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JULY - OCT. 1945

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ALLEGED SHIPMENT OF CONTRABAND FROM ITALY
JULY - OCT. 1945

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W. Doherty
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P.S. S/c
7 Aug. 45

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As discussed - copy has been
to LO, Bari, for appropriate action.

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8 Aug 45

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2. Info noted, and file returned.

W. Doherty for Director

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Food S/c
10 Aug 45.

Tel. 478707

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

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9 August 1945

SUBJECT: Illegal shipment of Contraband wheat from Italy
TO : AICOM Liaison Officer, Bari

1. We are forwarding herewith for your action copy of a letter from AMI Naples Commune which states that there have been instances of illegal shipments of wheat from Adriatic ports to Greece.

J. M. Merritt
JAMES M. MERRITT
Director

Enclosure:
12r AMI Naples Commune
Ref: 7.8. dated 31 July 45

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

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14303
27 October 1945

AGR/861

SUBJECT: Coast Guard Service for the West Coast of Italy

TO : Navy Sub-Commission, HQ, AC.

1. It is noted from your letter of 25 October, 1945, Ref. NSC/3843, that you will be glad to investigate the possibility of providing a patrol service for the purpose of controlling the smuggling of wheat to France by sea.
2. The problem of clandestine trade in wheat with France has been specially investigated by an officer of this Sub-Commission, and as a result the illicit trade over the land boundary with France has been considerably curtailed. This has been effected by road patrols using armoured cars and by increased vigilance on the part of the Carabinieri and the Guardia di Finanza. At the end of September the latter two organizations were asked to intensify their control. In spite of action taken as described above, this Sub-Commission is informed that small ships and boats are leaving the ports in the North of Italy with wheat for France.
3. The Captain of the Port of Genoa has requested means of controlling the coast, and your cooperation in this matter would be welcomed, because the loss of wheat by smuggling has a serious effect on the food situation in Italy.

J. M. Merritt
JAMES M. MERRITT
Director

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NSC/3895
31 October 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Agriculture Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
Subject: Clandestine Traffic between Italy and France.
Reference: (a) Agriculture Sub-Commission ltr. AGR/861 of 27 October 1945. ✓
Enclosure: (A) Copy Italian Ministry of Marine ltr. 21443/2 of 20 October 1945.
(B) Copy Navy Sub-Commission ltr. NSC/3894 of 31 October 1945.

1. In reply to reference (a), it has been confirmed by the Flag Officer Italy and Liaison that Italian naval vessels are not available for the purpose of establishing a coastguard service for the West Coast of Italy to control clandestine traffic between Italy and France. Likewise, no Allied motor vessels are known to be available for such service and it is highly improbable that their use for such service would be authorized.

2. As indicated in enclosure (A), the Italian Ministry of Marine previously has taken action to assist in the control of clandestine traffic between Italy and Tripolitania. Accordingly, the Italian Ministry of Marine has been requested in enclosure (B) to take similar action with respect to north-west Italian waters.

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(Sgt) G. L. WARREN

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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Public Safety Sub-Commission, AC. ✓

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Cabinet)
To : N.S.C. - HQ - A.C.
Date: 20th October 1945.
Ref.: 21443/2

Subject: Clandestine traffic between Italy and Tripolitania.
(Navy Sub-Commissioner's letter No. NSC/3362 of 26th August 1945)

1. In compliance with the above letter you are informed that:

- (a) Orders have been given to the Port Captaincies in Sicily to arrange with the public Security authorities concerned for a sharp watch upon attempts to leave the country;
- (b) The High Commissioner for Sicily has been informed of the instructions given to the Port Captaincies;
- (c) The independent Military Maritime Command for Sicily has been requested to investigate in collaboration with the Royal Prefectures what assistance the I.R.N. can give towards the prevention of illegal departures to Tripolitania and to refer the matter then to this Ministry.

2. With reference to para. 3 of the above letter it is observed that as the traffic takes place in waters little frequented by Italian Naval Vessels no large part in suppressing the said traffic can be undertaken by the I.R.N. and in consequence it is suggested that the Ministry of the Interior should be invited to give orders designed to discover the clandestine expatriation organisation, and thus better ensure its effective prevention.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
NAVY SUB-COMMISSION APO 394

NSC/3804
31 October 1945.

FROM: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.
Subject: Clandestine Traffic between Italy and France.
Reference: (a) Ministry of Marine ltr. 51443/2 of
20 October 1945.

1. The Ministry of Marine in reference (a) inform the Navy Sub-Commission, AC, as to action taken to suppress clandestine traffic between Italy and Tripolitania.

2. A similar request has been received from the Italian Ministry of Agriculture and Forests through the Agriculture Sub-Commission, AC, to determine whether a coastguard service can be established to control clandestine shipments of wheat from Italy to France utilizing Allied motor vessels which may be available. It is further stated that the Italian Ministry of Marine has been approached by the Italian Ministry of Agriculture and Forests to arrange such a service and was informed that Italian patrol vessels are not available. Likewise, no Allied motor vessels are available.

3. In order to assist in the control of clandestine traffic in Northwest Italian waters, it is requested that the Italian Ministry of Marine take action similar to that indicated in reference (a) by informing Italian Port Captains in that area to assist whenever possible in suppressing such traffic.

(Sd) G. L. WILSON
REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 994
AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

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9 August 1945

SUBJECT: Illegal Shipment of Contraband Wheat From Italy
TO : AICOM Liaison Officer, Bari

1. We are forwarding herewith for your action copy of a letter from AME Naples Commune which states that there have been instances of illegal shipments of wheat from Adriatic ports to Greece.

James M. Merritt
JAMES M. MERRITT
Director

Enclosure:

Ltr AME Naples Commune
Ref: 7.8, dated 31 July 45

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NAPLES COMMUNE
APO 394
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

Ref: PS/ 7.8

Date 31 July 1945

SUBJECT: Alleged shipment of contraband wheat from Italy.

TO : HQ. Allied Commission;
(Att. Public Safety Sub-Commission).

1. During a recent conference at Avellino, in the presence of Colonel PENNYCUICK, the Prefect and the undersigned, Capitano PORCARI of GC.FF. Avellino stated that reports have reached him to the effect that contraband wheat from Foggia was being illegally shipped from nearby Adriatic ports to Greece.
2. If true, this is a serious matter, in view of the tremendous amount of wheat being imported for civilian consumption.
3. Forwarded for such action as is deemed appropriate.

For the Commissioner:

F.P. Luckman
F.P. LUCKMAN
Major, A.C.,
S.C.A.P.O.

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