER THE COMMERCIALLY OPERATED RADIO CIRCUITS FROM ITALY TO THE U.S. AND U.K.

1. Outgoing messages may be addressed to any address dealt with by the operating companies.

2. Messages will be in clear only, and will be of an entirely non-secret nature such as press releases.

3. Messages will be handed to the Political Section, HQ., A.C.C. After approval they will be sent to the HQ Adjutant's office with an endorsement on one copy "Approved for transmission over commercial radio IN CLEAR subject to Field Press Censorship approval" signed by the endorsing officer. The messages will then be authenticated by the HQ Adjutant's office and passed to the Field Press Censorship office, Rome. If approved they will be duly endorsed and forwarded by that office to the radio operating company for transmission.

4. Incoming Press messages will be sent by the Field Press Censorship office to the Hq. Adjutant's office A.C.C. which will pass them without delay to the Italian Government, sending a copy to the Political Section.

5. All charges by the radio company will be met by the Italian Government.

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22 September 1944

TO: Brigadier Lush

FROM: Political Section

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1. I attach a draft reply for Captain Stone's signature to a proposal put forward by AFHQ for a joint anglo-American Mission to go into the question of Italian Government communications.

2. The draft was prepared by the Political Section and the Communications Sub-Commission together. The point about which we could not reach agreement was where this Mission would be placed "within the framework of the ACC". In brief, neither of us want to be responsible for it! The case for the Political Section is that three out of four of the terms of reference of the Mission fall outside Political Section competence. The case for the Communications Sub-Commission is that the only term of reference which makes any sense is the one which concerns the Political Section. When you have considered this would you pass on to Captain Stone as a matter of urgency. We must get this to AFHQ before the Mission arrives.

H.A.C.

H. A. CACCIA

A/CC.

Passed. The function of the Mission appears to me if to constitute a form of official censorship, it should (4) therefore come under Pol. Communicat^n. Sub Com of A.C.C. (1)

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I concur. Eng MS (22/9/44

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
APO 394

EWS/ajp

A/CC 311.5

19 September 1944

Subject: Italian Government Cypher Communications

To : Communication Sub-Commission
(Att: Colonel Henderson)

1. Reference is made to the following correspondence:

(2) a. Letter from G-2, ACS, AFHQ, GDI/GEN/10/44, dated 14 Sept 44, Subject "Cypher Communication", copy attached.

(2) b. Letter from Resident Minister's Office, 3/150/6, dated 14 Sept 44, subject as above, copy attached.

2. I am not sure if your are conversant with this question, but if not, the Political Section can put you fully in the picture. Please speak with them and coordinate whatever action is necessary.

E. W. S.

2 Incls:
as in para 1 above.

1st Indorsement

To: Political Section from Communications Sub-Commission. 22 Sept 44.

1. Recommend that Mission be made part of Political Section since most of terms of reference are now carried out by that Section.

2. Terms of reference include two which are considered the responsibility of Communications Sub-Commission, namely:-

(2) Provision of means of communication.
(4) Information regarding ciphers.

3. Political Section is to confirm that interested officials have been informed that Mission may come forward.

J. L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director, Communications Sub-Commission.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
A.P.O. 512 U.S. ARMY

GBI/GEN/10/44 14 September 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Captain E.W. Stone, USNR,
Deputy Chief Commissioner,
A.C.C., A.P.O. 612.

SUBJECT : Cypher Communications.

2 INCL

With reference to attached memorandum 3/150/6 of 14 September from Office of the Resident Minister.

There is no objection to you arranging the departure of the mission. I should be grateful if you would confirm that copies of the Italian cyphers used will continue to be forwarded to this HQ for approval prior to their being brought into use. Any question of opening up new communications will of course be governed by the existing regulations and must be taken up with Chief Signal officer at AFHQ through your Telecommunication Sub-Commission.

T. S. AIREY,
Major General, G.S.,
A. C. of S., G-2.

Copies to: Mr Makin
C.S.O.
Chairman Med Sigint Committee.

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To: A. C. of S., G-2.

From: Resident Minister's Office.

The British and American authorities concerned have been considering how best to ensure that their requirements in the matter of the Italian Government cypher communications with Italian Missions abroad and communications between such Missions are satisfied. These requirements are:

(a) that no leakage of information to the enemy takes place;

(b) that we see all Italian messages of possible interest at the earliest possible date and with the minimum of extra work;

(c) that the British and American authorities are kept informed regarding cyphers and lines of communication used.

For this purpose it is proposed that a small British and American Mission should be set up within the frame work of the Allied Control Commission with the following terms of reference:

(1) to watch Italian diplomatic communications and their security;

(2) to provide the Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Italian missions abroad with suitable means of communication;

(3) to keep the Foreign Office, State Department and Allied Control Commission informed of the contents of Italian telegrams;

(4) to keep the British and American authorities informed regarding Italian cyphers and lines of communication.

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The members of the British and American Mission have now been selected and are ready to leave the United Kingdom.

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The Acting Chief Commissioner of the Allied Control Commission has no objection to receiving such a Mission and fitting it in to the framework of the A.C.C. provided he is authorised to do so by A.F.H.Q.

If no objection is seen, it is requested that the necessary authority may be given to Captain Stone before the departure of the members of the Mission from the United Kingdom.

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TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR ITALIAN MISSION

1. To ensure that the Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Italian Missions abroad are provided with secure codes and cyphers.

2. To ensure that the codes and cyphers provided or approved are properly used so as to retain their security.

3. To keep Director, G.C. & C.S., and the corresponding United States organisation informed regarding Italian Diplomatic cyphers and lines of communication.

4. To keep the Foreign Office, State Department, and Allied Control Commission informed of the contents of Italian telegrams.

/S/ H. M.

6th September, 1944.

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